



City of Memphis

Alcohol Commission Meeting Minutes

May 1, 2019

- I. Call to Order** – The regularly scheduled meeting of the Alcohol Commission was called to order at approximately 9:04 a.m. by Sgt.-At-Arms, Officer Gerald Lake.
- II. Roll Call** – The following Commissioners were present: Barry Chase, Jared Johnson, Thomas O’Malley, Renee Poe, Steven Reid, Anna Vergos Blair and Johnsie Wallace Gault. The following Commissioners were not present: Erma Hayslett and Billy Post.
- III. Approval of the Minutes from the previous meeting/April 17, 2019** – The minutes from the previous meeting were distributed electronically prior to this meeting. *Commissioner Chase moved to approve the minutes from the April 17, 2019 meeting. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed.*
- IV. Special Beer Applicant(s):**
1. Joseph Dann – 6340 Humphreys Blvd. – **“Beer & Bagel Run”**
Date(s): June 8, 2019
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Sponsoring Organization: Wolf River Conservancy
Purpose of funds: Charitable; 1 booth(s)
Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, *Commissioner Chase moved to approve the application. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.* The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.
(Account #T20970)
 2. Karina Gonzalez – 7777 Walnut Grove Road (Agricenter) – **“Festival Cinco de Mayo”**
Date(s): May 5, 2019
Time: 12:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
Sponsoring Organization: Nuevo Radio Ambiente, Inc. /Amigos Foundation
Purpose of funds: For Profit; 2 booth(s)
Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, *Commissioner Reid moved to approve the application. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.* The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.
(Account #T13604)
 3. Ashley Riney – 3475 Central Avenue – **“Junior League of Memphis 5K”**
Date(s): May 11, 2019
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Sponsoring Organization: Junior League of Memphis
Purpose of funds: Charitable; 1 booth(s)
Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, *Commissioner Reid moved to approve the application. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.* The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.
(Account #T21331)

4. Kimberly Morrison – 2087 Trimble Place (Overton Square, Tower Courtyard) – “**5th Annual Bluff City 10K**”
 Date(s): May 18, 2019
 Time: 7:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
 Sponsoring Organization: Habitat for Humanity of Greater Memphis
 Purpose of funds: Not for Profit; 1 booth(s)
 Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, ***Commissioner Reid moved to approve the application. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed.*** The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.
 (Account #T17795)

5. Jared Bulluck – 51 North Front Street – “**Memphis Margarita Festival**”
 Date(s): May 11, 2019
 Time: 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
 Sponsoring Organization: Leadership Memphis/Volunteer Memphis
 Purpose of funds: Charitable; 1 booth(s)
 Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, ***Commissioner Reid moved to approve the application. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed.*** The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.
 (Account #T6528)

6. Christopher Boyd – 5484 Summer Avenue – “**Putt Putt Golf & Games Grand Re-Opening**”
 Date(s): May 1, 2019 through May 31, 2019
 Time: 12:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
 Sponsoring Organization: N/A
 Purpose of funds: For Profit; 1 booth(s)
 Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, ***Commissioner Reid moved to approve the application. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed.*** The special beer permit was issued to the applicant.
 (Account #T21041)

V. Violation(s):

The Following Location(s) is in Violation of A C Rule C4, C5, D4 (WITH) Priors:

7. Hazem Shoman & Peter Shehata – 1369 Sycamore View Road – EGY Management, Inc. – dba – “**Exxon**” – Citation(s) #880413
 Date of Violation(s): Saturday, January 26, 2019
 Date Permit Approved: June 30, 2012
Priors: 5-9-17 (C5)
 Officer(s): Mosby #5668, Ward #0502
Indefinitely suspended for failure to appear at the April 17, 2019 meeting.
Commissioner Chase moved to lift the indefinite suspension. Commissioner O’Malley seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Hazem Shoman was present for this location and stipulated to the charge.
Commissioner O’Malley moved to fine the location \$950.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Reid seconded. The motion passed. The owner agreed to the fine and probation.
 (Account #BR4396)

The Following Location(s) is in Violation of A C Rule C5, D4 (WITH) Priors:

