

**BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS  
CARROLL COUNTY, MARYLAND  
MINUTES**

**On June 8, 2011, the Board of License Commissioners met in Room 003 of the Carroll County Office Building, 225 North Center Street, Westminster, Maryland 21157. Board members Romeo Valianti, David Grayson and Roland Meerdter were present as well as Tim Burke, Counsel to the Board; and Nancy David.**

10:10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Case 5594, Application of Ralph Sparrow and Susan Sparrow for a Class A – Beer, Wine and Liquor License for the use of Sparrow Ventures, LLC, t/a Piney Run Liquors, 577 Johnsville Road, Sykesville, in Election District 5. Upon motion of Mr. Meerdter, seconded by Mr. Grayson, the Board found the applicants to be fit and proper persons to hold an alcoholic beverage license and felt the need to accommodate the public would be met by issuing the one available license to these applicants.

11:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Application of James B. Geary, Jr. and Thomas W. Geary for a Class A – Beer, Wine and Liquor License for the use of Sykesville Spirits, LLC, t/a TBD, 6306 Sykesville Road, Sykesville, in Election District 5. The Board voted to issue the one available license to the applicants in the prior case.

1:10 p.m. to 2:40 p.m., Discussion on possible changes to the Rules and Regulations of the Board of License Commissioners for Carroll County. Inspector Kaizer is to email a copy of the final changes to each Board Member as well as to Attorney Burke. The Board voted to accept the changes presented.

From 2:40 p.m. to 3:45 p.m., the Board addressed the following official business:

1. The minutes from the May 11, 2011, meeting of the Board was approved upon a motion of Mr. Grayson and seconded by Mr. Valianti.
2. An email from Frank DiFatta, of Belisimo's, requesting permission to serve alcoholic beverages outdoors in a designated area on the lower parking lot on July 24 from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m. for a "Bark in the Bar" event was presented and approved by the Board.
3. A letter from Ms. Geraldine (Gerrye) Johnston, concerning loud music coming from Serra Brothers Italian Deli, was presented to the Board. A copy of a letter to Ms. Johnston from Commissioner Howard was emailed to this office to be shared with the Board as well. Inspector Kaizer will speak with the establishment and contact Ms. Johnston.
4. A fax and sketch from James Serra, of Serra Brothers Italian Deli, requesting permission to serve alcoholic beverages on a proposed outdoor patio in front of the bar area was presented and approved. Inspector Kaizer presented a photo of the area enclosed by a metal railing.
5. An application for a catering supplement to the existing Class B – BWL License held by Cobblestone Tavern & Grille was presented and approved.

6. A fax from William Chenoweth, of Piper's Wine & Spirit Barn, informing the Board of a change in the hours of operation was presented to the Board.
7. A letter from David Shriver, of the Union Mills Homestead, informing the Board that they will be holding the annual Maryland Microbrewery Festival on September 24 from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. was presented.
8. A fax and sketch from Ken Lurie, of Bud's at Silver Run, requesting permission to serve alcoholic beverages outdoors on the parking lot for "Equine Ventures Horse Rescue" on June 26 from 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., was presented and approved by the Board.
9. A fax and drawing from Jeffrey Green, of Upper Deck Sports Bar and Grill, requesting permission to serve alcoholic beverages in an outdoor area secured by fencing and large potted plants, was presented and approved by the Board. The Licensee is responsible for obtaining all necessary permits and permission from the town.
10. Example forms of the application and license for the recently approved Liquor Tasting License, to be effective July 1, was shared with the Board.
11. An email from Jade Ostner, of the MD Wineries Association, offering to take an active lead in the Maryland Wine Festival applications, was shared with the Board. The Board declined the offer and will respond to Ms. Ostner informing her that the application process will not change.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Nancy David  
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