

#2026-0315 Letters Received – Batch 1

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Date Created: 07/02/2026

May 28, 2026

Salisbury Planning and Zoning

Re: Recommended Zoning Changes for Lime Rock Park in Connection with the Revised Stipulations:

I would suggest that you require the following for all new changes to the current zoning rules concerning Lime Rock Park:

1. Require a uniform police presence outside the Park for traffic control for all public racing events at the Park
2. Require an annual review of the amount of smoke and emission generated by the drifting events and if it is considered excessive, restrict it.

Thank you.

Salisbury Resident

Drifting

From Ileene Smith <ileenesmith@gmail.com>

Date Sun 6/28/2026 11:35 AM

To Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>

Please remove "drifting" from the new Lime Rock parameters. It is not in the best interests of the community to allow this environmentally and medically harmful practice.

Howard Sobel and Ileene Smith

75 Main

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Salisbury 06068

Ileene Smith

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Outlook

Drifting at LRP - NO!

From karin noyes <karinnoyes@gmail.com>

Date Sun 6/28/2026 12:18 PM

To Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>

I am writing to support the group Lime Rock Citizen's Council - which is trying to get the DRIFTING Clause removed from the agreement with the Track Owners of Lime Rock Park. Though I won't personally be affected by allowing drifting at LRP, I feel that this is not something that the neighborhood should have to contend with. Noise is one thing, but pollution from burning (skidding) tires in addition to exhaust is just too much.

Please remove this from the agreement that will go into the town zoning laws.

Thank you

Karin Noyes

Salisbury P&Z Commission voting on Lime Rock Race Track Regulation July 1st

From Barbara Friedman <barbarajfriedman@gmail.com>
Date Sun 6/28/2026 12:45 PM
To Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>
Cc Barbara J Friedman <barbarajfriedman@gmail.com>

We are writing to register our concern regarding the permission to allow DRIFTING in the agreement the Commission is considering to pass.

Please DO NOT ALLOW THIS TO BE CONSIDERED. It is highly pollutant and toxic as well as considered illegal.

Thank you,

Barbara J. Friedman and Robert Dow
38 Covered Bridge Rd.
Lakeville, CT. 06939

Sent from my iPad



Outlook

Lime Rock Track decisions

From Mary Oppenheimer <maryclose@me.com>

Date Sun 6/28/2026 1:22 PM

To Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>

Please remove the drifting option from the track's zoning permit. I want the track to thrive without causing this extra pollution.

Thanks,

Mary Oppenheimer

Lakeville

ATTN: Urgent - Zoning Commission

From Elizabeth Conn <ej_conn@yahoo.com>

Date Sun 6/28/2026 2:21 PM

To Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>

I do not agree with the DRIFTING section of the Lime Rock Park's latest agreement presented to our town's Zoning Commission for approval. I believe this section should be denied because of the noxious fumes released by this car-centric event based on the premise of "Burning Rubber."

As a near neighbor to the track, my family and I can attest that the smell itself is immediate and recognizable. An extremely offensive odor often drifting in black clouds, but even if unseeable it is a very powerful, apparent odor.

Unfortunately, I smelled it several times in this area, in the early spring - perhaps they were checking the "drift" on the smell, or perhaps it came from somewhere other than the track, though it has never happened before that I know of, until this year. I probably should have called the Town Hall then. Still, I can say, where ever it came from it was a small amount compared to what it is like when the track runs a Drifting Event, was immediately noticed, and drove me back inside my home to escape the smell.

Elizabeth Conn
474 Lime Rock Rd
Lakeville, CT 06039

Objection to Drifting Agreement at Lime Rock Park

From Kathy Voldstad <kathyvoldstad@gmail.com>

Date Sun 6/28/2026 8:23 PM

To Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>

Dear P&Z Commissioners,

I'm writing to register my strong objection to the agreement allowing drifting at Lime Rock Park.

Drifting involves intentionally breaking tire traction, which causes tires to burn out at an accelerated rate. This releases toxic microplastics, chemical compounds, and particulate matter directly into the air and soil — pollution that doesn't stay confined to the track, but affects the surrounding community's air and water quality.

The entertainment value of drifting does not outweigh these health and environmental risks to residents. I urge you to reconsider this agreement and not permit drifting at Lime Rock Park.

Thank you for taking this concern seriously.

Kathleen Voldstad

8 Main St, Salisbury

Fwd: Lime Rock Race Track Regulation and Zoning agreement

From Kathleen Kucka <kathleenkucka@gmail.com>

Date Sun 6/28/2026 9:46 PM

To Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Kathleen Kucka** <kathleenkucka@gmail.com>

Date: Sun, Jun 28, 2026 at 8:09 PM

Subject: Lime Rock Race Track Regulation and Zoning agreement

To: <landuse@salisburyct.ua>

Dear Salisbury Town Hall Land Use Office,

I live in Lakeville at 59 Old Asylum Road, just off Wells Hill Road.

We are close enough to hear clearly the sounds of racing coming from the Lime Rock Race Track.

We fervently believe that drifting should not be allowed on the race track at any time.