8. Salem Al Nggar & Kamal Mohammed – 1559 Sycamore View Road – Stop & Shop Mini Mart, LLC – dba – “**Stop & Shop Mini Mart**” – Citation(s) #880449
Date of Violation(s): Saturday, January 26, 2019
Date Permit Approved: July 5, 2017
**Priors: 4-3-18 (C5)
7-24-17 (C5)
5-9-17 (C5)**
Officer(s): Galison #3156, Houston #2877, Tuznik #1830
**Continued from the April 17, 2019 meeting. Did not receive certified card.
Under new ownership, see item #24.**
Mr. Salem Al Nggar was present for this location along with his translator, Mr. Omar. Mr. Al Nggar has since sold the location but stipulated to the charge. *Commissioner O’Malley moved to fine the location \$1,500.00 with the stipulation that the fine has to be paid before the new owner will be issued the new beer permit. Commissioner Reid seconded. The motion passed.* Mr. Al Nggar agreed to the fine.
(Account #T13933)
9. Saleh Altareb – 2251 Elvis Presley Blvd. – Almotareb, Inc. – dba – “**King of Discount Mini Mart**” – Citation(s) #880439
Date of Violation(s): Thursday, January 17, 2019
Date Permit Approved: October 15, 2014
Prior(s): 2-15-18 (C4, C5, D4)
Officer(s): Martin #0410, Ward #0502
Mr. Saleh Altareb was present for this location along with Attorney Milton Magee. The owner stipulated to the charge. *Commissioner O’Malley moved to fine the location \$750.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.* The owner agreed to the fine and probation.
(Account #T3396)
10. Yin Shun Zhao – 2200 Pendleton Street – dba – “**K & K Market**” – Citation(s) 847173
Date of Violation(s): Friday, March 1, 2019
Date Permit Approved: December 2, 2009
Prior(s): 5-21-15 (C5, D4)
Officer(s): Gillard #1976, Houston #2877, Ward #0502
Ms. Yin Shun Zhao was present for this location along with her translator, the store manager. The owner stipulated to the charge. *Commissioner O’Malley moved to fine the location \$750.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.* The owner agreed to the fine and probation.
(Account #BR3780)

The Following Location(s) is in Violation of A C Rule C5 (WITH) Priors:

11. Ali Haimed – 3083 Summer Avenue – dba – “**Summer Grocery**” – Citation(s) #880438
Date of Violation(s): Wednesday, January 23, 2019
Date Permit Approved: August 20, 2003
Prior(s): 3-11-17 (C5)
Officer(s): Aldridge #0135, Ward #0502, Wood #1681
Under new ownership, see item #25.
Mr. Ali Haimed was present for this location along with Attorney Jim Curry. Mr. Haimed has since

sold the location but stipulated to the charge. **Commissioner O'Malley moved to fine the location \$750.00 with the stipulation that the fine has to be paid before the new owner will be issued the new beer permit. Commissioner Reid seconded. The motion passed.** Mr. Haimed agreed to the fine.

(Account #BR1687)

12. Robert Dodge – 5192 South Third Street – Savings Oil Company, Inc. – dba – “**Dodge’s Store #724**” – **Citation(s) #847149**

Date of Violation(s): Sunday, February 17, 2019

Date Permit Approved: August 25, 1978

Prior(s): 8-18-17 (C4)

4-21-15 (C5)

Officer(s): Galison #3156, Houston #2877, Ward #0502

Mr. Lindsey Cochran, Division Leader for Dodge’s Stores was present for this location and provided his business card as proof of such and it was accepted. Mr. Cochran stipulated to the charge. **Commissioner O'Malley moved to fine the location \$1,000.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Reid seconded. The motion passed.** Mr. Cochran agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #BR2001330)

13. Shukri Osman – 2408 Park Avenue – Speedy Corner One, Inc. – dba – “**Speedy Corner One**” – **Citation(s) #9104234**

Date of Violation(s): Friday, March 1, 2019

Date Permit Approved: November 16, 2011

Prior(s): 4-9-16 (C5)

