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MARYLAND ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO COMMISSION

August 2022 Minutes

DATE: August 18th, 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 Elizabeth (Betty) Buck
Chief of Staff James Hock, Maryland State Police
Jeffrey Kelly, Executive Director, Alcohol and Tobacco Commission

ABSENT: Commissioner Eric Morrissette
Commissioner Robert Poole
Deputy Director Dana Moncrief, Maryland Department of Health

OTHERS: William George, Director, Field Enforcement Division
Thomas R. Akras, Director, Legal and Legislative Division

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Alan Silverstein called the meeting of the Maryland Alcohol and Tobacco Commission to order at 3:02 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Chair Alan Silverstein called for a motion to approve the meeting minutes for July 21st, 2022, Commissioner Buck moved to approve, Commissioner Silverstein seconded the motion, and all members present voted in favor and unanimously approved the previous meeting's minutes.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

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



a. Enforcement Activity

- The ATC's Field Operations Bureau conducted enforcement activities that included ten incidents where ten parties were charged, all incidents were both alcohol and tobacco related.
 - 9,541 sticks of OTP and 85 unstamped cigarettes were seized in tobacco-related incidents.
 - 74 containers of distilled spirits and 31 containers of beers were seized in alcohol-related incidents.
 - These events happened throughout the state in Anne Arundel, Baltimore County, Howard, Queen Anne's, Prince George's, and Baltimore City.

b. License/Permit Renewals

- The Regulatory Administrative Service Bureau's Licensing Unit has renewed 1,101 Direct Wine Shippers permits along with 548 other various licenses and permits since our last meeting.
- Effective November 1st, 2022, all general permits will be renewed. An estimate of 5,340 permits & 37,500 vehicle identification cards will be issued.

c. Training and Information Advisory

- Additional advisories will be published pertaining to alcohol delivery charges.

d. COMAR Update

- Thomas Akras and Jeffrey Hann have completed the changes made in COMAR, rights from the Comptroller to the Alcohol & Tobacco Commission.
- This is currently sent for review on the accuracy of authorization and proper formatting. Then submitted to the division of state documents for final review.
- Publication of finalized form, estimating around December 2022 or January 2023.
- Fall 2022, ATC will create a forum to discuss any changes to COMAR regulations, specifically on trade practices.

NEW BUSINESS

- Commissioner Elizabeth Buck will be attending an alcohol law & policy conference in Tennessee.

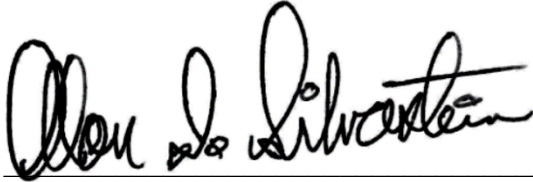


ADJOURNMENT

Chair Alan Silverstein moved to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Elizabeth Buck and Commissioner Barbara Wahl second the motion and all members present voted in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 3:12 p.m.

**Next regular meeting date is September 15th, 2022, at 3:00 p.m.*

I certify that the foregoing minutes represent the minutes of the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission meeting on August 18th, 2022.



Alan Silverstein, Chair

September 15th 2022

Date