The burning of rubber tires poses a health threat to our rural area.

For humans, animals, and plants, we need to protect the air we all breathe.

Please remove the clause on drifting from the agreement.

Lime Rock Race Track can continue to run its programming without drifting.

Thank you.

Concerned neighbor and resident of Lakeville, CT

Kathleen Kucka

John Sutter

59 Old Asylum Road, Lakeville, CT 06039

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Opposition to Permitting Drifting at Lyme Rock Racetrack

From Laurie Fendrich <abstrart@aol.com>

Date Mon 6/29/2026 7:50 AM

To Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>

Cc Plagens Peter <imedajinsokt@aol.com>; Nancy Humphreys <nancy.f.humphreys@gmail.com>; Sarah Humphreys <humphreys.sarah@gmail.com>; May Castleberry <maycastleberry@gmail.com>; John Sutter <jwsutter@gmail.com>; Kathleen Kucka <kathleenkucka@gmail.com>

To: Members of the Town of Salisbury Planning & Zoning Commission
landuse@salisburyct.us

RE: Lime Rock Race Track Drifting Permission

From: Laurie Fendrich and Peter Plagens

Dear Commission Members:

Please remove the Drifting concession for the Lime Rock Race Track. That some people (mostly from outside our area) should have their fun at the expense of the health and safety of town residents isn't a concession; it's an outrage.

My husband and I do not see the need to rehearse the pollution effects of the race practice of Drifting, for we are confident you know about them. Our argument is simple: It would be one thing if the Lyme Race Track were indoors or in an isolated area. It's another thing when it's nestled into a residential area. To permit this level of pollution at this particular race track is to deeply privilege race car fans over the rest of us who are already compromised on racetrack weekends by the sound and, equally challenging, the parade of speeding drivers who treat our town roads as extensions of their racetrack. We say this as residents of Wells Hill Road, for on every race track weekend we already witness multiple cars driving at shocking speeds (the speed limit on our road, in case you aren't aware, is 35 miles per hour; we see cars easily driving twice that speed and faster).

We urge you to do the right thing and for the sake of the residents of Salisbury, ban Drifting at Lyme Rock Racetrack. Lyme Rock Racetrack is a business, and naturally enough it wants to maximize profits. That said, our Town can exercise limits on what they do. This is a case that demands we do that.

Yours truly,

Laurie Fendrich
Peter Plagens
328 Wells Hill Road
Lakeville, CT 06039

Laurie Fendrich
<http://lauriefendrich.com>

LIME ROCK RACE TRACK Regulation and Zoning Agreement

From gbmaclaren@comcast.net <gbmaclaren@comcast.net>

Date Mon 6/29/2026 10:30 AM

To Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>

To Whom it concerns,

I understand there are ongoing discussions between the town of Salisbury and Lime Rock Race Track. I would like to express my objections to any changes to the current agreement between the town and Lime Rock Race Track. Specifically, I would like to strongly object to any changes allowed in racing days and hours, any changes to noise regulations, and the request to allow drifting events. We purchased our full-time residence here 22 years ago with consideration of the long-accepted rules. Likewise, the track owners purchased the business within that same agreement. I am not asking for any additional regulations, and I have no objection to the track being successful operating within the long-standing agreement. The local homeowners should not have to give up their quality of life so that a business can optimize their profits.

Sincerely,
Gil & Jane MacLaren
7 Seneca Lane, Salisbury

Lime Rock Track Regs

From Barbara Maltby <bbsmaltby@gmail.com>

Date Mon 6/29/2026 11:44 AM

To Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>

Dear Salisbury Zoning Comm. Members:

I oppose allowing 'drifting 'at the track, something I believe your committee can remove from this agreement, because it causes pollution etc -

If you notice the streets around town, the young or whomever, are doing it at times when they think they can't be caught, leaving marks on the road, makes a lot of noise and doing something dangerous. To sanction this activity at the track is also to promote it as something that is allowed even though it is illegal on roadways, I believe.

The track will do just fine without this noisy, polluting and completely unnecessary activity.

Thank you,

Barbara maltby

Barbara Maltby

bbsmaltby@gmail.com

Lakeville, CT

917-301-7540



Outlook

Drifting

From John Stephens <jimlestelle@icloud.com>

Date Mon 6/29/2026 2:26 PM

To Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>

Please do not allow Lime Rock Park to modify drifting.
Sent from my iPad

Lime Rock

From Marjorie Leake <leakemar@gmail.com>

Date Wed 7/1/2026 12:55 PM

To Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>

Dear Salisbury Zoning Committee,

I live close to the Lakeville border in Sharon, CT and am writing to urge the committee to disallow Drifting from the Lime Rock Race Track regulation and zoning agreement. Drifting is an environmental hazard and would be a detriment to our beautiful corner of Litchfield County. If this is allowed to go forward, where does it end? The track will be fine without drifting. Salisbury would be harmed if the Lime Rock management is allowed to incrementally continue to assert its imagined power to do whatever they please.

