

# TENNESSEE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE COMMISSION MINUTES THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17 1:00 p.m.

The November 2022 meeting was held on November 17, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. in Nashville, TN. Commissioner Tomita and Commissioner Hamilton were present. Chairwoman Roberts attended the meeting via Microsoft Teams. In attendance on behalf of TABC staff were the following: Assistant Director Tabatha Blackwell, Counsel Stepp, 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 OCTOBER 27 COMMISSION 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

RINGGOLD FINE WINE & SPIRITS
 CLARKSVILLE, TENNESSEE (MONTGOMERY COUNTY)

Applicant:

RINGGOLD FINE WINE & SPIRITS INC

Member(s):

Kinfe Kahasay (100%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a new retail package store licensee to be located at 1991 Ft. Campbell Blvd., Clarksville, TN 37042. <u>The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the license subject to:</u>

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



**Discussion/Action Taken:** 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 report and payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

# 2. ONE STOP MARKET SPRINGFIELD, TENNESSEE (ROBERTSON COUNTY)

Applicant:

OM SHREE HARI VISHNU INC

Member(s):

Madhuben Patel (100%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a new retail package store licensee to be located at 2018 S Main St, Springfield, TN 37172. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the license subject to:

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

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



# 3. LIQUOR AND SMOKE HOUSE LEBANON, TENNESSEE (WILSON COUNTY)

Applicant:

VIKRAM SINGH

Member(s):

Vikram Singh (100%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a new retail package store licensee to be located at 1400 W Main St, Lebanon, TN 37087. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the license subject to:

a. certificate of occupancy

b. inspection

c. agent report

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 report and payment of the license fee and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

#### 4. BARRELS & BREWS

#### FRANKLIN, TENNESSEE (WILLIAMSON COUNTY)

Applicant:

Bourbon Brothers 2, LLC

Shareholders:

Current

Epoch Investments (30%)

John Pratt (10%) Paul Pratt (10%) Wyatt England (5%)

Skyz Investments, LLC (7.5%)

Poling Brothers Holdings LLC (5%)

**Equity Trust Company** 

Custodian FBO McClain H. Franks (10%)

Rhonda G. Franks (15%)

three other shareholders with less than 5% interest



**Proposed** 

Epoch Investments (20%)

John Pratt (10%)

Paul Pratt (10%)

Wyatt England (5%)

Skyz Investments, LLC (7.5%)

Poling Brothers Holdings LLC (5%)

**Equity Trust Company** 

Custodian FBO McClain H. Franks (10%)

Rhonda G. Franks (15%)

three other shareholders with less than 5% interest

Pete Percent (5%)

Terry Percent (5%)

Retail package store licensee no. RTLRPS-WIL-2131169 located at 1306 E Highway 96, Franklin, TN 37064 is requesting approval of change in ownership. One of the current shareholders is selling 10% of their interest to two new shareholders. 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.



#### 3. WHOLESALER MATTERS

# 1. CRAFT DISTRIBUTION COMPANY CONCORD, TENNESSEE (KNOX COUNTY)

Applicant:

What's Next LLC

Members:

Bobby Nichols Jr. (100%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a wholesaler located at 10249 Cogdill Rd, Concord, TN 37932. <u>The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the wholesaler subject to:</u>

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.

# 2. DET BEVERAGES JACKSON, TENNESSEE (MADISON COUNTY)

Applicant:

DET Beverages, L.L.C.

Members:

Joseph Reyes (33%), Michael Reyes (33%),

David Reyes (33%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a wholesaler located at 51 College Park Cove, Jackson, TN 38301. <u>The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the wholesaler subject to payment of the license fee.</u>



<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. DELIVERY SERVICE MATTERS

# 1. BITESQUAD LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA

Applicant:

BiteSquad.com, LLC

Members:

Waitr Intermediate Holdings, LLC (100%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a delivery service to be located at 214 Jefferson St, Suite 200, Lafayette, LA 70501. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the delivery service subject to payment of the license fee.

**Discussion/Action Taken:** 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.



# 2. ASAP LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA

Applicant:

ASAP, Inc.

Members:

Waitr Intermediate Holdings, LLC (100%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a delivery service to be located at 214 Jefferson St, Suite 200, Lafayette, LA 70501. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the delivery service 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.

#### **5. SATELLITE FACILITY MATTERS**

# 1. GRINDER'S SWITCH WINERY COLUMBIA, TENNESSEE (MAURY COUNTY)

Applicant:

Savannah Bee Company Retail, LLC

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a satellite facility to be located at 510 N Garden St, Suite D, Columbia, TN 38401. <u>The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the satellite facility subject to:</u>

- 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.

#### **6. FULFILLMENT HOUSE MATTERS**

1. BODEGA SHIPPING CO ST. HELENA, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

BODEGA SHIPPING CO NAPA VALLEY LLC

Trustee:

Antonio Aguilera (60%), Kelsea Aguilera (40%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a fulfillment house located at 385 Lafata St, St. Helena, CA 94574. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the fulfillment house 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.



