

Arkansas Medical Marijuana Commission December 1, 2017

On the 1st day of December 2017, the Arkansas Medical Marijuana Commission (AMMC) convened at Little Rock, Arkansas. In attendance were the Arkansas Medical Marijuana Commissioners: Dr. Ronda Henry-Tillman, Chairperson, Dr. Stephen J. Carroll, James Miller, and Dr. J. Carlos Roman. Travis W. Story, Esq. appeared at the meeting telephonically.

Commissioner Tillman called the meeting to order.

The Commission reviewed the previous meeting's minutes. Commissioner Story made a motion to approve the previous meeting's minutes. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. By a vote of 5-0, the Commission approved the motion.

Joel DiPippa gave an update on the current receipt of background checks. The Commission discussed extending the time to accept the receipt of federal background check returns where the delay was not through the fault of the applicant. Commissioner Roman made a motion to move the to accept federal background check results when the delay was not through the fault of the individual applicant. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tillman. By a vote of 5-0, the Commission approved the motion.

The Commission discussed the potential timeline for scoring applications and announcing the awarded licenses. Mr. DiPippa explained that staff would provide all redacted cultivation applications for scoring to the Commission by December 15, 2017. Mr. DiPippa noted that staff recommendation would be for the Commission to return those scoresheets by the end of January 2018. The Commission discussed the timeframe and scheduling issues. The Commission also considered the time required to score and announce dispensary licenses. Commissioner Roman made a motion to set the Commission deadline that all Commissioners would return scores for cultivation facility applications by close of business on February 20, 2017. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Miller. By a vote of 5-0, the Commission approved the Motion.

The Commission discussed future issues that will need to be decided by the Commission. Mr. DiPippa reminded the Commission that it would, at some point, need to consider rules to govern the licensing for transporters, distributors, and processors, as provided for in the 2017 Legislative Session. Commissioner Roman made a motion for the Commission to meet on February 27, 2017 at 3:30 p.m. to discuss cultivation facility scoring, announce the prevailing applications, and to discuss the drafting of rules to license transporter, processors, and distributors.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Approved:

Dr. Ronda Henry-Tillman, Chairperson

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