



# Blount County Government

359 Court Street  
Maryville, TN 37804-5906

## Meeting Minutes - Draft

### Beer Board

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Tuesday, March 8, 2022

5:45 PM

Blount County Courthouse, Room 430

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Live stream via <https://zoom.us/join>

Zoom Meeting ID: 841 1598 6889

### ROLL CALL

BE IT REMEMBERED, that a meeting of the Blount County Beer Board was held on Tuesday, March 8, 2022 at 5:45 p.m. in the Blount County Courthouse of Maryville, Tennessee. Blount County Beer Board Chairman Ron French called the meeting to order. The roll call was taken by Blount County Clerk Gaye Hasty. There were 7 members present and 2 absent. The Chairman declared that a quorum did exist. The following proceedings were held, to wit:

- Present** 7 - Commissioner Richard Carver, Commissioner Ron French, Commissioner Tom Hood, Commissioner Staci Lawhorn, Commissioner Joe McCulley, Commissioner Steve Mikels, and Commissioner Dawn Reagan
- Absent** 2 - Commissioner Robbie Bennett, and Commissioner Scott King

### A. SETTING OF AGENDA.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lawhorn, seconded by Commissioner Mikels, that the agenda be set. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

**Yes:** 7 - Carver, French, Hood, Lawhorn, McCulley, Mikels, and Reagan

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Bennett, and King

**Abstain:** 0

### B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

#### 1. [Minutes of Beer Board Meeting for February 17, 2022.](#)

**Attachments:** [Minutes](#)

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

**Yes:** 7 - Carver, French, Hood, Lawhorn, McCulley, Mikels, and Reagan

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Bennett, and King

**Abstain:** 0

**C. PUBLIC INPUT ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.**

**D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.**

**E. NEW BUSINESS.**

1. [Public Hearing of a Request for an Off-Premises Beer Permit Application for DOLGENCORP, LLC, D.B.A. Dollar General Store #23345 at 2879 W. Lamar Alexander Pkwy., Friendsville, TN 37737.](#)

**Attachments:** [DolGenCorp LLC Store 23345 Application](#)

[2A-Public Notice of Beer Board Public Hearing](#)

[2B-DOLGENCORP LLC Store23345 Notice Beer Permit Application](#)

The Chairman opened the Public Hearing. Attorney Craig Garrett asked if a representative of DOLGENCORP was present. There was no response. Mr. Garrett closed the public hearing.

2. [Public Hearing of a Request for an Off-Premises Beer Permit Application for Mr. Babubhai R. Patel \(Nimisha Inc.\), D.B.A. Rebel's Market at 2905 Wilkinson Pike, Maryville, TN 37803.](#)

**Attachments:** [Babubhai R Patel - Rebels Market](#)

[2A-Public Notice of Beer Board Public Hearing](#)

[2B-Babubhai Patel - Nimisha Inc - Rebels Market Notice Beer Permit Application](#)

The Chairman opened the Public Hearing. Attorney Craig Garrett administered the oath to the applicant Mr. Babubhai Patel. Mr. Patel affirmed that the establishment would be a convenience store, and that all statistics and information as stated in the application were true and correct to the best of his knowledge. There being no churches or schools within the distance requirements as set by the County. Mr. Garrett noted there being residences within 300 feet, and a beer permit had been previously issued for the same establishment in May 2020. Mr. Garrett asked if the board had any questions for the applicant. There was none. Mr. Garrett closed the Public Hearing and recommended to the board that the applicant be approved for an off-premises beer permit.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mikels, seconded by Commissioner Lawhorn, that an off-premises beer permit be issued. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have passed by the following vote:

**Yes:** 7 - Carver, French, Hood, Lawhorn, McCulley, Mikels, and Reagan

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Bennett, and King

**Abstain:** 0

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Attorney Craig Garrett administered the oath to Ms. Jill Jenkins, District Manager of DOLGENCORP, LLC. Ms. Jenkins affirmed that all statistics and information in the application were true and correct to the best of her knowledge. There being no churches, schools or residences within the distance requirements as set by the County. Mr. Garrett asked if the board had any questions for the applicant. There was none. Mr. Garrett closed the Public Hearing and recommended to the board that the applicant be approved for an off-premises beer permit.

A motion was made by Commissioner Reagan, seconded by Commissioner Carver, that an off-premises beer permit be issued. An electronic vote was taken. The Chairman declared the motion to have failed by the following vote:

**Yes:** 7 - Carver, French, Hood, Lawhorn, McCulley, Mikels, and Reagan

**No:** 0

**Absent:** 2 - Bennett, and King

**Abstain:** 0

## **F. ADJOURNMENT.**

The Chairman declared the meeting to be adjourned. The Beer Board meeting adjourned on Tuesday, March 8, 2022 at 5:59 p.m.