

DRAFT MINUTES

Record of the Meeting of the Liquor Control Board held May 16, 2018
At 13 Green Mountain Drive, Montpelier, Vermont

LCB Members present:

Martin Manahan Chair, Thomas Lauzon and Devon Fuller,
Members

Others Present:

Patrick Delaney, Commissioner, Gary Kessler, Deputy
Commissioner, Wesley Lawrence, Board Counsel, Jacob
Humbert, Assistant Attorney General and Laurie Pecor,
Administrative Coordinator

9:30 a.m. Meeting begins.

- Additions/Deletions to agenda: None
 - Board action on draft minutes and meeting held on April 11, 2018- Approved
 - Board action on new licenses and permits issued April 1, 2018 through April 30, 2018 – Approved.
 - Board decisions – Papa Treat LLC, dba Buxton’s Store, 499 Main St, Orwell.
1. Public Comment – no one is present for Public Comment
 2. Administration of Oath of Office for Patrick Ross.
 3. Enforcement –
 - JJ Hapgood, LLC dba JJ Hapgood General Store, 305 Main St. Peru, VT. Re: License Renewal. **Board decision: License is renewed with conditions that licensee submit to a breath test when requested by any law enforcement while on the licensed premise for the 2018 licensing year.**

9:56 a.m. Board recesses

9:59 a.m. Board reconvenes

- Backstage LLC, dba Backstage Pub & Restaurant, 60 Pearl St, Essex. Re: Backstage LLC, 60 Pearl St, Essex Jct, VT. Re: violation of general regulation number 17, violation of a Board Order and omitting information on a license renewal.
 1. State’s Exhibit 1 – Board decision from April 11, 2018 – Admitted

2. State's Exhibit 2 – 2018 License Renewal – Admitted
3. State's Exhibit 3 – New York Investigator report and their involvement with Vince Dober.-Admitted
4. State's Exhibit 4 – April 11, 2018 Board hearing audio – Admitted
5. Licensee Exhibit A – Three photographs that are still shots taken from the video camera inside Backstage. – Admitted.
6. Licensee Exhibit B – Medical Exam of Vincent Dober – Admitted

Proposed Findings of Fact are due by both the Licensee and the State on June 1, 2018.

- Ya Dude, dba Nectar's 188 Main St, Burlington. Re: violation of general regulation number 10 - Licensee is in good standing with Tax - Dismissed.
- Radio Bean Inc., 8 N Winooski Ave, Burlington. Re: violation of general regulation number 10 - Licensee is in good standing with Tax. - Dismissed.
- MCC Entertainment, dba Social, 165 Church St, Burlington. Re: violation of general regulation number 10 – **Board decision: Licensee will be suspended at 5:00 p.m. Thursday, May 17, 2018 unless or until they become in good standing with the Tax Department.**

12:40 p.m. Board recesses

1:00 p.m. Board reconvenes

- Travis Group, dba Demena's, 44 Main St. Montpelier. Re: violation of general regulation number 10 - Licensee is in good standing with Tax. - Dismissed.
4. April listings – Approved
 5. Commissioner Comments:
 - a) April Sales results
 - b) Exterior Signage update – will install within a month
 - c) IT update – on schedule and on budget
 - d) Legislative update – No decision made on the Lottery/Liquor merger.
 - e) New agency in Charlotte should be identified by the end of the month.
 - f) Castleton agency – still looking to identify
 - g) Seasonal agency in Lake Willoughby is back open

1:20 p.m. Board meeting ends

NEXT MEETING IS JUNE 13, 2018

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