## STATE OF CONNECTICUT

# DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION

# LIQUOR CONTROL DIVISION

# **MINUTES**

**MEETING PLACE:** 

Commission Meeting Room - Room 124

MEETING DATE:

December 24, 2015 - 8:30 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Angelo J. Faenza, Liquor Control Commissioner

STAFF PRESENT:

Elisa Nahas, Designated Signatory John Suchy, Director of Liquor Control Mary Ellen Gillon, Paralegal Specialist

Robin Densmore, Secretary 2

PUBLIC PRESENT:

None

## **HEARINGS** – Mary Ellen Gillon:

- 1. **KENNEDY, THOMAS P. LCA.5677** TK American Café, Danbury Remove from hearings; fire marshal form received. 2015-1296
- 2. **KENSAH, ROSEMOND LIP.14263** R K Wines & Liquors, East Hartford Remove from hearings; issues with Department of Labor resolved. 2015-1264
- 3. **KURTIN, ABNER LIR.18996** Nix's, Hartford Remove from hearings; issues with Department of Labor resolved. 2015-1225
- 4. **FARRAH, ROMMERRO H. LCA.7597** Alchemy/Elevate, New Haven Remove from hearings; issues with Department of Labor resolved. 2015-1223
- 5. NADEAU, SCOTT F. LIR.19240 West Side 2 Pint 0, New Haven After review of additional agent's report, the Commission requests formal hearing on pending charges. 2015-1005

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### **PROVISIONAL PERMITS:**

- 6. **ISTED, MICHELLE V. LIR.19397** The Velvet Vine LLC, Stonington The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, 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 furnished entire interior. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional permit.
- 7. LIN, SAM LIR.19390 Meadow Asian Cuisine Restaurant, Farmington The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, \$500.00 fee, copy of CT sales and use tax permit, 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 furnished entire interior. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional permit.
- 8. **ZHANG, ZHI HUA LIR.19389** Red Corner, Waterbury The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, \$500.00 fee, cancel permit # LIR.19185, bill of sale, 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 permit.
- 9. CARDONE, KATIE L. LIT.1852

  Towne Tavern, Torrington The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, \$400.00 fee, cancel permit # LI?T.1817, bill of sale, seller's affidavit, 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 permit.
- 10. **RODRIGUEZ, LIDIA C. LGB.15115**J & J Superfood, Hartford The Commission takes no action on the request for provisional. The breakdown of sales form appears to be estimated figures. File assigned to agent for follow up.
- 11. **APONTE, ANA LGB.15156**The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, \$500.00 fee, and executed copy of lease or right to occupy assignment of the lease to the backer entity LLC. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional permit.
- 12. **JOHNSON, SHERRON N. LGB.15157**The Commission takes no action on the request for provisional. Question as to ownership structure. File assigned to agent.

# 13. RAGAINI, RAYMOND P. – LIR.19396

Monty's, Milford

The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, bill of sale, seller's affidavit, copy of CT sales and use tax permit, and endorse patio once in receipt of local Heath Approval. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional permit. Endorse five (5) ACBs and patio.

## 14. SETHI, SANJEET S. - LIP.15369

Hilltop Wine & Liquor, Danbury

The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, \$500.00 fee, copy of CT sales and use tax permit. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional permit.

15. **HERNANDEZ, ALFONSO R. – LCA.7792** La Cantina Mexicana & Grill, Stamford The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, \$500.00 fee, cancel permit # LCA.7578, bill of sale, seller's affidavit, copy of CT sales and use tax permit, 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 interior. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional permit.

# 16. JOHNSON, MELISSA C. – LIR.19400

Enfield Pizza Palace, Enfield

The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, \$500.00 fee, cancel permit # LIR.14352, seller's affidavit needs to be notarized, executed copy of lease or right to occupy, authorization for release of financial information & statement of personal history for Laurie Ann Bedard (backer), new page two of the application reflecting number of shares for each owner, 8x10 photo of the interior to include all areas, and 8x10 photo of the exterior of the proposed premises, to be taken from a position directly across the street or highway. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional permit.

17. **PATEL, MUKESH A. – LGB.15063** Stonington Village Foodmart, Stonington The Commission takes no action. File assigned to agent to determine if it is a bona fide grocery store and if it complies with department protocol.

## 18. REDMOND, JON P. – LIR.19391

J & R's Pub, Stratford

The Commission takes no action on request for provisional. File assigned to agent. Question as to whether they have required 400 square feet of dining.

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# 19. **PATEL, MANUBHAI V. – LIP.15370**

Bozrah Wine & Spirits, Bozrah The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, \$500.00 fee, cancel permit # LIP.12005, bill of sale, seller's affidavit, copy of CT sales and use tax permit, and re-completed Backer's Financial Statement form showing sufficient funds in section B. approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with

### 20. KRASNIQI, HASHIM – LIR.19398

provisional permit.

Nino's, Middletown

The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, \$500.00 fee, cancel permit # LIR.14934, seller's affidavit, copy of CT sales and use tax permit, and 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 furnished interior. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional permit. Endorse patio.

### 21. WOODRUFF, MICHAEL J. – LIR.19386

Wing it on Tap!, Naugatuck

The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, \$500.00 fee, and executed copy of lease or right to occupy. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional permit. Endorse patio.

