ANGIER BOARD OF ALCOHOL CONTROL MINUTES May 10, 2023, 6:30 p.m. ANGIER BOARD ROOM

A called meeting of the Town of Angier ABC Board was held on May 10, 2023 at the Angier Board Room.

Members Present and/or Participating:

Brian Hawley, Chairman Howard Babbitt, Member George Price Jr, Member Mike Hill, Member

Others Present:

Maggie Sandrock, General Manager

Brian Hawley, Board Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

- 1. Howard Babbitt, Board Member opened the meeting with a prayer.
- 2. All in attendance said the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. In an effort to avoid any possible conflicts, Chairman Hawley read the following ethics reminder:

In accordance with GS 18B-201, it is the duty of every Board member to avoid both conflicts of interest and appearances of conflicts. Does any member have any known conflict of interest or appearance of conflict with respect to any matters coming before the Board today?

- 4. Board members reported no conflicts
- 5. Brian Hawley, Board Chairman opened the floor for additions to the agenda. No amendments were presented. Mike Hill motioned to approve the agenda as written. Board voted unanimously to approve. (3-0)
- 6. Board Chairman, Brian Hawley opened the floor for the consent agenda. Motion made to approve Consent Agenda by Board Member Howard Babbitt. Board approved consent agenda in unanimous vote (3-0).
- 7. Discussion of CPR and purchase of American AED Device for \$695.00. After discussing benefits and warranties. Member George Price Jr. made a motion to buy the American AED Device contingent upon General Manager arranging training for Angier ABC Store employees. The board voted to approve the purchase unanimously. (3-0)
- 8. Presentation of Engagement letter presented to board. No discussion.

- 9. General Manager updated the Board on Claim for Records only that was made with the Boards Workers Compensation Insurance carrier. Records only claim in place to advise carrier of potential claim. Confirmed to Board that employee is no longer employed by Angier ABC.
- 10. General Manager advised Board of lack of Training Program for Angier ABC Store and is investigating purchase of a program to establish consistent training for all employees.
- 11. Budget Officer / General Manager presented 2023-2024 to the Board for review. After discussion of several line items, the Board reached consensus to review the Budget, forward questions and adjustments to Budget office and have budget ready for final approval at June 8, 2023 Angier ABC Board meeting.
- 12. Board Member Hill asked about insurance Bond on Board Members and employees. GM to confirm the status of Bond insurance and advise Board Members regarding status of insurance.
- 13. Discussion of safety issue on dock with rain during delivery. GM presented a metal free standing awning option, declined by board. Chairman Hawley presented other options. Consensus of Board was to allow GM to continue searching for practical solutions to issue.
- 14. General Manager presented the following:
 - a. Update to Board on Wilmington GM meeting.
 - b. Financials presented.
 - c. Flooring install update.
 - d. Store Manager moved into his new office
 - e. Working with Chief Thompson to arrange Robbery and Active shooter training in the next few weeks.
 - f. Will put in a hat order in next week or so. Waiting on forms from several employees
- 16. Chairman Hawley made the following statement for the public record.

Our Board has faced a difficult last couple months. We felt that it was appropriate that we move forward, requesting a review of the controls of our boards, some allegations that were conveyed through the media and social media, board meetings, all that. So, the board meeting that we had last month when we voted to move forward with the process of calling the state to investigate the allegations. That is going to start soon. I had a conversation with the NC ABC Commission today, I had a conversation with Agent Israel Morrow, from the ALE, and they will be coming in soon, Agent Morrow. I have to generate a request letter for them to come in to begin this review, establishing the parameters of the investigation. I will put all of that in a letter on ABC Board letterhead, in letter form and I will be emailing him in the next day or so. So that the matter of us looking at the internal controls and the other claims that are out there will start to be analyzed and viewed and he will begin his process, I believe soon. With that being said, the level of disrespect and the level of animus towards members of this board seems to continue to escalate and it has gone outside of the framework just this board now. My family is being targeted, my daughter, my son and I want it on record that if any board member or any employee is approached, or harassed, or bullied by anyone on this matter, I need to know immediately because I will be seeking legal action with the NC Attorney General and it will start there or with the county DA. I have talked to two law enforcement agencies, today, on this matter. The next episode, I am going to go file a no contact order and a cease-and-desist letter will be generated if

it continues. I am going to possibly just move forward and remove myself from the board so that I can pursue a civil suit. So, I may not remain on this board as this matter continues. I will tell this board and anybody that I am not going to continue to allow my family to be stalked, harassed, or bullied by anyone and I am not going to continue to sit idly by and allow my name to be smeared and lied about. These people are vicious and spiteful, and I am done with their antics. So, I just want you to know that this board has worked very hard to make this place a better community and I think it could be a much better place should they actually work with us instead of against us. With that said I am through with tonight.

17. Motion to Adjourn made by Mike Hill. The board voted unanimously to adjourn. (3-0)

Brian Hawley	Maggie Sandrock
Brian Hawley, Chairman ABC Board	Maggie Sandrock, General Manager