

PENNSYLVANIA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2024

NORTHWEST OFFICE BUILDING, CONFERENCE ROOM 117, HARRISBURG, PA
MICROSOFT TEAMS MEETING

Darrell Clarke, Chairman
Randy Vulakovich, Board Member
Vacant, Board Member
Rodrigo Diaz, Executive Director
Michael Vigoda, Board Secretary

[Office of Chief Counsel](#)
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PUBLIC MEETING – 11:00 A.M

CALL TO ORDER *Chairman Clarke*

Board Secretary Michael Vigoda indicated that a quorum of the Board was present, and Chairman Clarke called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

OLD BUSINESS..... *Secretary Vigoda*

A. Motion to approve previous Board Meeting Minutes of the December 4, 2024 meeting.

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Chairman Clarke

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (2-0 vote) to approve the previous Board Meeting Minutes of the December 4, 2024 meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

As explained in the printed Meeting Agenda, certain matters being presented for “official action” at today’s meeting were discussed during Executive Sessions held prior to today’s meeting as permitted by the Sunshine Act.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Board reserved 10 minutes for public comment.

No public comments were offered.

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NEW BUSINESS

From the Office of Chief Counsel..... Jason Worley, Chief Counsel

- (1) **Hampden Township** Municipal Petition for Exemption
Case No. 24-NE-14 from Liquor Code Statute
Regarding Amplified Sound

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Chairman Clarke

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (2-0 vote) to approve the request for municipal noise exemption from the Liquor Code’s provisions regarding amplified sound for a one-year period from December 18, 2024 through December 18, 2025.

- (2) **4311 Main License, LLC** Request for Modification of
4311 Main Street Conditional Licensing Agreement
Philadelphia, PA 19127-1538
License No. R-8136
LID 83480

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Chairman Clarke

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (2-0 vote) to approve modified conditional licensing agreement as presented by the Office of Chief Counsel.

*From the Bureau of Licensing Tisha Albert, Director of Regulatory Affairs
Andrew Stuffick, Director, Bureau of Licensing*

- (1) **Berks Lodge No. 47 I B P O E** Renewal with Notice of Change in
C-490 (LID No. 605) Case No. 24-9014 Officers – Club
235-237 Walnut Street
Reading, Berks County

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Chairman Clarke

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (2-0 vote) to hold for a conditional licensing agreement.

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- (2) **Colebrookdale Railroad Preservation Trust** Extension of License – Public
P-157 (LID No. 71312) Case No. 23-9104 Service
4020 Prospect Hill Lane
Lower Pottsgrove Township
Pottstown, Montgomery County

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich

Seconded: Chairman Clarke

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (2-0 vote) to approve the Colebrookdale Railroad Preservation Trust's application for extension of the licensed premises in part. Whereby the Board approves the additional trains but that the Board refuses the gliders.

- (3) **Gatti Holdings LLC** Request for Hearing to Extend
R-19900 (LID No. 69989) Case No. 24-9043 Safekeeping Period – Restaurant
6817 Route 202
Solebury Township
New Hope, Bucks County

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich

Seconded: Chairman Clarke

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (2-0 vote) that because the licensee has failed to submit an application for an extension of safekeeping along with the required fees within the 30-day grace period previously granted by the Board, the license shall once again be considered administratively revoked.

- (4) **MLT Entertainment, LLC** Request for Hearing After
R-10874 (LID No. 80545) Case No. 23-9120 Revocation – Restaurant
226 Meyran Avenue
Pittsburgh, Allegheny County

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich

Seconded: Chairman Clarke

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (2-0 vote) to conditionally reinstate the license for 30-days to extend safekeeping, pay fees, and file outstanding renewal and validations. But if no action is taken in 30-days, the license shall remain revoked.

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- (5) **MSR Management, LLC** New & Request for an Interior
t/a Magnolia Streamside Resort Connection with Another Business –
(LID No. 116657) Case No. 23-9131 Hotel
2518 Route 390
Barrett Township
Canadensis, Monroe County

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Chairman Clarke

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (2-0 vote) to approve the new hotel license and request for interior connection with another business.

- (6) **Salem Beverage, Inc.** Double Transfer & Request for
t/a Salem Beverage Interior Connections with Another
D-3490 (LID No. 127875) Business – Distributor
804 East 5th Street
Salem Township
Berwick, Luzerne County

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Chairman Clarke

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (2-0 vote) to approve the transfer and interior connection with another business.

