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Marijuana Control Board Meeting Agenda

First Judicial District

333 Willoughby Ave, 9th floor, Conference Room A Juneau, Alaska

January 31, 2024, at 9:00 am Join Zoom Meeting

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February 1, 2024, at 9:00 am

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All times are approximate. Lunch break from 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm.

The Board may go into executive session at any time when appropriate under AS 44.62.310(b) and (c).

ADMINISTRATION 9:00 am

- A. Call to Order Nick M. Called to order at 9:00
- B. Roll Call -

Nick Miller, Board Chair and Industry Member, present in person Bruce Schulte, Public Member, present in person Eliza Muse, Public Health Member, present in zoom Ely Cyrus, Rural Public Member, present in zoom Christopher Jaime, absent

Joan Wilson, Director, present in person
Kevin Higgins, Assistant Attorney General, present in person
Jane Sawyer, Project Coordinator, present in person
Regina Cruz, Acting Records and Licensing Supervisor, present in person
Steven Johnson, Acting Chief Enforcement Supervisor, present on Zoom
Joe Bankowski, Special Investigator, present in person
Gabriel Gonzales, Local Government Specialist, present on Zoom
Kristina Serezhenkov, Regulations Specialist, present on Zoom

C. Selection of Board Chair -3 AAC 306.935

1/31/24 Bruce Schulte proposed to moved selection of board chair to end of agenda; Ely second; 4-0 motion carries.

2/1/24: Nick passes the gavel to vice chair and the board will vote when they can have a full board to take vote. Ely moves to select Bruce Schulte as chair of the MCB Board, Eliza seconds; Bruce supports revisiting in April. None Opposed, motion carries.

D. Approval of Agenda

1/31/23 Bruce moved to approve agenda; Eliza seconds; Bruce moves to add amendment to add OAH JJH, Holdings for 2/1/24 at 10:00am; Eliza seconds; 4-0 motion carries; Bruce moves to add amendment; Ely Seconds; Bruce moves to renew his motion to approve the agenda as amended; Ely second; 4-0 motion carries

E. AMCO Meeting Code of Conduct

TAB 1

F. Top 10 Zoom FAQ

TAB 2

G. Approval of November 15 - 16, 2023 MCB Meeting Minutes

TAB 3

Bruce moves to approve Approval November 15-16, 2023 minutes; Eliza seconds; 4-0 motion carries

BOARD GOVERNANCE

9:05 am

There are no changes to report

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

9:10 am

The Board may decide to limit public testimony.

Ryan Tunseth – Statewide Industry Association; East Rip Owner; Thank you to Board and City of Juneau; 2023 Good work together with black market products; support House Bill 119 and our issue with tax;; still issues need to work seed tracking tags, and metrc; industry understands contract with metrc incremental change Thanks James Hoelscher – information on regulations was beneficial, congratulations on new role; State does not have hiring problem it is retention problem and the staff is amazing and knowledgeable, thanks Joan for the amazing job; Thanks Carrie Craig for her work with industry; Thanks Nick for all he has done for industry; Thanks Eliza excellent board remember and representative of public health; suggests meeting with ABC Board; Regulation projects rise to the level and comment

Jana Weltzin – Attorney for Industry – thanks the staff; Carrie Craig lover her and wish her well; Chief Hoelscher always did an excellent job and respect; Joan thank you for all your hard work; Nick M. took a big role and a lot of work and cost; did the best for industry; Eliza appreciate her and her work and really want her to stay, great input; Onsite Consumption fees are high, since some Municipalities don't approve for smoking some applications for onsite are just for edibles; HB-119, great bill, please support.

<u>Bailey Stewart</u> – Green Jar - thanks staff and board members -an amazing job, 2023 was a productive year; Eliza done an amazing job and interest of public; Nick an amazing job for many years; Language for seed regulations 306.405 A 9 is without compensation, should be changed; Credit to Enforcement on facilitating metrc issues; Commonalities with ABC Board and MCB; HB 119 Bill \$12.50 an ounce in place, getting sales tax on retail; Bruce asks if any reluctance of HB119; Bailey answers it is just the education of It and tax is on the crops but not on product value

<u>Rhonda Hubbard</u> – Seward Resident- Onsite Consumption will pose a problem with Regulations; distant requirements; regulations need more scrutiny.

9:29 am Public Testimony Closed

Public testimony is limited to issues not on this agenda and that are not proposed regulations Written comments may also be submitted to the board for review during its next regular meeting via marijuana@alaska.gov.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

TAB 4

Director Wilson summarizes her report. Bruce S. asks regarding reference lab and what other kinds of testing can go with it in order to make it financially feasible, Eliza most the legal state reference labs mainly test cannabis products because of the sheer volume of it reference labs mainly test cannabis products because of the sheer volume. Alaska is creative on how to approach issues and an area that the work through can look to. Bruce S. asks Director HB119 and Biennial licensing and how to figure out the details at the board level. Director Wilson thinks it much better at the board level to figure it out.

