

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION
LIQUOR CONTROL DIVISION
MINUTES

MEETING PLACE: Commission Meeting Room – Room 124

MEETING DATE: March 17, 2016 – 11:30 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Angelo J. Faenza, Liquor Control Commissioner
David A. Scribner, Liquor Control Commissioner

STAFF PRESENT: John Suchy, Director of Liquor Control
Caitlin Anderson, Staff Attorney
Mary Ellen Gillon, Paralegal Specialist
Richard Mindek, License and Applications Analyst
Robin Densmore, Secretary 2

PUBLIC PRESENT: None

HEARINGS – Mary Ellen Gillon:

1. **CRUZ, RICHARD - LCA.7506** City Limits, Thomaston
Remove from hearings; permit canceled. 2016-17
2. **ROSARIO, JUAN CARLOS RAMIREZ - LGB.15003** Stop & Save, Bristol
Remove from hearings; permit canceled. 2015-1338
3. **KHOSLA, KAVITA - LIP.14903** Eric's Package Store, New London
After compliance meeting, the Commission accepts an offer in compromise in lieu of hearing of 3 days and \$750, of which 2 days and \$250 will be held in abeyance for 6 months, for incident of 12/10/16. 2016-8
4. **KANIGANTI, RAJASELHAR R. - LIP.15295** Bristol Liquor Outlet, Bristol
After compliance meeting, the Commission takes no further action on incident of 1/4/16. 2015-1351
5. **GAMARRA, JUANA V. - LIC.2235** Peruvian Club, Stamford
After compliance meeting, the Commission takes no further action on incidents of 10/24/15, 11/10/15, 11/21/15 and 12/7/15. 2015-998

6. **ZELEPOS, CHRISTOS - LRW.3262** Mystic Pizza, Groton
After compliance meeting, the Commission accepts offer in compromise in lieu of hearing of transfer of John Zelepos' ownership interest in backer within 90 days of the date of the offer. 2015-1029
7. **DUGGAN, SCOTT F. - LGB.14723** The Fresh Market, Avon
After compliance meeting, the Commission accepts an offer in compromise in lieu of hearing of 3 days and \$750, of which 2 days and \$250 will be held in abeyance for 6 months, for incident of 11/6/15. 2015-1244
8. **OCHOA, FRANCISCO P. - LIR.19343** El Mexicano Restaurant, Norwalk
After compliance meeting, the Commission accepts an offer in compromise in lieu of hearing of 1 day and \$500 for incident of 1/6-7/16 and 1/19/16. 2016-25
9. **SIT, PAK - LIP.14925** The Packy, New London
After compliance meeting, the Commission would accept an offer in compromise in lieu of hearing of 3 days and \$750, of which 2 days and \$250 would be held in abeyance for 6 months, for incident of 12/15/15. 2016-5
10. **CERDA, MIGUEL A. - LIP.12614** Mike's Package Store, Milford
The Commission accepts late payment of fine. 2015-973

PROVISIONAL PERMITS:

11. **KRATZER, GARY R. - LIP.15383** Lake Wine and Spirits, Southbury
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, \$500.00 fee, cancel permit # LIP.14066, bill of sale, seller's affidavit, 8x10 photo of the exterior of the proposed premises, to be taken from a position directly across the street or highway showing the trade name sign, 8x10 photos of the entire interior to include cash register, coolers, and shelving, and proof of removal of Samuel Kratzer as a member of the backer LLC. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional permit.
12. **MENDEZ-DIAZ - EDWARD A. - LGB.15172** Deli International, New London
The Commission takes no action on the request for provisional liquor permit. File assigned to agent, question as to whether this is a bona fide grocery store.
13. **BENARDINI, DAVID E. - LIR.19424** Icons Sports Bar & Grill, New Fairfield
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional permit.