- (7) **Broomall Beer, LLC** Renewal – District 11
D-3747 (LID No. 67662) Case No. 2023-67662
2056 Sproul Road
Marple Township
Broomall, Delaware County
- HOLD 9/11/24 SESSION**
Conditional Licensing Agreement

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Chairman Clarke

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (2-0 vote) to approve renewal with a conditional licensing agreement.

- (8) **Goofy's Eatery & Spirits, Inc.** Renewal – District 2
R-17886 (LID No. 24401) Case No. 2024-24401
5965 York Road
North Codorus Township
Sprint Grove, York County
- HOLD 10/30/24 SESSION**
Conditional Licensing Agreement

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Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Chairman Clarke

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (2-0 vote) to approve renewal with a conditional licensing agreement.

(9) **Gordon Grill, Inc.**
E-1885 (LID No. 59852) Case No. 2024-59852
429 Gordon Street
Allentown, Lehigh County

Renewal – District 4

HOLD 9/25/24 SESSION

Conditional Licensing Agreement

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Chairman Clarke

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (2-0 vote) to approve renewal with a conditional licensing agreement.

(10) **MC 6901 Frankford, Inc.**
R-3187 (LID No. 56803) Case No. 2022-56803
6901 Frankford Avenue
Philadelphia, Philadelphia County

Renewal – District 10

HOLD 5/15/24 SESSION

Conditional Licensing Agreement

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Chairman Clarke

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (2-0 vote) to approve renewal with an amended conditional licensing agreement.

(11) **Michael's Lounge 2, LLC**
t/a Michael's Lounge
R-10035 (LID No. 108202) Case No. 2023-108202
331 Singer Avenue
McKees Rocks, Allegheny County

Renewal – District 5

HOLD 7/10/24 SESSION

Conditional Licensing Agreement

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Chairman Clarke

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (2-0 vote) to approve renewal with a conditional licensing agreement.

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- (12) **Poonam, Inc.** Renewal – District 10
E-211 (LID No. 66468) Case No. 2024-66468
4346 Frankford Avenue
Philadelphia, Philadelphia County
Conditional Licensing Agreement
- Motion Made:** Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Chairman Clarke
- Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (2-0 vote) to approve renewal with a conditional licensing agreement.
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- (13) **Second Base Restaurant & Lounge, Inc.** Renewal – District 8
R-4694 (LID No. 67019) Case No. 2022-67019
123-131 West Broad Street
Hazleton, Luzerne County
HOLD 10/16/24 SESSION
Conditional Licensing Agreement
- Motion Made:** Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Chairman Clarke
- Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (2-0 vote) to approve renewal with a conditional licensing agreement.
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- (14) **Solkim, LLC** Renewal – District 5
R-5092 (LID No. 100136) Case No. 2023-100136
1505 East Carson Street
Pittsburgh, Allegheny County
HOLD 5/15/24 SESSION
Conditional Licensing Agreement
- Motion Made:** Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Chairman Clarke
- Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (2-0 vote) to approve renewal with a conditional licensing agreement.

*From the Bureau of Human Resources Jason Lutcavage, Director of Administration
Jennifer Haas, Director, Bureau of Human Resources*

Personnel Actions

There were 18 personnel actions presented for consideration.

- (1) **Hammad Austin - Removal**
- (2) **Joseph Bonaddio – Removal**
- (3) **Samaje Buxton – Affirm Removal**

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- (4) **Kassiona Ellison – Affirm Removal**
- (5) **Kelsey Ewing - Removal**
- (6) **Ashley Kelly – Affirm Removal**
- (7) **Jordy Landaverde-Guerrero - Removal**
- (8) **Breasia Lively – Affirm Removal**
- (9) **Steven McNeil – Removal**
- (10) **Jamie Mendez – Removal**
- (11) **Quincy Moore – Affirm Removal**
- (12) **Richard Pannhorst – Removal**
- (13) **Lakesha Paris Thomas – Affirm Removal**
- (14) **Steve Reese – Affirm Removal**
- (15) **Gail Samuel – Affirm Removal**
- (16) **Wei Shih– Removal**
- (17) **Tyler Stevenson – Affirm Removal**
- (18) **Roger Wenk - Removal**

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Chairman Clarke

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (2-0 vote) to approve the proposed personnel actions received from the Bureau of Human Resources.

