

PENNSYLVANIA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD

MEETING AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2025
NORTHWEST OFFICE BUILDING, CONFERENCE ROOM 117, HARRISBURG, PA
MICROSOFT TEAMS MEETING

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

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Details for the Microsoft Teams meeting on August 27, 2025 can be found on the PLCB public website.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

In accordance with section 708 of the Sunshine Act, 65 Pa. C.S. § 708, on the morning of and/or the day immediately preceding the Public Meeting set forth herein, the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board will be holding a closed Executive Session or Sessions in the Northwest Office Building for the following purposes: to discuss personnel matters; to consider the purchase or lease of real property prior to an option being obtained or prior to an agreement of purchase; to consult with its legal counsel regarding litigation and similar issues; to review and discuss agency business, which, if conducted in public, would violate lawful privilege or lead to the disclosure of information confidentially protected by law, including quasi-judicial deliberations; and to engage in non-deliberative informational discussions regarding various actions and other matters which have been approved at previous public meetings.

PUBLIC MEETING – 11:00 A.M

CALL TO ORDER *Chairman Clarke*

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

OLD BUSINESS..... *Secretary Vigoda*

A. Motion to approve previous Board Meeting Minutes of the August 6, 2025 meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

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

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PUBLIC COMMENT

The Board has reserved 10 minutes for public comment.

NEW BUSINESS

From the Office of Chief Counsel Jason Worley, Chief Counsel

**(1) Borough of Wormleysburg
Case No. 25-NE-10**

Municipal Petition for Exemption from
Liquor Code Statute Regarding
Amplified Sound

**(2) Borough of Bridgeville
Case No. 25-NE-11**

Municipal Petition for Exemption from
Liquor Code Statute Regarding
Amplified Sound

(3) Blue Water Enterprise, Inc.
118 Main Street
Mifflin, PA 17058
License No. R-13919/LID 114774

Resolution of Appeal Pending in the
Court of Common Pleas of Juniata
County

(4) Roadrunners Sports Bar & Grill, LLC
2401-03 Saw Mill Run Boulevard
Pittsburgh, PA 15234-3006
License No. R-12236/LID 99893

Resolution of Appeal Pending in the
Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny
County

(5) Stoish, Inc.
240 Market Street
Philadelphia, PA 19106
License No. R-8975/LID 98359

Resolution of Appeal Pending in the
Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia
County

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

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| <p>(1) Anthony’s Coal Fired Pizza of Settlers Ridge, LLC
 t/a Anthony’s Coal Fired Pizza
 R-8861 (LID No. 65701) Case No. 24-9132
 1810 Settlers Ridge Center Drive
 Robinson Township
 Pittsburgh, Allegheny County</p> | <p>Appointment of Manager – Restaurant</p> <p>HOLD 7/16/25 SESSION</p> |
| <p>(2) Erie County Convention Center Authority
 t/a Courtyard Erie Bayfront
 H-6530 (LID No. 73021) Case No. 24-9150
 2 Sassafra Pier
 Erie, Erie County</p> | <p>Appointment of Manager – Hotel</p> |
| <p>(3) Germantown Nest No. 1624 Order of Owls
 CC-1820 (LID No. 1085) Case No. 24-9073
 16-18 South 2nd Street, 2nd Floor
 Philadelphia, Philadelphia County</p> | <p>Request for Hearing after Administrative
Cancellation – Place-to-Place Transfer–
Catering Club</p> |
| <p>(4) Hillcrest Distributing, LLC
 t/a Hillcrest Distributing
 D-1292 (LID No. 70739) Case No. 24-9153
 Rear Basement 3245 Leechburg Road
 Lower Burrell, Westmoreland County</p> | <p>Notice of Change in Business
Structure – Distributor</p> <p>HOLD 5/14/25 SESSION</p> <p>Conditional Licensing Agreement</p> |
| <p>(5) Indian Hills Golf Club, LLC
 t/a Indian Hills Golf Club
 PGR-51482 (LID No. 111855) Case No. 24-9183
 1167 Old Reading Road
 Shamokin Township
 Paxinos, Northumberland County</p> | <p>Appointment of Manager –
Privately-Owned Public Golf Course</p> |
| <p>(6) Schaylor Brewing Company
 G-36255 (LID No. 87551) Case No. 24-9166
 2390 Lancaster Pike
 Cumru Township
 Shillington, Berks County</p> | <p>Notice of Change in Business
Structure – Brewery</p> |

