
MINUTES – June 3, 2026

The Allegany County Board of License Commissioners held a meeting on Wednesday, June 3, 2026. The meeting was conducted at 9:00 A.M. in Room 100 of the Allegany County Office Complex. Present for the meeting were Chairman – Tom Farrell, Commissioner – Ron Miller, Commissioner - Jim Stafford, Office Administrator – Brandy Snyder. Chief Inspector – Keith Bageant was excused from the meeting. Board Attorney - Ramani Pillai was absent from the meeting. Also present for the meeting were Autum Grant, Larry Gable, Vivek Purohit, Mahesh Patel, Jodi Eirich, Trish Tichnell, Erin Detinburn, Chirag Kamani, and Matt Miller.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Farrell. The Board was emailed a copy of the minutes from the last meeting. Commissioner Miller made a motion to approve the May 20, 2026 minutes as written, Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion, and unanimously approved by Chairman Farrell.

There was a hearing for a One-day special class “C” license scheduled for the Allegany County Chamber of Commerce. Andrea Kraft contacted the office to say that she would be unable to attend today’s meeting. This hearing has been rescheduled for Wednesday, June 17, 2026.

A One-day special class “C” license for beer and wine was approved for Trish Tichnell with the Western Maryland Jaycees. They will be holding their annual Wing Off and Music Festival at the Allegany County Fairgrounds, 11400 Moss Avenue, Cumberland, on Friday, June 19 and Saturday, June 20, 2026. This event has outgrown the Shrine Club and Canal Place. The event on Friday, June 19, 2026 will take place from 6:30 PM to 11:30 PM. Saturday’s festivities will be from 12 PM until 11:30 PM. There will be a cash bar at the event. Attendees 21 years of age and older will receive one color of a wristband while attendees under 21 will receive a different colored wristband. The Western Maryland Jaycees will be selling/serving the alcoholic beverages. The Allegany County Sheriff’s Department and paid security will be policing the event. Proceeds from the event will toward numerous non-profit organizations throughout the area and the Western Maryland Jaycees. There being no questions, Commissioner Miller made a motion to approve, Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion, and unanimously approved by Chairman Farrell.

A One-day special class “C” license for beer and wine was approved for Jodi Eirich with the Allegany County Animal Shelter. The Animal Shelter will be holding a Plates, Pints, and Paws in the Park event at Hoffman Hollow Park, 11200-11298 Hoffman Hollow Rd SW, Frostburg, on

Saturday, June 13, 2026. This event will have several food trucks and vendors along with a dog fashion show. The event will be held from 12 PM through 6 PM. There will be a cash bar available. Attendees 21 years of age and older will receive a green wristband and attendees under 21 will receive a red wristband. The event will be policed by deputies from the Sheriff's department. Proceeds from the event will go to the Allegany County Animal Shelter. There being no questions, Commissioner Miller made a motion to approve, Commissioner Stafford seconded the motion, and unanimously approved by Chairman Farrell.

There was a hearing on the transfer of a Class "D" beer and light wine alcoholic beverage license with special pouring permit and Sunday sales. The license is currently held by Erin Dettinburn and Jennifer Wishmyer with Grateful Brews LLC. Application was submitted to transfer the alcoholic beverage license to Derek Miller and Jennifer Wishmyer with Dante's LLC. Mr. Derek Miller attend the May 20, 2026 Liquor Board meeting requesting not to be the county resident for the alcoholic beverage license and requested his name be removed from the license. The other licensee, Jennifer Wishmyer was not present at the meeting. The Board had allowed Mr. Miller to operate through Memorial Day weekend due to scheduled bands performing. The Board determined that the transfer was null and void with no county resident for the alcoholic beverage license. On Tuesday, May 26, 2026, notice was posted at 16-18 W. Main Street, Frostburg that all alcoholic beverage sales/service had been suspended until further notice. Erin Dettinburn addressed the Board. Mrs. Dettinburn stated that she was attending today's meeting because she did not want to see the class "D" beer and light wine alcoholic beverage license be taken away. It was explained to her that she would have 180 days to find a location or a buyer for the alcoholic beverage license. The Board stated that they would have to get legal advice about how to remove Mrs. Wishmyer's name from the alcoholic beverage license.

There was a violation hearing for One Stop Liquor LLC, dba One Stop Liquor, located at 16119 McMullen Highway SW, Cumberland. On Tuesday, April 21, 2026 at 1100 hours Field Enforcement Agent Clark Warnick with the Alcohol, Tobacco, and Cannabis Commission, performed a routine alcohol inspection at the location. During the inspection 4 bottles of alcohol were seized consisting of: 1 – Old Rip VanWinkle, 10 Year, 750 ml - \$799.99, 1 – Johnnie Walker, Blue Label, 750 ml - \$199.99, 1 – Grand Marnier, 100, 750 ml - \$199.99, and 1 – Dom Perignon, 2012, 750 ml - \$249.99. One Stop Liquor was charged with violating AB 6-311(B)(1) Purchasing/keeping an alcoholic beverage on licensed premise which was purchased from other than a licensed wholesaler and AB 408 Records; did unlawfully fail to keep complete and accurate records of all alcoholic beverages. Mr. Mahesh Patel agreed that at the time of the