*From the Bureau of Accounting & Purchasing Rodrigo Diaz, Executive Director
Joshua Greene, Acting Chief, Purchasing & Contracting Administration
Ijeoma Ezekoye, Director, Bureau of Financial Management & Analysis*

Procurement Actions:

None

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Inter-Agency Charges:

(1) Department of General Services (DGS) Property Costs (JOB 7) – Billing of \$111,428.44 comprises of \$118,691.38 expense with a \$7,262.94 true-up credit for the first quarter of FY 2024-25 for Commonwealth property costs. This is for the property costs for the Northwest Office Building (NWOB), which includes direct costs paid by DGS (electricity charges), as well as prorated expenses for Capital Police services, City of Harrisburg Fire Protection.

The Bureau of Financial Management and Analysis has reviewed these charges and determined that they are reasonable based on billing methodology and previous experience.

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Chairman Clarke

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (2-0 vote) to approve the Inter-Agency Charges received from the Bureau of Accounting and Purchasing.

From the Office of Retail Operations..... Rodrigo Diaz, Executive Director

1. **#0244 – 739 Monongahela Avenue, Glassport
Amendment**
2. **#2506 – Corry Plaza, 350 West Columbus Avenue, Corry
Amendment**
3. **#4605 – Melrose Shopping Center, 103 West Cheltenham Avenue, Cheltenham
Amendment**
4. **#5408 – Sharp Mountain Plaza, 888 Gordon Nagle Trail, Pottsville
Amendment**
5. **#4646 – 50 Greenfield Avenue, Suite 62, Ardmore
Exercise Option**
6. **#5412 – 515 Dock Street, Schuylkill Haven
Exercise Option**
7. **#9705 – 935-37 North Third Street, Harrisburg
Parking Agreement**
8. **#14XX – 1536 North Atherton Street, State College
New Store (to replace #1405)**
9. **#2605 – 213 Penn Street, Point Marion
Closing**

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Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Chairman Clarke

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (2-0 vote) to approve the lease actions proposed and received from the Office of Retail Operations.

From the Bureau of Product Management.....Megan Painter, Director of Product Management

VENDOR – ITEM NAME

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED

“These items went to Board for the public meeting without pricing”

Various
 Various

1. Regular New Items Accepted
2. Regular Recommended Delist

1. Regular New Items Accepted

BRAND NAME AND SIZE

REASON

Bacardi USA Inc

Angel's Envy Straight Bourbon 100 mL 2, 3

Boston Beer Company

Dogfish Head Bar Cart Cocktail 8x355 mL Variety Pack Cans 2, 5

Dogfish Head Bar Cart Tropical 8x355 mL Cans Variety Pack 2, 5

Sun Cruiser Classic Iced Tea 4x355 mL Cans 10

Sun Cruiser Iced Tea and Vodka 8x355 mL Variety Pack Cans 4, 5

Brown Forman Corporation

Jack Daniels and Coca Cola Variety Pack 6x355 mL 2, 4, 5

Campari America

Howler Head Banana Bourbon 50 mL 3

Miraval Cotes de Provence Rose 750 mL 13

Wild Turkey Rare Breed Rye 750 mL 2, 3

Capital Wines and Spirits

Cali Cocktails by Snoop Long Beach Lemonade 4x355 mL Cans 1, 2, 5, 12

Cali Cocktails by Snoop Smokin' Strawberry Margarita 4x355 mL Cans 1, 2, 5, 12

Carpano Antica Formula Vermouth 750 mL 4, 5, 3

Cognac Park Carte Blanche VS 700 mL 10

Cutwater Long Island Iced Tea 4x355 mL Cans 5, 9

Cutwater Mango Margarita 4x355 mL Cans 5, 6, 9

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Cutwater Tequila Paloma 4x355 mL Cans	5, 6, 9
SunnyD Vodka Seltzer 8x355 mL Variety Pack Cans	2, 7, 5
te Pa Marlborough Pinot Gris 750 mL	11, 14
Two Chicks Craft Cocktails Variety Pack 8x355 mL Cans	4, 5

Capital Wines and Spirits

Zing Zang Bloody Mary Cocktail 4x355 mL Cans	14
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Constellation Brands

