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NORTH CAROLINA ABC COMMISSION APPROVES 3 NEW STORES AND HOLDS HOMEBREW RULES PUBLIC HEARING

RALEIGH – The North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission held its regular monthly meeting today and ratified 80 hearing cases that resulted in penalties in excess of \$96,000 and/or imposition of suspensions of permits for three days or more. Fines are due November 2, 2018, and suspensions begin November 9, 2018.

The Commission approved three proposed new ABC store locations:

- 201-B Island Ford Road, Maiden, requested by the Catawba County ABC Board.
- 2861 NC16 Business, Denver, requested by the Lincoln County ABC Board.
- 9920-A East Independence Boulevard, Charlotte, requested by the Mecklenburg County ABC Board.

The Commission then approved, with conditions, an exemption request pursuant to G.S.18B-1116(b) for:

- Laconia Ale Works, LLC; Madison County Brewing Company, LLC; Brandon Edwards
- Beaufort Future, LLC T/A Fishtowne Brew House; Tobacco Roses Productions, LLC T/A Backstreet Pub; Crystal Coast Communications, Inc. T/A Clawsons1905 Restaurant; Joseph M. McClure.

The Commission held a public hearing on proposed auction sales rules. Following the hearing, the Commission adopted the permanent auction sales rules 14B NCAC 15A .2201-.2205.

The Commission then proposed recommended permanent rule changes related to nonprofit raffle/auction sales and permittee sampling limitations. These proposed rules will be filed with the Office of Administrative Hearings for publication in the NC Register, sent to the persons on the ABC Rulemaking mailing list, and posted on the ABC Commission's website. There will be a public hearing held related to these proposed rule changes at the Commission's meeting on January 16, 2019, and a public comment period open until December 31, 2018.

The Commission also held a public hearing on proposed permanent homebrew rules 14B NCAC 15A .2301-.2207. There was no action taken after the hearing as the written public comment period remains open through November 5, 2018.

ABOUT THE NC ABC COMMISSION

North Carolina is one of 17 states to regulate alcohol through a control system. Since 1937, the North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission has provided regulation and control over the sale, purchase, transportation, manufacture, consumption and possession of alcoholic beverages in the state of North Carolina. <http://abc.nc.gov>.

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