
MINUTES – June 17, 2026

The Allegany County Board of License Commissioners held a meeting on Wednesday, June 17, 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, Commissioner - Jim Stafford, Office Administrator – Brandy Snyder, and Chief Inspector – Keith Bageant. Board Attorney - Ramani Pillai was absent from the meeting. Also present for the meeting were Amy Shillingburg, Brian Appel, James Snider, Josh Cook, Bret Ramsey, and Dennis McKenzie.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Farrell. The Board was emailed a copy of the minutes from the last meeting. Commissioner Stafford made a motion to approve the June 3, 2026 minutes as written, Commissioner Miller 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 a July meeting. No one has been in attendance to contest the issuance of the one-day license.

The Haystack Mountain Sportsman Club, the Cresaptown Eagles, and the Cumberland Outdoor Club were requested to attend today’s meeting in regards to advertisements being posted online without being tagged for members and guests. Mr. Farrell read from the County Rules and Regulations booklet for alcoholic beverage license holders the requirements for class “C” club licenses. Mr. Farrell stated that the rules were clear that because they are a club they must put members and guests on all advertisements for their club. Chairman Farrell stated that all the clubs were pulled into a meeting in October of 2023, on January 17, 2024 they were given a second warning, and that this is the final warning. Any advertisements moving forward not tagged for members and guests would mean possible fines and/or suspension of alcoholic beverage license. Mr. Farrell asked if anyone had any questions. Mr. McKenzie with the Cresaptown Eagles said that he had a comment. He stated that the Cresaptown Eagles have now put it in their rental contract agreement that all advertising must go through the club before being advertised. The Board said that was a good way to handle it. Mr. Cook asked the Board what happens if they are unaware of an advertisement for an event at their establishment? Mr. Farrell stated that he believes adding the part in the rental contract would prevent that from occurring. The inspector stated that if one of the people renting the facility was denied to have an event due

to wrongful advertising word would travel and false or unauthorized advertising would cease. Brain Snider with the Cumberland Outdoor Club stated that they would be adding something in their rental agreement that advertising for an event needed to be approved by the establishment first. Chairman Farrell asked if anyone had anything else to add or any other questions. No one had any. Commissioner Miller commended the Cresaptown Eagles in the steps they were taking to correct the issue. Mr. Farrell thanked the clubs for their time and attending the meeting. Club members in attendance thanked the Board.

Sharon Kyle with Western Maryland Philanthropies submitted a letter for a refund for a one-day alcoholic beverage license. She had applied for a one-day alcoholic beverage license for Saturday, June 20, 2026. The event was cancelled due to no ticket sales. She requested to be refunded. Chairman Farrell made a motion to approve, Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and unanimously approved by Commissioner Stafford.

A letter was submitted by Joyce Wolfe with the Mount Savage Volunteer Fire Department. They would like to transfer their yearly alcoholic beverage license to Moss Cottage Ball Field, 16301 Moss Cottage Lane NW, Mt. Savage from 11 AM to 8 PM on Saturday, June 27, 2026. The fire department will be not be open for sales or service during this time. There being no questions, Chairman Farrell made a motion to approve the one-day transfer, Commissioner Miller seconded the motion, and unanimously approved by Chairman Farrell.

There was general discussion about Delfest. Commissioner Stafford stated that Commissioner Miller performed several inspections during the festival and everything seemed to be in order for the most part. Chairman Farrell said that he would be doing an inspection at the Wing-Off scheduled for Saturday, June 20, 2026. Commissioner Stafford stated that he would like to attend a TIPs course to get certified again. There was conversation about what could be done to retrieve the alcoholic beverage license from Dante's LLC, 16-18 W Main Street, Frostburg. The Board will reach out to the legal counsel for guidance.

The board reviewed the inspector violation sheets. The Inspector reported on 12 routine inspections between June 4, 2026 and June 16, 2026. The inspector has also been assisting with office coverage.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was recessed until 10 AM.

The meeting was called back to order at 10:05 for a meeting with the Allegany County Health Department in regards to inspections performed. Austin Potts represented the Health Department.



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

Mr. Potts explained the frequency of their visits and reasons for violations. The Liquor Board showed the health department pictures taken of coolers in establishments with rust, dirty water, and debris inside coolers. Mr. Potts agreed that the pictures would be violations. It was agreed between both parties that after the alcoholic beverage inspector writes up an establishment three times for the same issue it will be passed along to the health department for enforcement.

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

The next regular meeting of the Board of License Commissioners is scheduled for Wednesday, July 1, 2026 at 9:00 A.M. in Room 230 of the Allegany County Office Complex.

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Thomas Farrell, Chairman

A handwritten date "7-1-2026" in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

Date