

TALBOT COUNTY, MARYLAND

BOARD OF LIQUOR LICENSE COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of Public Meeting

February 11, 2019

The meeting of the Talbot County Board of Liquor License Commissioners the (“Board”) was called to order at 10:02 a.m. on Monday, February 11, 2019. Present were Chairman Gary Royer, Commissioner John M. Gottschalk, Commissioner William C. Rolle, Jr., Mary O’Donnell, Asst. County Attorney, and Board Secretary Patricia Finneyfrock.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- Upon motion by Commissioner Gottschalk, seconded by Commissioner Rolle, the Board voted to unanimously approve the minutes from January 28, 2019.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Application for Transfer of Class E Liquor License (Dispensaries – Off Sale)

Easton Pride Incorporated d/b/a Fast Stop  
9543 Ocean Gateway  
Easton, MD 21601

All those in attendance to testify in the matter were sworn in (attorney, Will Chapman).

Mr. Chapman appeared on his clients’ behalf and requested a continuance of applicants’ application for transfer due to the fact that the applicants had not posted the property in accordance with Chapter 11, Talbot County Code, “Alcoholic Beverages,” § 11-10, which required posting at least fifteen (15) days prior to a hearing date.

The Board noted that the property had originally been posted when the applicants first presented an application for a new liquor license at this location and that the Board would waive the re-posting requirement if the applicants wished to proceed with today’s transfer application. Mr. Chapman noted that his clients would like to be present when the Board made their final decision and stated that the location was newly posted and that they would like to present before the Board at the next hearing, scheduled for February 25, 2019.

At this point, the following motion was made:

- Motion made by Commissioner Gottschalk, seconded by Commissioner Rolle, to continue this matter until February 25, 2019. Motion passed unanimously.
- Reconsideration of Applications for Substitute Licensees

RDC Harbourtowne, LLC d/b/a The Links at Perry Cabin and The Lodge at Perry Cabin  
9784 Martingham Drive  
St. Michaels, MD 21663

All those in attendance to testify in the matter were sworn in (Michael Hoffmann, General Manager and attorney, Zach Smith).

RDC Harbourtowne, LLC was asked to reappear and present before the Board regarding new information that came to light after the Board approved their applications for substitute licensees at the hearing on January 28, 2019, regarding the status of the ongoing renovations to both the hotel/restaurant and the golf course pro-shop and outbuildings.

Mr. Smith and Mr. Hoffmann updated the Board on the status of the hotel and restaurant renovations at the Lodge at Perry Cabin and the operations of the golf course that would involve the beer / food service cart detailing their plans for the operation of a food and beverage cart on the golf course property while the while the hotel and restaurant were undergoing renovations.

Upon final presentation by the attendees, the Board thanked them for appearing and providing a status update. They further noted that as this was a fact gathering hearing, no action by the Board was necessary at this time and the approval of the substitute licensees was unaffected.

**OLD BUSINESS** - None.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING:** February 25, 2019

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, the Board moved to adjourn.

- Upon Motion by Commissioner Gottschalk, seconded by Commissioner Rolle, Jr., there being no further business to discuss, the Board voted unanimously to close the meeting at 10:39 a.m.