



Vermont Board of Liquor & Lottery

May Minutes

Record of the Meeting of the Vermont Board of Liquor & Lottery held on May 10, 2023 via web and phone.

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

Others Present: Wendy Knight, Commissioner; Andrew Collier, Deputy Commissioner; Wesley Lawrence; Jacob Humbert; Skyler Genest, Tonia Pryce, Purchasing Coordinator; Katie Fleury, Program Technician; Melissa Heath, Executive Staff Assistant; Brandon King, Executive Officer of Compliance & Enforcement; Rich Morey, Director of Retail Operations; Sgt Michael Welch, Liquor Investigator Supervisor; David Hamlin, Program Technician II;

Meeting Start: 9:00 am.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda:

None

Board Actions on Consent Agenda Items:

- Approve minutes from April 2023 Board Meeting – Moved and approved. Motion Thom Lauzon and Ed Flanagan unanimous
- Approve licenses issued April 1, 2023 – April 30, 2023 – Thom Lauzon motion second Ed Flanagan Moved and approved.
- Approve quarterly listings – Moved and Approved. Motion Thom Lauzon second Ed Flanagan

Public Comment:

- None

Licensing:

- None

Enforcement:

- None



Commissioner Comments:

Warmer weather increases liquor sales, resets and new products

Rare spirits raffle brings in \$50k ends - today

Lottery is working with SciGames on resolutions since the merger.

Planning lottery ticket purchases with pollard

Licensing renewal process is finishing up, online portal has been a success, revenue from licenses is up 23%

B2b website finalizing bid process and contract

Agency 802 spirits awarded Tennybrook as new agency in Poultney

compliance and enforcement is splitting resources for lottery security

reg rewrite was approved in process of educating licensing

H288 bill concerning liquor liability insurance passed

Liquor omnibus will be voted out of the house today

Sports betting passed should be at gov. office by end of the week is expected the governor should sign

Other Business:

- Waiver Penalty Schedule Update motion Thom second Sam unanimous
- Appeal to supreme court – Einstein's Taphouse

Meeting Adjourned: 9:24

Next Meeting: June 14, 2023