

TENNESSEE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE COMMISSION MINUTES THURSDAY, JULY 28 1:00 p.m.

The July 2022 meeting was held on July 28, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. in Nashville, TN. Chairwoman Roberts, Commissioner Tomita, and Commissioner Hamilton were present. In attendance on behalf of TABC staff were the following: Director Thomas, Assistant Director Tabatha Blackwell, Counsel Mercurio, Legislation, Policy and Communication Director Aaron Rummage and Chief Law Enforcement Officer Bond Tubbs.

Pursuant to T.C.A. §8-44-108, meetings may be conducted permitting participation of electronic or other means of communication,

1. REVIEW/APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 30 COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES AND AUDIT MEETING MINUTES

<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Commissioner Hamilton moved to approve both minutes and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

2. RETAIL MATTERS

1. MINOR HILL LIQUOR AND WINE MINOR HILL, TENNESSEE (GILES COUNTY)

Applicant:

VIAAN529 INC

Member(s):

Paragiben Patel (100%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a new retail package store licensee to be located at 11911 Minor Hill Hwy, Goodspring, TN 38460. This store will be located within the city limits of Minor Hill despite the mailing address designation of Goodspring. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the license subject to:

- a. certificate of occupancy
- b. inspection
- c. agent review
- d. license fee



<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to certificate of occupancy, inspection, agent review and payment of the license fee. Commissioner Tomita moved approval subject to certificate of occupancy, inspection, agent review and payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

2. TREE CITY WINE & SPIRITS MCMINNVILLE, TENNESSEE (WARREN COUNTY)

Applicant:

Archie LLC

Member(s):

Shiv Patel (100%)

Current licensee:

TREE CITY WINE & SPIRITS INC

d/b/a Tree City Wine & Spirits

Proposed licensee: Archie LLC d/b/a Tree City Wine & Spirits

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a retail package store licensee to be located at 909 Sparta St, McMinnville, TN 37110. The applicant is acquiring the package store from the existing licensee owned by TREE CITY WINE & SPIRITS INC. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the license subject to:

a. inspection

b. license fee

Discussion/Action Taken: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to inspection and payment of the license fee. Commissioner Hamilton moved approval subject to inspection and payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.



3. **CARROLL STREET LIQUORS** TULLAHOMA, TENNESSEE (COFFEE COUNTY)

Applicant:

Tennessee Liquor Inc

Member(s):

Jignesh Patel (100%)

Current licensee:

CARROLL ST LIQUORS INC d/b/a Carroll Street Liquors

Proposed licensee: Tennessee Liquor Inc d/b/a Carroll Street Liquors

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a retail package store licensee to be located at 307 E Carroll St, Tullahoma, TN 37388. The applicant is acquiring the package store from the existing licensee owned by CARROLL ST LIQUORS INC. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the license subject to:

a. inspection

b. agent review

license fee c.

Discussion/Action Taken: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to inspection, agent review, and payment of the license fee. Commissioner Tomita moved approval subject to inspection, agent review, and payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.



4. **TOP DECK LIQUOR** HARRIMAN, TENNESSEE (ROANE COUNTY)

Applicant:

SHRIDHI LLC

Member(s):

Jitendrakumar Patel (100%)

Current licensee:

The Wright Boys, LLC d/b/a The Wright Spirits

Proposed licensee: SHRIDHI LLC d/b/a Top Deck Liquor

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a retail package store licensee to be located at 1741 Roane State Hwy, Harriman, TN 37748. The applicant is acquiring the package store from the existing licensee owned by The Wright Boys, LLC. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the license subject to:

a. agent review

license fee b.

Discussion/Action Taken: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to agent review and payment of the license fee. Commissioner Hamilton moved approval subject to agent review and payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

5. FRANKLIN CORNER LEBANON, TENNESSEE (WILSON COUNTY)

Applicant:

Kashsap Trivedi, Sole Proprietorship

Before the Commission is a request for an extension of this retail package store licensee to be located at 1500 Franklin Rd, Suite D-E-F, Lebanon, TN 37090. Originally approved at the August 2021 Commission Meeting, the applicant has run into issues with construction.



Discussion/Action Taken: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended a six-month extension request. Commissioner Hamilton moved approval of a six-month extension and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

6. HARTMANN LIQUOR LEBANON, TENNESSEE (WILSON COUNTY)

Applicant:

Hartmann Liquor, LLC

Member(s):

Mahendrakumar Patel (25%), Nirav Patel (22.5%),

Vikram Singh (52.5%)

Current licensee:

Shivaram2010 Inc d/b/a Super Cheap Cigarette

Proposed licensee: Hartmann Liquor, LLC d/b/a Hartmann Liquor

Before the Commission is a request for an extension of this retail package store licensee to be located at 333 E High St, Lebanon, TN 37087. Originally approved at the June 2021 Commission Meeting, the applicant has run into issues with construction.

