

MINUTES  
ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO COMMISSION  
JUNE 16, 2026

**CALL TO ORDER/NOTING OF QUORUM**

Chairwoman Allen called the meeting to order and noted the quorum and the attendance. Vice Chairman Payne, Commissioner Maginn, Commissioner Garver, Prosecutor Wignall, Deputy Director Serak, General Counsel Beaucaire and Senior Attorney Daphne Whitmire were in attendance.

**DISPOSITION OF MINUTES**

Vice Chairman Payne moved to approve the minutes for the May 19, 2026 and the June 2, 2026 meetings. Commissioner Garver seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

**PROSECUTOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS**

PARTIES' AGREED DISPOSITIONS - Vice Chairman Payne moved to approve the Parties' Agreed Dispositions, submitted by Prosecutor Wignall. Forty-two dispositions were submitted with fines totaling \$28,250.00. Commissioner Garver seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

**HEARING JUDGE'S RECOMMENDATIONS**

No Hearing Judge's Recommendations

**CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS**

Vice Chairman Payne moved to approve and incorporate by reference these lists of permits for renewal, which have been recommended by local boards and reviewed by said staff with the authority of the Commission, and hereby move for approval of the same, pending any escrow hearings, and the inclusion of these lists as part of the minutes. Commissioner Garver seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Vice Chairman Payne moved to approve and incorporate by reference these lists of permit applications for a new permit or application for changes in location, ownership, or both of existing permits, which have been recommended by local boards and reviewed by at least two Commissioners and hereby move for approval of same, pending final floor plan approval by the Indiana State Excise Police and escrow, if needed, and inclusion of these lists as part of the minutes. Commissioner Garver seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Vice Chairman Payne moved to approve the catering applications. Commissioner Garver seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Vice Chairman Payne moved to approve the direct wine shipper applications. Commissioner Garver seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

## **WAIVER OF FEES – LETTERS OF EXTENSION**

Vice Chairman Payne moved to approve the fee-waived letters of extension that were issued the preceding weeks. Commissioner Garver seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

## **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

RR12-40326 RIOS EVENTS LLC - Chairwoman Allen noted this is a renewal with the local board voting 4-0 to deny and an extension request.

Commissioner Maginn stated there are issues with ownership.

Commissioner Maginn moved to uphold the local board's recommendation to deny and to grant an extension until July 21, 2026, to allow time to file an appeal. Vice Chairman Payne seconded. Motion was unanimously approved.

RR43-43406 ROBERT T. CARTER – Chairwoman Allen noted this is a new application with the local board voting 3-0 to deny.

Commissioner Maginn stated there were remonstrators present at the local board hearing. Also, the local board feels the applicant applies for permits but does not always put them into use.

Commissioner Maginn moved to uphold the local board's recommendation to deny. Vice Chairman Payne seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

RR49-34931 BSL ENTERTAINMENT LLC – Chairwoman Allen noted this is a renewal with the local board voting 2-1 to deny.

Commissioner Maginn stated the permittee received a violation last year involving their security guard shooting patrons and another later for allowing a minor in the business.

Commissioner Maginn moved to uphold the local board's recommendation to deny the permit. Vice Chairman Payne seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

RR49-36592 8501 PENDLETON CLUB LLC – Chairwoman Allen noted this is a renewal with the local board voting 4-0 to deny.

Commissioner Maginn stated the permittee has a history of violations involving employees. The owner informed the local board that the location will no longer be operational, and a new location is being sought.

Vice Chairman Payne noted the building where the business is located has been sold. He was happy the permittee realized the problems with the location and closed the establishment.

Commissioner Maginn moved to uphold the local board's recommendation to deny the renewal. Vice Chairman Payne seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

RR49-43801 TAPAS N LLC – Chairwoman Allen noted this is a transfer with the local board voting 2-1 to approve for 1 year.

Commissioner Maginn stated the applicants own another permit that had some issues in the past. The local board has some concerns so voted for a 1-year permit.

Commissioner Maginn moved to uphold the local board’s recommendation to approve for one year, with strict compliance. Vice Chairman Payne seconded.

Chairwoman Allen voiced a concern about the owners possibly spreading themselves too thin. The other business is in a very large building and takes a lot to monitor. Both businesses will be expected to follow 7.1 and operate properly.

The motion was unanimously approved.

RR49-43567 SOUKE ENTERTAINMENT LLC – Chairwoman Allen noted this is a transfer with the local board voting 3-0 to approve. This was remanded to the local board by the Commission.

Commissioner Maginn stated this business was designated as a catering hall, but the permittee had problems running the business properly---private events and public events---which is not allowed. The owners would like to change to a restaurant permit.

Commissioner Maginn moved to uphold the local board’s recommendation to approve for one year. Vice Chairman Payne seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

RR11-23795 MARIO BROS INC. – Chairwoman Allen noted this is a renewal with the local board voting 3-0 to deny and an extension request.

Commissioner Maginn stated this permittee has a history of violations at this and other establishments owned by this permittee.

Commissioner Maginn moved to uphold the local board’s recommendation to deny the renewal and to also approve an extension until July 21, 2026, to allow time for an appeal to be filed. Vice Chairman Payne seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

DL55-34510 MARTINSVILLE MART 1 INC. – Chairwoman Allen noted this is a request to remand. The application was advertised without an address.

