

**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES- WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2026**

- I2.** Police Chief Lynch - Request for a Show Cause Hearing regarding the Dancing and Entertainment License and the \*Class BV liquor License for Aidan's Pub (call for show cause hearing 4/22/2026)

Sweeney/Teixeira- Voted unanimously to call for a show cause hearing for Wednesday evening, April 29, 2026 in the Town Hall, Council Chambers beginning at 7:00 PM.

# TOWN OF BRISTOL, RHODE ISLAND



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April 13, 2026

Via Email, Regular and Certified Mail

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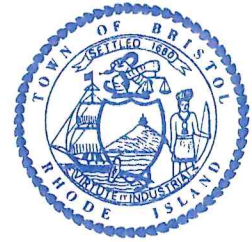
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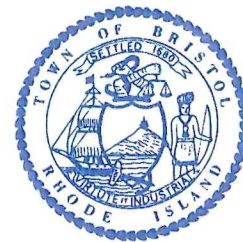
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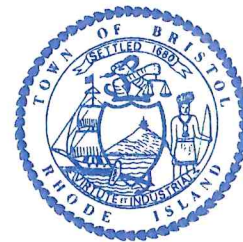


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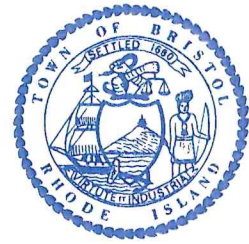
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TELEPHONE (401) 253-6900



**KEVIN M. LYNCH**  
Chief of Police

March 9, 2026

Honorable Town Clerk Melissa Cordeiro  
Town of Bristol, RI  
10 Court Street, Bristol, RI 02809

Honorable Town Administrator Steven Contente  
Town of Bristol, RI  
10 Court Street, Bristol, RI 02809

RE: Aidan's Pub & Grill – 5 John Street – Request for Show Cause Hearing regarding Dance and Entertainment License

Madam Clerk/Administrator,

On October 22, 2025, Town Council meeting, the Council conducted a three-month review of Aidan's Pub following the modification of its Dancing and Entertainment License to include outdoor entertainment on Fridays. During this meeting, the Police Department presented data showing nineteen (19) calls for service at this establishment. These calls involved issues including public urination, loud music, possession of alcohol by a minor (with the underage individual stating he was "friends with the bouncer"), and the use of fake identification.

At that meeting, ownership and management of Aidan's Pub were directed to meet with my office to address and mitigate the concerns arising from these nineteen (19) calls. On November 4, 2025, I met with owner Jeffrey Quinlan and General Manager Michael Cockcroft in my office. We reviewed each issue in detail and provided recommendations intended to help the establishment reach compliance with Town expectations. Aidan's Pub requested time to develop an action plan and subsequently submitted a "noise compliance" list outlining proposed corrective actions. However, apart from bullet point #6 (changing the time bottles and glassware are disposed of), these commitments were not carried out.

Since the meeting, the frequency of noise violations, neighbor complaints, disturbances, and incidents involving underage drinking have not decreased; instead, they have escalated. Due to the continued pattern of non-compliance, my office recommends that the Town Council schedule a **show cause hearing** to consider

modifying Aidan's Pub's Dancing and Entertainment License. Specifically, **my office is requesting that dancing and entertainment be prohibited after 10:00 PM on all nights of operation.**

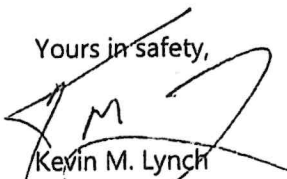
This request is based on the fact that the majority of problematic incidents occur on Thursday evenings between approximately 11:00 PM and 1:00 AM, typically involving a college-aged crowd.

