

APPROVED MINUTES

Record of the Meeting of the Liquor Control Board held April 11, 2018
At 13 Green Mountain Drive, Montpelier, Vermont

LCB Members present:

Martin Manahan Chair, Sam Guy, Thomas Lauzon and
Devon Fuller, Members

Others Present:

Patrick Delaney, Commissioner, Gary Kessler, Deputy
Commissioner, Wesley Lawrence, Board Counsel, Jacob
Humbert, Assistant Attorney General and Laurie Pecor,
Administrative Coordinator

9:30 a.m. Meeting begins.

- Additions/Deletions to agenda: Tiffany Johnson, Hookah & Hummus, LLC is removed.
- Board action on draft minutes and meeting held on February 14, 2018- Approved
- Board action on draft minutes and meeting held on March 14, 2018-Approved
- Board action on new licenses and permits issued March 1, 2018 through March 31, 2018 – Approved.
- Board decisions – None

1. Public Comment – no one is present for Public Comment

2. Enforcement –

- Wicked Awesome BBQ, 93 Beswick Drive, White River Jct. Re: renewal. **Board Decision: License is renewed with October 17, 2017 Board decision conditions number 1 and 2 to remain in place.**
- Squeaky Wheel Inc., dba Filling Station Restaurant, 70 Gate St, White River Jct. Re: renewal. **Board Decision: License is renewed with conditions. All owners of license shall not be charged with any alcohol-related offense and shall not consume and/or be under the influence of alcohol on the licensed premises at any time.**

10:20 a.m. Board recesses

10:30 a.m. Board reconvenes

- Papa Treat LLC, dba Buxton's Store, 499 Main St, Orwell. Re: violation of regulation number 3(b) (approved training).
 1. States exhibit 1 – Picture of Training record for Megan Conner.
 2. States exhibit 2 – Letter to licensee indicating that the training was not valid.
 3. State's Exhibit 3 – DLC website materials showing training certificates and list of approved outside training vendors

Licensee requests the Department to clearly state what company is approved for training and to make the website more user friendly. Deputy Commissioner Kessler will send Sellersserver.com a cease and desist letter.

- Upper Pass Beer Company, 37 Ordway Road, Tunbridge. Re: renewal. **Board decision: All owners of license shall not be charged with any alcohol related offense; and Licensee shall notify DLC by 4:00 p.m. on the next business day following any such charge.**
- Backstage LLC, dba Backstage Pub & Restaurant, 60 Pearl St, Essex Jct. Re: violation of general regulation number 9, 16, and 17. **Board decision: Licensee shall admit one violation of general regulation number 16 and pay a fine to DLC within 30 days in the amount of \$350.00. Licensee shall also admit one violation of general regulation number 17 for which licensee shall serve a three-day suspension from the beginning of business on Friday, May 4, 2018 to the close of business on Sunday, May 6, 2018. Licensee agrees that a condition shall be imposed on all liquor licenses requiring Vincent Dober to submit to breath testing upon request by law enforcement or DLC personnel at any time while on the licensed premises. A violation of general regulation number 9 is dismissed.**
- CWC Winery, dba Clavo Cellars. 15510 Woodinville Redmond Rd, NE Build E, Woodinville, Washington. Re: non-filing of direct shipping report. AAG Jacob Humbert ask for dismissal. Licensee has surrendered their license. Approved.

12:33 p.m. Board recesses

12:40 p.m. Board reconvenes

3. Commissioner comments:
 - March Sales.
 - Legislative updates. Liquor/Lottery merger.
 - S.285 Bottle bill – expanding the containers that are recyclable.
 - May 16, 2018 Board meeting. This will be a phone meeting. Gary will set up the phone meeting.
 - 802 Signage project. We hope to hire a contractor to do this by the end of the month.

- Interior signage. Beverage Barron in Barre is the only store that has this sign up so far.
- Charlotte Agency. Retail division is working on this and hope to have a contract within the next 30 days.
- Castleton Agency. Kim Walker is working on this and we should have this in 3 or 4 months.
- Swanton agency. We have identified a new agent in the community.
- IT division POS project is on schedule and on budget
- Compliance and Enforcement Officer. Final rounds of interviews are ongoing.
- Warehouse Supervisor. We should have the group of final candidates within the next 10 days.
- Renewals – seem to be on track.
- Automation of permitted reports – this will alleviate repetitive work for one staff member.
- June 13th, 2018 Board meeting will be in Rutland.

12:55 p.m. Board adjourns

NEXT MEETING IS MAY 16, 2018