

**Town of Stoneham  
Liquor Licensing Authority  
Minutes of Meeting of  
November 19, 2013**

Chairman Sweeney called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m. Also present were Selectman Boussy, Selectman DePinto, Selectwoman O'Neill, Selectman Vallarelli.

**Petroleum Group IV, LLC, d/b/a Spot Pond Mobil, 2 South Street/New Beer & Wine Package Store**

Selectman DePinto read legal ad. Attorney Mario Patalano was present to represent Arthur Sordillo who owns Petroleum Group IV, LLC, d/b/a Spot Pond Mobil, 2 South Street. Attorney Patalano explains why Arthur Sordillo is interested in this license and how he will regulate the selling of beer & wine. All employees will be over 18 and required to comply with any restrictions, rules and regulations. All employees will be tips certified. There will be a designated area in the store for the sale beer & wine. Chairman Sweeney reads the petition against allowing this license from the neighborhood that was submitted to the Board of Selectmen on November 19, 2013. Selectmen DePinto asks what hours will beer & wine be sold. Attorney Patalano states they will sell the same hours as the other package stores in town. Chairman Sweeney says thank you to Mr. Sordillo not applying for the Mobil by the Middle School. Selectman Vallarelli states the business is immaculate. Selectmen Vallarelli agree that the sale of beer & wine will not put any package stores out of business. Selectwoman O'Neill feels it is not a good idea. She feels it is not safe for children. Selectwoman O'Neill states that the specialty businesses would be affected by the gas stations selling beer & wine. Selectmen Sweeney opens the public hearing. Resident Bill McCabe speaks regarding Arthur Sordillo and states that Mr. Sordillo is a great business owner and a great person. Resident Jim Sullivan states he feels that there is enough liquor stores in Stoneham. Resident Debra Taylor is an abutter and speaks against liquor being sold at the gas station. A Washington Street resident states that he never has had a problem at the gas station and he is in supportive of this license. Resident Bill Previdi speaks against approving this license and supports Selectwoman O'Neill opinion. A resident from 34 High Street supports Selectwoman O'Neill opinion on this issue. Selectman Vallarelli closes public hearing, seconded by Selectman DePinto. Selectman DePinto moved for approval of the following New Beer & Wine Package Store License to Petroleum Group IV, LLC, d/b/a Spot Pond Mobil, 2 South Street. Motion was seconded by Selectman Vallarelli.

Voting in Favor:

Selectman DePinto  
Selectman Vallarelli  
Chairman Sweeney

Voting Opposed:

Selectman Boussy  
Selectwoman O'Neill

**Motion was passed (3-2).**

**Montvale Fuel, Inc., d/b/a Montvale Mobil, 96 Montvale Avenue/New Beer & Wine Package Store**

Selectman Vallarelli read legal ad. Attorney Mario Patalano was present to represent Mr. Davenport Montvale Fuel, Inc., d/b/a Montvale Mobil, 96 Montvale Avenue. Chairman Sweeney opens to public hearing. Resident Jim Sullivan states is appalled but not surprised. He feels we don't need anymore liquor stores in Stoneham. Mr. Sullivan feels it cheapens the community. Resident Larry Rotondi said his concern is people stopping and getting gas and buying one bottle of beer. Attorney Patalano states they could put a stipulation on not allowing the sale of one bottle of beer if that is necessary. Selectman Vallarelli has a concern that is located across from the Arena where there will be a lot of children in the area. Attorney Patalano states they will be just as safe and will do the same procedure as Spot Pond Mobil. Mr. Davenport spends most of his time at the Montvale location. Resident Rosemary Geary asks does this means if we have good business owners will we be selling beer & wine everywhere in town. Resident Robert Nolan speaks on the fact that he was not notified as an abutter. Selectman Vallarelli closes public hearing, seconded by Selectman Boussy. Selectman Vallarelli moved for approval of the following New Beer & Wine Package Store License to Montvale Fuel, Inc., d/b/a Montvale Mobil, 96 Montvale Avenue. Motion was seconded by Selectman DePinto. Selectman Vallarelli says he would like to access the prior license approval for 6 months and then invite the applicant back to apply again.

Voting in Favor:

Selectman DePinto  
Chairman Sweeney

Voting Opposed:

Selectman Boussy  
Selectwoman O'Neill  
Selectman Vallarelli

**Motion did not pass (3-2).**

**Approve LLA Minutes**

Selectman Boussy moved approval of the 11/05/13 LLA minutes, seconded by Selectwoman O'Neill and unanimously voted (4-0-1). Selectman DePinto abstained.

**Meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,  
*Erin Sinclair*