

TENNESSEE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE COMMISSION SPECIAL AGENDA MINUTES FRIDAY, MARCH 20 2:00 p.m.

The March 2020 Special Agenda meeting was held on March 20, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. via conference call since no state agency is allowed to have more than 10 people for gatherings. And due to the state of emergency, conference facilities (including the one used for Commission Meetings) are closed until further notice. Chairman Skiles, Commissioner Roberts, and Commissioner Tomita called in. TABC staff in office that attended were the following: Director Thomas, Assistant Director Blackwell, Commission Counsel Stepp, and Commission Counsel Connor. Members of the public that participated in the conference call include the following: Curtis Harrington, Danielle Elks, Trey Stevenson, Ginna Burrell, Michael Dolan, Rich Foge, Emily Gibson, Joyce McDaniel, Rachel Schaffer, Ryan Haynes, Karen Irving, Jordan Puryear, and Dan Haskell.

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

1. WHOLESALER MATTERS

BEST BRANDS, INC.
 LA VERGNE, TENNESSEE (RUTHERFORD COUNTY)

Applicant:

Best Brands, Inc.

Shareholders:

2012 Moses Family Trust Agreement (59.6%), Eskind

Family Trust Agreement (39.8%), Marlene Eskind Moses

(0.4%), Seth Joseph Eskind (0.2%)

Before the Commission is a request for approval of an additional wholesaler license and warehouse location for existing wholesaler, Best Brands, Inc. The premises address of the location being applied for is: 4000 Centrepointe Drive, La Vergne, TN 37086. The applicant will lease the premises from Ajax Turner Properties, LLC. The TABC staff recommends conditional approval of the wholesaler subject to:



- inspection, which includes an acknowledgment of TABC rules & regulations
- b. city business license
- c. license fee

Discussion/Action Taken: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended conditional approval subject to payment of the license fee (the inspection and city business license were received after publishing the Special Agenda). Director Thomas roll called the Commissioners, with Commissioner Roberts moving approval subject to receiving payment of the license and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.

2. DELIRIUM WINE AND SPIRITS, INC ANTIOCH, TENNESSEE (DAVIDSON COUNTY)

Applicant:

Delirium Wine and Spirits, Inc

Current location:

7131 Centennial Blvd, Nashville, TN 37209

Proposed location:

2921 Murfreesboro Rd, Antioch, TN 37013

Wholesalers licensee no. WLRWLS-DAV-1900215 is requesting approval to transfer its location to 2921 Murfreesboro Rd, Antioch, TN 37013.

<u>Discussion/Action Taken</u>: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended approval of the change in location. Director Thomas roll called the Commissioners, with Commissioner Roberts moving approval of the change in location and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.



2. OTHER MATTERS

1. TEMPORARY DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY FOR STAFF TO APPROVE CERTAIN MATTERS FOR THE NEXT 60 DAYS

Before the Commission is a request to delegate to the Executive Director of the TABC the authority to review, approve, deny or take other appropriate action for the following matters over the next 60 days:

- a. applications to change locations
- b. expansion of premises
- c. change of D/B/A names regarding all licensure types
- d. applications for satellite facilities

Discussion/Action Taken: Director Thomas summarized the request and recommended temporary delegation of authority for staff to approve the four matters for the next 60 days. Director Thomas roll called the Commissioners, with Commissioner Roberts moving approval for temporary delegation of authority for staff to approve the four matters for the next 60 days and the motion was seconded. The motion passed with three ayes.



3. NEXT MEETING — Tuesday, March 31, 2020 @ 1:00PM CST

Discussion/Action Taken: Before the meeting was adjourned, a couple members from the industry asked the Commission if anything was being allowed for Liquor by the Drink establishments since they are being closed for dine-in service and only allowing for takeout/curbside. One of the proposals is allowing for bottled drinks to be included in to-go orders among other things. It was mentioned that other states were lifting restrictions like bottled drinks included in to-go orders at this time due to the impact on the hospitality industry because of the coronavirus. Director Thomas responded by saying that an Executive Order would have to be signed by the Governor that would suspend current statutes in place for this to happen. Director Thomas also mentioned that he has been working with several industry members throughout the week and will continue to work with them on a proposal to submit to the Governor's office. Commissioner Tomita asked for the TABC to keep working with industry members on a proposal and that if it needed to be expedited for the Commissioners to review before the next Commission Meeting on March 31 to let them know.

4. UPCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, April 23, 2020 @ 1:00PM CST

APPROVED FOR ENTRY UPON THE MINUTE BOOKS OF THE TENNESSEE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE COMMISSION THIS THE 31st DAY OF MARCH 2020.

Commissioner

Director