

TOWN OF EAST LYME  
ZONING COMMISSION  
MAY 15, 2014  
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

**Members Present:**

Marc Salerno, Chairman  
Matthew Walker  
Terence Donovan  
Norm Peck  
George McPherson  
Matthew Kane  
William Dwyer, Alternate (Did Not Sit)

FILED IN EAST LYME  
CONNECTICUT  
May 19, 2014 AT 9:10 AM PM  
*Marc Salerno*  
EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

**Also Present:**

Bill Mulholland, Zoning Officer  
Holly Cheeseman, Ex-Officio

Chairman Salerno called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Chairman Salerno led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Public Delegations**

There were no Public Delegations.

1. **Application of Leo Roche, for Strive LLC, for a renewal of a Special Permit for Outdoor Dining at property identified in the application as 247-2 Main Street, Niantic.**

Mr. Mulholland confirmed the legal advertisement had run on this item.

Mr. Walker read a memo from Mr. Mulholland.

Mr. Roche was present. He stated he would like all of the conditions to stay the same. Last year they added more flower boxes to the wall, and the situation improved as far as keeping people off of the wall. He spoke to Mr. Mulholland and Chris from the Fire Marshal's office about roping an area off, and it could become an egress situation.

Chairman Salerno asked that he and his managers keep their vigilance up.

Mr. Mulholland stated there were no complaints on this Permit.

There was no public comment.

**Motion (1) Mr. Donovan moved to close the Public Hearing.**

**Seconded by Mr. McPherson.**

**Motion Passed 6-0.**

- 2. Application of Rita Fokaidis, for Village Pizza, for a renewal of a Special Permit for Outdoor Dining at Property identified in the application as 53 West Main Street, Niantic.**

Mr. Mulholland confirmed the legal advertisement ran on this item.

Mr. Walker read a memo from Mr. Mulholland.

The applicant was not present.

Mr. Mulholland stated there was one minor issue, and that was the two umbrellas with signage. It is an enforcement issue, and he will get a letter out to them.

There was no public comment.

**Motion (2) Mr. McPherson moved to close the Public Hearing.**

**Seconded by Mr. Donovan.**

**Motion Passed 6-0.**

- 3. Application of Craig Taft, for CTRP Enterprises, LLC (aka Burke's Tavern) for a renewal of a Special Permit for Outdoor Dining at property identified in the application as 267-283 Main Street (aka 13 Hope Street), Niantic.**

Mr. Mulholland confirmed the legal advertisement ran on this item.

Mr. Walker read a memo from Mr. Mulholland.

Mr. Mulholland stated there were no complaints on this permit.

Craig Taft was present, it has been a busy time for them with the Millstone outage, there have been many people in from all over who really seem to like this Town.

There was no public comment.

**Motion (3) Mr. Donovan moved to close the Public Hearing.**

**Seconded by Mr. Kane.**

**Motion Passed 6-0.**

4. Application of Timothy O'Reilly, Owner, East Lyme Café, LLC dba Smokey O'Grady's, for a renewal of a Special Permit for Outdoor Dining at property identified in the application as 306 Flanders Road, Niantic.

Mr. Mulholland confirmed the legal advertisement had run on this item.

Mr. Walker read a memo from Mr. Mulholland.

Timothy O'Reilly was present, he said the business has been busy.

Mr. Mulholland stated there have been no complaints on this permit.

There was no public comment.

**Motion (4) Mr. Donovan moved to close the Public Hearing.**

**Seconded by Mr. Walker.**

**Motion Passed 6-0.**

5. Application of Gary Kogut, for the Common Loon Restaurant, for a renewal of a Special permit for Outdoor Dining at property identified in the application as 135 Boston Post Road, Niantic.

Mr. Mulholland stated this item has been withdrawn. His office sent the applicant letters and there was no response, and they never paid their fee.

**Respectfully Submitted,**



**Karen Miller Galbo  
Recording Secretary**

