

Cannabis Control Board Meeting Minutes – June 26, 2023

Chair calls the meeting to order at 1:02pm. Board members in attendance:

- James Pepper, Chair
- Julie Hulburd
- Kyle Harris

Minutes recorded by Nellie Marvel.

Chair comments and administrative notes: Chair Pepper notes that there will be an executive session added to the meeting today between the executive director report and staff recommendations for licensure. He also reiterates that new outdoor & mixed-use cultivators applying for their initial license must have all materials submitted to the Board by 7/1. He comments briefly on license renewal processes, inventory tracking, and updates that H.270 is now Act 65.

The Chair entertains a motion to approve the minutes from the May 22 and 26 meetings. Hulburd moves, Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to approve the minutes.

The Board reviews proposed meeting dates for the remainder of 2023. The Chair entertains a motion to adopt the meeting schedule. Hulburd moves, Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to adopt the meeting schedule for the remainder of 2023.

Gabe Gilman walks the Board through proposed changes to the CCB's administrative rules 1, 2, and 4. Following review of those changes, the Board takes a brief recess at 1:57pm, returning at 2:09pm. The Chair opens the floor to public comment at 2:14pm. Members of the public submit comment via Microsoft Teams & phone. The Chair closes the public comment window at 2:38pm.

After public comment, the Board discusses the changes to administrative rule reviewed by Mr. Gilman. At 3:48pm, the Chair entertains a motion to adopt Rule 4. Hulburd moves, Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to adopt rule 4 as discussed.

Brynn Hare delivers the Executive Director report. At 4:04pm, the Chair entertains a motion to move into executive session so the Board can discuss a staff recommendation for social equity status.

Commissioner Hulburd moves to enter executive session, and further moves that the Board be joined by Xusana Davis and Jay Greene of the Vermont Office of Racial Equity. Commissioner Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to move into executive session. The Board moves into executive session and returns at 4:42pm.

Following executive session, Ms. Hare presents staff recommendations for license approval and social equity status.

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 again at 4:50pm. Members of the public submit comment via Microsoft Teams. The Chair closes public comment at 5pm and adjourns the meeting.

Video recording of June 26 Meeting:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q5pjm18o4xY>

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

https://ccb.vermont.gov/sites/ccb/files/2023-06/CCB.Mtg_6.26.23.pdf