

MINUTES OF THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

November 17, 2021

On the 17th of November, 2021, the ABC Board did convene at Little Rock, Arkansas for its regular monthly meeting and in attendance were Freddie Black, Chairman, Steve Smith, Jamie Anderson, Pam DePriest, and Alex Blass.

The Board accepted the Director's Decisions, Violation Resume, Warning Letters, and request for extension of inactive status letters. Board member Jamie Anderson made a motion to approve, Pam Depriest seconded the motion and the motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

Chairman Black announced that the next ABC Board meeting will be held on December 15, 2021.

ABC Medical Marijuana Rules for Oversight of Cultivator, Processor, and Dispensary facilities. Board member Steve Smith made the motion to approve the proposed rules, Pam DePriest seconded the motion and the motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

Next on the agenda is the 2021 ABC Rules Public Comment

Native Brandy Rules

Rule 1.19(39) Types of Permits for Which Application May be Made

Distiller Rules

Rule 2.12 Manufacturer to Sell to Wholesaler

Rule 2.85 Disposition of Distiller

Rule 3.7 Purchase from Permitted Wholesalers

Microbrewery Restaurant Advertising Rules

Rule 5.90 Advertising for Microbrewery-Restaurant Private Club

Rule 5.91 Advertising for Microbrewery-Restaurant Private Club

Mead Rules

Rule 2.10.3 Definitions: Mead

Rule 2.75 Direct Shipment of Vinous Liquor or Mead

Excursion Train Rules

Rule 3.29-3.34, Title 3 Subtitle G Excursion Train Permits

Delivery Rules

Rule 1.79(27) Prohibited Activities

Rule 2.58.1 Microbrewery Restaurant Delivery

Rule 2.65.1 Small Brewery Delivery

Rule 2.83.1 Hard Cider Manufacturing Delivery

Rule 3.20-3.28 To Go and Delivery

No comments were made by the public. Board member Steve Smith made the motion to pass these Rules, Pam DePriest seconded the motion and the motion passed with 5-0 vote.

First hearing on the agenda was for Kenneth Gentry, III, SWARK Liquor, located at 868 East Collin Raye Drive, DeQueen, applied for a new retail liquor and drew the 1st place application for consideration by the Board. Mr. Gentry testified for the business. Agent Blake Zavadil testified regarding his inspection while working the application. After hearing all the testimony and reviewing all the evidence, the Board granted the retail liquor permit conditional upon meeting all Rules.

Second hearing on the agenda was for Mario Zuniga, Zuniga's Liquor, located at 1197 East Highway 70-71, DeQueen, applied for a new retail liquor and drew the 2nd place application for consideration by the Board. Mr. Zuniga testified for the business. Agent Blake Zavadil testified regarding his inspection while working the application. After hearing all the testimony and reviewing all the evidence, the Board granted the retail liquor permit conditional upon meeting all Rules.

Third hearing on the agenda was for Jasmeen Kaur, Gas & Go Food Mart & Deli, located at 2959 Highway 1, St. Charles, applied for new retail beer off premises and small farm wine – retail. Director denied the application October 13, 2021, for applicant not meeting residency requirements and failed to properly publish legal ad that ran in an incorrect address. Ms. Kaur testified for the business. Agent Cole Rice testified regarding his inspection while working the application. After hearing all testimony and reviewing all the evidence, the applicant decided to withdraw her application.

Fourth hearing on the agenda was a violation appeal for Maria Castillo De Lopez, La Casa De La Fiesta, located at 2903 Phillips Drive, Jonesboro. Director's Order fined the business \$1,500.00 with a 90 day probation. Permit holder contacted our office on Tuesday, November 16th and decided to accept the Order. The Board approved the acceptance.

The Board meeting was then adjourned.

Freddie Black, Chairman

Doralee Chandler, Director