Discussion/Action Taken: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended a six-month extension request. Commissioner Tomita moved approval of a six-month extension and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

7. **HIGHWAY 64 WINE & SPIRITS SOMERVILLE, TENNESSEE (FAYETTE COUNTY)**

Applicant:

VIAAN529 INC

Member(s):

Vinodkumar Patel (60%), Jay Patel (40%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a new retail package store licensee to be located at 17370 US Highway 64, Somerville, TN 38068. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the license subject to payment of the license fee.



<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to payment of the license fee. Commissioner Hamilton moved approval subject to payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

8. WINE CELLAR & HIDEAWAY CLARKSVILLE, TENNESSEE (MONTGOMERY COUNTY)

Applicant:

Jesse Davie

Member(s):

Jesse Davie (100%)

Proposed licensee: Jesse Davie d/b/a Wine Cellar & Hideaway

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a retail package store licensee to be located at 4 Lealand Dr, Clarksville, TN 37042. The applicant is acquiring the package store as a sole proprietor via probate. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the license subject to:

a. inspection

b. agent review

c. license fee

<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to inspection, agent review, and payment of the license fee. Commissioner Tomita moved approval subject to inspection, agent review, and payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.



9. RED BANK TOBACCO WINE & SPIRITS CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE (HAMILTON COUNTY)

Applicant:

Jay Ambe 0805, LLC

Member(s):

Shailesh Patel (100%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a new retail package store licensee to be located at 3849 Dayton Blvd, Suite 113, Chattanooga, TN 37415. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the license subject to:

a. inspection

b. license fee

<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to inspection and payment of the license fee. Commissioner Hamilton moved approval subject to inspection and payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

10. EAST END LIQUOR STORE TIPTONVILLE, TENNESSEE (LAKE COUNTY)

Applicant:

Sandra Smith

Member(s):

Sandra Smith (100%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a new retail package store licensee to be located at 1315 Church St, Tiptonville, TN 38079. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the license subject to payment of the license fee.

<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to payment of the license fee. Commissioner Tomita moved approval subject to payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.



11. PLEASANT LIQUOR & WINE LLC MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE (SHELBY COUNTY)

Applicant:

Pleasant Liquor & Wine LLC

Member(s):

Janice Howard (100%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a new retail package store licensee to be located at 4840 E Holmes Rd, Suite 101, Memphis, TN 38118. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the license subject to payment of the license fee.

<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to payment of the license fee. Commissioner Hamilton moved approval subject to payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

3. PRIVATE CLUB MATTERS

AMERICAN LEGION POST 82 NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE (DAVIDSON COUNTY)

Applicant:

American Legion Post 82

Officer:

Daniel Whitehead

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a private club to be located at 3204 Gallatin Pike, Nashville, TN 37216.

<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to payment of the license fee. Commissioner Tomita moved approval subject to payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.



4. MANUFACTURER MATTERS

1. SOUTHERN COLLECTIVE SPIRITS COMPANY NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE (DAVIDSON COUNTY)

Applicant:

Thrive Holdings LLC

Members:

Michael Hood (37.5%), Justin deGraauw (42.5%),

Patricia Brill (10%), Shane Wyatt (5%),

Travis Kimmons (5%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a manufacturer to be located at 817 and 819 S 2nd Ave, Nashville, TN 37210. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the manufacturer subject to:

a. inspection

b. agent review

c. license fee

Discussion/Action Taken: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to inspection, agent review, and payment of the license fee. Commissioner Hamilton moved approval subject to inspection, agent review and payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.



2. SMOKEY MOUNTAIN DISTILLING COMPANY ALCOA, TENNESSEE (BLOUNT COUNTY)

Applicant:

Smokey Distilling Company

Members:

Steven Stanick (50%), Theresa Stanick (50%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a manufacturer to be located at 3033 Regal Dr, Alcoa, TN 37701. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the manufacturer subject to:

a. inspection

b. agent review

c. license fee

Discussion/Action Taken: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to inspection, agent review, and payment of the license fee. Commissioner Tomita moved approval subject to inspection, agent review and payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

3. TENNESSEE VALLEY WINERY LOUDON, TENNESSEE (LOUDON COUNTY)

Applicant:

TENNESSEE VALLEY WINERY CORP

Members:

John Smook (100%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a manufacturer to be located at 15606 E Hotchkiss Valley Rd, Loudon, TN 37774. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the manufacturer subject to payment of the license fee.



