

**SPECIAL LICENSING AUTHORITY
MINUTES
DECEMBER 18, 2025**

Chair Kelli Narde called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. In attendance were: Chair Kelli Narde, Vice-Chair Mike Appleby, Philip LaBella, Tiffany Howell, and RD Kuhns. Also present were alternate members Tim Perkins and Jerry Elmbalde. Staff present were: Town Clerk Chris Vanderpool, Deputy Town Clerk Susan Irvine, Authority Attorney Katie Vera, Town Special Prosecutor Christy Ausmus, and Detective Wil Plienis.

Chair Narde led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 20, 2025

Mike Appleby moved and Philip LaBella seconded to approve the minutes of November 20, 2025.

A roll call vote was taken:

Philip LaBella - yes
Mike Appleby - yes
Kelli Narde - yes
Tiffany Howell - yes
RD Kuhns - yes

The motion was approved unanimously.

HEARING ON RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSE

A. HOTEL & RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL (*Continued from November 20, 2025*)

License Type: Hotel & Restaurant
Applicant: Chang Noi, Inc.
d/b/a Chang Noi Thai Cuisine
Location: 18366 E. Lincoln Avenue, Suite 109

Chair Narde opened the public hearing at 6:39 p.m.

Town Prosecutor Christy Ausmus provided an overview of the Stipulation for Conditional Renewal of Liquor License. Licensee will temporarily remove all alcohol from the premises and will not be making alcohol sales during this time. The licensee must give notice to the Town when they intend to restock alcohol at the business. The licensee will also need to obtain an off premises storage permit during the time the alcohol is being stored away from the business, and this needs to be made a condition of the approval should the Authority choose to approve the Stipulation for Conditional Renewal.

Licensee Andrew Fontana stated that there is not much alcohol in inventory, and he has discounted it in an attempt to liquidate his inventory. He asked if he could have additional time to attempt to sell the alcohol in the restaurant or to dispose of it another way as he did not want to incur the expense of a

storage unit. Christy Ausmus suggested that they could give the licensee 15 days to attempt to dispose of the alcohol through sales or other measures.

Chair Narde closed the public hearing at 6:52 p.m.

Mike Appleby moved and Tiffany Howell seconded to approve the stipulation agreement as submitted, with the condition that the licensee apply for an off site storage permit or dispose of all liquor inventory by January 9, 2026 with confirmation from a Police Department inspection, and the Hotel & Restaurant liquor license renewal for Chang Noi, Inc., d/b/a Chang Noi Thai Cuisine, 18366 Lincoln Avenue, Suite 109.

A roll call vote was taken:

Philip LaBella - yes
 Mike Appleby - yes
 Kelli Narde - yes
 Tiffany Howell - yes
 RD Kuhns - yes

The motion was approved unanimously

OTHER BUSINESS

Chris Vanderpool advised that the annual training will take place on January 15, 2026 at 4:30 p.m. if that is acceptable to the Authority. Dinner will be provided during the meeting. Appointments to the Authority will be made by Town Council on January 5, 2026. Chair Narde thanked Mike Appleby, who is leaving to continue his volunteer position with the Police Department, for his years of service on the Special Licensing Authority. Mike thanked the Town for allowing him to serve on the SLA and thanked everyone for their cooperation and friendship.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Kelli Narde adjourned the meeting at 6:59 p.m.


 Susan L. Irvine, Deputy Town Clerk


 Kelli Narde, Chair