

## Cannabis Control Board Meeting Minutes – April 11, 2022

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

- James Pepper, Chair
- Julie Hulburd
- Kyle Harris

Minutes recorded by Nellie Marvel.

Administrative notes: All applicants are required to speak to the Vermont Division of Fire Safety prior to licensure and submit documentation that they have. Landon Wheeler ([Landon.Wheeler@vermont.gov](mailto:Landon.Wheeler@vermont.gov), 802-216-0501) is the contact for southern Vermont. Ben Moffatt ([Benjamin.Moffatt@vermont.gov](mailto:Benjamin.Moffatt@vermont.gov), 802-479-7581) is the contact for northern Vermont.

Where banking and insurance are concerned, Vermont State Employees Credit Union (VSECU) and New England Federal Credit Union (NEFCU) have both created accounts for cannabis businesses in Vermont, but are asking to see a letter of pre-qualification. NFP has insured at least one cannabis business in Vermont.

As of the morning of the Board meeting, 603 applications for pre-qualification have been received. Most are incomplete. The full application window for tier-1 cultivators opened on Friday, 4/1. As of the start of the meeting, 29 applications had been fully submitted to the Board. The Board has not checked those applications for completeness, and have not been reviewed. Prior to reviewing the minutes from 4/11, the Board spends some time discussing the electronic security measures taken to ensure the security of the applications submitted thus far.

Chairman Pepper entertains a motion to adopt the minutes from April 4th. Hulburd moves, Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to adopt the minutes.

The Board moves into reviewing the 28 completed pre-qualification applications that staff have forwarded to the Board for review. After review of anonymized applications and brief discussion, the Chair entertains a motion to approve the presented pre-qualification applications. Hulburd moves, Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to approve the presented pre-qualification applications.

The Chair opens the floor for public comment at 11:24am. Members of the public submit comments via Microsoft Teams. He closes the public comment section of the meeting at 11:31am. The meeting adjourns immediately afterwards.