<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to payment of the license fee. Commissioner Hamilton moved approval subject to payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

4. BLUES CITY BREWERY MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE (SHELBY COUNTY)

Applicant:

Blues City Brewery, LLC

Officer:

Mike Degier

Shareholders:

Current

PABST Brewing (100%)

Proposed

PABST Brewing (52%) CB-Caiman Topco (34%)

3 Holdco (11%)

Other 3% with individuals with less than 5% interest

The manufacturer located at 5151 E Raines Rd, Memphis, TN 38118 is requesting approval for a change in ownership. The current shareholder is selling their interest to new shareholders, with none of them having any ultimate individual owners with at least 10% ownership interest. The TABC staff recommends approval of the change in ownership.

<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended approval of the change in ownership. Commissioner Tomita moved approval and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.



5. DROP ZONE DISTILLING COMPANY KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE (KNOX COUNTY)

Applicant:

Drop Zone Distilling Company, LLC

Members:

Rodney Parton (100%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a manufacturer to be located at 806 E Gov. John Sevier Hwy, Unit 1, Knoxville, TN 37920. <u>The TABC</u> staff recommends conditional approval of the manufacturer subject to:

a. inspection

b. agent review

c. license fee

<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to inspection, agent review, and payment of the license fee. Commissioner Hamilton moved approval subject to inspection, agent review and payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

5. WINERY DIRECT SHIPPER MATTERS

Discussion/Action Taken: Director Thomas informed the Commissioners that the first 17 Winery Direct Shipper matters are all being recommended conditional approval subject to payment of the license fee. The Commissioners agreed to go through all 17 at once and approve them together.



1. IVES BAY AMERICAN CANYON, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

Ives Bay, LLC

Members:

Penrose Hill, Limited (100%)

Brands:

Old Quarter

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 677 Hanna Dr, Suite B, American Canyon, CA 94503. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

2. GLEASON FAMILY VINEYARDS SANTA YNEZ, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

Gleason Family Vineyards LP

Members:

The Gleason Family Trust (50%), Aaron Maximilian

Gleason (15.87%), Mara Olsen (15.87%), Callie Gleason Bieszard (15.88%), and two other members who hold the

remaining 2.38% interest

Brands:

Roblar, Royal Oaks

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 3010 Roblar Ave, Santa Ynez, CA 93460. <u>The TABC staff recommends</u> conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

3. HORSE & PLOW SANTA ROSA, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

HORSE & PLOW INC.

Members:

Christopher Condos (100%)

Brands:

Horse & Plow, Gardener

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 1160 Hopper Ave, Santa Rosa, CA 95403. <u>The TABC staff recommends</u> conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.



4. NATCHEZ HILLS VINEYARD HAMPSHIRE, TENNESSEE (MAURY COUNTY)

Applicant:

JKO Enterprises Inc

Members:

Karen Odom (49%), James Odom (51%)

Brands:

Natchez Hills Vineyard

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 109 Overhead Bridge Rd, Hampshire, TN 38461. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

5. TAPLIN CELLARS NAPA, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

Taplin Cellars, LLC

Members:

Stephen Taplin (33.33%), William Taplin (33.33%),

Adam Taplin (33.33%)

Brands:

Taplin Cellars, Terra 9, Taplin

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 190 Camino Oruga, Suite 5, 9, and 12, Napa, CA 94558. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.



6. HAYLE AMERICAN CANYON, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

Hayle, Inc

Members:

Penrose Hill, Limited (100%)

Brands:

Western Cape, Sir Oscar Darby

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 677 Hanna Dr, Suite B, American Canyon, CA 94503. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

7. LEVENDI WINERY OAKVILLE, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

Levendi, LLC

Members:

David Gianulias (25%), James Gianulias (50%),

Todd Rustman (25%)

Brands:

Levendi Winery

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 7830-7840 St. Helena Hwy, Oakville, CA 94562. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.



8. BURGESS CELLARS SAINT HELENA, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

Lawrence Wine Estates, LLC

Members:

Gaylon Lawrence Jr. (99%), Lawrence CA LLC (1%)

Brands:

Burgess Cellars, Stony Hill

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 899 Adams St, Suite G, Saint Helena, CA 94574. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

9. STRALA VINEYARDS NAPA, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

Strala Vineyards, LLC

Members:

Jason Ray (50%), Laire Ray (50%)

Brands:

Strala

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 3106 Silverado Trl, Napa, CA 94558. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

10. CALLUNA VINEYARDS SANTA ROSA, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

Calluna Vineyards LLC

Members:

Jeffrey Family Trust (27.67%), The Duke Group (5.83%),

Robert Sydow (13.01%), A Tramarelli (6.15%),

other 47.34% with shareholders where each of them hold

less than 5% interest

Brands:

Calluna Vineyards, Calluna Cuvee, Calluna Estate

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 3358 Coffey Ln, Suite D, Santa Rosa, CA 95403. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.



