

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION 2025 – 5.13**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MUNICIPAL CLERK TO ENDORSE ABC APPLICATION BY
NEEDLE CREEK BREWERY, LLC FOR EVENT ON THE PROPERTY OF HOWE COMMONS
ON PENNINGTON DAY**

WHEREAS, Needle Creek Brewery, LLC, located in Hopewell Township (Titusville), NJ (“Applicant”) is applying to the State Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) for a Limited Brewery Off-Premises Event Permit (File #768682) authorizing an event on Pennington Day, May 17, 2025;

WHEREAS, “Pennington Day” is an annual event solely sponsored and hosted by Pennington Day NJ Inc., a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation with no connection to the Borough of Pennington;

WHEREAS, the proposed location of the Applicant’s one-day event is Howe Commons, 65 S. Main Street in Pennington;

WHEREAS, the proposed hours of the Applicant’s event are from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm;

WHEREAS, the Applicant’s event will feature a cash bar selling malt alcoholic beverage in 16-ounce containers within a fenced-in area depicted in the Applicant’s attached sketch;

WHEREAS, ABC requires the Applicant to address age verification to prevent underage consumption; “pass-off” controls; prevention of intoxication; identification of security personnel, duties, numbers and experience; and confirmation that all servers shall be employees of the Applicant and shall be certified by a nationally- recognized server training program;

WHEREAS, Applicant represents that for security there will be a fenced-in area with only one entrance/exit; a staff member will be at the door checking ID’s to make sure no one under 21 is allowed inside the beer garden; Pennington Police will be on the grounds, in numbers approved by the Officer in Charge, and they will patrol and be available to help should any incident arise; beer will not be allowed to leave the fenced-in area; related signs will be posted at the one entrance/exit and the ID checks will ensure nothing leaves the beer garden; pass-off controls will not be necessary because no one underage will be permitted in the premises;

WHEREAS, all of Applicant’s staff are TIPS certified bartenders and will follow the intoxication safeguards that are practiced at the brewery, all staff to be wearing a Needle Creek Brewery T-shirt to identify them;

WHEREAS, five (5) of Applicant’s staff will be at the event, one (1) checking ID’s, one (1) pouring beer, one (1) taking orders, one (1) working the register and one (1) manager;

WHEREAS, the Applicant represents that consent for the event at this location has been provided by Hayle Knepple Property Manager, Premium Property Management, LLC;

WHEREAS, ABC requires that the application for this permit be endorsed by the Officer in Charge (Pennington’s highest ranking Police official) and the Borough Clerk;

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Resolution is to authorize the endorsement by the Borough Clerk subject to conditions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington, that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to endorse the above-described application of Needle Creek Brewery, LLC, on the following conditions:

1. that the application be amended to provide that operations shall end at 3:00 PM;
2. that the application as amended be endorsed by the Officer in Charge of the Pennington Police Department (Pennington's highest ranking Police Officer), subject to assignment of such paid detail police personnel as may be designated by him;
3. that the Applicant provide a certificate of liability insurance confirming adequate general liability, liquor law liability and automobile liability insurance with minimum limits of \$1 million per occurrence, employer's liability insurance with minimum \$500,000 per occurrence, and workers compensation coverage as required by law;
4. that Applicant's application be approved by ABC ; and
5. that Applicant complies with all representations made in support of its application and such additional requirements as may be imposed by the ABC.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Angarone					Rubenstein				
Chandler					Stern				
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This is to certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington at a meeting on May 5, 2025.

Elizabeth Sterling, Borough Clerk