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OF STATE POLICE

July 2024 Minutes

DATE: July 18, 2024

TIME: 3:00 PM

PLACE: Maryland Alcohol, Tobacco, & Cannabis

Commission Headquarters

(Meeting conducted via Google Meets, recorded for replay)

PRESENT: Chair Alan Silverstein

Secretary Robert Poole

Commissioner Elizabeth (Betty) Buck

Commissioner Eric Morrissette Commissioner Dourakine Rosarion

ABSENT: Commissioner Eric Morrissette

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Alan Silverstein called the meeting of the Maryland Alcohol, Tobacco and Cannabis Commission to order at 3:00 PM.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Alan Silverstein called for a motion to approve the June 20, 2024, meeting minutes. Commissioner Betty Buck made a motion to approve, which Secretary Robert Poole seconded. All members present voted in favor and unanimously approved the previous meeting minutes.

III. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Executive Director Jeffrey Kelly reported on the total enforcement activity for the Alcohol, Tobacco and Cannabis Commission for fiscal year 2024.

- a. Enforcement Activity
 - Inspections
 - o Three thousand, four hundred ninety-nine (3,499) Tobacco / Cannabis Inspections
 - o Two thousand, three hundred sixteen (2,316) Alcohol Inspections
 - Reportable Incidents: 265
 - o Eight hundred forty-four thousand, seven hundred sixteen (844,716) sticks of OTP yielding a tax loss of \$637,252.00
 - o Thirty-seven thousand, seven hundred eighty-four (37,784) packs of cigarettes yielding a tax loss of \$141,690.00
 - o Three thousand, three hundred thirty-nine (3,339) containers of distilled spirits, wine and beer yielding a tax loss of \$202.00
 - o These incidents took place in all counties across the state of Maryland.
- b. HR / Staffing
 - Open Positions
 - o Finance Officer: The MS22 (job description) is being modified and we hope to have this position posted by the end of the month.
 - Closed Positions
 - o Licensing Specialists (2): New team members are scheduled to start ad begin the onboarding process on August 7th.
 - o Regulatory and Research Section Manager: This new team member is also scheduled to start and begin the onboarding process on August 7th.
- c. Legal & Legislative
 - Legislative Update Manual is being developed and will be sent to all jurisdictions in the state that covers all the Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Cannabis laws that were passed during the 2024 legislative session. This will be sent out as a PDF and will be published on our website.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Lab Contract: The ATCC has secured a contract with a local lab where cannabis seizures will be sent for testing. This will also support our underage sales enforcement efforts.
- b. Commission position nominations:
 - Chair: Chair Alan Silverstein was renominated. Executive Director Jeff Kelly called for a motion to approve this nomination. All members present voted in favor and unanimously approved the nomination.
 - Vice Chair: Commissioner Eric Morissette was nominated. Executive Director Jeff Kelly called for a motion to approve this nomination. All members present voted in favor and unanimously approved the nomination.
 - Secretary: Commissioner Robert Poole was renominated. Executive
 Director Jeff Kelly called for a motion to approve this nomination. All
 members present voted in favor and unanimously approved the
 nomination.

V. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

At 3:22 PM, Chair Al Silverstein Commissioner called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Betty Buck made a motion to approve, which Secretary Robert Poole seconded. All members present voted in favor and unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

* Next meeting is August 15, 2024, at 3:00 PM.

I certify that the foregoing minutes represent the minutes of the Alcohol, Tobacco, and Cannabis Commission meeting on July 18, 2024.



Aug 15, 2024

Robert Poole, Secretary

Date

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