11. LAS JARAS WINES SEBASTOPOL, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

Las Jaras Wines LLC

Members:

Eric Wareheim (50%), Joel Burt (50%)

Brands:

Las Jaras Wines, Waves Wine

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 2064 N Gravenstein Hwy, Suite 120, Sebastopol, CA 94572. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

12. JAMES COLE WINERY NAPA, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

THE HARDER GROUP

Members:

James Harder (50%), Colleen Cramsie (50%)

Brands:

Barn Dance, Ancestral Manoeuvres, California Gigolo, Hey

DJ, Pray for Surf, The Benefits of Solitude, Tres Noir, Field

Trippin', Wild Child, Nora, Soul Fuel

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 5014 Silverado Trl, Napa, CA 94558. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

13. LIOCO WINE COMPANY SANTA ROSA, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

Lioco Wine Company, LLC

Members:

Judith Licklider (57.82%), Matthew Licklider (25%),

other 17.18% among members with each holding less

than 5% interest

Brands:

Lioco

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 1160 Hooper Ave, Santa Rosa, CA 95403. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.



14. DUTCHER CROSSING WINERY HEALDSBURG, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

Mathy Winery, LLC

Members:

Debra Mathy (24%), Steven Mathy (38%),

Scott Mathy (38%)

Brands:

Dutcher Crossing Wine

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 8533 Dry Creek Rd, Healdsburg, CA 95448. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

15. COOPER BENTON CITY, WASHINGTON

Applicant:

Cooper Wine Company LLC

Members:

Neil Cooper (100%)

Brands:

Cooper

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 35306 N Sunset Rd, Benton City, WA 99320. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

16. ANGES COVE AMERICAN CANYON, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

Agnes Cove, LLC

Members:

Penrose Hill, Limited (100%)

Brands:

La Cabra Pinata, Primazona, Primere Blaar

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 677 Hanna Dr, Suite B, American Canyon, CA 94503. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.



17. TAKARA SAKE USA BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

TAKARA SAKE USA INC

Members:

Norihisa Fujiwara (100%)

Brands:

Benihana Plum, Kuro Yokaichi, Sho Chiku Bai,

Sho Chiku Bai Sake, Takara Mirin, Takara Sierra Cold Sake,

Sho Chiku Bai Nigori, Gankutsuoh,

Koshu Masamune Sake, Koshu Plum, Yokaichi Kome, Benihana Sake, Ikkomon, Hana Flavored, Kinsen Plum, Sho Chiku Bai Shirakabegura, Takara Masamune Mirin, Yuki Nigori, Honkaku, Towari, Takara Shochu, Yokaichi Mugi, Takara Masamune Sake, Sho Chiku Bai Sho, Sho Chiku Bai Kinpaku, Senryo Mirin, Hana, Kurokame

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 708 Addison St, Berkeley, CA 94710. <u>The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.</u>

Discussion/Action Taken: Director Thomas summarized the requests for all 17 matters and recommended conditional approval of all of them subject to payment of the license fees. Commissioner Tomita moved approval of all 17 winery direct shipper matters subject to payment of the license fees and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.



18. VINTAGE WINE ESTATES, INC. ARROYO GRANDE, CALIFORNIA

Applicant: Vintage Wine Estates, Inc.

Licenses: RTLDSP-OTN-1913596 BR Cohn Winery

RTLDSP-OTN-1823016 Cameron Hughes Wine

RTLDSP-OTN-1910982 Clos Pegase Winery RTLDSP-OTN-1913597 Cosentino Winery

RTLDSP-OTN-1817264 Delectus Winery

RTLDSP-OTN-2003507 Laetitia Vineyards & Winery

RTLDSP-OTN-2017561 Owen Roe

RTLDSP-OTN-1913600 Swanson Vineyards & Winery

RTLDSP-OTN-1912030 Tamarack Cellars RTLDSP-OTN-1910981 Viansa Winery

The winery direct shipper located at 453 Laetitia Vineyard Dr, Arroyo Granda, CA 93420, is requesting approval for a change in ownership. Vintage Wine Estates, Inc., the licensee for multiple direct shipper licenses, is now publicly traded. This amendment updates our records to reflect that. The TABC staff recommends approval of the change in ownership.

<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended approval of the change in ownership. Commissioner Hamilton moved approval and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.



6. MISCELLANEOUS

- Director's Update

<u>Discussion/Action Taken:</u> Director Thomas updated the Commission on a couple of administrative items.

- Law Enforcement Update

Discussion/Action Taken: CLEO Tubbs updated the Commission on enforcement activity since the last meeting including statistics on the number of inspections conducted, citations issued, fine amounts, minor compliance checks and compliance rate, seizures, and personnel news.

7. UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Monday, August 29 @ 1:00PM CST
- Thursday, September 22 @ 1:00PM CST

APPROVED FOR ENTRY UPON THE MINUTE BOOKS OF THE TENNESSEE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE COMMISSION THIS THE 29th DAY OF AUGUST 2022.

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Commissioner

Director