
MINUTES – January 21, 2026

The Allegany County Board of License Commissioners held a meeting on Wednesday, January 21, 2026. The meeting was conducted at 9:00 A.M. in Room 230 of the Allegany County Office Complex. Present for the meeting were Chairman – Tom Farrell, Commissioner – Ron Miller, Office Administrator – Brandy Snyder, and Chief Inspector – Keith Bageant. Also present for the meeting were Kelly Mears and Kuldip Patel. Commissioner Jim Stafford was excused from the meeting. Board Attorney, Ramani Pillai was not present.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Farrell. The Board approved the January 7, 2026 meeting minutes.

A One-day special class “C” license for beer and wine was approved for Kelly Mears and Daniel Crump with the Cumberland Pride Corporation. They will be holding their second annual adult prom on Saturday, February 14, 2026 at City Place, 14 S Water Street, Frostburg. The event will be held from 6 to 11 PM. There will be no minors on the premises. Attendees must be 18 or older to attend. Identification will be checked at the cash bar and a wristband provided to individuals 21 and older. Security for this event will be provided by Brothers of the Brush. Members of the Cumberland Pride Corporation will be selling/serving the alcoholic beverages. There being no questions, Commissioner Miller made a motion to approve and Chairman Farrell unanimously agreed.

A hearing was scheduled with Ramada Inn/SVA Hospitality LLC for unsecured alcoholic beverages on premises. The Ramada Inn is located at 100 S George Street, Cumberland. The licensee is Kuldip Patel. On Wednesday, January 7, 2026 agent Dave Marple and Clark Warnick with the Alcohol, Tobacco, and Cannabis Commission (ATCC), performed an inspection at the Ramada. Upon entering the motel, no one was manning the front reception desk. A kiosk was available to video conference with an employee, who was in the state of Florida. Mr. Warnick was able to access the rear office area through an unlocked/unsecured door without being challenged by any staff. There was a small quantity of beer in a separate unlocked storage room. ATCC Agents contacted the Allegany County Liquor Board about there being unsecured alcoholic beverages. Inspector, Keith Bageant was sent out to assist at the Ramada Inn. Initially, not all beer could be accounted for as the records were not in order. Although after a lengthy search, proper invoices were located and alcohol was found to be in compliance. Mr. Kuldip Patel pleaded guilty to the charges. Commissioner Farrell made a motion to fine \$500 for the



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James Stafford Jr., Commissioner
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violation with \$250 being suspended and one year probation. Commissioner Miller unanimously agreed.

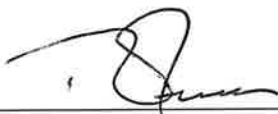
There was discussion on the review of a new rules and regulations booklet. There were two small changes made with wording. It was requested that a discussion take place at the next board meeting in regards to minors on the premises. The Board agreed to wait for legal counsel to be present for the discussion.

The Board was given a copy of the Comptroller's tax hold list. It was agreed that the Liquor Board would request anyone on the list be notified and requested to attend the February 18, 2026 meeting.

The board reviewed the inspector violation sheets. The Inspector reported on 68 routine inspections between January 7, 2026 through January 20, 2026.

There being no further business to discuss, Chairman Farrell made a motion to adjourn, Commissioner Miller unanimously approved.

The next regular meeting of the Board of License Commissioners is scheduled for Wednesday, February 4, 2025 at 9:00 A.M. in Room 100 of the Allegany County Office Complex.



Thomas Farrell, Chairman



Date