

**ALCOHOL BEVERAGE BOARD
THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2023 @ 1:00 PM
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CONFERENCE ROOM
CHESAPEAKE BUILDING
41770 BALDRIDGE STREET
LEONARDTOWN, MD 20650**

The meeting of the Alcohol Beverage Board of St. Mary's County was held on Thursday, March 9, 2023, at 1:00 PM in the County Commissioners Conference Room, Chesapeake Building, Leonardtown, Maryland.

Chairman David Willenborg called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Chairman David Willenborg
Vice-Chair Richard Watts
Member Leonard Kohl
Member Richard Shin
Member Barbara Hill
Tamara Hildebrand, Administrator
Chris Beaver, Attorney
Suzan Dean, Recording Secretary
Kevin Hall, Inspector
Dep. Steve Myers, Alcohol Enforcement Coordinator

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Vice-Chair Watts moved to approve the agenda for March 9, 2023. Motion was seconded by Member Kohl. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES – February 9, 2023

Vice-Chair Watts moved to approve the minutes for February 9, 2023. Motion was seconded by Member Hill. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Extension of Conditional Approvals**

The Brass Tap Craft Beer Bar & Kitchen – Josephine Snavelly, Michael Snavelly, and Candace Snavelly - Requesting 90-day extension of conditional approval.

Josephine Snavelly, Michael Snavelly and Candace Snavelly appeared before the Board and were sworn in. Mr. Snavelly explained to the Board that they have finalized the lease with the landlord and are moving forward to obtain their permits and other necessary obligations to begin the building of the restaurant. Vice-Chair Watts made a motion to approve a 90-day extension of conditional approval. The motion was seconded by Member Shin. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Violations**

Capt. Sam's - Employee: Muhammad Shafiq

The above individual, Muhammad Shafiq, was an employee of a license holder and sold or provided alcoholic beverages to an individual under the age of twenty-one years in violation of §6-304 of the Alcoholic Beverages Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland and §5.04(j) of the Rules and Regulations of the Alcohol Beverage Board of St. Mary's County.

Muhammad Shafiq appeared before the Board and was sworn in. Mr. Shafiq admitted that the violation did occur. Mr. Shafiq stated that he had not had any violations in 20 years of his time at Capt. Sam's and that he usually does 100% ID check. Vice-Chair Watts made a motion for a fine of \$ 150.00 to be paid within 10 days. Motion was seconded by Member Shin. Motion carried.

Licensee(s): Salma Shafiq

Sale of alcoholic beverages to a person under the age of twenty-one (21) in violation of §6-304 of the Alcoholic Beverages Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland and §5.04(j) of the Rules and Regulations of the Alcohol Beverage Board of St. Mary's County.

Salma Shafiq appeared before the Board and was sworn in. Ms. Shafiq admitted that the violation did occur. Ms. Shafiq stated that she reminds her employees including her father to always check IDs for alcohol and tobacco products for all sales. Vice-Chair Watts made a motion for a \$1000.00, \$500.00 held in abeyance and RAST. The motion was seconded by Member Kohl. Motion carried.

Vino 2 Wine & Liquor- Licensee(s): Jaspal Kaur and Gurnam Singh Randhawa

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Jaspal Kaur and Gurnam Singh Randhawa along with their son Bachitar Singh Randhawa (to assist with translation) appeared before the Board and were sworn in. They were

represented by Attorney Daniel Slade. Mr. Slade admitted that the violation did occur. Mr. Slade explained that his clients have enrolled in the We Card program. Vice-Chair Watts made a motion for a \$1000.00, \$500.00 held in abeyance and RAST. The motion was seconded by Member Hill. Motion carried.

New Market Exxon - Employee: Brittany Marie Wathen

The above individual, Brittany Marie Wathen, was an employee of a license holder and sold or provided alcoholic beverages to an individual under the age of twenty-one years in violation of §6-304 of the Alcoholic Beverages Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland and §5.04(j) of the Rules and Regulations of the Alcohol Beverage Board of St. Mary's County.

Brittany Wathen appeared before the Board and was sworn in. Ms. Wathen admitted that the violation did occur. Ms. Wathen stated that her employer wanted 100 % ID checking for the sale of alcohol. Vice-Chair Watts made a motion for a fine of \$ 150.00 to be paid within 10 days. Motion was seconded by Member Hill. Motion carried.

