

**THE ALCOHOL BEVERAGE BOARD
THURSDAY, JULY 9, 2026 @ 1:00 PM
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CONFERENCE ROOM
CHESAPEAKE BUILDING
41770 BALDRIDGE STREET
LEONARDTOWN, MD 20650
MINUTES**

The meeting of the Alcohol Beverage Board of St. Mary's County was held on Thursday, July 9, 2026, at 1:00 PM in the County Commissioners Conference Room, Chesapeake Building, Leonardtown, Maryland.

Chairman David Willenborg called the meeting to order at 1:05 pm.

Present:

Chairman David Willenborg
Vice-Chair Barbara Hill
Member George Anas
Member Richard Shin
Member Mary Elizabeth Ostrow
Tamara Hildebrand, Administrator
Chris Beaver, Attorney
Dep. Steve Myers, Alcohol Enforcement Coordinator
Kevin Hall, Inspector

Not present:

Kristen Hanson, Recording Secretary

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Chairman Willenborg entertained a motion to approve the agenda. Vice-Chair Hill made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Member Shin; motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES – June 11, 2026

Member Anas made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting on June 11, 2026, seconded by Vice-Chair Hill; motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Applications:**

- 1 The Local 235**

- Application of Meagan Q. Ricker to transfer The Local 235 (The Local 235, LLC) Class B (Restaurant) BWL license from Megan Bell & t/a The Local 235 (The Local 235, LLC) 25188 Three Notch Rd., Hollywood, MD 20636.

Ms. Meagan Q. Ricker appeared before the Board and was sworn in. Ms. Ricker stated that she has been working under the previous owner Megan Bell since 2023 but has already been doing everything to run the business. She said she is TAMS certified and 8 of her employees are Serv-safe certified. Member Shin made a motion of a 30-day

conditional approval pending the approval of the final U&O, seconded by Member Ostrow; motion carried.

BOARD ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- **2027 Legislative proposals:**

- 1 Addition of a Substitute Board Member

Mrs. Hildebrand stated that the Board was given information about substitute Board members in other counties like ours. She said she spoke to the Governor's office, and they stated that a member's term working as a substitute would not count against their term should they be appointed as a regular member. Mrs. Hildebrand also asked the Governor's office if there was any issue with a retiring member becoming a substitute member for the Board. The Governor's office told Mrs. Hildebrand there is no issue with that. The only issue the Governor's office sees is that you cannot change when a term begins. Mrs. Hildebrand stated that if the Board is good with the proposal, then she will put it on the agenda for next month to be voted on. Vice-Chair Hill asked if the substitute member must be present for every Board meeting. Mrs. Hildebrand and Attorney Beaver stated the substitute would need to be present for every Board meeting just in case another Board member is absent or needs to be recused.

ALCOHOL ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR REPORT

For the month of June, Deputy Myers reported:

- 96 Tobacco Compliance checks – 3 Violations, that do not hold an alcohol license
- 14 DUI arrest by the Sheriff's Office
- 2 DUI arrest by the Maryland State Police
- Stationary surveillance checks at Race-N-In and Hills Store- No Violations
- Park surveillance – no violations
- MALA and In-Service training in Charles County

BOARD INSPECTOR REPORT

For the month of June, Inspector Hall reported:

- 15 Inspections
- 3-4 follow ups
- RAST & MALA call

ST MARY'S LICENSED BEVERAGE ASSOCIATION

No one was present from the Licensed Beverage Association.

CANNABIS & ALCOHOL COALITION

No one was present from the Cannabis & Alcohol Coalition

BOARD MEMBERS TIME

- Recognition of Service – Richard Y. Shin

Member Shin spoke about the new upcoming Board member who will be filling his spot next month and that he enjoyed his time serving on the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

Member Anas made a motion to adjourn at 1:25 pm; seconded by Vice-Chair Hill; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen Hanson, Recording Secretary

David Willenborg, Chair