## 22. DONG, CUIXIANG - LIR.19399

Soga Sushi, North Haven

The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, \$500.00 fee, bill of sale, seller's affidavit reexecuted and notarized, and copy of CT sales and use tax permit. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional permit. Endorse service bar only.

## 23. RICCI, GRAZIANO – LIR.19394

Osteria Romana, Norwalk

The Commission approves the issuance of the provisional liquor permit upon receipt of stipulated agreement for provisional, \$500.00 fee, cancel permit # LIR.17823, bill of sale, seller's affidavit, and final Fire Marshal approval. The Commission approves the request allowing wholesalers to extend credit while operating with provisional permit.

### PROVISIONAL PERMIT EXTENSIONS:

## 24. BHOJWANI, ASHOK I. - LIH.1870

Clarion Inn, New London

The Commission approves the request to extend the provisional liquor permit.

# **FINAL PERMITS:**

- 25. **FIELDS, WARREN Q. LIH.1858** Hartford/Windsor Marriott Airport, Windsor The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit upon receipt of copy of CT sales and use tax permit & publication notice. Endorse four (4) ACBs.
- 26. **SIDIROPOULOS, THEODORE LRW.5205** ABC Pizza House of Winsted, Winsted The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit. Endorse service bar only.
- 27. CHEN, XIU ZHEN LIR.19344 Windsor Asian Bistro, Windsor The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit upon receipt of 8x10 photo of the exterior of the proposed premises, to be taken from a position directly across the street or highway and 8x10 photos of the entire interior. Endorse patio.
- 28. FLOR, LUIS LGB.15121

  The Hot Spot Store, Waterbury
  The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit upon receipt of
  abandonment affidavit (re-executed with correct backer entity).
- 29. **HAGALE, JAMES A. LIR.19305** Uncle Buck's Fishbowl, Bridgeport The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit upon receipt of final publication notice. Endorse interior access.
- 30. **PENNER ASH LLC LSW.1034**The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit.
- 31. CACCIATORE FINE WINES & OLIVE OIL CORP LSW.1036

Yassss Queen, Pixley, CA The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit upon receipt of FOB prices.

- 32. **HAFNER VINEYARD LLC LSW.1037**The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit.
- 33. **TRICANA INC LSL.1604** Plainview, NY The Commission approves the issuance of the final liquor permit.

### OTHER:

34. **RICHARDSON, ANDREA** – **LPC.223** Torrington Country Club, Goshen The Commission approves Anne Marie Filippini as the new substitute permittee.

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- 35. **CANDIDO, MARYANN N. LIP.12867** Southbury Package Store, Southbury The Commission approves Daniel Michael Candido as the new substitute permittee.
- 36. **ELWOOD, ROBERT L. LIC.1890** Farmington Woods Clubhouse, Avon The Commission approves Cristin Elizabeth Cook as the new substitute permittee.
- 37. **RONZELLO, ROBERT LIR.19243** Chippanee Country Club, Bristol The Commission approves Michael D. Mastracchid as the new substitute permittee.
- 38. PATEL, MONISKUMAR LIP.14884 Westfield Spirit Shoppe, Middletown The Commission approves the transfer of interest resulting in Moniskumar Patel having 100% ownership interest in Janni LLC.
- 39. **OSGOOD, KENNETH J. LIR.18826**The Commission reviewed the following information as provided by the December 8, 2015 letter of Attorney Pease which reads as follows: "Rare Hospitality Management, Inc. (RHM) as the holder of 100% of the stock interest in Capitol Grille, is transferring all of its stock interest in Capital Grille to Rare Hospitality International, Inc. (RHI). RHI has in turn transferred all of its stock interest in Capital Grille to GMRI, Inc. Capital Grille Holdings, Inc. dba Capital Grille remains the backer.
- 40. **GREEKWOOD, DAVID LIR.17595** Capitol Grill (The), Stamford The Commission reviewed the following information as provided by the December 8, 2015 letter of Attorney Pease which reads as follows: "Rare Hospitality Management, Inc. (RHM) as the holder of 100% of the stock interest in Capitol Grille, is transferring all of its stock interest in Capital Grille to Rare Hospitality International, Inc. (RHI). RHI has in turn transferred all of its stock interest in Capital Grille to GMRI, Inc. Capital Grille Holdings, Inc. dba Capital Grille remains the backer.
- 41. **DUSHKY, GINO LIR.16130** Newtown Pizza Palace and Restaurant, Newtown The Commission approves the transfer of stock resulting in Aristotel Zoto having 5000 shares of stock in Newtown Pizza Palace and Restaurant. The Commission approves Aristotel Zoto as the new substitute permittee.
- 42. **BOMOVA**, **ROLAND LCA.7747** Time Out Sports Bar, Newtown The Commission approves the transfer of interest resulting in George Geanuracos having 100% ownership interest in Genrol Enterprises LLC. The Commission approves George Geanuracos as the new substitute permittee.
- 43. **JENKINS, TRACEY A. LIC.2042** Tadeusz Kosciuszko Society, Rockfall The Commission approves the request to waive the guestbook requirements for January 8, 2016.

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44. **YOTHER, LAWRENCE R. – LIC.2102** Burlington Mens Club, Burlington The Commission approves the request to waive the guestbook requirements for January 16, 2016.

Adjourned at 9:19 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Suchy

Director of Liquor Control

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