**Recent incidents supporting this recommendation include:**

- **November 6, 2025 (Call #25-25-1822-OF)** – At 11:41 PM, officers responded to a loud noise complaint. A calibrated noise meter reading of 53.5 dBA confirmed a violation of the Town ordinance. A courtesy warning letter was issued on December 9, 2025, by Lt. Michael Vieira. Thursday night.
- **January 1, 2026 (Call #26-000004)** – Officers responded to a verbal altercation between two intoxicated college-aged males outside the establishment. The individuals were dispersed; management declined to issue a No Trespass Order. Thursday night.
- **January 22, 2026 (Call #26-001957)** – At 11:25 PM, officers responded to another noise complaint. Loud music was heard upon arrival; an estimated 50+ college-aged patrons were present. Thursday night.
- **February 1, 2026 (Call #26-002662)** – At 12:30 AM, staff lowered music volume after being advised by officers. Approximately 70 patrons were observed. Saturday night.
- **February 6, 2026 (Call #26-003059)** – At 12:18 AM, officers conducting ID checks found a 19-year-old possessing alcohol. The individual stated staff had not checked his ID. A Municipal Court Summons was issued. Thursday night.
- **February 6, 2026 (Call #26-003065)** – At 12:53 AM, owner Jeffrey M. Quinlan of Aidan's pub was arrested (Hope St. at Colt Ave.) in Bristol, RI for suspected DUI and multiple traffic violations. Court public records indicate a not-guilty plea and a pre-trial hearing scheduled for March 20, 2026. Thursday night.
- **February 26, 2026 (Call #26-004634)** – At 11:26 PM, officers responded to a noise complaint. Loud music was audible from outside the establishment. A calibrated noise meter reading of 80.0 dBA confirmed a violation. A citation (MC#02727) was issued with a court date of April 14, 2026. Thursday night.

Given the persistent pattern of ordinance violations, disturbances, and public safety issues—despite prior warnings and opportunities for corrective action, I respectfully request that the Town Council schedule a **show cause hearing** and consider a modification of Aidan's Pub Entertainment License to prohibit entertainment after 10:00 PM.

Yours in safety,



Kevin M. Lynch  
Chief of Police

CC: Town Solicitor Andrew M. Teitz



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RE: Aidan’s Pub & Grill – 5 John Street – Request for Show Cause Hearing regarding Dance and Entertainment License and Liquor License - UPDATE

Madam Clerk/Administrator,

I recently forwarded a detailed memorandum dated March 9, 2026, detailing noise and underage drinking violations occurring at Aidan’s Pub and Grill and a request to modify the Dancing and Entertainment license. Since my last written communication, the issues continue to exacerbate to unacceptable levels. Due to the continued pattern of non-compliance, my office continues to recommend that the Town Council schedule a **show cause hearing** to consider modifying Aidan’s Pub’s Dancing and Entertainment License to now include looking at their liquor license for a temporary suspension until compliance with R.I.G.L (laws) and license provisions by the Town can be achieved to the Towns satisfaction.

**Recent incidents supporting this recommendation include:**

- **March 28, 2026 (Case #26-007223)** – At 11:19 PM, officers responded to conduct an ID compliance check and discovered an underaged UCONN student drinking an alcohol beverage (Corona Light). He was issued Town citation# MC02701 summons for underage possession of alcohol (17-19.3) with a court appearance of 5/12/26. Saturday night.
- **March 28, 2026 (Case #26-007223)** – At 11:19 PM, officers responded to conduct an ID compliance check and discovered an underaged RWU student drinking an alcohol beverage (Corona Light). He was issued Town citation# MC01530 summons for underage possession of alcohol (17-19.3) with a court appearance of 5/12/26 and a district Court Summons for RIGL 3-8-6 Unlawful drinking – Misrepresentation of age with a court date of 4/10/26. Saturday night.

Given the persistent pattern of public safety issues—despite prior warnings and opportunities for corrective action, I respectfully request that the Town Council schedule a **show cause hearing** and consider a modification of Aidan’s Pub Entertainment License to prohibit entertainment after 10:00 PM and consider a suspension of their liquor license.

Yours in safety,



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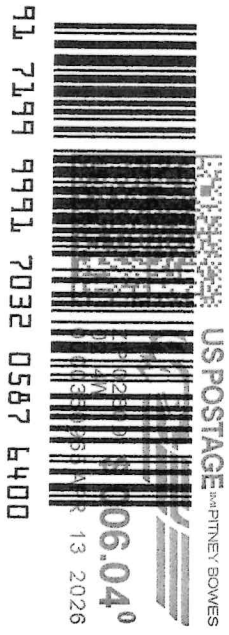


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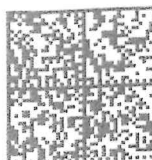
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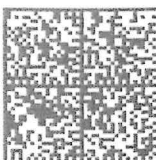
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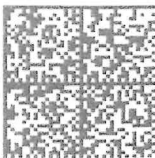
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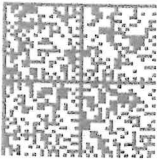
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