MINUTES
Alcoholic Beverage Control Board
City of Baton Rouge and Parish of East Baton Rouge
Regular Meeting, Thursday, June 13, 2019 4:30 pm
9048 Airline Highway, Second Floor

I. Call to Order- The regular scheduled meeting of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board was called to order at 4:38 pm.

II. Roll Call- Ms. Casandra Jeanlouis called the roll. Members present were: Mr. Scott Wilfong, Mr. Chase Tettleton, Mr. Chard Richard, Ms. Pamela Sandoz, Mr. Chase Shelton, and Mr. Anthony Lascaro. Member absent were Mr. Mike Russell, Mr. Adam Enamorado and Mr. Keith Courville.

ABC Staff members present were: Ms. Lynn Long, Ms. Phillis Johnson, Ms. Casandra Jeanlouis, Director Chris Cranford, Agent Michael Montgomery, and Assistant Administrative Prosecutor Paolo Messina.

III. Invocation – Led by Mr. Wilfong.

IV. Pledge of Allegiance- Led by Mr. Wilfong.

V. Introductions and Acknowledgments- None.

VI. Adoption of the Minutes from the May 23, 2019 meeting. - A motion was made by Mr. Lascaro and seconded by Mr. Shelton to approve the minutes. Hearing no objections, the motion passed.

VII. Public Comment Note: Public comments may be made on all agenda items.

VIII. Review

A. Approved. BR Fresh LLC d/b/a Bldg 5, 2805 Kalurah Street, review the Notice of Intent application to allow the business to proceed with a Class A Beer & Liquor license. Motioned by Mr. Tettleton and seconded by Mr. Lascaro to approve. Hearing no objections, the motion passed.

Councilwoman Barbara Freiberg – District 12

B. Approved. David Y Martin Jr., LLC d/b/a Martin Wine Cellar, 1670 Lobdell Ave Suite 101, review the Notice of Intent application to allow the business to proceed with a Class B Beer license. Motioned by Mr. Shelton and seconded by Mr. Tettleton to approve. Hearing no objections, the motion passed.

Councilman Matt Watson – District 11

C. Approved. Los Plebes LLC d/b/a Los Plebes Seafood & Grill, 9830 Florida Blvd, review the Notice of Intent application to allow the business to proceed with a Class A Restaurant license. Motioned by Mr. Lascaro and seconded by Mr. Tettleton to approve. Hearing no objections, the motion passed.

Councilwoman Donna Collins-Lewis – District 6

D. Deferred. Fiery Crab Inc d/b/a Fiery Crab Seafood Restaurant & Bar, 6900 Siegen Lane, review the accountant report for issuance of a permanent Class A & Restaurant license. Motioned by Mr. Tettleton and seconded by Mr. Shelton to defer the item to June 28th meeting. Hearing no objections, the motion passed.

Councilman LaMont Cole – District 7

E. Approved. Schlitz & Giggles Third Street LLC d/b/a Schlitz & Giggles, 301 3rd St., review the accountant’s report for the issuance of a permanent Class A & Restaurant license. Motioned by Mr. Lascaro and seconded by Ms. Sandoz to approve. Hearing no objections, the motion passed.

Councilwoman Tara Wicker – District 10

F. Approved. Atomic Burger LLC d/b/a Atomic Burger, 5909 Creek Centre Dr., review the accountant’s report for the issuance of a permanent Class A & Restaurant license. Motioned by Mr. Lascaro and seconded by Mr. Tettleton to approve. Hearing no objections, the motion passed.

Councilman Chandler Loupe – District 3
IX. Opposition Hearings - None.

X. Hearings

A. Approved. Citation #4137 issued to ABR Fuel Investments LLC d/b/a Charge Up 45, 12541 Airline Hwy., violation of the Wine, Beer & Liquor Ordinance, Section 9:1017(A) – Unlawful sales of alcohol to a minor; Section 9:1013(C) – Unlicensed employee. The alleged violations occurred on April 23, 2019. This Item was deferred from the May 23, 2019 meeting. Mr. Messina gave a brief description of the incident prior to the citation being issued. No one was present for the business. On the first violation, a motion was made by Mr. Shelton and seconded by Mr. Tettleton that the violation did occur, assessed a $250 fine and suspend the license for 30 days effective upon receipt of a valid license. Hearing no objections, motion passed. On the second violation, a motion was made by Mr. Shelton and seconded by Mr. Richard that violation did occur, assessed a $500 fine and suspend the license until paid. Hearing no objections, motion passed.

