

Cannabis Control Board Meeting Minutes – July 22, 2021

Chair calls to order meeting at 10:00am. Board members in attendance:

- James Pepper, Chair
- Julie Hulburd
- Kyle Harris

Minutes recorded by James Pepper.

Administrative details: Chair Pepper mentions that the Cannabis Control Board's Executive Director Brynn Hare officially started with the Board and was present at the meeting. He notes that Board member Kyle Harris and Brynn would be in attendance at a meet and greet event in Addison County on 7/23/21 and that the event is free and open to the public. Finally, Pepper announces that the Board's Advisory Committee had been appointed fully and that the list is available on the Board's website.

The Chair makes introductory comments and asks for a motion to approve the minutes from the 7/15 meeting. Hulburd moves, Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to approve the minutes.

The Board's first witnesses are Stephanie Smith the head of the Cannabis Quality Control program and Cary Giguere the Director of Public Health at the Agency of Agriculture. They provide the Board an overview of the Cannabis Quality Program and the hemp regulations more broadly. The Chair opens the floor for public comment. Members of the public submit comment via Microsoft Teams and phone. The Board then hears from Department of Fire Safety (DFS) Managers Landon Wheeler and Ben Moffatt regarding DFS's jurisdiction and how it regulates hemp establishments.

After public comment and a lunch break, the Board hears from Thomas Grace, CEO, Bia Diagnostics, Dr. Carly Farmer and Luke Emerson-Mason, managers of the Chemistry Laboratory at Bia. They discuss lab certification, testing best practices, and costs associated with testing. The Board then hears from Dan Chang, co-founder of Kria Botanicals, regarding many of the challenges and opportunities some of the small to medium-sized, Vermont-based product manufactures and extraction facilities will face in trying to enter the adult-use marketplace. The Board again takes public comment through Microsoft Teams and phone.

At approximately 3:00pm, Chair Pepper asks for a motion to adjourn. Member Hulburd moves, Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to adjourn.