14. **GORDILS, MELVIN – LGB.15166** Ponce Sandwich Shop & Grocery LLC, Bridgeport
The Commission takes no action on the request for provisional liquor permit. File assigned to agent, question as to whether this is a bona fide grocery store due to a lack of photos.
15. **DEJESUS, GLADIS – LGB.15170** Los Primos Grocery, Hartford
The Commission takes no action on the request for provisional liquor permit. File assigned to agent, question as to whether this is a bona fide grocery store due to a lack of photos.
16. **RIGGIONE, FRANK C. – LIR.19395** Vero Cucino Rustico, Middletown
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, abandonment affidavit, executed copy of lease or right to occupy or assignment of the lease to the backer entity LLC with landlord consent, 8x10 photo of the exterior of the proposed premises, to be taken from a position directly across the street or highway showing the trade name sign, and 8x10 photos of the completed and renovated entire interior. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional permit. Endorse patio.
17. **SCHAUSTER, JOHN – LIR.19440** The Hop Knot Middletown, Middletown
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, bill of sale, seller's affidavit, 8x10 photo of the exterior of the proposed premises, to be taken from a position directly across the street or highway showing the trade name sign, and 8x10 photos of the completed and renovated entire interior. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional permit.
18. **CHEN, YUI MEI – LIR.19431** Golden Palace, Watertown
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, \$500.00 fee, cancel permit # LIR.18493, and seller's affidavit. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional permit.
19. **HAJJ, RAMI EL – LGB.15173** Fore Your Convenience, Vernon Rockville
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional and \$500.00 fee. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional permit.
20. **LARA, JUAN F. – LCA.7811** Blue Moon Café, Stamford
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, \$500.00 fee, cancel permit # LCA.7371, seller's affidavit, executed copy of lease or right to occupy, copy of CT sales and tax permit, and resolution of case #2015-999. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional permit.

21. **SERGI, DANIEL M. – LIR.19432** Herd Restaurant, Middletown
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, \$500.00 fee, 8x10 photo of the exterior of the proposed premises, to be taken from a position directly across the street or highway showing the trade name sign, and 8x10 photos of the completed and renovated entire interior. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional permit.
22. **PURUSHOTHAM, SHARATH D. – LCA.7813** Chutni Biryani & Noodle Bar, Stamford
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, \$500.00 fee, abandonment affidavit, and copy of CT sales and use tax permit. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional permit.
23. **COSTA, CARLOS A. – LCA.7812** Favela, Hartford
The Commission takes no action on the request for provisional. File assigned to agent, question as to suitability of applicant.

PROVISIONAL PERMIT EXTENSIONS:

24. **RAMIREZ, RAFAEL PAREDES – LIR.19280** Macori Restaurant, Middletown
The Commission approves the request for extension of the provisional liquor permit.
25. **VIDYARTHI, ANSHU – LIR.19372** Le Fat Poodle, Old Greenwich
The Commission approves the request for extension of the provisional liquor permit.
26. **KURTIN, ABNER – LIR.19356** Nixs Kitchen and Cocktails, South Windsor
The Commission approves the request for extension of the provisional liquor permit.
27. **SHEA, TIMOTHY J. – LIR.19382** Bareburger, Stamford
The Commission approves the request for extension of the provisional liquor permit.

FINAL PERMITS:

28. **PEREIRA, GERALDI M. – LIR.19383** Tropicana 4 Brazilian Buffet, Bridgeport
The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit upon receipt of final publication notice, 8x10 photo proof of the lockable storage with in the office, 8x10 photos of the entire interior to include the dining room, restrooms, kitchen, beverage service cooler and counter. Endorse no bar.
29. **VIDEIRA, MARIA E. – LCA.7798** Maria V's, Shelton
The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit.

30. **CASTELLANO, CHRISTINA – LIR.19366** El Nuevo Sarape, Hartford
The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit. Endorse no bar.
31. **CASTILLO, ROBERTO – LRW.5231** Calabrese Pizzeria, East Hartford
The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit upon receipt of completed publication notice. Endorse no bar.
32. **REUBER, JOHN C. – LIR.19423** Toast Four Corners, Storrs Mansfield
The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit upon receipt of completed publication notice. Endorse service bar only.
33. **KURTIN, ABNER – LIR.19356** Nixs Kitchen and Cocktails, South Windsor
The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit. Endorse patio.
34. **KEYES, ESWAN D. – LCA.7783** Kabbalah House, Hartford
The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit upon receipt of Fire Marshal's Final Signature and publication notice.
35. **COWLES, PETER – LMP.21** Aspetuck Brew Lab, Bridgeport
The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit.
36. **WOODRUFF, MICHAEL J. – LIR.19386** Wing It On Tap!, Naugatuck
The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit upon receipt of 8x10 photo of the new trade name sign, and publication notice. Endorse patio and interior access.
37. **VILLANUEVA, KARIN – LIP.15365** Los Villanueva's Liquor Store, Stamford
The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit.
38. **MLL CAPITAL PARTNERS LLC – LSL.1614** Bird Rock Imports, Westport
The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit.

