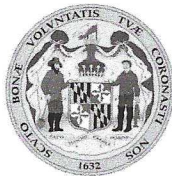


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DATE: July 15, 2021

TIME: 3:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Chair Alan Silverstein
Vice Chair Barbara Wahl
Commissioner Eric Morrisette

OTHERS: Jeffrey Kelly, Executive Director, Alcohol and Tobacco Commission (ATC)
Dawn Berkowitz, Maryland Department of Health
Jennifer Brezler, Alcohol and Tobacco Commission
Karyle Fogan, Field Enforcement Bureau

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Alan Silverstein called the meeting of the Maryland Alcohol and Tobacco Commission to order at 3:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Chair Alan Silverstein called for a motion to approve the minutes for June 17, 2021 and Vice Chair Barbara Wahl moved to approve and Commissioner Eric Morrisette 2nd the motion to approve. All said Aye and is approved.

MEETING AGENDA:

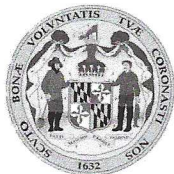
Executive Director Report

Director Kelly gave a big thanks to Anthony Hatcher who served as the acting Executive Director of the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission. He then gave a summary of statistics of the seizures, confiscations and inspections that the ATC Agents made since last month's meeting and a breakdown of permits and licenses that have been issued since January 1, 2021. Director Kelly presented a draft Information and Training Advisory that will become a periodically published document to provide information, training, and trends to tobacco and alcohol regulators and industry members.

Department of Health Report

Ms. Berkowitz discussed how their department's responsibilities overlapped with the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission (ATC). She said that they have a close partnership with the ATC. They have been funding local health departments to conduct compliance checks on local retailers and referring

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violators to the ATC as appropriate. She discussed some of the things they are doing with the Middle Schools and High Schools on risk behavior, and she also spoke about the tobacco surveys that they conduct.

Kathleen Hoke introduced herself as the director of the legal resource center at the school of law that has worked with the Health Department with public health policies.

ATC budget and equipment

Director Kelly and Ms. Brezler reported on budget and equipment issues affecting the ATC including the transference of certain equipment from the Comptroller's inventory to the Office of the Executive Director's inventory. Director Kelly mentioned he was in the process of hiring a contractual Management Associate for the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission who would primarily aid the Commissioners and then help in other ATC areas when available. He asked the Commissioners to what extent they wished to be involved in providing advice and consent for this position and they decided that they would look at the top candidates once that list has been determined.

Hiring a paid advisor - This agenda item was requested by Commissioner Poole who was absent. The Chair tabled discussion until the next meeting.

Disparity among county liquor laws/grocery store sales - This agenda item was requested by Commissioner Poole. The Chair tabled discussion until the next meeting.

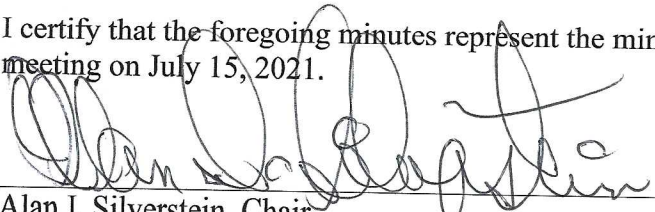
Future Meetings – Virtual or in person - This agenda item was requested by Commissioner Poole. The Chair tabled discussion until the next meeting after asking for information on how other commissions are holding meetings.

New Business - No new business was discussed.

Adjournment – Chairman Silverstein called to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Morrisette moved to adjourn and Vice Chairman Barbara Wahl 2nd the motion, all said Aye and the meeting was adjourned at 3:36 p.m.

**Next regular meeting date is set for August 19th at 3:00 p.m.*

I certify that the foregoing minutes represent the minutes of the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission meeting on July 15, 2021.


Alan I. Silverstein, Chair

9.20.2021

Date