Fresca Mixed Vodka Spritz 8x355 mL Variety Pack Cans	2, 4, 5
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C Jacquin Et Cie Inc

Bartender's Trading Company Horchata 750 mL	3
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Diageo Americas Inc

Smirnoff Smash Vodka Soda 8x355 mL Variety Pack Cans	2, 4, 5
Baileys Non-Dairy Irish Oat Coffee Toffee Liqueur 750 mL	3, 12

Delicato Family Wines

Schmitt Sohne Blue Bottle Sweet Riesling 500 mL	3
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DV Spirits LLC

Empress 1908 Cucumber Lemon Gin 750 mL	12
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The Edrington Group

The Macallan Highland Single Malt Scotch Sherry Oak Cask 18 Year Old 750 mL	2, 3
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Heaven Hill Distilleries Inc

Lunazul Tequila Anejo 750 mL	10
Lunazul Tequila Blanco 375 mL	3

Irokos Group

Swear Jar Canadian Whiskey 750 mL	9
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Jim Beam Brands Co

196 Vodka Seltzer Variety Pack 8x355mL Cans	10
Cruzan Aged Light Rum 1.75 L	4
Maker's Mark 46 Straight Bourbon 1.75 L	2, 3
On The Rocks Lemon Drop Martini Cocktail 375 mL	2, 3, 5

Juice and Dirt Beverage Company LLC

Villa M Berry Semi Sweet Rose 750 mL	4, 5
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Majestic W S USA Inc

Hearst Ranch Winery Three Sisters White Cuvee 750 mL	5
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Mast-Jagermeister US Inc

Teremana Reposado Tequila 1.75 L	3
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MHW Ltd

Ketel One Botanical Spritz 8x355 mL Variety Pack Cans 2, 5, 15

Monsieur Touton Selection

Volante Italian Peach Bellini Nonvintage 750 mL 4, 5

North Wales Wines

High Noon Day Pack Variety 8x355 mL Cans 2, 3, 4, 5

High Noon Lake Pack Variety 8x355 mL Cans 2, 3, 4, 5

High Noon Tequila Grapefruit Seltzer 4x355 mL Cans 2, 3, 6

High Noon Tequila Lime Seltzer 4x355 mL Cans 2, 3, 6

High Noon Vodka Iced Tea Peach 4x355 mL Cans 2, 3

High Noon Vodka Iced Tea Original 4x355 mL Cans 2, 3

New Amsterdam Tangerine Vodka 750 mL 12

Nobilo Silver 80 Calorie Sauvignon Blanc 750 mL 3

Rumchata Pineapple Cream Liqueur 750 mL 3

Smith & Hook Cabernet Sauvignon 750 mL 5, 10

Smith & Hook Sauvignon Blanc 750 mL 5

Northern Wine and Spirits

Ballotin Chocolate Peanut Butter Cream 750 mL 3

Oasis Wine and Spirits LLC

Compass Box Nectarosity Blended Scotch Whisky 750 mL 11

Fosforo Mezcal Ensemble 750 mL 3, 5

Sea Isle Spike Iced Tea Variety Pack 8x355 mL 5, 12

Cantine Francesco Montagna Sangue di Giuda 750 mL 4, 5

Palm Bay International

Bottega Fragolino Rosso Italy 750 mL 4, 5

Park Street Imports LLC

Meili Vodka 750 mL 13

Shanky's Whip Black Spirits Liqueur 750 mL 13

Paterno Imports Ltd

Wairau River Pinot Gris Marlborough 750 mL 11, 14

Pernod Ricard USA

Absolut Espresso Martini Cocktail 750 mL 2, 6

Absolut Ocean Spray Variety Pack 12x355 mL cans 2, 4, 5

Malibu Rum Punch Tetra Pack 1000 mL 5

Piedmont Distillers Inc

Midnight Moon Apple Pie Moonshake 750 mL 3

Proximo Spirits Inc

400 Conejos Joven 750 mL 5

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Jose Cuervo Authentic White Peach Light Margarita 1.75 L	2, 3, 6
Jose Cuervo Tradicional Cristalino 750 mL	3

Remy Cointreau USA Inc

Cointreau Liqueur 1.75 L	3
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Sazerac Company Inc