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inspection he was unable to provide receipts for the four bottles of seized alcohol. Mr. Patel explained to the Board that a bulk transfer permit was completed when new ownership took over. He stated that the four bottles of alcohol did not make it onto the permit inventory list. The inventory list was made by Vivek Purohit who was present that stated the bottles got missed on the inventory. Agent, Clark Warnick, explained to Mr. Patel that all receipts and invoices for all alcoholic beverage purchases must remain on the premises of the establishment. On April 22, 2026, Agent Warnick received an email with images of invoices for 1 – Johnnie Walker, Blue Label, 750 ml from Breakthru Beverage dated 12/31/2021 and 1 – Old Rip VanWinkle, 10 Year, 750 ml from Republic National Distributing Company dated 11/02/2020. Mr. Chirag Kanani with One Stop Liquor stated that when they purchased One Stop Liquor, they gave one price for all alcoholic beverages within the establishment. Old ownership completed the inventory list for the bulk transfer permit and missed several items. Mr. Patel stated that he tried contacting the distributors to get a copy of the past invoice to prove that these bottles were obtained before he took over the store, but the distributors told him that the bottles were several year-old bottles. Commissioner Miller stated that the burden of proof had been met. Commissioner Stafford mentioned that this location has a well-known history of selling to minors and put an emphasis on always asking for identification. Mr. Kanani stated that his point-of-sale system requires employees to scan a driver's license before allowing the purchase. Chairman Farrell made a motion to fine \$500 with \$250 being suspended for this being the first offense, one year probation, and the two bottles of alcohol without receipts being forfeited to the state of Maryland. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and unanimously approved by Commissioner Stafford. The two bottles of alcohol that receipts were provided for will be returned to the establishment by Agent Warnick by the end of the week.

There was a violation hearing for Allegany Bowling Corp, dba White Oak Lanes, located at 1649 Oldtown Road, Cumberland. On Tuesday, April 28, 2026 at 1220 hours Field Enforcement Agent Clark Warnick conducted a routine alcohol inspection. White Oak Lanes is being charged for violating AB 6-311(B)(1) Purchasing/keeping an alcoholic beverage on a licensed premises which was purchased from other than a licensed wholesaler and AB 408 Records; did unlawfully fail to keep complete and accurate records of all alcoholic beverages. As a result, 25 bottles of spirits and 5 bottles of wine were seized. These bottles consisted of: 4 – Crown Royal Peach 1.75 L, 2 – Crown Royal Blackberry 750 ml, 2 – Parrot Bay White 1.75 L, 2 – Mezcal Tequila 750 ml, 2 – Kahlua Rum 1.75 ml, 4 – Southern Comfort 1.75 ml, 2 – Bailey's Irish Cream 1.75 ml, 2 – Seagram's V.O. 1.75 ml, 4 – Seagram's Extra Dry Gin 1.75 ml, 1 – Canadian Mist 750 ml, 1 – Martini & Rossi Wine 1.5 L, and 4 – Sutter Home Sweet Red 750 ml. Mrs. Autumn Grant stated

that they were guilty all the receipts were not on the premises at the time of inspection. Mrs. Grant sent an email to Agent Warnick on Sunday, May 3, 2026 with six invoices from Breakthru beverage dated 11/12/2020 through 06/06/2025 and three invoices from RNDC dated 12/16/2021 through 12/21/2022. This accounts for all the seized alcohol besides 1 – Crown Royal Peach 1.75 L, 1 – Canadian Mist 750 ml, 4 Seagram's Extra Dry Gin 1.75 L, and 1 Martini & Rossi 1.5 L. Chairman Farrell made a motion to fine \$500 with \$250 being suspended, one year probation, and seized alcohol being forfeited to the state, Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and unanimously approved by Commissioner Stafford.

Time was set aside for Queen City Cravings and Devlin's Pub to speak to the Board in regards to their license. No one was present from either establishment. All Board members were again in agreement that both alcoholic beverage licenses have been forfeited.

There was a letter submitted to the Board from American Legion Farrady Post No 24 Inc. This establishment is located at 27 W. Main Street in Frostburg. They have requested to transfer their yearly alcoholic beverage license to Hoffman Hollow Park, 11298-11200 Hoffman Hollow Rd, Frostburg, on Sunday, June 14, 2026. They will be holding a picnic with \$5.00 admission fee. There will be a cash bar at the event. The Legion will be closed during the event. Commissioner Stafford made a motion to approve, Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and unanimously approved by Chairman Farrell.

There was general discussion about Delfest. Commissioner Miller stated that he did several inspections throughout the weekend. He stated that on Friday evening he had to remind a bartender about over serving. He noted that identification was being checked and everything seemed to be in compliance. It was also discussed about how much of a financial impact Delfest has on Allegany County. Commissioner Stafford stated he would like to see out of 100% profits how much stays within Allegany County.

The board reviewed the inspector violation sheets. The Inspector reported on 54 routine inspections between May 20, 2026 through June 3, 2026.

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



Thomas E. Farrell, Chairman
Charles R. Miller, Commissioner
James Stafford Jr., Commissioner
Keith Bageant, Chief Inspector
Vacant, Inspector
Brandy Snyder, Office Administrator

The next regular meeting of the Board of License Commissioners is scheduled for Wednesday, June 17, 2026 at 9:00 A.M. in Room 230 of the Allegany County Office Complex.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "T. Farrell", written over a horizontal line.

Thomas Farrell, Chairman

A handwritten date "6/17/2026" in blue ink, written over a horizontal line.

Date

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