Arkansas Medical Marijuana Commission

Tuesday, January 19, 2020

Minutes from AMMC Meeting

On the 19th of January 2021, the Arkansas Medical Marijuana Commission (AMMC) convened at Little Rock, Arkansas. In attendance were the Arkansas Medical Marijuana Commissioners: James Miller.

Via Video/conference: Dr. Ronda Henry-Tillman Chairwoman, Kevin Russell, J.P. Mobley, Travis Story.

Chairwoman Tillman called the meeting to order. The Minutes were approved from the December meeting pursuant to Commissioner Kevin Russell's motion and second by Commissioner J.P. Mobley. Vote 5-0. Director Chandler presented the notice items to the Commission consisting of Permit 83 Osage Creek's change of floor plan, Permit 88 Natural State Medicinals' change of floor plan, Permit 113 Natural Root Wellness' change of floor plan, Permit 277 Native Green's name change, and Permit 281 Hensley Wellness Center's name change and change of floor plan.

The next agenda item was the change of ownership applications. Director Chandler advised that Permit 46 Arkansas Natural Product's requested that its change of ownership be transferred to the next meeting. The next change of ownership request was for Permit 192 Plant Family Therapeutics. Michael Lunsford and Clint Mickle appeared via video conference and presented the request. Commissioner Miller made a motion to approve. It was seconded by Commissioner Story and passed 5-0. The next permit was Permit 206 Delta Cannabis Company. Bart Calhoun presented via video conference and spoke regarding the internal change of ownership percentages and presented a notice item regarding a change of lease agreement for the property. Commissioner Story made a motion to accept the request and it was seconded by Commissioner Russell. The motion passed 5-0.

The next agenda item was a change of location by Permit 278 The Source. Erik Danielson presented to the Commission the need to enlarge their facility. The physical transfer will not occur until the new construction is completed and approved by ABC. Commissioner Miller made a motion to approve the transfer request. It was seconded by Commissioner Story and passed 5-0. Next Attorney Erica Gee presented a request on behalf of Permit 63 Spring River Dispensary for the dispensary to be allowed to amend their compassionate care plan without the concurrent submission of a renewal application. After discussion Commissioner Story made a motion to deny the request which was seconded by Commissioner Miller and passed 5-0.

Christopher Keller, counsel for Green Remedies, presented a request to add an additional dispensary to Zone 6. After the presentation, Commissioner Story made a motion to deny the request which died for lack of a second. Commissioner Miller made a motion to discuss an additional permit in both Zone 6 and 8. The motion died for lack of a second. Next Commissioner Miller made a motion to discuss Zone 6 which was seconded by Commissioner Mobley and passed 5-0. After a discussion occurred regarding whether or not the deadline had passed to allow an expansion of the dispensaries, Commissioner Miller made a motion to table the discussion of the deadline until the next meeting to discuss the expansion of the dispensaries and it was seconded by Chairwoman Tillman. There was clarification of whether or not the motion was to table the deadline until the next meeting or to table the discussion of issuing Zone 6 until the next motion. The motion failed 1-4 with Commissioner Miller voting in favor of the motion. Commissioner Story next made a motion that the issuance of the dispensary licenses occurred on January 9, 2018. The motion was seconded by Chairwoman Tillman. After discussion the motion passed 4-1 with Commissioner Miller in opposition.

Next the Commission was addressed by Adam Grimmett with a request that the Commissioners to adopt the sample Bond form he provided for Processors and Transporter. Commissioner Story made a motion to accept which was seconded by Commissioner Russell. After a discussion the motion passed 5-0.

The Commission next took up the issuance of their stipend. Commissioner Story made a motion to approve the stipend allowed by Amendment 98. The motion was seconded by Chairwoman Tillman and passed 5-0.

Last on the agenda, Director Chandler addressed the Commission about increasing the time period for review of documents to be presented to the Commission. She requested all documents be presented 7 days prior to the next MMC meeting in order to be on the agenda. Chairwoman Tillman made the motion to approve a 7 day deadline. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Story and passed 5-0.

An organizational meeting was scheduled for February 16th and the next regular meeting was scheduled for February 26, 2021. Chairwoman Tillman adjourned the meeting.