

The Board of License Commissioners of Cecil County met in a regular session at the County Administrative Building, Conference Room, 200 Chesapeake Boulevard, Elk Room, Elkton, MD on Wednesday, October 28, 2020 at 9:15 A.M.

PRESENT: Stephen Miller, Chairman
Kristen Ortt, Commissioner
Bernard Chiominto, Commissioner
Jason Allison, Board Attorney
Earl Bradford, Chief Alcoholic Beverage Inspector
Robin S. Trader, Administrative Assistant

Chairman Miller called the virtual meeting to order via Zoom. Mr. Allison stated that because items on the agenda weren't properly advertised, they would be postponed, those items are Fletchwood Tavern and Golden Mule' Mr. Allison advised there was an issue with the application for Elk Forge and they would need to correct this so that may be properly advertised.

9:15 AM MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

Class "A" BWL No. A-17 – Sanjay Patel, Member; Robin Desmith, Member; Hari Ohm, LLC; Nitin Singh Uppal, Nitico, Inc. T/A Station Spirits, 2546 Pulaski Highway, North East Station North East, Maryland 21901

Nitin Singh Uppal appeared before the Board with attorney, Harrison Greene, who represents the current licensee, Sanjay Patel, Member; Robin Desmith, Member; Hari Ohm, LLC; Mr. Uppal was duly sworn by the Clerk. It was explained that there is a contract to purchase the building and they will be applying for the transfer of the license at a later date. Mrs. Trader stated we need the State of MD Sales and Use Tax number for Nitico, Inc. Chairman Miller called for a motion; Commissioner Ortt made a motion to approve the management agreement from Nitico Inc.; Commissioner

TRANSFER

Application received from LeAnn Lenderman, Owner; Harry Lenderman, Owner; Elk Forge Company LLC, T/A **Elk Forge Bed & Breakfast, Inn, Spa and Events**, 807 Elk Mills Road, Elk Mills, MD 21920 for transfer of Class "B" Beer, Wine & Liquor Alcoholic Beverage License No. B-110 from Le Ann Lenderman, Owner; Seth Whitley, Owner; Andrew Whitley, Owner; Elk Forge Co., LTD, T/A **Elk Forge Bed & Breakfast**, 807 Elk Mills Road, Elk Mills, MD 21920

Harry Lenderman appeared before the Board and was duly sworn by the Clerk; Mr. Allison explained that the application was completed incorrectly, in which "Upgrade" was checked instead of "Transfer". Mr. Allison continued and stated the application will need to be corrected, resubmitted and presented to the Board at the next meeting.

Application received from Charles Alton Copeland, Jr. Member; William Dix, Member; Bayheads Brewing Company, LLC, T/A **Bayheads Brewing Company**, 401 Second Street, Chesapeake City, MD 21915 for transfer of Class "B" Beer, Wine & Liquor Alcoholic Beverage License No. B-136 from Maria Kourkoutas, Maria's Pizza Restaurant LLC; T/A **Maria's Restaurant**, 2525 Augustine Herman Highway, Suite A, Chesapeake City, MD 21915

Charles Copeland appeared before the Board; he was duly sworn by the Clerk. Mr. Allison read the legal notice stating it was advertised on the dates of October 14 and 21, 2020. The fully executed application packet with proper fees included: signatures of 10 registered voters and property owners in District 2. Mr. Allison asked if the information in the application as submitted had changed since submitting; the applicants stated no. Mr. Copeland stated they will be moving to a new location, the former Bohemia Café; they are currently under construction and plan to have a restaurant, as well as, the brewery. They will use this Class "B" license to offer other alcoholic beverages than they currently offer. The kitchen, which is currently set up with a hood, will offer fried foods, cheeseburgers and brunch on Sunday. Mr. Allison asked about the C&D Holding; Mr. Copeland stated C&D Holding owns the real estate only. Mr. Allison stated they will need to have a lease between C&D Holding and Bayheads Brewing Company LLC and submit a copy to the Board office. Commissioner Chiominto asked about occupancy; Mr. Copeland stated they will need the Fire Marshal's office to sign off on the occupancy permit; Mrs. Trader stated the Board office will need a copy of the OP when it is issued, in order to issue the license. With no further questions, Chairman Miller called for a motion. Commissioner Chiominto made a motion to approve the transfer of Class "B" Beer, Wine & Liquor Alcoholic Beverage License No. B-136 from Maria Kourkoutas, Maria's Pizza Restaurant LLC; T/A **Maria's Restaurant**, 2525 Augustine Herman Highway, Suite A, Chesapeake City, MD 21915 to Charles Alton Copeland, Jr. Member; William Dix, Member; Bayheads Brewing Company, LLC, T/A **Bayheads Brewing Company**, 401 Second Street, Chesapeake City, MD 21915; Commissioner Ortt seconded that motion and the Board unanimously approved the transfer of Class "B" Beer, Wine & Liquor Alcoholic Beverage License No. B-136 from Maria Kourkoutas, Maria's Pizza Restaurant LLC; T/A **Maria's Restaurant**, 2525 Augustine Herman Highway, Suite A, Chesapeake City, MD 21915 to Charles Alton Copeland, Jr. Member; William Dix, Member; Bayheads Brewing Company, LLC, T/A **Bayheads Brewing Company**, 401 Second Street, Chesapeake City, MD 21915

SHOW CAUSE

Class "B" BWL No. B-34 - Shirley A. Brown, Owner; Fletchwood Inn, Inc., Ann Brown and George Kelly; Brown and Kelly LLC, Lease Managers; T/A **Fletchwood Tavern**, 208 Fletchwood Road, Elkton, MD 21921

Mr. Allison spoke to the licensee and managers at Fletchwood Tavern and stated the hearing was incorrectly advertised and would be postponed until the next meeting.

OUTDOOR ENTERTAINMENT - CONTINUED

Class "D" BWL No. D-108 - Larry McElroy, President/CEO; James Gorman, Vice President; The Golden Mule LLC, T/A **The Golden Mule**, 1809 Conowingo Road, Rising Sun, MD 21911 - **POSTPONED**

General Business

- **Approve Minutes**
Chairman Miller called for a motion to approve the minutes from the February and August meetings; Commissioner Ortt made a motion to approve the minutes from the February and August meetings; Commissioner Chiominto seconded that motion and the Board approved the minutes from the February and August meetings.
- **Specials**
Mrs. Trader stated she received an email from a boy whose mother had had a stroke the week prior and they were interested in holding a corn hole tournament; she explained Special One Day licenses are issued to non-profits. Chairman Miller suggested he get possibly get in touch with any of the licensed clubs in the county, he's pretty sure they would team up with him to hold the event.

Old Business

New Business

With no further business to discuss Chairman Miller called for a motion to adjourn; Commissioner Chiominto made a motion to adjourn; Commissioner Ortt seconded that motion and the meeting was adjourned at 9:52 AM.

BY:

Stephen Miller, Chairman

ATTEST:

Robin S. Trader, Administrative Assistant