

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION
LIQUOR CONTROL DIVISION
MINUTES

MEETING PLACE: Commission Meeting Room – Room B

MEETING DATE: March 21, 2017 – 8:30 a.m.

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

STAFF PRESENT: John Suchy, Director, Liquor Control Division
Caitlin Anderson, Staff Attorney
Richard Mindek, License and Applications Analyst
Mary Riddick, Secretary 2

PUBLIC PRESENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Commission approves the minutes of March 16, 2017.

HEARINGS:

1. **OCHOA, ANTONIO- LIR.18698** Casa Blanca Restaurant, Norwalk, CT
Remove from hearings; Prior to compliance meeting, the matter was settled by permittee agreeing to an offer in compromise in lieu of hearing. He will accept 2 days suspension and \$1,500 fine for the incidents occurring on December 17, 2016 & December 29, 2016.
2. **ABARCA, ELSA M.- LIP.14008** The Wine Merchant, New London, CT
Remove from hearings; Prior to compliance meeting, the matter was settled by permittee agreeing to an offer in compromise in lieu of hearing. She will accept 3 day suspension (2 days in abeyance) and \$1,000 penalty (\$250 in abeyance) for the incident on January 19, 2017.

PROVISIONAL PERMITS:

3. **BIRNEY, JAMES D. – LFG.41**

BobbyV's Restaurant & Sports Bar/Winners, Stamford, CT
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, and a copy of CT sales and use Tax permit. Additional requirements: proof of State Gaming Authority license approval. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional liquor permit.

4. **PALAUSKAS, STEVEN C. – LMP.47**

Connecticut Valley Brewing Company, LLC, South Windsor, CT
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement. Additional requirements: copy of Alcoholic Beverage Distributor license, 8x10 photo of the exterior of the premises taken from a position directly across the street or highway showing the trade name sign and 8x10 photos of the completed and furnished entire interior. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional liquor permit. Endorse patio.

5. **BIRNEY, JAMES D. – LFG.54**

BobbyV's Restaurant & Sports Bar/Winners, Stamford, CT
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, and a copy of CT sales and use Tax permit. Additional requirements: proof of State Gaming Authority license approval. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional liquor permit.

6. **BERTHIAUME, GERRY R. – LCC.56**

New Britain Concessions, New Britain, CT
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, cancelation of permit # LCC.53, seller's affidavit and copy of CT sales and use tax permit. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional liquor permit.

7. **BERTHIAUME, GERRY R. – LCM.62**

New Britain Concessions, New Britain, CT

The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, cancelation of permit # LCM 59, seller's affidavit and copy of CT sales and use tax permit.

8. **CAMERON, CURT A. – LBP.141**

Thomas Hooker Brewing Co., Hartford, CT

The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement and \$500.00 fee. Additional requirements: Provisional-Credit Waiver form, 8x10 photo of the exterior of the premises taken from a position directly across the street or highway showing the trade name sign and 8x10 photos of the completed and furnished entire interior. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional liquor permit. Endorse patio.

9. **MCPHERSON, CHRISTOPHER - LCA.7905**

Flinders Lane, Stamford, CT

The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement. Additional requirements: 8x10 photo of the exterior of the premises taken from a position directly across the street or highway showing the trade name sign and 8x10 photos of the completed and furnished entire interior. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional liquor permit.

10. **DUPUIS, JEAN F. – LIC.2240**

Loyal Order of Moose, Bozrah, CT

The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500.00 fee, cancelation permit # LIC.2055 and copy of CT sales and use tax permit. Also requesting to waive guest book requirement for 6/17/2017; 7/15/2017; and 8/19/2017. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional liquor permit. Endorse additional consumer bar (2) and extension of use.

11. **KREUTTER, LINDSAY A. – LRW.5317**

Sweeties Bakery & Café, New London, CT

The Commission takes no action. Assigned to Agent assigned to determine if bonfide restaurant.

12. **RIZVANI, RESMI – LRW.5318**

Hometown Pizza of Litchfield, Litchfield, CT

The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, cancelation permit # LRW.4824, bill of sell, assignment of lease to LLC and copy of CT sales and use tax permit. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional liquor permit. Endorse service bar only and patio.

13. **TINTACHART, CHATTAPRON – LRW.5321**

Thai Riverside, Chester, CT

The Commission takes no action. Assigned to Agent to determine whether minium square feet of dining are has been met.

14. **CAMPOS, NATALIA T. – LCA.7906** Boteco Gaucho, Stamford, CT
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500.00 fee, cancelation permit # LCA.7571, bill of sell, seller's affidavit and copy of CT sales and use tax permit. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional liquor permit.
15. **ORAZIETTI, DANIEL J. – LCA.7909** The Pub, Shelton, CT
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, cancelation permit # LCA.7599 and seller's affidavit. Additional requirements: 8x10 photo of the exterior of the premises taken from a position directly across the street or highway showing the trade name sign and 8x10 photos of the completed and renovated interior. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional liquor permit. Endorse additional consumer bar and patio.
16. **PADILLA, REYNALDO A. – LGB.15259** Carabajal Deli, Waterbury, CT
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500.00 fee, bill of sale, seller's affidavit and a executed copy of lease or right to occupy in the name of the Backer Entity, LLC. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional liquor permit.
17. **MARZELLI, JESSICA C. – LIR.19660** Amis, Westport, CT
The Commission takes no action. Assigned to Agent to determine whether ownership structure and location of restaurant is within another business.
18. **CHEN, FENG – LIR.19661** Bonchon, Manchester, CT
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500.00 fee and copy of CT sales and use tax permit. Additional requirements: 8x10 photo of the exterior of the premises taken from a position directly across the street or highway showing the trade name sign and 8x10 photos of the completed and furnished entire interior. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional liquor permit.
19. **NEUGOLD, CLARK R. – LIR.19662** The Foundry Kitchen and Tavern, Newtown, CT
The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$400.00 fee cancelation of permit # LIR.18772, bill of sell, seller's affidavit and copy of CT sales and use tax permit. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional liquor permit. Endorse patio.