# 2. REMEDY LIQUOR GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

REMEDY WHOLESALE LLC

Members:

**REMEDY WHOLESALE LLC (100%)** 

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a fulfillment house located at 1700 W Glenoaks Blvd, Unit B, Glendale, CA 91201. This applicant is an online retailer of wine and spirits. A fulfillment house licensee shall not ship wine into or within this state from, or on behalf of: unlicensed direct shippers, a Tennessee retailer, an out-of-state retailer, or a person or entity that is not a licensed winery direct shipper. The TABC staff recommends denial of this fulfillment house license application.

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

#### 7. WINERY DIRECT SHIPPER MATTERS

<u>Discussion/Action Taken:</u> Director Thomas informed the Commissioners that all 11 Winery Direct Shipper matters are all being recommended conditional approval subject to payment of the license fee. The Commissioners agreed to go through all 11 at once and approve them together.



### 1. IRIS VINEYARDS COTTAGE GROVE, OREGON

Applicant:

Chalice Vineyards LLC

Members:

Pamela Frye (100%)

Brands:

Iris Vineyards

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 195 Palmer Ave, Cottage Grove, OR 97424. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

### 2. KINERO CELLARS PASO ROBLES, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

Rey Wines, LLC

Members:

Anthony Yount (50%), Roger Yount (50%)

Brands:

Kinero

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 5414 Vineyard Dr, Paso Robles, CA 93446. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

# 3. DOMAINE DELLA SANTA ROSA, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

DOMAINE DELLA DALE LLC

Members:

David Haj (100%)

Brands:

Domaine Della

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.



## 4. REID FAMILY VINEYARDS NAPA, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

Joseph Kirkwood Reid

Members:

Karen Reid (50%), Joseph Reid (50%)

Brands:

Reid Family Vineyards

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 1020 Borrette Ln, Napa, CA 94558. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

# 5. NOVIELLO VINEYARDS ORONDO, WASHINGTON

Applicant:

Noviello Vineyards LLC

Members:

Fredric Stern (50%), Ana Stern (50%)

Brands:

Noviello

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 272 Vineyard Dr, Orondo, WA 98843. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

### 6. WAITS-MAST FAMILY VINEYARDS SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

Waits-Mast Family Cellars LLC

Members:

Brian Mast (50%), Jennifer Waits (50%)

Brands:

Waits Mast, 2011 PN Archer, 2011 PN AV Londer, 2011 PN

AV Wentzel, 2011 PN Mendocino, 2012 PN Mariah Vineyard, 2012 PN Nash Mill Vineyard, 2012 Rose PN, 2017 SB Mariah, 2009 PN Deer Meadows, 2010 PN AV

Wentzel, 2010 PN Oppenlander

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 495 Barneveld Ave, San Francisco, CA 94124. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.



### 7. ABACELA ROSEBURG, OREGON

Applicant:

ABACELA VINEYARDS AND WINERY, INC

Members:

Hilda Jones (50%), Henry Jones (50%)

Brands:

Abacela

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 12500 Lookingglass Rd, Roseburg, OR 97471. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

### 8. PRINCE MICHEL VINEYARD LEON, VIRGINIA

Applicant:

Prince Michel LLC

Members:

Ivy Point 1 LLC (50%), Kristin Holzman (50%)

Brands:

Prince Michel, Rapidan River

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 154 Winery Ln, Leon, VA 22725. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

## 9. FOLDED HILLS SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

Nojogui Ranch, LLC

Members:

The Andrew David Stephen Busch Revocable Trust (100%)

Brands:

Folded Hills, FH

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 4665 Santa Maria Mesa Rd, Santa Maria, CA 93454. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.



## 10. ROBERT CRAIG WINERY ANGWIN, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

Robert Craig Winery, LP

Members:

Elton Slone (18%), Michael Adams (30.5%),

Derek Ruston (30.5%), Maureen Nugent (21%)

Brands:

Robert Craig

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 2475 Summit Lake Dr, Angwin, CA 94508. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the direct shipper subject to payment of the license fee.

## 11. LIONSTONE INTERNATIONAL NAPA, CALIFORNIA

Applicant:

SLI GROUP, INC.

Members:

DW USA Holdings, INC (100%)

Officer:

Nicholas Lucca

Brands:

GFF, The Assist, Kapa, Bold Move, Drawbridge, Left of

Ordinary, Thick Skin, The Clink, CA Bear Nay, Doohickey,

Capital, Sunny Farm

Before the Commission is a request for approval of a direct shipper located at 707 Technology Way, Napa, CA 94558. <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 11 matters and recommended conditional approval of all of them subject to payment of the license fees. Commissioner Hamilton moved approval of all 11 winery direct shipper matters subject to payment of the license fees and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.



#### 8. MISCELLANEOUS

- Director's Update

<u>Discussion/Action Taken:</u> Director Thomas updated the Commission on a couple of administrative items, including the December Commission Meeting being earlier next month, December 14, and on the first floor. Director Thomas also discussed new rules going into effect soon, including ones related to our winery direct shippers.

- Law Enforcement Update

<u>Discussion/Action Taken:</u> 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.

#### 9. UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Wednesday, December 14 @ 1:00PM CST
- Thursday, January 26 @ 1:00PM CST

APPROVED FOR ENTRY UPON THE MINUTE BOOKS OF THE TENNESSEE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE COMMISSION THIS THE 14th DAY OF DECEMBER 2022.

Commissioner

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**Director**