Cannabis Control Board Meeting Minutes – February 27, 2023

Chair calls the meeting to order at 1:00pm. Board members in attendance:

- James Pepper, Chair
- Julie Hulburd
- Kyle Harris

Minutes recorded by Nellie Marvel.

Chair comments and administrative notes: Chair Pepper discusses reports of cannabis establishments operating without a fully issued license, and reminds applicants that licenses are not fully issued once the Board votes to approve the licensing staff recommendations – there are often steps to fulfill after that prior to license issuance. He also gives an update on laboratory testing protocols.

The Chair entertains a motion to adopt the minutes from January 30, 2023. Hulburd moves, Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to adopt the minutes.

Staff present a recommendation to close the application window seasonally from April 28, 2023 until December 1, 2023 for outdoor and mixed-use cultivators. Chair Pepper entertains a motion to approve the seasonal license application window. The Board discusses that current licensees will still be allowed to renew their license during the window closure period. Commissioner Harris moves to approve the window closure. Hulburd seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to seasonally close the license application window for outdoor and mixed-use cultivators, while allowing current licensees to continue on their current renewal timeline.

Brynn Hare gives an update on product registration, followed by the Executive Director report, staff recommendations for license approval and social equity status, and updates the Board on medical program statistics.

At 1:46pm, Chair Pepper entertains a motion to adopt the register and staff recommendations as presented. Hulburd moves, Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to adopt the register.

The Chair opens the floor to public comment at 1:47pm. Members of the public submit comment via Microsoft Teams and phone. The Chair closes public comment at 2:08pm, makes a few final comments and adjourns the meeting at 2:11pm.

Video recording of February 27 Meeting:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j_UwmNCenNU

Adult-Use and Medical Program Application Register and Executive Director Report:

https://ccb.vermont.gov/sites/ccb/files/2023-02/February%20'23%20Board%20meeting.pdf