

Cannabis Control Board Meeting Minutes – January 24, 2022

Chair calls the meeting to order at 11:01am. Board members in attendance:

- James Pepper, Chair
- Julie Hulburd
- Kyle Harris

Minutes recorded by Nellie Marvel.

Administrative details: The governor recently signed Act 78 into law, waiving the requirement for a physical meeting location under Open Meeting Law through the end of 2022. Chair Pepper announces that with the passage of that Bill, the CCB will not be opening its meetings up to in-person public attendance until further notice. Meetings will continue to be recorded, and the public may continue to join via Microsoft Teams, but will not be allowed to attend the meetings at the CCB office in Montpelier. Chairman Pepper also notes that the agenda today may need to stretch into another meeting later on in the week, and that there is a public comment meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 25th at 6pm.

The Chair then entertains a motion to approve the minutes from January 18th. Hulburd moves, Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to approve the minutes.

The Board begins its agenda by reviewing a list of proposed meeting dates through the end of May. After noting that the week of February 28th is Town Meeting week, and that the Board plans to skip meeting that week, Chair Pepper entertains a motion to approve the list of meetings, skipping the week of 2/28. Hulburd moves, Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to approve the meeting schedule.

After approving the Board's meeting schedule, David Scherr walks the Board through the substantive comments received relating to proposed rule 1 (the licensing of cannabis establishments).

At 1pm, the Board breaks for lunch. They return at 1:45pm for continued discussion of comments relating to rule 1.

At 4pm, the Board finishes discussion of comments relating to its first rule, and the Chair opens the floor to public comment. Members of the public submit comment via Microsoft Teams. The Chair adjourns the meeting at 4:10pm, noting that the CCB will reconvene on Thursday to continue its review of public comment.