99 Whipped Liqueur 750 mL	3
Buffalo Trace Bourbon Cream 750 mL	13
Buzzballz Chillers Biggie Chocolatini Wine Cocktail 1.5 L	18
Buzzballz Biggies Tequila 'Rita 1.75 L	3
BuzzBallz Cocktails Tequila 'Rita 200 mL	5, 13
BuzzBallz Cocktails Choc Tease 200 mL	5, 13
BuzzBallz Cocktails Cran Blaster 200 mL	5, 13
BuzzBallz Cocktails Lotta Colada 200 mL	5, 13
BuzzBallz Cocktails PeachBallz 200 mL	5, 13
BuzzBallz Cocktails Strawberry 'Rita 200 mL	5, 13

Southern Glazers Wine and Spirits of PA

Amarula Cream Liqueur 750 mL	13
Bunnahabhain Single Malt Scotch 12 Year Old 750 mL	13
Fiero Serrano Tequila Blanco 750 mL	10
Mamitas Tequila Hard Seltzer Variety Pack 8x355 mL Cans	4, 5
Ole Smoky Salty Caramel Tennessee Whiskey 1.75 L	2, 3
Revanche Cognac 750 mL	3
Speyburn Single Malt Scotch 10 Year 750 mL	2, 11
The Pale Rose by Sacha Lichine 750 mL	13
WhistlePig 12 Year World Wine Cask Finished Rye 750 mL	2, 3
Hampton Water Languedoc Rose 750 mL	13

Sweet Grace Distilling Co LLC

Stateside Surfside Black Cherry Lemonade and Vodka 4x355 mL Cans	2, 3, 5
Stateside Surfside Raspberry Lemonade and Vodka 4x355 mL Cans	2, 3, 5
Stateside Surfside Strawberry Lemonade and Vodka 4x355 mL Cans	2, 3, 5

The Copper Can LLC

The Copper Can Peach Moscow Mule 4x355mL Cans	5, 12
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Vintage Imports Inc

Morgan Sauvignon Blanc Arroyo Seco 750 mL	5
St Supery Estate Sauvignon Blanc Napa Valley 750 mL	5

RECOMMENDED ACTION: We recommend the Board approve this action

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**New Items – Recommended Listings
Reason Codes**

1. Strong marketing support
2. High brand recognition
3. Line/Size extension of successful brand
4. Trade up opportunity
5. Growing category
6. Growing segment
7. National rollout
8. Niche item / Limited distribution
9. High dollar profit potential
10. Trade out
11. High quality for the value
12. Innovative product/flavor
13. High sales through other PLCB channels (Luxury, Online, SLO)
14. Underrepresented category/segment
15. Hole in selection – consumer/store requests
16. PA Spirits
17. PA Wines
18. Licensee only
19. Probationary listing

2. Regular Recommended Delist

<u>BRAND NAME AND SIZE</u>	<u>CODE</u>
<u>Capital Wine and Spirits</u> Cognac Park Carte Blanche VS 750 mL	96563
<u>Heaven Hill Distilleries Inc</u> Burnett's Sweet Tea Vodka 1.75 L	98799
<u>North Wales Wines</u> LIQS Kamikaze Wine Cocktail Shot 4x50 mL	838
LIQS Lemon Drop Wine Cocktail Shot 4x50 mL	839
LIQS Margarita Wine Cocktail Shot 4x50 mL	840
<u>Palm Bay Imports Inc</u> Confetti Sweet Pink Rose 750 mL	97802
<u>Southern Glazers Wine and Spirits of PA</u> Severo Tequila Anejo 750 mL	97747

RECOMMENDED ACTION: We recommend the Board approve this action.

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Chairman Clarke

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (2-0 vote) to approve the product recommendations received from the Bureau of Product Management.

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FINANCIAL REPORT *Michael J. Burns, Comptroller Operations, Office of Budget*

None

OTHER ISSUES

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Board reserved 10 minutes for public comment.

No public comments were offered.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next meeting of the PLCB will be a formal meeting on Wednesday, January 15, 2025, beginning at 11:00 A.M. Prior to the public meeting, an Executive Session or Sessions will be held for the specific purposes as regularly set forth in the printed Board Agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

After expressing gratitude to employees for their hard work and dedication throughout the year, along with warm holiday wishes, Board Member Vulakovich moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Chairman Clarke, and the meeting was officially adjourned.

Chairman

Member

ATTEST:

Secretary