



Blount County

359 Court Street
Maryville, TN 37804-5906

Meeting Minutes

Beer Board

Ron French - Chairman

Archie Archer

Dave Bennett

Shawn Carter, Sr. - Vice Chairman

Rick Carver

Grady Caskey

Jamie Daly

Scott King

Kenneth Melton

Thursday, March 15, 2018

6:15 PM

Blount County Courthouse, Room 430

ROLL CALL

BE IT REMEMBERED, that a meeting of the Blount County Beer Board was held on Thursday, March 15, 2018, at 6:15 p.m. at the Blount County Courthouse in Maryville, Tennessee. Beer Board Chairman Ron French called the meeting to order. An electronic roll call was taken by Blount County Clerk Gaye Hasty. There were 8 present and 1 absent. Chairman French declared a quorum to exist. The following proceedings were held, to wit:

- Present** 8 - Commissioner Archie Archer, Commissioner Dave Bennett, Commissioner Shawn Carter Sr., Commissioner Richard Carver, Commissioner Grady Caskey, Commissioner Jamie Daly, Commissioner Ron French, and Commissioner Kenneth Melton
- Absent** 1 - Commissioner Scott King

A. SETTING OF AGENDA.

Without any objections, the Chairman removed item D.3. from the agenda. A motion was made by Commissioner Carver, seconded by Commissioner Melton, to set the agenda with the removal of item D.3. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

- Yes:** 8 - Commissioner Archer, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caskey, Commissioner Daly, Commissioner French, and Commissioner Melton
- No:** 0
- Absent:** 1 - Commissioner King
- Abstain:** 0

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

1. [Minutes of Beer Board Meeting - February 15, 2018.](#)

Attachments: [Beer Board Meeting Minutes 2018-Feb-15.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Carter, that the Minutes be approved. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Commissioner Archer, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caskey, Commissioner Daly, Commissioner French, and Commissioner Melton

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner King

Abstain: 0

C. PUBLIC INPUT ON ITEMS ON AGENDA.

D. NEW BUSINESS.

1. [Public Hearing Regarding a Request for an Off Premises Beer Permit for Ommhari, Inc., Discount Tobacco & Beverages, 1826 Morganton Road, Maryville, TN 37801.](#)

Attachments: [Public Notice of Beer Board 3-15-2018.pdf](#)

[Notice of Ommhari Discount Tobacco Beverages Off Premises Beer Permit.pdf](#)

[Application for Discount Tobacco & Beverages Off Premises Permit.pdf](#)

Board Attorney Craig Garrett administered the oath to Mr. Bhavesh Patel. Mr. Patel testified that the answers and information provided to be true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief. Mr. Patel testified that he, the business owner, applied for an off premises application for a tobacco and beverage market in the Morganton Road area, and that the statistics provided in the application to be true and correct - the nearest church being 1,480 feet and no school within 1,000 feet. Mr. Garrett noted there to be several residents in the area, and Mr. Patel testified that to his knowledge none were protesting the application. Mr. Garrett asked if any members of the Board or audience had any questions. There were none. There were no objections from any residents within 300 feet of the business in the audience. Mr. Garrett stated that the legal requirements appeared to have been met. Mr. Garrett recommended the approval of the beer permit and that the public hearing be closed. Chairman French closed the public hearing and asked for a recommendation from the Board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Caskey, seconded by Commissioner Carver, that the beer permit be approved. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Commissioner Archer, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caskey, Commissioner Daly, Commissioner French, and Commissioner Melton

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner King

Abstain: 0

2. [First Reading Regarding a Request for an On Premises Beer Permit Application for Wild Laurel, LLC, 702 Country Club Drive, Townsend, TN 37882.](#)

Attachments: [Wild Laurel LLC On Premises Beer Permit Application.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Carter, to set the Public Hearing regarding the application for the beer permit for April 10, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote and the next meeting would be April 10, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.:

Yes: 8 - Commissioner Archer, Commissioner Bennett, Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Carver, Commissioner Caskey, Commissioner Daly, Commissioner French, and Commissioner Melton

No: 0

Absent: 1 - Commissioner King

Abstain: 0

3. [Discussion/Possible Action Regarding Distance Requirements.](#)

Attachments: [Beer Ordinance with changes 08-05-14revised_2_.pdf](#)
[TCA 57-5-105.pdf](#)

This item was removed and postponed until the next meeting.

4. [Set the Date for the Next Meeting.](#)

The next meeting was set for April 10, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

E. ADJOURNMENT.

Chairman French declared the meeting adjourned. The Beer Board meeting adjourned on March 15, 2018 at 6:23 p.m.