Commissioner Maginn moved to remand the application. Vice Chairman Payne seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

\*\*\*Chairwoman Allen stated the following three permittees are requesting reactivation of their permits. Prior to expiration a renewal notice is sent. Five months after expiration, we send a notice stating the permit will be made dead if not renewed. Permits are listed on the Commission agenda “To Be Made Dead” list that allows two additional weeks for renewals to be filed. This is becoming a huge burden on

the employees of ATC to provide all these reminders regarding the permit renewal. If the permit is valuable to the permittee, renewals need to be filed. If these permits are made dead and are auctioned, the quota slot is gone, and the permittee will lose their investment. More than adequate notices are sent stating the permit will revert to the Commission if not renewed. Chairwoman Allen admonished everyone who holds a permit to know the expiration date, know when to file renewals, file complete renewals with no missing items and if there are missing items, get them to this office.

RR32-38902 AFG GREENWOOD LLC - Chairwoman Allen noted this is a request for reactivation of a permit.

Commissioner Maginn stated this permit expired in 2023. Renewals have finally been received. The Commissioner stressed that if this permit returns to the expired/dead list, it may not have another opportunity to be activated.

Commissioner Maginn moved to reactivate this permit. Vice Chairman Payne reluctantly seconded.

Vice Chairman Payne noted there were over 600 renewals approved at this meeting and over 12,000 permittees who submit renewals every year. Permittees should be able to get this right.

Chairwoman Allen stated this permit was placed in escrow on September 19, 2022, which makes their drop-dead date to be active or transferred as September 19, 2027.

The motion was unanimously approved.

RR49-29975 QUEEN CREOLE LLC - Chairwoman Allen noted this is on for a request to reactivate.

Commissioner Maginn moved to reactivate the permit. Vice Chairman Payne seconded.

Chairwoman Allen stated renewals were filed prior to being on the dead list but was not removed before the meeting. The Chair gave the permittee credit for paying attention to one of the many notices sent regarding the permit being made dead.

The motion was unanimously approved.

RR71-36182 CORRO CORPORATION - Chairwoman Allen noted this is on for a request to reactivate.

Commissioner Maginn stated two years of renewals with fees need to be submitted before the Commission can consider reactivation.

Commissioner Maginn moved to continue this until July 21, 2026, to allow time for renewals to be filed. Vice Chairman Payne seconded.

Chairwoman Allen noted there is a tax protest on this permit and asked if Commissioner Maginn would amend the motion to include clearing the tax hold. Also, any escrow time needed would begin on March 13, 2025.

Commissioner Maginn amended the motion to include clearing the tax hold. Vice Chairman Payne seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

DL45-33805 NIRMAL INC - Chairwoman Allen noted this is on for a request to reactivate.

Commissioner Maginn stated the permittee claims someone submitted a letter requesting deactivation of the permit. He filed a police report regarding this situation. Excise has investigated and noted the business has not been operational and are possibly looking into the fraudulent activity.

Commissioner Maginn moved to approve the reactivation of the permit. Vice Chairman Payne seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

RR39-40100 RIVERTOWN EATERY INC – Chairwoman Allen noted this permit is on for denial of escrow and consideration of the renewal.

Commissioner Maginn moved to deactivate the permit. Vice Chairman Payne seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

RR10-19620 KANSAI JAPANESE STEAKHOUSE LLC - Chairwoman Allen noted this is on for an extension request.

Commissioner Maginn stated all paperwork has been filed however, the corporation has been dissolved with the Secretary of State.

Commissioner Maginn moved to approve a 30-day extension to allow time to correct the problem with the corporation. Vice Chairman Payne seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

RR71-36368 THE SOCIAL LLC – Chairwoman Allen noted this is on for an extension request.

Commissioner Maginn moved to grant a 60-day extension to allow time for the violation to be settled. Vice Chairman Payne seconded. Commissioner Garver approved. Chairwoman Allen abstained. The motion passed 3-0.

RR34-32818 THE GREATT ESCAPE LLC – Chairwoman Allen noted this is on for an extension request.

Commissioner Maginn moved to approve a 90-day extension. Vice Chairman Payne seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

RR45-35962 WU’S HOUSE MERRILLVILLE INC - Chairwoman Allen noted this is on for an extension request.

Commissioner Maginn moved to approve a 90-day extension. Vice Chairman Payne seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

RR15-41806 ROMAN GREENDALE INC - Chairwoman Allen noted this is on for an extension request.

Commissioner Maginn stated there is still an issue with the Manager’s Questionnaire.

Commissioner Maginn moved to approve an extension until July 28, 2026. Vice Chairman Payne seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

RR49-05850 MON-AMI INC – Chairwoman Allen noted this is on for an extension request, but the extension is no longer needed because the permit is on the permit approval list today.

### **INACTIVE FILES**

Chairwoman Allen stated permits #RR49-41966, RR49-41898, and RR34-42031 were removed from the list by consent.

Vice Chairman Payne moved to make 24 permits dead that were previously posted on the June 6, 2026 meeting agenda. Commissioner Garver seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Chairwoman Allen stated there are 8 permits posted to be made dead at the July 7, 2026 meeting, that have failed to submit renewals.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

No Old Business

### **NEW BUSINESS**

CONDITIONALLY APPROVED PERMIT BACKLOG - Chairwoman Allen stated there is a list of permits posted that were conditionally approved by the Commission, some as far back as 3 years, that have not filed missing items—Form 1, tax hold, etc.---preventing the permit from being issued. Notices have been sent multiple times regarding these issues. The approvals will be reconsidered on August 4, 2026, if the missing items have not been submitted.

### **POLICY DETERMINATIONS**

No Policy Determinations

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

2026 AMENDED COMMISSION MEETING DATES – Chairwoman Allen stated the amended meeting dates for 2026 are:

Wednesday, November 4 (General Election Day on the 3)

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Vice Chairman Payne moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Garver seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Approved the 7<sup>th</sup> day of July 2026 by a vote of 3-0