20. **ELCURI, JOE, JR.** Topsy Tomato Bar & Pizzeria, Derby, CT
The Commission takes no action. Assigned to Agent to conduct further inquiry into applicants background.

FINAL PERMITS:

21. **BARTOLOMEO, ROBERT F. – LCT.546** Gotham Citi Café, New haven, CT
The Commission approves the issuance of final permit.
22. **MILLER, LYNN S. – LSL.1697** Ecosur Group, LLC, Salisbury, NC
The Commission approves the issuance of final permit.
23. **MOCCIA, DEAN – LCA.7833** Kirby's Club Car, Stratford, CT
The Commission approves the issuance of final permit. Endorse patio.
24. **AHEMTAJ, ALIJ – LCA.7872** Blackstone Grille, Sourthport, CT
The Commission approves the issuance of final permit.
25. **CARABETTA, DAVID – LC.7899** Fratellis Italian Restaurant, Plantsville, CT
The Commission approves the issuance of final permit upon receipt of publication notice and cancellation of permit # LIR.14867.
26. **SOMMERS, GERALD N. – LIP.15487** Gerry's Spirits, South Windsor, CT
The Commission approves the issuance of final permit.
27. **GHADIALI, PRAGNESH T. – LIP.15490** Corner Wine & Liquors, Stamford, CT
The Commission approves the issuance of final permit upon receipt of publication notice, and 8x10 photos of interior including cash register, shelving and coolers.
28. **BONFIM, REVISSON R. – LIR.19531**
Boca Mediterranean Restaurant & Bar, Westport, CT
The Commission approves the issuance of final permit upon receipt of affidavit from backer stating that the second floor pizza bar will have no alcoholic beverage service from directly behind counter and any alcoholic beverage service to the pizza bar will be delivered to customers by servers.
29. **BOMOVA, ARTI – LIR.19563** The Avenue Family Restaurant, Berlin, CT
The Commission approves the issuance of final permit. Endorse patio, invoice off premises and off-site storage.
30. **HANSON, MICHELE M. – LIR.19578** Farmhouse Restaurant, Newtown, CT
The Commission approves the issuance of final permit.

PROVISIONAL PERMIT EXTENSIONS:

31. **LI, ZE QIANG – LRW.5294** Kiku Sushi, Stamford, CT
The Commission approves request to extend provisional permit.
32. **RAGAINI, RAYMOND P. – LIR.19496** Liberty Rock Tavern, Milford, CT
The Commission approves request to extend provisional permit.
33. **KAUR, MALKIT – LIP.15452** Discount Liquor, Waterbury, CT
The Commission approves request to extend provisional permit.
34. **SONSOEM, NATTIMA – LIR.19580** Thai Kit, Fairfield, CT
The Commission approves request to extend provisional permit.
35. **THANOS, ARISTIDIS – LIR.19630** The Stamford Diner, Stamford, CT
The Commission approves request to extend provisional permit.

OTHER:

36. **OLIVEIRA, MANUEL A. – LIC.1745** Clube Uniao Portuguesa, Inc., Naugatuck, CT
The Commission approves Manuel Agostinho Oliveira as substitute permitte.
37. **FARLEY, SHAWN M. – LIC.1827** SS Norden Club, Bridgeport, CT
The Commission approves request of waiver for March 25, 2017 and March 26, 2017.
38. **SPAAR, CHARLENE M. – LIC.2042** Tadeusz Kosciuszko Society, Rockfall, CT
The Commission approves request of waiver for April 23, 2017.
39. **NOONAN, JOANN – LIC.2049** Benevolent and Protective Oder of Elks Lodge 35, Meriden, CT
The Commission approves request of waiver for March 21, 2017.
40. **MUNCH, WILLIAM – LIC.2190** German Social Society Frohsinn, Inc., Mystic, CT
The Commission approves request of waiver for March 19, 2017; April 1, 2017 and April, 9, 2017.
41. **ADAMS, JEFFREY – LCA.7327** Lucky's Pub, Suffield, CT
The Commission approves request of patio.
42. **PATEL, ALPESH K. – LIP.14626** B & L Package Store, Seymour, CT
The Commission approves request for extension of use (lockable storage).

43. **COOK, KENNETH H., JR. – LIR.16791** Elmer's Place, New Britain, CT
The Commission approves Kenneth H. Cook, Jr. retaining 500 shares of Elmer's Place and Michael Nicholas Cook acquiring 100 shares.

44. **ZHENG, ANNIE C. – LIR.19164** Koto Japanese Steakhouse, Groton, CT
The Commission approves Annie Chen Zheng acquiring 60% interest in Koto Japanese Steakhouse and Xin Kui Zheng acquiring 40% interest.

Adjourned 9:55 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Suchy, Director, Liquor Control Division
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