

IOWA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES COMMISSION

MINUTES

Iowa Alcoholic Beverages Division
Hilton Garden Inn Sioux City Riverfront
1132 Larsen Park Road
Sioux City, IA 51106
June 13, 2018 – 1:00 p.m.
Dial In Number: 1.866.685.1580
Conference Code Number:

Commission Members Present

Gary Nystrom: Chair
Rachel Eubank: Vice Chair
John Pauli: Secretary
Jay Wilson: Member (via phone)

Division Staff Present

Stephen Larson: Administrator
Erin Carpenter: Executive Assistant
Tyler Ackerson: Education & Outreach (via phone)
Jodi Christensen: Purchasing Agent 3
Karen Freund: Deputy Administrator of Regulatory Affairs
Jason Hohn: Licensing Clerk Specialist
Pam Koehn-Miller: Secretary
Stephanie Strauss: Government Relations
Herb Sutton: Bureau Chief, Business Operations
John Lundquist: Assistant Attorney General

Guests Present

Tom Bahrenfuss: Hegg Companies/ Crave
Tim Lanphier: LL Distributing
Tamie Rollison: Sam's Mini Mart
Mac Dolan: Crash Boom Bang
Peggy La: Hong Kong Store
Jacob Bossman: State Representative
Janet Schroeder: Hard Rock Hotel & Casino
Troy Hargrove: Southern Glazers Wine and Spirits (via phone)
Jeremy Thompson: Sazerac (via phone)
Matt McKinny: Kum & Go (via phone)

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Gary Nystrom called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. and roll was taken. There was a quorum.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Eubank and seconded by Commissioner Pauli to approve the agenda for the June 13, 2018, Commission meeting.

Motion approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Pauli to approve the minutes for the May 9, 2018 and June 1, 2018 meetings.

Motion approved.

Chairperson Nystrom recognized Administrator Stephen Larson for the Administrator's Report.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Administrator Larson commented on the Licensing Reform meeting in Okoboji held on June 12, 2018, with Commissioner Ryan. This meeting focused on the process of licensing eligibility and administrative appeals.

Administrator Larson also gave an update on the RFP status and highlighted the current timeline. A meeting with warehouse and driver employees has occurred prior this commission meeting.

Commissioner Nystrom thanked Administrator Larson for his report and opened up the floor to Commissioners to ask questions to Administrator Larson.

Commissioner Pauli asked regarding how ABD staff reacted to this information at their meeting. Most ABD staff was curious how they would be financially impacted with this change. There is no official answer yet until we have entered contractual agreement.

Commissioner Eubank asked if there was a specific timeline for contract negotiations. Ruan was officially informed a week prior this Commission meeting and there will be future meetings scheduled to develop a timeline for contract negotiations.

Commissioner Wilson suggested a method to streamline communication regarding drivers directly to the company.

Administrator Larson gave a brief update on recommendations that were made to the Administrator on raising split case fees and disorder fees. A decision will be made by the Administrator.

Administrator Larson also added we are on schedule with an updated recommendation report for Tied House to be submitted by Fiscal Year 2019.

PUBLIC COMMENT

A question was asked regarding the new law of dram shop insurance. Commissioner Nystrom replied that the dram shop is controlled by the State of Iowa Insurance Commission and state legislation.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Pauli to elect officers for 2019 fiscal year: Commissioner Eubank as Chair, Commissioner Pauli as Vice Chair, and Commissioner Spratt as Secretary.

Motion approved.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Pauli and seconded by Commissioner Eubank to approve ABD moving forward with rulemaking regarding liquor importation.

Motion approved.

NEXT MEETING DATES

Wednesday, July 12, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. This will be a telephonic Commission meeting.

The next in person Commission meeting will be TBD in September or October.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Eubank and seconded by Commissioner Pauli.

Motion approved.

The meeting adjourned at 2:08pm.



Commissioner Riesenbeck-Spratt, Secretary