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| <p>(7) VIP Toys Ltd.
 t/a Hotel Fiesole
 H-5846 (LID No. 46389) Case No. 24-9156
 4046 Skippack Pike
 Skippack Township
 Skippack, Montgomery County</p> | <p>Appointment of Manager & Request to
Retain Other Employment – Hotel</p> |
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| <p>(8) 2600 Lili, Inc.
 R-6358 (LID No. 45279) Case No. 2022-45279 &
 2024-45279
 2600 North 12th Street
 Philadelphia, Philadelphia County</p> | <p>Renewal – District 10</p> |
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| <p>(9) 3509 Germantown, Inc.
 E-104 (LID No. 70341) Case No. 2024-70341
 6500 Paschall Avenue
 Philadelphia, Philadelphia County</p> | <p>Renewal – District 10</p> |
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| <p>(10) Lor, Inc.
 R-8107 (LID No. 57659) Case No. 2022-57659 &
 2024-57659
 5222-24 North 5th Street
 Philadelphia, Philadelphia County</p> | <p>Renewal – District 10</p> |
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| <p>(11) Mocanaqua Sporting Club
 C-4477 (LID No. 2060) Case No. 2024-2060
 126 Main Street
 Conyngham Township
 Mocanaqua, Luzerne County</p> | <p>Renewal – District 8</p> |

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

Personnel Actions

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

Procurement Actions:

- 1) **Cisco Smartnet Renewal:** Cisco Smartnet hardware and software maintenance support for the PLCB's Cisco network devices. Cisco Smartnet provides coverage for hardware repair/replacement and PLCB staff with telephone, online, and onsite support from a Cisco authorized maintenance vendor, software upgrade assurance, and troubleshooting assistance.

VENDOR: **ePlus Technologies** – **\$54,062.52 estimated cost.** Renewal dates 11-1-25 through 10-31-2026

- 2) **Trintech ReconNET Retail Reconciliation Invoice** – ReconNET is the retail industry's leading reconciliation solution for daily reconciliation of POS/E-Commerce sales, including workflow driven "research" functionality to track/resolve discrepancies with store/bank/credit card processor. Smart Analysis is the solution to track and monitor all bank fees being charges to the PLCB by the banks that we deal with to ensure accurate billing/no overcharges for services to take place. A 90-day contract extension was executed on 7/30/2024 to PO #80001233 to prevent a lapse in Contract coverage until a new Contract was put in place. Board approval was originally obtained for a one-year period of 8/1/2023 through 7/31/2024 on 5/3/2023.

Procured via DGS Contract #4400018548 – VENDOR: **CDW-G** – TERM: 90-Day period for 8/1/2024 through 10/31/2024 - **\$55,091.62**

Inter-Agency Charges:

- (1) **Department of Auditor General** – Billing of \$922,940.52 for the FY 2024-25 fourth quarter from the Department of the Auditor General. The fourth quarter's services decreased \$104,555.14 or (-10.2%) under fourth quarter FY 2023-24. The billing decrease is due to an decrease in IT audit hours -151hr., (-36.6%).
- (2) **Office of Unemployment Compensation** – The billing of \$136,425.95 for reimbursement of Unemployment Compensation from FY24-25, April (\$47,653.12), May (\$37,817.92) and June (\$50,954.91).

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

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From the Office of Retail Operations Rodrigo Diaz, Executive Director

1. **#0604 – Exeter Commons, 4721 Perkiomen Avenue, Reading
Exercise Option**
2. **#1108 – 300 Wal-Mart Drive, Suite 130, Ebensburg
Exercise Option**
3. **#2805 – 1660 Lincoln Highway East, #8&9, Chambersburg
Exercise Option**
4. **#6003 – 310 North 10th Street, Suite 200, Lewisburg
Exercise Option**
5. **#1201 – 54 East 4th Street, Emporium
Amendment**
6. **#0282 – 2001 Lincoln Way, Suite 250, White Oak
New Lease / Relocation**
7. **#0285 – 4706 William Flynn Hwy., Suite 8, Allison Park
New Lease / Rebrand**

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 Item Accepted

BRAND NAME AND SIZE

REASON

Republic National Distributing Company

XXL Cali Extreme 21 750 mL

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XXL Moscato 750 mL

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RECOMMENDED ACTION: We recommend the Board approve this action

**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

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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>MHW LTD</u>	
Viva Agave Maduro 1 L	97934
Viva Agave Silver Tequila 1 L	97935
<u>Proximo Spirits Inc</u>	
Proper No Twelve Irish Whiskey 1 L	98151
<u>Sazerac Company Inc</u>	
Zachariah Harris Straight Bourbon 1 L	98123

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

None

OTHER ISSUES

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Board has reserved 10 minutes for public comment.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next meeting of the PLCB will be a formal meeting on Wednesday, September 17, 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

Informational Statements to be included in the Public Meeting Agenda

For ALJ Cases:

These cases are appeals taken from adjudications rendered by an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) in citation proceedings initiated by the Pennsylvania State Police, Bureau of Liquor Control Enforcement in accordance with section 471 of the Liquor Code, 47 P.S. § 4-471.

In all of these matters, an administrative hearing has already been held before an ALJ during which the parties were given the opportunity to present sworn testimony and other evidence, as well as to make legal arguments, in support of their respective positions.

