

MINUTES
Town Council
Town of East Greenwich
Regular Session
November 14, 2016 @ 7:00pm
Town Hall, 125 Main Street, East Greenwich, RI 02818

7:00pm ~ Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Town Council Present: M. Isaacs, S. Cienki, M. Schwager, W. Stone, S. Todd

Town Staff Present: T. Coyle, III, L. Carney, P. Clarkin, S. Brown, S. Cirella, J. Duarte, R. McGillivray, A.C. Barton, III

Others: N. Granatiero, A. Deutsch

President Isaacs called the last meeting of this Town Council to order and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Acknowledgments

- Soozie Sundlun for providing 40 years of photography service in the Town and State
- Larry Steingold for serving over four years of service on the Municipal Land Trust

Ms. Carney was congratulated on her upcoming appointment as the 1st Vice President of the New England Association of City and Town Clerks.

Councilor Stone moved to approve the acknowledgements, seconded by VP Cienki. Voted 5-0 all in favor, motion carried.

Soozie and Larry accepted their commendations and were congratulated by Council.

1) Town Council Minutes

- a) October 24, 2016 (Regular Session and Executive Sessions)

VP Cienki moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Stone. Voted 5-0 all in favor, motion carried.

2) Reports and Communications

- a) Public Comment (15-minute time limit for items NOT on the agenda)

None

3) Public Hearing

- a) TRANSFER of OWNERSHIP for Class A Alcoholic Beverage License at 2550 South County Trail

FROM: Greenwich Liquor Store, Inc. d/b/a Greenwich Liquors
TO: Shivaay, Inc. d/b/a Greenwich Liquors

Peter Nolan asked for permission to transfer the license upon consideration of all submitted documents. The applicant is familiar with the rules and regulations for operating a liquor store. Mr. Patel has managed Quaker Lane Wine and Spirits for the last 3 years. He will own 80% and his nephew will own the other 20% of the business. No changes are anticipated in the store.

There were no public comments.

Councilor Todd moved to approve the transfer subject to all inspections and receipt of a Certificate of Good Standing from the Division of Taxation within 30 days, seconded by VP Cienki. Voted 5-0 all in favor, motion carried.

- b) RENEWAL of Class A, Class B, Class C and Class D Alcoholic Beverage Licenses including Victualing, Entertainment, Outdoor Sidewalk and New Year's Eve (as applicable) for the period December 1, 2016 through November 30, 2017.

All applicants are current on Town taxes; however some have not received clearance from the Division of Taxation.

Councilor Schwager moved to approve all subject to all inspections and receipt of the Certification of Good Standing from the State except for Savory Grape, Cobblestone's, Dante's Kitchen, Di Mare Seafood, Fat Belly's, Greenwich Bay Oyster Bar, Grille on Main, Kai Bar, Kon Asian Bistro, Natale's, Oak's Tavern, Pal's, Rocco's Bistro and Frank and John's; seconded by VP Cienki. After a brief discussion on a few minor details, it was voted 5-0 all in favor, motion carries.

Councilor Todd moved to extend the licenses for Savory Grape, Cobblestone's, Dante's Kitchen, Di Mare Seafood, Fat Belly's, Greenwich Bay Oyster Bar, Grille on Main, Kai Bar, Kon Asian Bistro, Natale's, Oak's Tavern, Pal's, Rocco's Bistro and Frank and John's until December 12. After a brief discussion on the importance of obtaining the Certificate of Good Standing, the motion was seconded by Councilor Schwager.

There were no public comments.

Voted 5-0 all in favor, motion carried.

- c) NEW Second Hand Dealers License for Paul Bailey's of East Greenwich, Inc. d/b/a Flood Ford of East Greenwich.

VP Cienki moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Todd.

There were no public comments.

Voted 5-0 all in favor, motion carried.

4) Consent Calendar

- a) Recommendation from the Tax Assessor for tax abatements from the 2016 Real Estate tax roll in the amount of \$8,385.26.
- b) NEW Holiday Sales License for Paul Bailey's of East Greenwich, Inc. d/b/a Flood Ford of East Greenwich.
- c) NEW Class F1 Alcoholic Beverage License for Cheryl Smith for birthday party at Varnum Armory on December 10, 2016.
- d) RENEWAL of Jukebox/Mechanical Device Permits for period December 1, 2016 through November 30, 2017.

VP Cienki moved to approve the Consent Calendar, seconded by Councilor Todd. Voted 5-0 all in favor, motion carried.

5) Unfinished Business

None

6) New Business

- a) RENEWAL of Victualing Licenses for period December 1, 2016 through November 30, 2017.

VP Cienki moved to approve subject to all inspections and current Town taxes, seconded by Councilor Stone. Voted 5-0 all in favor, motion carried.

- b) TRANSFER of OWNERSHIP of Victualing License for 1000 Division Street

FROM: J & S Cooper, Inc. d/b/a McDonald's
TO: Sellia Group, LLC d/b/a McDonald's

Councilor Stone moved to approve, seconded by Councilor Schwager. Voted 5-0 all in favor, motion carried.

- c) An ORDINANCE in amendment of Chapter 248 Vehicles and Traffic, Article II Operation, Section 248-19 Multi-way Stop Intersections to create a three-way stop intersection at Middle Road and Tillinghast Road (FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION).

VP Cienki moved to approve on introduction and set for public hearing on December 12, seconded by Councilor Schwager. Voted 5-0 all in favor, motion carried.

7) Town Manager's Report

Mr. Coyle has been working on the inauguration, meeting with Department Heads to discuss capital items for FY2018 and working on a draft budget.

8) Council Comments

VP Cienki thanked Councilor Stone for his years of service on the Council as well as President Isaacs and his wife Mindy for her support.

Councilor Todd thanked Councilor Stone for his service and President Isaacs for helping him run a successful campaign and for his service to the Town over the past twelve years.

Councilor Stone felt honored to have served the Town. He congratulated the two new members-elect, Nino and Andrew. He acknowledged the Council members, Department Heads and Mr. Coyle for their professionalism, work ethic and integrity.

Town Manager Coyle thanked Councilor Stone and President Isaacs for their support, guidance and kindness.

Councilor Schwager thanked all members for their personal and professional support. He acknowledged Councilor Stone's astuteness and intelligence. President Isaacs was revered for his character and vision for the Town. Several of his accomplishments were highlighted and his wife Mindy was acknowledged as the First Lady of East Greenwich.

President Isaacs thanked everyone for their comments. He recognized Mr. Coyle for the work he does and the Department Heads for their support. Chuck Barton was thanked for being present and Elizabeth McNamara for asking tough questions that generated healthy discussions.

9) Public Comment (15-minute time limit)

Elizabeth McNamara, 18 Prospect Street, thanked Mr. Isaacs for his responsiveness and for treating her with respect.

10) Executive Session per RIGL 42-46-5 (a) (2) Collective Bargaining/Litigation

a) Pending Litigation

There was no motion for an Executive Session.

Councilor Stone moved to adjourn at 7:54pm, seconded by VP Cienki. Voted 5-0 all in favor, motion carried.

Leigh A. Carney, CMC, Town Clerk

APPROVED BY TOWN COUNCIL 12/14/16