Licensee(s): Nadeem Aslam and Ronald V. Carrico

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Nadeem Aslam and Ronald Carrico appeared before to Board and were sworn in. Mr. Aslam admitted that the violation did occur. Mr. Aslam explained that he had not been aware of the violations because the clerk who excepted them at the place of business never notified Mr. Aslam that the violation had happened until several days later. Vice-Chair Watts made a motion for a \$1000.00, \$500.00 held in abeyance and RAST. The motion was seconded by Member Shin. Motion carried.

- **Applications**

Dave McKay Liquors - Application of Dave McKay to transfer Dave McKay Liquors Class A-1 BWL license location from 37670 Mohawk Dr., Charlotte Hall, MD 20622 to 30005 Three Notch Rd., Charlotte Hall, MD 20622.

David McKay appeared before the Board and was sworn in. Mr. McKay explained that he would like to transfer his license to another location in Charlotte Hall. Chairman Willenborg stated that he has concerns about the transfer of this license because of the history with this site and still nothing has been built. Vice-Chair Watts made a motion to table the decision until April 13, 2023. The motion was seconded by Member Shin. Motion carried.

International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers - Application for John Richley Delahay, Mary McHugh, and Joseph P. Gruber to purchase a Class B (Restaurant) BWL license & t/a International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, 24494 Placid Harbor Way, Hollywood, MD 20636.

John Richley Delahay, Mary McHugh, and Joseph P. Gruber appeared before the Board and were sworn in. They were represented by Attorney Bill Haller. Condolences were made from the Board for the past licensee, Mr. Chris Wagoner. Mr. Haller explained that they are requesting a new license instead of a transfer since the former licensee passed away before the transfer could be completed. Vice-Chair Watts made a motion for a 90-day approval pending the Trader's license. The motion was seconded by Member Hill. Motion carried.

- **Premise Change**

The White Rose - Requesting 680 sq. ft. reduction of licensed premises.

Member Kohl made a motion to approve the reduction of licensed premise. The motion was seconded by Member Hill. Motion carried.

Slice House - Requesting 264 sq. ft. reduction of licensed premise.

Member Kohl made a motion to approve the reduction of licensed premise. The motion was seconded by Member Shin. Motion carried.

- **Officer / Member/ Trade Name changes**

Chairman Willenborg has recused himself from voting as he is a member of each of these organizations.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2632 - Removing William Benz; adding Jerome H. Girdlestone, Sr.

Vice-Chair Watts made a motion to approve the officer change. The motion was seconded by Member Hill. Motion carried.

American Legion Post 255 - Removing Neal Roberts; adding Warren G. Burke Jr.

Vice-Chair Watts made a motion to approve the officer change. The motion was seconded by Member Shin. Motion carried.

- **2023 Renewals**

Vice-Chair Watts made a motion to approve the 2023 Renewals. The motion was seconded by Member Hill. Motion carried.

BOARD ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mrs. Hildebrand explained that MALA will be in October this year. It will be in Ocean City at the Grand. The final date is TBD but will be Sunday – Wednesday as of now.

ALCOHOL ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR REPORT

For the month of February, Deputy Steve Myers reported:

- 17 Covert Compliance checks / 2 Violations reported to the ABB.
- 8 Alcohol Violation Summons served.
- 10 DUI's
- 9 MSP DUI'S
- 2 stationary surveillance- no violations
- 5 State Park surveillance- no violations
- SMCSO on-line training and RAST training.

BOARD INSPECTOR REPORT

For the Month of February, Inspector Kevin Hall reported:

- 13 inspections, 2 follow-ups
- Phone calls for renewals
- RAST training
- MALA meetings
- Received Purchase Order for new truck- 2022 Chevy Colorado

ST MARY'S LICENSED BEVERAGE ASSOCIATION- N/A

CANNABIS & ALCOHOL COALITION – N/A

BOARD MEMBERS TIME - N/A

ADJOURNMENT

Member Hill made a motion to adjourn at 3:37 pm. Motion was seconded by Member Shin. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzan Dean, Recording Secretary

David Willenborg, Chairman