The Board must affirm the ALJ unless the ALJ's decision is an error of law, an abuse of discretion or is not supported by substantial evidence. In some instances where noted, it may also be necessary for the Board to remand the matter back to the ALJ for additional action to be taken. In that the Board is acting in its quasi-judicial (appellate) capacity, deliberations on these matters may have already occurred during authorized executive sessions.

The reasoning for any final decision by the Board on these matters will be set forth in a publicly issued written opinion which will be released immediately after the Board session. Any party aggrieved by the Board's decision has the right to pursue an appeal to the applicable county court of common pleas in accordance with the Liquor Code.

For Application Matters such as New Licenses, Transfers of Existing License, or Extension of Premises:

In all of these matters, an administrative hearing - open to the public - has already been held before a Board-assigned hearing examiner. All interested parties, including the applicant, the Bureau of Licensing, and valid protesters and/or intervenors, were given the opportunity to present sworn testimony and other evidence, as well as to make legal arguments, in support of their respective positions. The Board has reviewed the administrative record created before the hearing examiner along with any briefs submitted by the parties, as well as the recommendations made by the assigned hearing examiner and the Board's legal counsel. In that the Board is acting in its quasi-judicial capacity, deliberations on these matters may have already taken place during authorized executive sessions.

In each case, the Board may either vote to approve the application outright, vote to approve the application subject to a conditional licensing agreement setting forth specific conditions agreed upon by the parties and which are reasonably intended to address specific concerns made part of the record, or vote to refuse the application its entirety. For any case in which the Board would like additional time to review the record prior to making its decision, the Board reserves the right to place a hold on such matter in which case "official action" will not be taken until a future Board meeting.

Any party aggrieved by the Board's decision has the right to pursue an appeal to the applicable county court of common pleas in accordance with the Liquor Code, or, in certain circumstances, directly to the Commonwealth Court. In the event that an appeal is filed, the Board, as required by the Liquor Code, will file a written opinion setting forth the specific reasoning for its decision.

For License Renewal Cases:

These cases involve applications for renewal of licenses to which the Bureau of Licensing has raised objections. In all of these matters, an administrative hearing - open to the public - has already been held before a Board-assigned hearing examiner. The parties were given the opportunity to present sworn testimony and other evidence, as well as make legal arguments. The Board has reviewed the administrative record created before the hearing examiner along with any briefs submitted by the parties, as well as the recommendations made by the assigned hearing examiner and the Board's legal counsel. In that the Board is acting in its quasi-judicial capacity, deliberations on these matters may have already taken place during authorized executive sessions.

In each case, the Board may either vote to approve renewal of the license outright, vote to approve renewal of the license subject to a conditional licensing agreement setting forth specific conditions agreed upon by the parties and which are reasonably intended to address the operational issues of the licensee, or vote to refuse renewal of the license in its entirety. For any case in which the Board would like additional time to review the record prior to making its decision, the Board reserves the right to place a hold on such matter in which case "official action" will not be taken until a future Board meeting.

An applicant aggrieved by the Board's decision has the right to pursue an appeal to the applicable county court of common pleas in accordance with the Liquor Code. In the event that an appeal is filed, the Board, as required by the Liquor Code, will file a written opinion setting for the specific reasoning for its decision.

For Noise Exemption Cases:

These matters involve municipal petitions for exemptions from the Liquor Code provisions dealing with amplified sound. In all of these matters, an administrative hearing – open to the public - has already been held before a Board-assigned hearing examiner during which the parties were given the opportunity to present sworn testimony and other evidence, as well as to make legal arguments, in support of their respective positions.

The Board has reviewed the administrative record created before the hearing examiner along with any briefs submitted by the parties, as well as the recommendations made by the assigned hearing examiner and the Board's legal counsel. In that the Board is acting in its quasi-judicial capacity, deliberations on these matters may have already taken place during authorized executive sessions.

In each case, the Board may either vote to approve the municipal petition for noise exemption outright, vote to limit its approval to a more defined area of the municipality than what is being requested, or vote to refuse the petition in its entirety. The Board must act upon a municipal petition for noise exemptions within 60 days of receiving such petition.

Any party aggrieved by the Board's decision has the right to pursue an appeal to the applicable county court of common pleas in accordance with the Liquor Code. In the event that an appeal is filed, the Board will file a written opinion setting for the specific reasoning for its decision as required by the Liquor Code.

For All Matters in Which the Board is Acting in its Quasi-Judicial Capacity

No additional testimony or evidence may be presented by the parties during the Board's public meeting. While the Board reserves the right to allow comments to be made by the public concerning any particular case, this is being done so with the understanding that such comments are not the equivalent of sworn testimony and, thus, will not be given any weight by the Board when rendering its decision. Additionally, the Board is not required to respond to any public comments offered, nor is it required to answer any questions concerning these matters.