

Cannabis Control Board Meeting Minutes – April 24, 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 gives a brief inventory tracking update, and announces that the new system for inventory tracking for cultivators is live. There will be a training specifically for cultivators soon. He also gives a rulemaking update. The public hearings for the amended rules will be May 10th at 10am and May 15th at 6pm. Pepper also reminds the public of the seasonal license application window closure for outdoor cultivators coming up on Friday.

Commissioner Harris gives an update on packaging and the proposed warning language contained in the draft rules.

The Chair entertains a motion to approve the minutes from the March 27th and 29th meetings. Hulburd moves, Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to approve the minutes.

The Board discusses whether or not to close tier 5 indoor cultivation licenses. The Chair entertains a motion. Hulburd moves to close the application window for tier 5 indoor cultivation licenses, effective May 24, 2023. Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to close the window at 1:15pm, effective 5/24/23.

Gabe Gilman then reviews the proposed emergency rule on synthetic and hemp-derived cannabinoids, and explains the purpose behind emergency rules versus regular rules. Hulburd moves to adopt the emergency rule at 1:25pm. Harris seconds, and some discussion follows. Vote is 3-0-0 to adopt the emergency rule at 1:28pm.

Brynn Hare delivers the Executive Director report, staff recommendations for license approval and social equity status, and updates the Board on medical program statistics.

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

The Chair opens the floor to public comment at 1:55pm. Members of the public submit comment via Microsoft Teams. The Chair closes public comment at 2:26pm, makes a few final comments and adjourns the meeting at 2:30pm.

Video recording of April 24 Meeting:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C5Ze8LfQ9bM>

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

https://ccb.vermont.gov/sites/ccb/files/2023-04/April.2023.CCB_.Meeting.pdf