

Cannabis Control Board Meeting Minutes – January 31, 2022

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

- James Pepper, Chair
- Julie Hulburd
- Kyle Harris

Minutes recorded by Nellie Marvel.

Chairman Pepper begins the meeting by announcing that the public comment period for rules one and two is now closed. Members of the public may still comment, but Board members may not respond. Comments on rules three and four, however, are still being accepted.

The Chair then entertains a motion to approve the minutes from January 27th. Hulburd moves, Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to approve the minutes.

Cary Giguere from the Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Food, and Markets joins the Cannabis Control Board for the initial part of the meeting in order to assist the Board in responding to some of the technical aspects of some comments. David Scherr walks the Board through some of the outstanding issues to address left over from the review of rule one (the licensing of cannabis establishments) comments. The Board discusses those issues and any remaining comments left over from rule one. He also walks the Board through comments relating to rule two (the regulation of cannabis establishments). The Board responds and discuss changes to the rules as appropriate.

At 1:07pm, Chair Pepper entertains a motion to move into executive session to discuss the criteria for social equity applicants. Commissioner Hulburd moves. Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to move into executive session.

At 1:29pm, the Board returns from executive session, and resumes its discussion of comments relating to rule 2.

At 1:35pm, the Board breaks for lunch. They reconvene at 2:52pm to review the remaining public comments.

At 3:10pm, the Chair opens the floor to public comment. Members submit comment via Microsoft Teams. The comment period closes at 3:22pm, at which point the Board has a brief conversation about some of the comments received. The Board adjourns at 3:30pm.