

#2026-0315 Letters Received – Batch 2

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Lime Rock Park

From Richard Dolan <Dolan_Richard@msn.com>

Date Thu 7/2/2026 4:47 PM

To Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>

Dear Salisbury Planning & Zoning Commission,

My wife Amanda and I live within earshot of Lime Rock Park (LRP) on Old Asylum Road, and, in general, we are supporters of the Park and its activities.

From our perspective, LRP and its patrons play an invaluable role in the economic fabric of Lakeville. Whether it's the day-tripper club driver grabbing breakfast at On-the-Run, a weekend race crew having dinner at one of our restaurants, or the nearby motorsports garage that supports amateur racers, these patrons bring important commerce to Lakeville and help support nearby businesses that are important to Amanda and me. Indeed, these small businesses are a big factor in what make Lakeville so special - having the beauty and tranquility of the Berkshires but with an economic support-structure close by.

In our view, what is good and reasonable business for LRP is good and reasonable business for Lakeville and the Town of Salisbury.

That said, we understand that a few neighbors are concerned about the drifting component of the GRIDLIFE weekend. We have been to GRIDLIFE several times, and it has been a wonderfully successful event for the Park – complementing well the other major motorsports events. Also, we have watched drifting, which is a small segment of the weekend, but always a fan favorite, because it shows the amazing capabilities of both driver and vehicle. It's an amazing demonstration, and it's integral to the GRIDLIFE event. We would hate to see the weekend event jeopardized due to a few unhappy neighbors concerned about a short demonstration.

Lastly, we view that the leadership team at LRP have been good stewards and neighbors. It is our understanding that they have made great strides in trying to improve the economic health of the Park (which is good for Lakeville), while recognizing their important role in maintaining our beautiful rural settings.

We would ask the Commission to work cooperatively with the LRP team to preserve the GRIDLIFE event, as well as to adopt the amended agreement among the Park and its neighbors that was already approved by the Superior Court. That is good and reasonable business.

Sincerely,

Richard and Amanda Dolan
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Lime Rock Park

From Theodore O'Neill <theodore.oneill@gmail.com>

Date Fri 7/3/2026 9:39 AM

To Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>

Dear members of the Salisbury Planning & Zoning Commission,

I live in Lakeville and am writing in support of Lime Rock Park and applaud the track's efforts to work collaboratively with the Town and its neighbors to update the Stipulation Agreement that regulates the activities of the track. While I do not live in the Lime Rock section of town, I can hear it. I 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.

While one form of classic motorsports is "drifting" and isn't my cup of tea, I have heard that some neighbors are raising it as an issue. 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 recognize 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,

Theodore Rudd O'Neill

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Lime Rock Park

From Darren Berger <dsb2113@gmail.com>

Date Fri 7/3/2026 9:55 AM

To Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>

Dear Members of the Salisbury Planning & Zoning Commission,

I have been a full time and part time resident in the Town of Salisbury for over 15 years now and write in strong support of the amended stipulation agreement between Lime Rock Park and the Lime Rock Citizens Council, approved by the Superior Court in Torrington in May 2026. I urge the Commission to adopt the agreement as negotiated, without reopening or renegotiating its terms.

This agreement is the product of years of good-faith engagement between Lime Rock Park and its neighbors, and it reflects real compromise on both sides. I have heard that one piece of this agreement is now being questioned: drifting. Drifting is a legitimate and long-established form of motorsport which has been at Lime Rock Park for a number of years now. Under existing rules Lime Rock Park could hold many drifting events throughout its season. Instead, as part of the global settlement reached with the Lime Rock Citizens Counsel, they agreed to sharply curtail it. Under the court-approved agreement, drifting is now limited to a single annual event, confined to just three short demonstration sessions.

That compromise (as all of the many compromises made by both sides in this matter) deserves recognition, not further restriction. It allows Lime Rock Park to continue hosting GRIDLIFE, an event that attracts thousands of attendees and brings meaningful economic activity to Salisbury, while giving neighbors far more protection than they are entitled to as a matter of right.

Agreements like this one are only possible when both sides can trust that a negotiated resolution will actually hold. Reopening or changing specific terms now, after years of negotiation and court approval, would undermine that trust and potentially put the entire agreement at risk. We ask the Commission to honor the work of everyone involved and adopt the amended agreement as presented.

Thank you for your consideration

Darren Berger

Salisbury, CT

Support of LRP

From Michelle Bousquet <michelle@interlakeninn.com>

Date Fri 7/3/2026 4:12 PM

To Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>

Good Afternoon,

We were just made aware of the Torrington Superior Court approving the stipulation agreement for Lime Rock Park. We are very supportive of Lime Rock and all of the other amenities this Northwest Corner of CT has to offer. A collaboration agreement for all of these businesses and amenities to attract tourism to our area will be a tremendous shot in the arm for the local economies. Attracting Guests through tourism is one of the most economical methods of generating sound local programs through all the area businesses.

We look forward to the local zoning board approving the Superior Court decision and hope that once again our local tri-state corner can thrive as it has in the past.

Sincerely,

Kevin Bousquet
Managing Partner
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Kevin Bousquet

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Fw: Public Hearing #2026-0315

From Doug H <doug36@hotmail.com>
Date Sat 7/4/2026 9:59 AM
To Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>

 1 attachment (15 KB)
PZC02072026.docx;

Miles,
As you can see, I originally sent this on Thursday at 9:11.
I didn't notice the notification that it was not delivered until this morning. I then realized that I had used an incorrect address.
Please add it to the communications for the Commissioners.
Thank You.
Doug Howes

From: Doug H <doug36@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 2, 2026 9:11 PM
To: landuse@salisbury.us <landuse@salisbury.us>
Cc: Rick Malkames <rmalkames@gmail.com>; Doug H <doug36@hotmail.com>
Subject: Public Hearing #2026-0315

Miles,
Please enter the attached letter in the package that will going to the Commissioners before the Public Hearing next Monday. If that is not possible, please have it read at the Hearing.
Could you please acknowledge that you received this email by phone or by return email.
Thank You,
Doug Howes
413-446-1105

July 2, 2026

Dear Planning and Zoning Commissioners,

We are writing regarding the public hearing #2026-0315 Lime Rock Park II, LLC / Regulation Amendment.

We are in support of the Regulation Request as it was presented by the LRP.

The Amended Stipulated Injunction was approved by the Court on May 12th, 2026.

We were involved in the five years of negotiations with the owners of LRP to update the 1988 Stipulation. Those were hard negotiations that involved a great deal of give and take, as well as time to arrive at an agreement that was acceptable to both LRCC and LRP.

In our opinion, most agreements of this type will not satisfy everyone, however we felt that all involved strived for and achieved a workable agreement.

Thank you,

Rick Malkames

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Doug Howes

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Track

From Dick Rippe <richarddrippe@gmail.com>

Date Mon 7/6/2026 9:49 AM

To Land Use <landuse@salisburyct.us>

i suggest on the question of "DRIFTING" that the matter be reviewed every two years in order to be sure that it is being handled appropriately and that no environmental problems are being created.

Also when events are scheduled at the Race Track, we need to be sure that adequate traffic controls are in place.

Please let me know if you wish any other comments from me.

Best wishes,

Dick Rippe
505 Wells Hill Road
Lakeville, Ct 06039

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