STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION

LIQUOR CONTROL DIVISION

MINUTES

MEETING PLACE: Commission Meeting Room – Room B

MEETING DATE: April 4, 2017 – 8:30 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Angelo J. Faenza, Liquor Control Commissioner

David Scribner, Liquor Control Commissioner

STAFF PRESENT: Kevin Mercado, Liquor Control Supervisor

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 30, 2017.

HEARINGS:

1. CLARKE, WENDY – LCA.5505

Roc Venus, Vernon, 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 a \$675 fine for incidents on December 16, 2017 involving minors dancing and display and exposing breasts.

2. **RIVERA, EDWIN – LCA.7307** El Flamboyan Restaurant & Bar, Bridgeport, 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 a \$375 fine (\$125 in abeyance) for an October 20, 2016 violation stemming from restrictions on drink sales.

3. **KATTA, DINAKAR, K. – LGB.13537** South Main Grocery, 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 3 days suspension for a January 19, 2017 incident stemming from a sale to minor violation.

PROVISIONAL PERMITS:

- 1. **SHAH, BHUMI LGB.15232** Quinebaug Market, North Grosvenordale, CT The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement and \$500.00 fee. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional liquor permit.
- 2. CARALUZZI, ROBERTA LIP.15502 Ridgefield Wine & Spirits, Ridgefield, CT The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500.00 fee, cancelation of permit # LIP.12793, bill of sale, seller's affidavit and executed copy of lease or right to occupy executed assignment of the lease 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 trade name sign. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional liquor permit.

3. **MOORE, MYRON – LIP.15505**

Kindred Spirits & Wine of Shelton, Shelton, 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 trade name sign and 8x10 photos of completed interior (coolers, cash register, shelving). The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional liquor permit.

- 4. **KOUMLELIS, PETER LIR.19659** Elaine's Café, Broad Brook, CT The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement and abandonment affidavit.
- 5. **SKEHAN, SHAWN M. LIR.19668** Butchers & Bakers, Farmington, CT The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement, \$500.00 fee, bill of sale, executed copy of lease or right to occupy 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.

FINAL PERMITS:

6. DAWSPM, CHRISTOPHER – LSB.951

The Switchback Beerworks, Inc., Burlington, VT The Commission approves the issuance of final permit.

- 7. **AVRAM, DAVID LSB.952** Great Central Brewery, LLC, Chicago, IL The Commission approves the issuance of final permit.
- 8. **HEMINGWAY, GRANT P. LSL.1700** Picnic Wine Company, Napa, CA The Commission approves the issuance of final permit.

9. BARTOLOMEO, ROBERT F. – LCA.7832

Dockside Resort Bar, New London, CT The Commission approves the issuance of final permit upon receipt of publication notice. Endorse patio and invoices off premises.

10. **MARIN, ESDRAS G. – LCA.7881** Mojito Bar Café, East Haven, CT The Commission approves the issuance of final permit.

11. MIGLIORE, JOHN – LCA.7882

75 Center, Southington, CT

The Commission approves the issuance of final permit upon receipt of publication notice, 8x10 photos of completed additional consumer bar area and Sec. C: application for additional consumer bar to be completed and signed.

12. **RODRIGUEZ, VENEYRI - LGB.15246** Bronson Grocery, Waterbury, CT The Commission approves the issuance of final permit upon receipt of publication notice. Owes \$520 for NSF check.

13. **ULLAH, HABIB – LGB.15251**

New London Convenient Store, New London, CT

The Commission approves the issuance of final permit upon receipt of publication notice, cancelation of LGB.14984, bill of sale, seller's affidavit and 8x10 photo of the exterior of the premises taken from a position directly across the street or highway showing trade name sign. Endorse interior access.

14. SAKAKINI, JOHNNY – LIR.19583

Greenleaf Café – Layla's Falafel, Trumbull, CT

The Commission approves the issuance of final permit upon receipt of sales and use tax for 10 Broadway, Trumbull. Endorse service bar only.

15. **KLARSFELD, HEATH R. – LIR.19614** H'

H' Cue Texas BBQ, Derby, CT

The Commission approves the issuance of final permit upon receipt of publication notice. Endorse patio.