8-5-15 (C5)

Officer(s): Gillard #1976, Houston #2877, Ward #0502

Mr. Abdulhkim Borou, husband of owner Ms. Shukri Osman, and Attorney Jim Curry were present for this location. Mr. Borou stipulated to the charge. **Commissioner O'Malley moved to fine the location \$1,000.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Reid seconded. The motion passed.** Mr. Borou agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #BR4252)

14. MAPCO Express, Inc. – 979 East Brooks Road – dba – “**MAPCO Express #3159**” – **Citation(s) #847150**

Date of Violation(s): Sunday, February 17, 2019

Date Permit Approved: October 19, 2016

Prior(s): 6-15-18 (C4, C5)

Officer(s): Galison #3156, Houston #2877, Ward #0502

Mr. James Rutledge, District Manager, was present for this location and stipulated to the charge. **Commissioner O'Malley moved to fine the location \$750.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Reid seconded. The motion passed.** Mr. Rutledge agreed to the fine and probation.

(Account #T12321)

15. Moriom Khatun, Mahfuza Khatun, MD Masude Hasan, Rubina Akther, Mohammed Khalilullah – 2785 Park Avenue – BD Express, LLC – dba – “**BD Express**” – **Citation(s) #896809**

Date of Violation(s): Friday, March 1, 2019

Date Permit Approved: August 16, 2017

Prior(s): 8-4-18 (C5)

Officer(s): Hutchinson #3330, Langham #0400, Mosby #5668

Mr. MD Masude Hasan was present for this location and stipulated to the charge. **Commissioner O'Malley moved to fine the location \$750.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Reid seconded. The motion passed.** The owner agreed to the fine and probation.
(Account #T14360)

The Following Location(s) is in Violation of A C Rule C5, D4 (NO) Priors:

16. Mohammad Howlader – 3441 South Third St. – KSRB Enterprise, Inc. – dba – “3rd Street BP” – Citation(s) #777945
Date of Violation(s): Sunday, February 17, 2019
Date Permit Approved: August 1, 2018
Officer(s): Gillard #1976, Langham #0400, Mosby #5668
Mr. Mohammad Howlader was present for this location and stipulated to the charge. **Commissioner O'Malley moved to fine the location \$500.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.** The owner agreed to the fine and probation.
(Account #T18096)

The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C1, C4 NO priors:

17. Alma Reyes – 3186 South Perkins Road – dba – “Tortilleria la Unica” – Citation(s) #OS-375682 & OS-375684
Date of Violation(s): Saturday, March 23, 2019
Date Permit Approved: December 2, 2009
Officer(s): Mosby #5668, Ward #0502
Indefinitely suspended for failure to appear at the April 17, 2019 meeting.
Commissioner Chase moved to lift the indefinite suspension. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed. Mr. Alma Reyes was present for this location and stipulated to the charge.
Commissioner O'Malley moved to fine the location \$200.00 along with 60 days probation or a 30 day suspension of their beer permit. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed. The owner agreed to the fine and probation.
(Account #BR3775)

The following location(s) is in violation of A C Rule C1 NO priors:

18. Jose A. Fajardo – 3103 Summer Avenue – dba – “El Escape Sports Bar” – Citation(s) OS-340076
Date of Violation(s): Friday, March 8, 2019
Date Permit Approved: May 16, 2018
Officer(s): Briggs #6849, Segrest #0830
Continued from the April 17, 2019 Alcohol Commission meeting to allow the Permits Office to determine the status of the business.
Officer Gerald Lake stated that he went out to the business on April 18, 2019 and there were no visible signs of a business. **Commissioner Chase moved to dismiss the violation. Commissioner Reid seconded. Commissioner O'Malley voted no. The motion passed.**
(Account #T17774)

VI. The Following Person(s) has Applied to Sell Beer for “ON” Premise Consumption:

19. Dominick Phan – 1315 Ridgeway Road, Suite 104 – dba – “Pho and Sushi Bistro”

Mr. Dominick Phan was present for this location. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, *Commissioner Reid moved approval. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.*

