

Allegany County Board of License Commissioners

701 Kelly Road, Room 112

Cumberland, MD 21502

Tom Farrell, Chairman

C Ron Miller, Commissioner

Danny Laffey, Commissioner

P. Terry Carolan, Chief Inspector

Tom Melvin, Inspector

Brandy Gordon, Clerk

MINUTES – April 18, 2023

The Allegany County Board of License Commissioners held a meeting on Tuesday, April 18, 2023. The meeting was conducted at 10:00 A.M. in Room 100 of the Allegany County Office Complex. Present for the meeting was Chairman - Thomas Farrell, Commissioner - C. Ron Miller, Commissioner – Dan Laffey, Inspector – Tom Melvin, ~~Inspector – Terry Carolan~~, and Office Clerk – Brandy Gordon. Board Attorney Ramani Pillai and Chief Inspector, Terry Carolan were absent from the meeting. Also in attendance were Jim Lashbaugh, Jennifer Flinn, Megan Cobb, Coty Forno, and Chris Garrity.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Farrell. The Board approved the April 4, 2023 minutes.

A One-day special class “C” license (Beer and wine) was approved for Jennifer Flinn with Bishop Walsh School. They will be having their annual auction/casino night on Saturday, April 29, 2023. The event is held at Bishop Walsh School, 700 Bishop Walsh Road, Cumberland. Ms. Flinn addressed the board and said that there would be no minors present for this event. Proceeds from this fundraiser will go back to the school.

A One-day special class “C” license (Beer) was approved for the Corriganville Volunteer Fire Company. Corriganville Volunteer Fire Department along with Hyndman and Wellersburg Volunteer Fire Companies will be having a gun/cash bash at the Allegany County Fairgrounds, 11400 Moss Avenue, Cumberland on Saturday, April 29, 2023. The price of beer was included in the price for the tickets. There will be minors on the premises at the grill stations helping prepare food. Everyone will be carded at the gate and given a wristband showing that they are over the age of 21. The proceeds from the fundraiser will help the three participating volunteer fire departments.

A One-day special class “C” license (Beer and wine) was approved for Chris Garrity and Jeffrey Hedrick with ARC of Frederick and Friends Aware for their annual band blitz. This will be their 20th year. The band blitz will take place at Allegany College of Maryland, 12401 Willowbrook Road, Cumberland on Friday, April 21st and Saturday, April 22, 2023. All money from the event

stays in Allegany County and is used to assist people with intellectual disabilities. There will be wristbands provided to all guest and anyone over 21 will get a second different colored wristband. The Board advised with 16 bands playing people definitely had to be monitoring the crowd.

A One-day special class "C" license (Beer and wine) was approved for Coty Forno with Beyond the Stage Foundation. They will be having a benefit concert at Mountain City Center, 18 Maple St, Frostburg on Saturday, April 29, 2023. The proceeds from the fundraiser will go toward their scholarship fund. They provide scholarships to students pursuing a career in Arts Education. Ms. Forno said that this is a small venue and there will be a cash bar. They will be carding individuals at the bar.

There were no violation hearings scheduled for this meeting. An update on the Beach Club meeting was given. There will be a meeting on Thursday, May 4, 2023 at 1:00 PM in the Hitchins Building at Frostburg State University. The clerk will be notifying all necessary parties. Inspectors do not need to attend the meeting.

Rodney McIntyre was not present at this meeting, but sent an email stating "This is to update the Board that I am working diligently to resolve issues related to this liquor license and feel that progress has been made. I will continue to update you as the process continues." Commissioner Miller spoke up and asked if there was any way we could verify the progress. Brandy Gordon, office clerk, explained that Mr. McIntyre had several years of back paperwork that needed to be filed. She also said that she would contact the comptroller's office and see if progress was being made.

Jim Lashbaugh with Lashbaugh's West attended the meeting. He addressed the board to give an update on the status of the kitchen at Lashbaugh's West. He said that the kitchen would be ready May 1, 2023 however he was not going to start using the kitchen until he had trained staff. He also asked the board about moving the license from his establishment to Hoffman Hollow Park for several upcoming events. The office clerk said that he would have to type up a letter stating that the license would be used at Hoffman Hollow Park and that Lashbaugh's West would be closed for that day. Mr. Lashbaugh said that he would come back next meeting and give another update on being able to use a "B-D" license. He may have someone interested in leasing the building he would be using the license for.

Office Clerk, Brandy Gordon, gave an update with the renewal process. The board agreed that the fee for a special pouring permit would be \$500 as stated in Michie's Annotated Code of Maryland Alcoholic Beverages I, Title 9, Chapter 1102(page 357). She also showed the liquor board the stickers being used for the licenses for special pouring permits and Sunday sales.

There was general discussion among the Board. There was a reminder that the next meeting would be the first meeting taking place on a Wednesday, May 3, 2023. The necessary paperwork was signed by the Heritage Society and the Redmen, therefore work should begin on the Black Hawk Tribe building in Westernport. It was discussed that if an establishment had not paid their violation fees that were issued in February, then they would not be receiving their liquor license until the fine was paid.

Inspectors reported on 235 routine inspections between April 4, 2023 and April 17, 2023.

The next regular meeting of the Board of License Commissioners is scheduled for Wednesday, May 3, 2023 at 10:00 A.M. in Room 100 of the Allegany County Office Complex.

There being no further business to discuss, Chairman Farrell made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Miller and unanimously approved by Commissioner Laffey.



Thomas Farrell, Chairman

5/3/23

Date