Larry Hogan Governor

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Jeffrey A. Kelly Executive Director



Alan Silverstein, Chairman Barbara Wahl, Vice-Chair Robert Poole, Secretary Eric Morrissette, Commissioner Betty Buck, Commissioner Dennis Schrader, Secretary of Health Col. Woodrow W. Jones III, Secretary of State Police

MARYLAND ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO COMMISSION February Minutes

- DATE: February 17, 2022
- TIME: 3:00 P.M.
- PLACE: Maryland Alcohol and Tobacco Commission Headquarters (Meeting conducted via Microsoft Teams, recorded for replay)
- PRESENT: Chair Alan Silverstein Vice- Chair Barbara Wahl Commissioner Eric Morrissette
- ABSENT: Commissioner Robert Poole Commissioner Elizabeth (Betty) Buck

OTHERS: Executive Director Jeffrey Kelly, Alcohol and Tobacco Commission, Maryland Department of Heath Dana Moncrief

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 meeting minutes for January 20th, 2021, and Vice-Chair Barbara Wahl moved to approve, and Commissioner Eric Morrissette second the motion and all members present voted in favor and unanimously approved the previous month's minutes.



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT (Director Kelly)

Director Kelly gave an accounting of the enforcement activity for the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission since the last month's meeting.

- a. Enforcement activity
 - The ATC had a busy enforcement period which included eleven incidents where thirteen parties were charged, all incidents were tobacco-related.
 - 8,730 sticks of OTP and 28,042 unstamped cigarettes were seized.
 - Several upcoming operations are scheduled for this next enforcement period.
 - b. Training and Informational Advisory 007
 - The current advisory covered several key refreshers
 - Renewal process identified a large volume of wholesalers who did not submit their renewals, advisory provided a reminder for them to review their status.
 - Trade practice reminders with a focus on "free services"
 - Sampling
 - Supply chain shortages
 - c. Alcohol and Budget Hearings
 - As previously reported budget approval to include 7 Agents and 1 Administrative
 - February 24, 2022, House budget meeting available on YouTube
 - March 4, 2022, Senate budget meeting in person
 - d. Introduction of Thomas Akras
 - PowerPoint presentation regarding proposed legislative action regarding cannabis, alcohol, and tobacco.

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

- Dana Moncrief introduced Brooke Torton Deputy Director of Legal Resource Center for Public Health Policy
 - a. Synthetic Nicotine PowerPoint presentation



NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Alan Silverstein moved to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Eric Morrissette second the motion and all members present voted in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 3:33 p.m.

*Next regular meeting date is March 17th, 2022 at 3:00 p.m.

I certify that the foregoing minutes represent the minutes of the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission meeting on February 17, 2022.

Alan I. Silverstein, Chair

<u>03/17/2022</u>

Date