(Account #T21175)

20. Steven Richey & James English – 1853 Madison Avenue – Fino’s Restaurant Group, LLC – dba – **“Fino’s From the Hill”**

Mr. James English was present for this location. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, *Commissioner Reid moved approval. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.*

(Account #T21246)

21. Matthew Wilson – 272 South Main Street, Suite 101 – MEM Hospitality, LLC – dba – **“Swankys Taco Shop”**

Mr. Matthew Wilson was present for this location. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, *Commissioner Reid moved approval. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.*

(Account #T21261)

22. Arzo Robbins – 4396 Raleigh Lagrange Road – Knight Sports Bar, LLC – dba – **“Tex’s Roadhouse Bar & Grill”**

Mr. Arzo Robbins was present for this location. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, *Commissioner Reid moved approval. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed.*

(Account #T21232)

23. Christopher Truong – 8195 Dexter Road, Suite 104 – dba – **“Ong Cau Café”**

Mr. Christopher Truong was present for this location. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, *Commissioner Reid moved approval. Commissioner Wallace Gault seconded. The motion passed.*

(Account #T21266)

VII. The Following Person(s) has Applied to Sell Beer for “OFF” Premise Consumption:

24. Abdi Umar & Fadl Althaibani – 1559 Sycamore View Road – Abdi Fadl, LLC – dba – **“Stop & Shop Mini Mart”**

No newspaper ad.

Mr. Abdi Umar was present for this location and stated that he forgot to run the newspaper ad. *Commissioner O’Malley moved to continue this location to the May 15, 2019 meeting. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed.*

(Account #T21201)

25. Sufyan Alamri & Walid Edah – 3083 Summer Avenue – Summer Grocery, Inc. – dba – **“Summer Grocery”**

Mr. Sufyan Alamri was present along with Attorney Jim Curry. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverage laws, *Commissioner Reid moved approval contingent on the fine being paid that was assessed on the previous owner. Commissioner Poe seconded. The motion passed.*

(Account #T21117)

26. Alwalid Muthanna – 4480 Millbranch Road – Shop N Go Mart, Inc. – dba – **“Shop N Go”**
 Mr. Ibrahim Morshed was present for this location and presented a POA. The Commissioners concluded that they would like the owner to appear personally before the Alcohol Commission.
Commissioner Chase moved to continue this location to the May 15, 2019 meeting. Commissioner O’Malley seconded. The motion passed.
 (Account #T21116)
27. Hajera Abdulhafiz & Helen Abebe – 1672 East Holmes Road – Haas Enterprise, LLC – dba – **“Haas Enterprise”**
 Ms. Helen Abebe was present for this location. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, **Commissioner Reid moved approval. Commissioner Wallace seconded. The motion passed.**
 (Account #T21162)
28. Rahel Kebede – 2772 Lamar Avenue – Pendelton Mart, LLC – dba – **“Pendelton Mart, LLC”**
 Mr. Rahel Kebede was present for this location. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, **Commissioner Reid moved approval. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed.**
 (Account #T20871)
29. Ubaldo Ramos – 5070 Raleigh Lagrange Road, Suite 3 – dba – **“El Rancherito Mexican Grocery Store”**
 Mr. Ubaldo Ramos was present for this location. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, **Commissioner Reid moved approval. Commissioner Chase seconded. The motion passed.**
 (Account #T21270)
30. Seblewerk Asfaw – 3173 North Watkins Street – dba – **“Watkins Mart”**
 Ms. Seblewerk Asfaw was present for this location. Upon routine questioning by the commissioners about the alcoholic beverages laws, **Commissioner Reid moved approval. Commissioner Vergos Blair seconded. Commissioner O’Malley voted no. The motion passed.**
 (Account #T21280)

VIII. New Business

IX. Old Business

- X. Adjournment** – There being no further business to come before the commission, **Commissioner O’Malley moved for adjournment at approximately 11:07 a.m. Commissioner Reid seconded. The motion passed.**

 Jared Johnson, Chairman

 Date

 Joy Touliatos, Executive Secretary

 Date