

**THE ALCOHOL BEVERAGE BOARD  
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2017 @ 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, December 14, 2017 at 1:00 P.M. in the County Commissioners Conference Room, Chesapeake Building, Leonardtown, Maryland.

Linda Palchinsky, Acting Chair  
Kevin Hall, Member  
Betty Currie, Member  
Leonard Kohl, Member  
James Tanavage, Attorney  
Tamara Hildebrand, Board Administrator  
Suzan Whilden, Administrative Assistant  
Garland Thompson, Inspector  
Alcohol Enforcement Coordinator – VACANT

Acting Chair Linda Palchinsky called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. and introduced the Board to the audience. Attorney Tanavage brought to the attention of the Board that the Vice- Chair position needs to be filled. Member Currie made a motion to elect Member Kevin Hall as Acting Vice-Chair. Motion was seconded by Member Kohl. Motion carried. Member Currie also moved to approve the November 9, 2017 minutes. Motion was seconded by Vice-Chair Hall. Motion carried.

**Old Business**

- **Guenther's Bistro** - Suannie Guenther- Requesting more time to continue as a Class B License issued for licensed premise as a restaurant where the food/alcohol ratio does not meet the requirements  
THIS HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN AND LICENSE CANCELLED

**New Business**

- **Applications**

**Toots** - Application of Joseph Terry Gatton Sr., & Lisa Woods Gatton to purchase a Class D-BWL license & t/a Toots (L&T Enterprise, LLC), 23971 Mervell Dean Rd., Hollywood, MD 20636. And requesting permission for extra serving counter & extension of premise for outdoor service.

Joseph Gatton and Lisa Gatton appeared before the Board and were sworn in. The Board did discuss with the Gatton's their concerns about the noise issues that have been a problem in the past. Mr. Gatton plans to install sound panels to deter the sound to help with these issues. Vice-Chair Hall made a motion for a 30 day conditional approval based on the Fire Marshal approval, obtaining the Use and Occupancy permit and the Traders license. Motion was seconded by Member Kohl. Motion carried.

**St. Inigoes General Store** - Application of Nora Blasko to upgrade St. Inigoes General Store (Flying Loon Restaurant, LLC) Class A-1 BWL license to a Class B (restaurant) BWL license & continue to t/a St. Inigoes General Store (Flying Loon Restaurant, LLC), 15094 Point Lookout Rd., St. Inigoes, MD 20684.

A letter was presented to the Board to allow Timothy Blasko to speak on behalf of Nora Blasko, the licensee for St Inigoes General Store. Tim Blasko appeared before the Board and was sworn in. Mr. Blasko explained that he has received approval for 6 seats (3 tables of 2 each) inside of the store to serve food. Mr. Blasko has also received approval for catering through the Health Department. Member Currie made a motion to approve the upgrade of the license. Member Kohl made a motion to amend Member Currie's motion to include the self-imposed Beer/Wine on-sale-only privilege for service in the store. Member Currie made a corrected motion to include the BW OSO privilege in the store. Motion was seconded by Member Kohl. Motion carried.

- **Special Privilege applications**

**St. Inigoes General Store** - Nora Blasko - Request for Catering privilege

Member Kohl made a motion to approve the catering privilege and was seconded by Member Currie. Motion carried.

- **Premise Change**

**St. Inigoes General Store** - Nora Blasko- Requesting extra serving counter and extension of premise for outdoor service

Vice-Chair Hall made a motion for a 90 day conditional approval based on the Fire Marshal approval, obtaining the Use and Occupancy permit and the Health Department approval for the request of an extra serving counter and extension of premise for outdoor service. Motion was seconded by Member Kohl. Motion carried.

## **Other Business**

- **New Year's Eve Permit approvals-** Vice-Chair Hall made a motion to approve the following establishments for their New Year's approvals: Brambly Inn, Butler's Place, Elks Lodge # 2092, Lexington Restaurant and Lounge, OCI Pub/ Pizza King and Seabreeze. Motion was seconded by Member Currie. Motion carried.
- **Board Administrator** – Tammy Hildebrand

**2018 Legislation - LR 1083: Lowering cost of AE License from \$300 to \$100**  
THIS LEGISLATION HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN.

## **FY19 Budget**

Vice-Chair Hall made a motion to approve the 2019 Budget as per Ms. Hildebrand's presentation. Motion was seconded by Member Currie. Motion carried.

Ms. Hildebrand brought forward the information requested by the Board, and she inquired about the inspector position in Calvert County that Sheriff Cameron had spoken about at the November meeting. This position is a mimic of the inspector's position that is already filled by Inspector Thompson. This position has no police powers and does not fill the needs of the AEC that is currently vacant. Member Kohl made a motion for a formal request for an AEC, by sending a letter from the ABB to the Sheriff. Motion was seconded by Member Currie. Motion carried.

- **Alcohol Enforcement Coordinator** – Vacant
- **Board Inspector** – Garland Thompson

Mr. Thompson inspected 17 establishments and performed 3 follow ups for the month of November.

- **St. Mary's Licensed Beverage Association** – Dave Dent

Nothing to report. Legislation goes in to session in January.

- **Community Alcohol Coalition-** Lauren Abell

Ms. Abell is working on some educational aspects. Ms. Abell has been working with the Responsible Retailers Forum based in Montgomery County and had

discussed with Ms. Hildebrand about a training to partner law enforcement and alcohol retailers in the month of March.

**Adjournment**

Vice-Chair Hall made a motion for adjournment at 2:15 pm. Motion was seconded by Member Currie. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Suzan Whilden, Recording Secretary

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Linda Palchinsky, Acting Chair