Thank you,
Marjorie Leake
196 Mudge Pond Road
Sharon, CT 06069

860-397-5246
Sent from my iPhone

Lime Rock Park Zoning

From Eric Loffswold <eloffswold@gmail.com>

Date Wed 7/1/2026 1:24 PM

To Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>

Hello,

I am a full-time resident in Sharon CT for the past 13 years and I am contacting you to ask that you please **do not** allow Lime Rock Park to include a drifting allowance in their agreement with the town of Salisbury.

We already deal with enough noise and pollution as well as people racing on our roads and this would only make things worse. My wife and I live on Mudge Pond Road and just the other night there were people in track ready sports cars racing on our road which is curvy and very narrow. One person recently drove off the road and into the stream next to our house.

Thank you and please let me know what you all decide.

Eric Loffswold
196 Mudge Pond Road
Sharon, CT 06069
Ph: 646-265-2466

Lime Rock Park

From Jane Pinckney <janepinckney131@gmail.com>

Date Wed 7/1/2026 2:53 PM

To Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>

Board of Planning & Zoning for the town of lakeville & Salisbury,

I want to make it clear that I totally object to the proposal that Lime Rock Park is requesting for 'Drifting' during racing. It is dangerous and will contribute to bad air quality for neighbors and our town. This must be rejected!

It is outrageous that you, as our representatives, would consider this as a good step forward. IMOm, One huge mistake was already made by granting the Wake Robin to be sold with very questionable data and in addition to changing the zoning regulations without due process and complete information to the taxpayers of Lakeville and Salisbury. Your responsibility is to the taxpayers, not some developer who uses false data to push through a massive renovation, along with 2,000sf housing units, for an entertainment facility which will employ 75 to 90 people... from where? Really, and the "experts" believe that there is less traffic now than there was 20 years ago? Where have you been living? Their data is and was blown out of proportion. 500 to 600 people signed petitions to stop this process and you ignored the concerns of the taxpayers, neighbors and property owners.

Foreseeing that the outcome will be sad for our quiet town. Less traffic then? Hats off to Kathy Shyer who was the only honest and concerned board member, she tried to stand up and be our voice. We should have more volunteers like her, doing a good job for us.

Again, I object to the request by Lime Rock Park! Stop this now!
Lakeville neighbor,
Jane Pinckney

Support for Lime Rock Park Court Approved Regulations

From Webb, Will <wwebb@salisburyschool.org>

Date Thu 7/2/2026 2:44 PM

To Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>

Dear Members of the Salisbury Planning & Zoning Commission,

We live less in close proximity to Lime Rock Park and applaud the track's efforts to work collaboratively with the Town and with its neighbors to update the Stipulation Agreement that regulates the activities of the track. We understand that the Park has worked over 4+ years with the Lime Rock Citizens Council to jointly present an amended agreement to the Superior Court in Torrington, which was approved by the Court in May, 2026.

We have learned that some neighbors are concerned with drifting, which is a respected form of motorsports that has been at Lime Rock Park for many years. What has been most impressive is that, while Lime Rock Park could technically operate drifting events every day except Sundays, they have responsibly worked with the neighbors to dramatically limit it, and have voluntarily done so over the past several years.

As contained in the amended, court-approved agreement, Lime Rock Park has limited drifting to only a single event held once per year, and in only three short demonstration sessions. This allows the Park to continue to host its GRIDLIFE event, which is enjoyed by thousands of attendees, bringing economic activity to the Town of Salisbury, and a valuable source of revenue to Lime Rock Park.

We ask that the Commission recognizes the restrictions that were co-developed by the Park and neighbors, and adopt the amended agreement that was already approved by the Superior Court.

Sincerely,

Will & Sarah Webb
251 Canaan Road
Salisbury, CT 06068

William V. Webb
Head of School
Salisbury School
860-435-5701

Please adopt the Superior Court approved amended agreement Lime Rock Park & Lime Rock Citizens Council

From John Light <evanscoolant@gmail.com>

Date Thu 7/2/2026 1:35 PM

To Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>

Lime Rock Park is an important resource that brings in the visitors who make possible the many restaurants, hotels, and other amenities in our local area.

Dear members of the Salisbury Planning & Zoning Commission,

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Sincerely,

John Light

94 White Hollow Rd.
Lakeville, CT 06039

The agreement between Lime Rock Citizens Council and Lime Rock Park

From Irene Light <irenedlight@gmail.com>

Date Thu 7/2/2026 3:03 PM

To Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>

Dear Salisbury Planning and Zoning Commission,

Our farm adjoins Lime Rock Park and they have been great neighbors since we moved here in 1968. For four years the Track has been working with their neighbors and the Town to modernize the Stipulation Agreement that controls the track's activities.

Since the Superior Court approved the agreement made by the track and the Lime Rock Citizens Council, the issues have been decided. We've heard some neighbors are now complaining about the drifting activities at the track. The track has been doing that for years so it's hard to understand why they want to change things now after everything has been satisfactorily worked out and the Court has accepted it.

We urge the Commission to adopt the agreement approved by the Superior Court and allow Lime Rock Park to continue its GRIDLIFE events.

Sincerely,
Tom and Irene Light
94 White Hollow Road
Lakeville, CT 06039