

MINUTES OF THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

JULY 20, 2022

On the 20TH of July, 2022, the ABC Board did convene at Little Rock, Arkansas for its regular monthly meeting and in attendance were Jamie Anderson, Acting Chairman, Pam DePriest, Steve Smith and Alex Blass.

Chairman Black was absent, motion was made by Steve Smith to appoint Jamie Anderson as Acting Chairman, the motion was seconded by Pam DePriest. Motion passed with a 3-0.

The Board accepted the Director's Decisions, Violation Resume, Warning Letters, and request for extension of inactive status letters. Board member Pam DePriest made a motion to approve, Alex Blass seconded the motion and the motion passed with a 4-0 vote.

Acting Chairman Anderson announced that the next ABC Board meeting will be held on August 17, 2022.

First hearing on the agenda was a violation hearing for Lea Lea's Gourmet Dogs, On Premises Wine & Retail Beer On Premises Permit No. 21411-01. Violation Order of April 20, 2022, for failure to properly maintain records, failure to purchase only from Arkansas wholesaler (33 counts), operator possessed and sold unauthorized alcoholic beverages, selling alcoholic beverages to go (2 counts), operator possessed and sold unauthorized alcoholic beverages, tequila and vodka (dismissed at administrative hearing), operator possessed and sold untaxed alcoholic beverages bought from an out-of-state source (33 counts), fined \$11,000 with probation for one (1) year. Attorney Lucien Gillham represented Ms. Alexander, who testified for the business. Testimony was given by ABC Agents Suzanne Johnston and Princess Danzy regarding the violations. After hearing all testimony and reviewing all evidence, the Board upheld the Director's Violation Order of December 15, 2021, \$11,000 with \$5,600 held in abeyance based on 1 year probation with no alcohol violations occurring within that period; \$5,400 to be paid within 6 months of Board meeting.

The Board meeting was then adjourned.

Jamie Anderson, Acting Chairman

Doralee Chandler, Director