



Vermont Board of Liquor & Lottery

Draft September Minutes

Record of the Meeting of the Vermont Board of Liquor & Lottery held on September 13, 2023 via web.

Members Present: Martin Manahan, Chair, Thom Lauzon, Megan Cicio, Ed Flanagan

Others Present: Wendy Knight, Commissioner; Andrew Collier, Deputy Commissioner, Wesley Lawrence Jacob Humbert, Skyler Genest, Tonia Pryce, Katie Fleury, Program, Melissa Heath, Martin Prevost, David Hamlin, Brandon King, Andrew Topps, Jennifer Norton-Magnan, Violette Maring, Raifer Allen, Nora and Adam, Lost Lantern, Saba Asgedom, Max West,

Meeting Start: 9:00 am.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda:

- None

Board Actions on Consent Agenda Items:

- Approve minutes from August 9th, 2023 Board Meeting – Moved and approved. motion Thom Lauzon and Ed Flanagan unanimous
- Approve licenses issued August 1, 2023 – August 31, 2023 – Moved and approved.

Public Comment:

- None

Licensing:

Enforcement: none

Commissioner Comments:

- 3 stores still closed due to the flood Johnson, Montpelier, Londonderry
- Sales not substantially impacted by the flood
- Lottery sales up 18% weekending 9/2
- Liquor sales up 3% weekending 9/2
- B2B Website – we have a contract and are working on internal reviews. Possible launch in 10 months



- Making progress with lottery kiosk, Sci games is working to resolve technical issues
- Megabucks is going to a 3 draws per week, Monday Wednesday Saturday starting this week.

Other Business:

- Action Item: Lost Lantern Proposal
 - As an Independent Bottler.
 - Three questions were proposed. The board's decision is that Lost Lantern would be able to sell Lost Lantern branded product bottled by another VT manufacturer Lost Lantern's 4th class licensed establishment but not during a special event or through 802Spirits stores.
 - The Lost Lantern branded products bottled out of state cannot be imported or sold in Vermont.
 - Bulk importation of spirits is permissible for all VT manufacturers as long as the following conditions are met: the manufacturer is licensed in VT; they follow all federal laws and regulations; all shipments include a bill of lading including originating and receiving manufacturer, total quantity, and the ABV/Proof of the products being shipped.
 - Motion Thom Lauzon with ratify second Ed Flanagan unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:24am

Next Meeting: October 11, 2023