

**THE ALCOHOL BEVERAGE BOARD  
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 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, February 14, 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  
Joanne Wood, 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 January 11, 2013. It was amended to correct a Member's name at the top of the sheet and it was seconded by Vice Chairman Palchinsky. Motion carried.

➤ **Old Business:**

• **Postponed 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.

Abrea Rodriguez appeared before the Board and the Board Administrator had a letter from the other two license holders giving her permission to speak on their behalf. They wish to change the name of their business "Monterey's" to the Plaza Azteca and move from their present location to the location of the former restaurant known as Damon's. They are also requesting to extend the premise to include the outside patio. Member Mathis made the motion for the 90 day conditional approval and it was seconded by Member Hall. Motion carried.

➤ **New Business**

• **Violations**

TownePlace Suites by Marriot – Gina Blorstad

- Distribution of free alcoholic beverages in violation of Section 12-107(b) (2) of Article 2B of the Annotated Code of Maryland.
- Consumption of alcoholic beverages on the licensed premises on the premises where sold in violation of Section 6-101 of Article 2B of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

Sara Arthur, Attorney for the license holders and the license holders appeared before the Board and admitted that the violations did occur. Ms. Wood read the facts into the record. Ms. Arthur explained the mistake and took full responsibility for the violations, not realizing it was illegal to give away alcohol in the State of Md. She also apologized to the Board Inspector for the confusion and the circumstances surrounding the evening of the violation.

For the first violation, Member Currie made the motion to fine the establishment \$1000 with \$500 suspended for three years if no violations occur during that time, payable within 10 days or the license will be suspended. Member Hall seconded the motion and after discussion, the motion carried 4-1 with Vice Chairman Palchinsky voting nay.

For the second violation, Chairman Saldaña made the motion to fine the establishment \$1000, suspended for three years if no violations occur during that time, payable within 10 days or the license will be suspended. Member Currie seconded and the motion carried 4-1 with Vice Chairman Palchinsky voting nay.

- **Applications**

The Foxy Fish: Application of Deborah Marie Buckler & David Arnold Buckler III to transfer Big T's Crab Shack (ADF North, LLC), Class B-BWL license from Lois Anne Leicht & t/a The Foxy Fish (The Foxy Fish, Inc), 28976 Three Notch Rd., Mechanicsville, MD 20659.

Chairman Saldaña recused himself from participating in this portion of the agenda. Mr. & Mrs. Buckler appeared before the Board. The establishment will remain the same as it is now, with the exception of some remodeling. Member Currie made the motion for the 90 day conditional approval and it was seconded by Member Hall. Motion carried.

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

Ruby Tuesday Officer Change: removing Christine Kratzke; adding David Strong  
Vice Chairman Palchinsky made the motion to approve the name changes and it was seconded by Member Currie. Motion carried.

DB McMillans: Requesting temporary extension of premise for St. Patrick's Day party to include front area of parking lot.

Dana Rebarchick appeared before the Board with her request to section off the front row of parking spaces to allow for extra customers on March 17. Member Mathis made the motion to approve the request and it was seconded by Vice Chairman Palchinsky. Motion carried.

➤ **Other Business:**

- **Board Administrator – Tammy Hildebrand**

Tammy stated that the deadline for renewals is March 4. The office will be enforcing the food/alcohol ratio required for certain class of licenses. By law, the food sales must exceed the alcohol sales for a restaurant license. Some establishments will be downgraded to a Class A license, while others may want to reexamine how they can promote the sale of food.

- **Board Inspector – Garland Thompson**

Mr. Thompson did 17 routine inspections and posted signs where needed.

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

There were 13 DUI's in January with one under the age of eighteen.

- **Retail Beverage Association – Dave Dent**

There are several bills in the Legislature being addressed regarding the sale of alcohol. A bill allowing chain stores to sell alcohol didn't pass in Prince George's County. Some of the bills being deliberated are the micro-breweries/pub breweries licenses, the sale of alcohol from self-scanner registers, bottle recycling charges that could require \$1.20 a case fee, and establishing a chain store alcohol license for the big box/chain stores.

- **Community Alcohol Coalition**-Couldn't attend this month's meeting.

At 2:20 Chairman Saldaña advised those left in the audience that the Board must meet in Executive Session and the room must be vacated. The meeting reconvened at 2:45 and was adjourned at that time.

Respectfully submitted:

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Fran Hammett  
Recording Secretary

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Moses Saldaña  
Chair