

THE ALCOHOL BEVERAGE BOARD
THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 2013 @ 1:00 PM
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CONFERENCE ROOM
CHESAPEAKE BUILDING
41770 BALDRIDGE STREET
LEONARDTOWN, MD 20650

The meeting of the Alcohol Beverage Board of St. Mary's County was held on Thursday, January 10, 2013 at 1:00 P. M. in the County Commissioners Conference Room, Chesapeake Building, Leonardtown, Maryland.

Moses Saldaña, Chairman
Linda Palchinsky, Vice Chairman
Aaron Mathis, Member
Betty Currie, Member
Kevin Hall, Member
Chris Beaver, Attorney
Tamara Hildebrand, Board Administrator
Garland Thompson, Inspector
Cpl. James Stone, Alcohol Enforcement Officer

Chairman Saldaña called the meeting to order and introduced the Board to the audience. Member Currie moved to approve the minutes of December 13, 2012. It was seconded by Member Mathis. Motion carried.

➤ **Old Business:**

• **Violations**

International Beverages, Deli & Cadillac Jacks International Beverages, Deli & Cadillac Jacks – Paul Choporis. Commission of acts on licensed premises contrary to State law in violation of Section 12-113 of Article 2B of the Annotated Code of Maryland and Section 5.04(f) of the Rules and Regulations of the Alcohol Beverage Board of St. Mary's County for reusing or refilling a bottle or container of alcoholic beverages and/or for tampering with the contents of such bottle or containers.

Mr. Shane Mattingly appeared with the license holder, Paul Choporis. Mr. Choporis admitted that the violation did in fact occur and Mr. Beaver read the facts of the violation into the record. Mr. Mattingly explained the circumstances surrounding the incident. Vice Chairman Palchinsky made the motion to fine the establishment \$1000, suspended to \$300 if paid within 10 days, and no violations occur within 3 years. Member Hall seconded and the motion carried.

➤ **New Business**

• **Applications**

Plaza Azteca - Application of Miguel A. Lopez, Ruben Leon & Abrea Rodriguez to transfer Monterey Mexican Restaurant (Monterey of California, Inc.) Class B-Beer, Wine & Liquor license location from 22576-340 MacArthur Blvd., California, MD 20619 to 22201 Three Notch Rd., Lexington Park, MD 20653 & changing trade name to Plaza Azteca. And requesting permission for extension of premise for outside patio.

Postponed until the February 14 meeting.

• **Officer/Member/Trade Name changes:**

American Legion Post 221- Officer Change removing Everett Cooper & adding David F. Abell
Member Mathis made the motion to approve the change and it was seconded by Member Currie.

Motion carried.

➤ **Other Business:**

• **Board Administrator – Tammy Hildebrand**

Tammy submitted the FY 14 Budget to the Board for approval before it goes before the Board of County Commissioners next month. She is requesting to unfreeze the Office Specialist Position and she made some

minute changes to reflect some increased costs over the past year. Member Currie made the motion to approve the budget as submitted and it was seconded by Member Mathis. Motion carried.

- **Board Inspector – Garland Thompson**

Mr. Thompson did routine inspections and attended the CAC meeting and the RAST class.

- **Alcohol Enforcement Coordinator – Cpl. James Stone**

There were 19 DUI's in December and 30 businesses checked.

- **Retail Beverage Association – Dave Dent**

The January Legislature has opened with a few Bills regarding the Alcohol Licensees. One of them involves legislation regarding chain stores selling alcohol. In addition, there is one to allow microbreweries to brew and sell on site beer. These would be State licenses in addition to the Class B license the establishment already has.

- **Community Alcohol Coalition- Matt Reisdorph**

Matt appeared in Jenna's place to discuss the next meeting of the Coalition in January and to invite the Members to the Sub Committee meeting. This meeting will follow the soft launch of a Media campaign for "Can you afford it?" regarding the consequences of underage drinking.

Member Mathis made the motion to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Vice Chairman Palchinsky. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Fran Hammett
Recording Secretary

Moses Saldaña
Chair