OTHER:

39. **LOVE, JO ANN – LPC.276** VFW Post 10321, Hamden
The Commission approves Semmion Watson as the new substitute permittee.
40. **BURR JR, FRANKLIN – LIC.2209** Middletown Moose Lodge 1547, Middletown
The Commission approves George W. Blake as the new substitute permittee.
41. **DELVALLE, JUAN A. – LGB.14707** Star Supermarket and Deli, East Hartford
The Commission approves Francisco Santos as the new substitute permittee.

42. **WIKTOREK, JADWIGA – LIC.2163** Polish Falcons Alliance of America, New Britain
The Commission approves the request to endorse one (1) ACB and extension of use (hall).
43. **WOLSZCZAK, JAY A. – LIR.16718** Hard Rock Café, Mashantucket
The Commission approves the request to endorse patio for March 18, 2016 through December 31, 2016.
44. **LADDEN, MICHAEL R. – LIR.18975** McLaddens, Simsbury
The Commission approves the request to endorse one (1) ACB for March 17, 2016.
45. **DESAI, SANJAY KUMAR R. – LGB.15132** JM Variety, Norwalk
The Commission approves the request to amend final requirements upon receipt of cancel permit # LGB.12429, bill of sale, seller's affidavit, executed copy of lease or right to occupy, and final publication notice to be completed.
46. **GIONIS, GEORGE P. – LIR.18799** Golden Greek Restaurant, Dayville
The Commission approves the request to endorse patio.
47. **WILLIAMS, HOWARD J. – LCA.5772** Pookies Café LLC, Waterbury
The Commission approves the request for transfer of interest resulting in Luvenia Brooks having 100% ownership interest in Pookies Café LLC.
48. **PHAM, TONY M. – LCA.7767** Mecha Noodle Bar, Norwalk
The Commission approves the request for transfer of interest resulting in Tony M. Pham having 100% ownership interest in Mecha Noodle Bar Sono, LLC.
49. **FONTANELLA, STEVEN – LCA.6760** Tradition Golf Restaurant (The), Wallingford
The Commission approves the request for transfer of interest resulting in Steven Fontanella having 100% ownership interest in The Tradition Golf Restaurant, LLC.
50. **ZAKKA, ADAM – LIR.14056** Mediterraneo Restaurant, Greenwich
The Commission approves the request for transfer of interest resulting in Ramze Zakka having 90% ownership interest, Adam Zakka having 5% ownership interest, and Albert Deangelis having 5% ownership interest in Two Pickwick Restaurant Associates LLC.
51. **ZACCARA, THOMAS J. – LIR.15697** Bulls Bridge Inn, Kent
The Commission approves the request for transfer of stock resulting in Thomas J. Zaccara having 100 shares of stock in Zack of Brookfield, Inc.
52. **RUELAS, EUSEBIO – LIR.18655** Mexican Grill, Dayville
The Commission approves the request for transfer of stock resulting in Eusebio Ruelas having 55 shares of stock, Emmanuel Martinez having 25 shares of stock and Antonio Ruelas having 20 shares of stock in La Chanderlaria Inc.

53. **MALONEY JR, GREGORY S. – LCA.6216** Maloney's Pub, Meriden
The Commission approves the request for transfer of interest resulting in Gregory Maloney II having 100% ownership interest in Maloney Enterprises LLC.
54. **LIGHT, CAITLIN S. – LCA.7748** Stash's Café, New London
The Commission approves the request for transfer of interest resulting in Susan M. Smith having 50% ownership interest and James M. Gay having 50% ownership interest in Stash'O Limited Liability Company LLC.
55. **REYES, RICHARD – LIR.18306** Meson Restaurant, Danbury
The Commission approves the request for transfer of interest resulting in Javier Reyes having 100% ownership interest in Meson Restaurant.
56. **SIGEL, STEVE – LTH.64** Garde Arts Center, New London
The Commission approves allowing consumption following the concert on March 19, 2016, to end no later than 11:00pm.
57. **CADORETTE, HEINZ R. – LIC.1903** BPOE Lodge #2163, Groton
The Commission approves the request to waive the guestbook requirements for April 2, 2016.
58. **CONROY, DANIEL – LIC.2137** Fayerweather Yacht Club, Bridgeport
The Commission approves the request to waive the guestbook requirements for May 28, 2016; June 11, 2016; July 23, 2016.
59. **NELSON, CARLA – LIC.1980** Fairfield County Hunt Club, Westport
The Commission approves the request to waive the guestbook requirements for March 18, 19, 20, 26, & 27, 2016.

Adjourned at 8:59 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,


John Suchy
Director of Liquor Control
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