B. Deferred. Citation #4139 issued to Winn Dixie Montgomery LLC d/b/a Winn Dixie #1461, 8601 Siegen Lane, violation of the Wine, Beer & Liquor Ordinance, Section 9:1017(B)(2) – Sales of alcoholic beverages to persons 18, 19, or 20 years of age. The alleged violation occurred on May 14, 2019. Motioned by Mr. Lascaro and seconded by Mr. Shelton to defer the Item to next board meeting. Hearing no objections, motion passed. At this time, a motion was made by Mr. Lascaro and seconded by Mr. Shelton to adopt previous testimonial for Items C D and E, and that violations did occur and to assess statutory fee for each of the violations. Hearing no objections, motion passed.

C. Approved. Citation #4127 issued to Tropical Lounge & Nightclub LLC d/b/a Tropical Lounge & Nightclub, 10455 Rieger Road, violation of the Wine, Beer & Liquor Ordinance, Section 9:1006(A)(3) – Closing hours (2nd Offense); Section 9:1013(K)(1) – Forbidden promotional practices (2 Counts); Section 9:1017(B)(2) – Sales of alcoholic beverages to persons 18, 19 or 20 years of age (2 Counts). The alleged violations occurred on or about September 28, 2018. Deferred from the March 28 meeting. This Item was deferred from the April 25, 2019 meeting.

D. Approved. Citation #4130 issued to Tropical Lounge & Nightclub LLC d/b/a Tropical Lounge & Nightclub, 10455 Rieger Road, violation of the Wine, Beer & Liquor Ordinance, Section 9:1006(A) – Hours of operation; Section 9:1017(B)(2) – Sales of alcoholic beverages to persons 18, 19 or 20 years of age (2 Counts); and City Code of Ordinances, Section 1:152(10) – Operation adverse to public health, safety and morals. The alleged violations occurred on or about March 1, 2019. Deferred from the March 28 meeting. This Item was deferred from the April 25, 2019 meeting.

E. Approved. Citation #4128 issued to Luis Anthony Colon, 13915 Arbor Walk violation of the Wine, Beer & Liquor Ordinance, Section 9:1014(B) – Misstatement of fact; Section 9:1014(C) – Interposed person; and Section 9:1014(G) – Failure to comply with provisions of the ordinance (Class A qualifications). The alleged violations occurred on or about July 19, 2018. Deferred from the March 28 meeting. This Item was deferred from the April 25, 2019 meeting.

F. Approved. Citation #4134 issued to Jonathan Vargas-Abreu, 7071 Perkins Road, A, violation of the Wine, Beer & Liquor Ordinance, Section 9:1017(B)(1) – Sales of alcoholic beverages to persons 18, 19 or 20 years of age (2 Counts). The alleged violation occurred on or about September 28, 2018 while employed at Tropical Lounge & Nightclub. Deferred from the March 28 meeting. This Item was deferred from the April 25, 2019 meeting. Agent Montgomery gave a brief description of the incident prior to the citation being issued. Attorney Chris Alexander was present representing Mr. Vargas-Abreu. Motioned by Mr. Tettleton and seconded by Mr. Shelton that violation did occur and assessed a $250 fine for count 1 and to dismiss count 2. Hearing no objections, motion passed.
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G. Approved. Citation #4132 issued to Ryane Gonzales-Travieso, 7071 Perkins Road #A, Violation of the Wine, Beer & Liquor Ordinance, Section 9:1017 (B)(1) - Sales of alcoholic beverages to persons 18, 19, or 20 years of age. The alleged violation occurred on September 28, 2018 while employed at Tropical Lounge and Nightclub. This Item was deferred from the March 28 and April 25, 2019 meeting. Agent Montgomery gave a brief description of the incident prior to the citation being issued. Ms. Gonzales-Travieso was not present. Motioned by Mr. Lascaro and seconded by Ms. Sandoz that violation did occurred and assessed a $250 fine and suspend license until the fine is paid. Hearing no objections, motion passed.

XI. Business Applications – Permanent License- Motioned by Mr. Tettleton and seconded by Mr. Lascaro to consolidate items A-C. Hearing no objections, motion passed. Motioned by Mr. Shelton and seconded by Ms. Sandoz to approve items A-C. Hearing no objections motion passed.

A. Approved. Dizzy Daiquiris LLC d/b/a Dizzy Daiquiris, 9842 Florida Blvd. Class A Beer & Liquor license.
Councilwoman Donna Collins-Lewis – District 6

B. Approved. Judy Food Inc. d/b/a Mike Food Mart, 4060 Plank Rd Ste A, Class B Beer & Liquor license.
Councilman LaMont Cole – District 7

C. Approved. Soul Bar & Lounge LLC d/b/a Soul Bar & Lounge, 3575 N Acadian, Class A Beer & Liquor license.
Councilwoman Donna Collins-Lewis – District 6

XII. Pending Litigation-None.

XIII. Administrative Matters

XIV. Adjourn- There being no further business, the meeting adjourned on a motion by Mr. Tettleton and seconded by Mr. Russell to adjourn. Hearing no objections, meeting was adjourned at 5:35pm.