Re: Truck Bar Hours

William Warner <townplanner@haddam.org>

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To: Planning and Zoning Commission planningandzoningCommissionplanningandzoning

This will be on the agenda for next Thursdays meeting. The neighbor is aware of the request and plans to attend.

From: William Warner < townplanner@haddam.org>

Sent: Tuesday, March 8, 2022 2:15 PM

To: Planning and Zoning Commission <planningandzoningcommission@haddam.org>

Subject: Fw: Truck Bar Hours

The Truck Bar has asked for a modification of its condition of approval regarding hours of operation. See attached.

Current approved hours of operation are as follows:

MONDAYS - closed TUE.WED.THUR - 1 PM - 10 PM FRI. SAT 1 PM - 12 AM SUN 1 PM - 8 PM

Proposed hours of operation:

MON, TUE. WED.THUR - 8 AM - 10 PM FRI. SAT 8 AM - 12 AM SUN 8 AM - 8 PM

Considering the tension with one of the neighbors I asked the Resident Trooper to comment on their visits to the facility.

See below.

From: Deangelo, Joseph < Joseph. Deangelo@ct.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, March 8, 2022 12:57 PM

To: Robert McGarry <firstselectman@haddam.org>; William Warner <townplanner@haddam.org>

Cc: Muckle, Joshua < Joshua. Muckle@ct.gov>

Subject: Re: Truck Bar Hours

Bob/Bill,

My research has revealed the following regarding The Truck Bar. Since March 4th, 2021 there have been a total of Thirty Five (35) calls for service at The Bar and/or on Lake Ave/High Street stemming from reported issues at the bar.

The breakdown of calls for service are as follows:

A total of Twenty two (22) proactive Patrol Checks conducted by several different Troopers. These calls were self-initiated by the Troopers with the intent of checking the area for any problems (i.e. excessive noise, parking violations, groups congregating outside, etc.). There was not a single problem noted by any of the Troopers as a result of any of these Twenty Two (22) checks. In fact, many noted that the area was even quieter than they would expect for commercial property that is open for business located on a main road.

A total of twelve (12) complaints by neighbors (the vast majority from #11 Lake Ave). The complaints are all similar in nature and include: Excessive noise, loud music, a vehicle doing "Donuts" in the parking lot, and most recently parking complaints. The most recent call was in regards to an unpleasant e-mail exchange between Mr. Sakash and Truck Bar Ownership, which Mr. Sakash initiated and then decided to call Troop F to complain about.

During each of these twelve calls for service, the responding Trooper did not identify any problems in which arrests, infractions, referrals to the Liquor Commission, or any sort of intervention was appropriate or necessary. Granted, during some of these incidents the Trooper noted that the problem was "Gone On Arrival"; which essentially means that upon their arrival there was no disturbance, loud noise, etc. taking place. Theoretically, there could have been an issue at the time that the caller contacted Troop F and the responsible parties could have left prior to the Trooper's arrival; however there has never been any evidence to substantiate any of the complaints.

In summary, at no time during our 35 calls for service (*many which were proactively self-initiated) at The Truck Bar or surrounding areas we have *never* identified a problem in which there was any probable cause to make an arrests, write an infraction ticket, or take any sort of enforcement action on anyone.

To my knowledge Mr. Sakash has never provided any photo or video evidence to substantiate any of his claims. This would be a very simple and effective way to document his grievances and refute our findings to date. As far as I know, none exist.

We will have a Trooper at next week's meeting. Let me know if I could be of any additional. -Joe

Trooper First Class J. DeAugelo #825

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