

The Board of License Commissioners of Cecil County met in a regular session at the County Administrative Building, Conference Room, 200 Chesapeake Boulevard, Elk Room, Elkton, MD on **Wednesday, May 30, 2018** at 9:15 A.M.

PRESENT: Tim Snelling, Chairman
W. Edwin Cole, Jr., Commissioner
Steven A. Miller, Commissioner
H. Norman Wilson, Jr., Esquire
Earl R. Bradford, Chief Alcohol Beverage Inspector
Robin S. Trader, Administrative Assistant

EXTENSION REQUEST

Class "DBR" No. DBR-2 - Scott A. McCardell, Member; Jessica L. Fincham, Member; Maryland Beer Company LLC, T/A Maryland Beer Company, 601 North Bridge Street, Suite C, Elkton, Maryland 21921

Scott McCardell and Jessica Fincham appeared before the Board; they stated their remodel has taken longer than they anticipated, they were hoping to be open by mid-June and they are working for mid-July and would like to request a 90-day extension. Commissioner Miller made a motion to approve the 90-day extension; Commissioner Cole seconded that motion and the Board unanimously approved the 90-day extension.

VIOLATION

Sanjay Patel; Robin Desmith, Cecil County Resident; Hari Ohm, LLC, T/A Station Spirits, 2546 Pulaski Highway, North East, MD 21901 (**Official transcript available upon request and payment of fees**)

Sanjay Patel appeared before the Board with his son, Neal; they and Chief Bradford were duly sworn by the Clerk. Chief Bradford read his report into the record which stated the office was notified by the State of Maryland Comptroller's Office at renewal of the licenses with tax issues asking to hold these licenses until taxes have been satisfied. Neal Patel stated he has been running the business for his dad who was diagnosed with cancer; he stated he contacted the Comptroller's Office and owed one month tax from 2017. Commissioner Miller asked if he had seen the letter in the renewal packet; Neal responded he did not see it. Chief Bradford asked if he received the delinquent notices from the Comptroller's Office; Neal Patel stated he did not. Chief Bradford stated Neal Patel was very cooperative; he made a phone call and the closed the business immediately when notified of the issue. Chairman Snelling told the licensees they would receive the Board decision by certified mail.

BOARD DECISION: Because of the extenuating circumstances and because Neal Patel was cooperative, the Board decided on a fine of \$125 and Administrative Cost of \$125 for a total of \$250.00.

REQUESTS

OUTDOOR SALES

Class "B" BWL No. B-10 - James J. Bivens, President; Mary Bivens, Vice President; Rookies, Inc., T/A Hilltop Inn, 825 Hilltop Road, Elkton, MD 21921

James Bivens appeared before the Board; he was duly sworn by the Clerk. Mr. Bivens stated they would like to sell alcohol from the tent in the back yard area; he stated he has spoken with the neighbors and they are okay with what he is doing. Chief Bradford asked what time he was requesting to use the tent; Mr. Bivens stated from 2 PM – 8 PM Saturday and Sunday and only when the sun is shining, when it rains it will be closed. Chairman Snelling asked what has changed since he was here before; Mr. Bivens stated his neighbors have changed. Mr. Bivens also stated he is requesting to sell from the tent only, not the window. Commissioner Miller stated he was just here last month for violation of marrying bottles of alcohol; Mr. Bivens assured the Board this will not happen. Commissioner Cole asked if the fine had been paid; Mr. Bivens stated he was unsure of what date it needed to be paid; Chief Bradford told him it needs to be paid within 30 days which is now about five days late. Mr. Bivens stated he will pay the fine before he leaves today, which he did. Chairman Snelling called for a motion; Commissioner Cole made a motion to grant a 30-day trial period and at the end of that trial period he is to call Chief Bradford to verify there have been no complaints; Commissioner Miller seconded that motion and the Board unanimously granted the 30-day trial period with the conditions set forth by Commissioner Cole.

General Business

- **Approve Minutes**
The minutes from the April 25, 2018 meeting were approved.
- **Specials**

Old Business

New Business

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

BY:

Tim Snelling, Chairman

ATTEST:

Robin S. Trader, Administrative Assistant