16. **MEAGHER, JOSEPH A. – LIR.19631**

Tavern 2757, Seymour, CT

The Commission approves the issuance of final permit upon receipt of publication notice. Endorse patio.

17. MARZELLI, JESSICA C. – LIR.19660

Amis, Westport, CT

The Commission approves the issuance of final permit upon receipt of publication notice – issue after 05/04/2017 remonstrance date and copy of sales and use tax ID showing address as 1 Church Ln., Westport, CT. Endorse patio.

PROVISIONAL EXTENSIONS:

18. **ZHENG, MIN – LIR.19625**

Boiling SoHo, New Haven, CT

The Commission approves request to extend provisional permit.

SUBSTITUTE PERMITTEES:

19. BENCIVENGO, JOHN P., JR. – LIR.15281

USS Chowder Pot III, Branford, CT

The Commission approves John P. Bencivengo as substitute permittee.

OTHER:

20. **COTE CYNTHIA A. – LIP.14269**

Cindy's Wine & Spirits, Westbrook, CT

The Commission approves request to move on hardship upon receipt of stipulated agreement for removal.

21. MOYLAN, MICHAEL F. – LUW.32

Scared Heart University, Fairfield, CT

The Commission approves request of extension of use and additional consumer bar for April 29-30, 2017.

22. BRESCOME BARTON, INC., - LIW.506

Brescome Baron, Inc., North Haven, CT

The Commission approves request allowing Brescome Barton to deliver alcoholic liquor products ordered and sold during March, 2017 through April, 2017. This is not an approval for the ordering of product, but rather an extension of delivery only. Note: This approval was extended to all wholesalers in the state of Connecticut.

23. CONNECTICUT DISTRIBUTORS, INC. – LIW.532

Connecticut Distributors, Inc., Stratford, CT

The Commission approves request allowing Connecticut Distributors, Inc., to deliver alcoholic liquor products ordered and sold during March, 2017 through April, 2017. This is not an approval for the ordering of product, but rather an extension of delivery only. Note: This approval was extended to all wholesalers in the state of Connecticut.

24. INVOER EKKE, LLC – LIW.713

Invoer Ekke, LLC, Suffield, CT

The Commission approves request to transfer \$2,650.00 from LIW.703 to LIW.713.

25. WINCHESTER, ROBERT – LIH.1869

Hyatt House Hartford North/Windsor, Windsor, CT

The Commission approves request of extension of use (outside seating area).

26. **DELIO, ROSEMARY – LPC.191** The American Legion Post # 68, Berlin, CT The Commission approves request of waiver for April 21, 2017.

27. IASPARRA, CYNTHIA – LPC.205

Wallingford Rod and Gun Club, Wallingford, CT

The Commission approves request of waiver for April 15, 2017.

28. **YOTHER, LAWRENCE – LIC.2102** Burlington Men's Club, Inc., Burlington, CT The Commission approves request of waiver for July 8, 2017 and August 26, 2017.

29. LEVY, FREDERICK – LIC.1822

The West Indian Social Club of Hartford, Inc., Hartford, CT The Commission approves request of waiver for April 7, May 5, June 2, July 7, August 4, September 1, October 6, November 3, and December 1, 2017.

- 30. **NELSON, CARLA LIC.1980** Fairfield County Hunt Club, Westport, CT The Commission approves request of waiver for April 1, 15, 16, 25, 26, and 29, 2017.
- 31. **STEIN, WANNARAWEE LRW.5312** In Thai Restaurant, Norwalk, CT The Commission accepts request to store books and records at 13 Kensett Ave., Wilton, CT. 06897.
- 32. **CELOTTE, KEVIN L. LCA.7899** The Hidden Still, Ellington, CT The Commission accepts request to maintain liquor invoices off premises at 6 Sugar Hill Road, Ellington, CT 06029.

33. SMITH, JONATHAN – LIR.15281

USS Chowder Pot III, LTD, Branford, CT

The Commission approves Jonathan Bencivengo, Jr., acquiring 100 shares of USS Chowder Pot III, LTD

Adjourned 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Suchy, Director, Liquor Control Division mer