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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday December 6, 2023**

PRESENT: First Selectman Toni Boucher, Joshua Cole, Kimberley Healy, Basam Nabulsi, Ross Tartell

GUESTS: Nick Bamonte-Berchem Moses, Town Administrator-Matt Knickerbocker, CFO-Dawn Norton

A. Call to Order

Ms. Boucher called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

B. Discussion and/or Action

- Discussion and/or action: - Consideration of a proposed change to Code of Ordinances Ch. 8, Article I, "Sale of Alcoholic Liquor" and scheduling of a public hearing to receive comment.

Ms. Boucher began the discussion on the language to be used for the consideration of the proposed change to Code of Ordinances Ch.8, Article I, "Sale of Alcoholic Liquor" and the scheduling of a public hearing to receive comment. Ms. Boucher noted that additional language has been added to the information (see attached) that was sent to the board. That additional language is "for on-premises consumption. For take-out six packs, the maximum allowable is 8AM-10PM Monday-Saturday; 10AM-6PM Sunday". Ms. Boucher made a motion to add the additional language. Mr. Knickerbocker made a recommendation to remove the phrase "take out six packs" and use the phrase "take out containers". Motion amended to remove the "take-out six packs" and replace with take-out containers. Motion was second by Ms. Healy. Mr. Cole noted that what is being discussed is adding another category under the sale of liquor in the ordinance specific to establishments under the brewery permits (CT State Statute 30-16(b)). Town Counsel Nick Bamonte joined the discussion to clarify the language to be used and respond to inquiries from the board. Review and discussion amongst the board. After a detailed discussion and review, motion moved by Mr. Tartell for the new Section 8.5 "Sale of Liquor under brewery permits(CT State Statute 30-16(b)) with the stipulation that the hours of operation for on sale premises match those of Wilton restaurants and for off premises sale match the hours of Wilton package stores. Motion seconded by Ms. Healy and carried 5-0.

Mr. Bamonte asked that the board do a motion to schedule the public hearing at the December 19, 2023 BOS meeting. Motion moved by Ms. Boucher to schedule a public hearing for December 19, 2023, motion seconded by Mr. Cole and carried 5-0.

C. Adjournment

Having no further business, motion to adjourn at 5:33pm. Motion moved by Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Tartell and carried 5-0.

Jacqueline Rochester
Recording Secretary
Taken from Video

ARTICLE I - Sale of Alcoholic Liquor

§ 8-1. Definitions.

For purposes of all sections of this article, the term "alcoholic liquor" shall be defined as set out in Section 30-1(3) of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended.

§ 8-2. Sale of liquor under golf country club permit.

The sale of alcoholic liquor under a golf country club permit is hereby allowed in the Town of Wilton as provided under the provisions of Chapter 545 of the General Statutes to include Sundays between the hours of 12:00 noon and 9:00 p.m.

§ 8-3. Sale of liquor under restaurant permits; penalties for offenses.

1. The Town of Wilton shall allow the sale of alcoholic liquor in all establishments operating under restaurant permits only between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday; between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 12:00 midnight on Friday and Saturday; between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 a.m. on New Year's Eve; and between the hours of 12:00 noon and 11:00 p.m. on Sunday.
2. The Town shall allow the sale of alcoholic liquor in all restaurants operating under the liquor permits cited in C.G.S. § 30-91(a), as amended from time to time. The hours for such sales shall also be in accordance with C.G.S. § 30-91(a). **[Added 4-3-2017]**
3. For purposes of this article, the term "sale of alcoholic liquor" shall be deemed to include the dispensing or consumption of alcoholic liquor or the presence of alcoholic liquor in glasses or other receptacles suitable to permit the consumption of alcoholic liquor.
4. Any person violating the provisions of § 8-3 of this article shall be fined not more than \$99 for each offense.

§ 8-4. Sale of liquor under package store permits.

The Town of Wilton shall allow the sale of alcoholic liquor under package store permits between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday.

§ 8-5. Sale of liquor under brewery permits.

The Town of Wilton shall allow the sale of alcoholic liquor under a "Manufacturer Permit for Beer" issued pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 30-16(b) between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 midnight, Monday through Saturday; and between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 midnight on Sunday for on-premises consumption. For take-out six packs, the maximum allowable is 8AM-10PM M-S; 10AM-6PM Sunday.

§ 8-6. Applicability of general statutes.

All other provisions in the General Statutes prohibiting the sale of alcoholic liquor on specific days or setting the hours of sale of alcoholic liquor shall still apply.