9:53 am Break and will be going to deliberate session at 10:00 am 10:03 am Back from Break Nick Miller, Board Chair and Industry Member, present in person Bruce Schulte, Public Member, present in person Eliza Muse, Public Health Member, present in zoom Ely Cyrus, Rural Public Member, present in zoom

Christopher Jaime, absent

-Bruce Schulte makes a motion to go into deliberative session in the matter of Alaska Wild Coyote; Eliza seconds

11:00 am Back from deliberate session,
Nick Miller, Board Chair and Industry Member, present in person
Bruce Schulte, Public Member, present in person
Eliza Muse, Public Health Member, present in zoom
Ely Cyrus, Rural Public Member, present in zoom
Christopher Jaime, absent

ENFORCEMENT

A. Supervisor's Report

Directory Wilson gives overview of Enforcement direction; Investigator Johnson will be acting Supervisor for a period of weeks and then will be Investigator Bankowski; to work with budget to have one Supervisor for Alcohol and Marijuana; see more of a new vision for enforcement and working with the licensees. Investigator Johnson delivers his statement and direction to very communicative with licensees and would like to educate them more. Investigator Bankowski agrees with the new philosophy oif but would like to have a better relationship with licensees to mirror southeast; believes there's a lot more opportunity and talent with the industry; Joan adds that we prioritize public safety

B. Peace Officer Concurrence/Arming – J. Linger

TAB 5

Investigator Johnson request concurrence for J. Linger – peace officer powers Bruce moves to approve; Eliza seconds – 4-0; motion carries

C. Notices of Violation Issued and Licensee Responses

TAB 6

No questions/comments on NOV's and responses

D. Notices of Violation for Unpaid Taxes

TAB 7

Director Wilson states that we just received the updated Department of Revenue list; Nick M. to Savannah Ritter from Department of Revenue questioned on the action being taken on the Inactive licenses on the delinquency list -Savannah can't speak to it now and will get back with an answer to the board. Nick would like to see action on how to collect tax from inactive licenses. Kevin Higgins points out that he is looking into accusation and with tax and the regulations if the tax being collected ties into penalties and fees or just the amount owed.

LICENSING STATISTICS

TAB 8

Director Wilson summarizes licensing statistic. Bruce adds the queue is impressive. Nick M. questions if the incomplete renewals is due to the communication with the licensees. Jane Marijuana Control Board Meeting Minutes: January 31 – February 1, 2024 Page 4 of 19

responds and gives issues that cause the delay of completing renewals. Nick would like to proceed with bringing incomplete renewals to the board. Bruce S. agrees.

OAH MATTERS

 Alaska Wild Coyote, Inc. OAH No. 23-0579-MCB January 31, 2024, (first day) at 10:00am

Bruce Schulte moves to go into deliberative session on the matter of Alaska Wild Coyote. Eliza Muse seconds. No objections.

11:00 am Board goes back on record from deliberative session.

Roll call: Nick Miller, Bruce Schulte, Eliza Muse, Ely Cyrus. Christopher Jaime is absent.

In the matter of Alaska Wilde Coyote, Inc. No. 23-0579 MCB, Bruce Schulte moves to adopt the proposed decision as the final decision. Eliza Muse seconds. No objections. 4-0 motion carries

• JJH Holdings OAH 23-0305-MCB/23-300-MCB

February 1, 2024, (second day) at 10:00 am.

Bruce Schulte moves to go into deliberative session under AS 44.66.310 in the matter of JJH Holdings. Eliza Muse seconds. No objection. Motion passes 4-0 (Mr. Jaime is absent).

Back on the record at 11:40 am

Roll call: Nick Miller, Bruce Schulte, Eliza Muse, Ely Cyrus. Christopher Jaime is absent.

In the Matter of JJH Holdings, LLC. et al, , Board Case Number 2023-300-MCB, Office of Administrative Hearings Case Number 23-0305-MCB,

Bruce Schulte moves under AS 44.64.060(e)(1) that the board adopt the proposed decision as its final decision in this matter, revoking --

- Marijuana Handler Permit No. 15439, held by Joshua Hunter,
- Marijuana Concentrate Manufacturing Facility License No. 12536, held by JJH Holdings, LLC, dba Will's World Extracts
- Limited Marijuana Cultivation Facility License Nos. 12550, held by JJH Holdings, LLC, dba Frontier Farmers, and
- Limited Marijuana Cultivation Facility License No. 26876 held by JJH Holdings, LLC, dba Alaskan Originals Cultivation, and
- Retail Marijuana Store License No. 25442 held by Alaskan Originals, LLC, doing business as Alaskan Originals.

And imposing a civil fine of \$170,000

Eliza Muse seconds. No objections. Motion passes.

2/1/2024: 11:45 am Break for lunch 2/1/2024: 1:02 pm Reconvene.

Roll Call:

Nick Miller, Board Chair and Industry Member, present in person Bruce Schulte, Public Member, present in person Eliza Muse Muse, Public Health Member, present in zoom Ely Cyrus, Rural Public Member, present in zoom Christopher Jaime, absent

INFORMAL CONFERENCES

A. Chase R Griffith d/b/a Permafrost Distributors. Cultivation License 11519
Denial of 2023-2024 Renewal Application
Second day of the meeting.

Multiple attempts to contact Mr. Griffith were made. No response.

REGULATIONS

A. Regulations Tracking Sheets

TAB 9

Kristina S. summarizes short and long tracking sheets and status of ongoing regulations projects.

B. Opened Regulations Projects

1. Public Comment Period Closed. Public oral comments may not be received at this meeting for this section.

No questions from the board

a. Security Interest Transfer

TAB 10

Status: Public comment closed December 22, 2023. Comments were received.

Potential Board Actions: TBD at meeting

Kristina S. summarizes status and gives overview. Board discussion. Bruce S. notes comment received from Jana W. attorney and appreciated the attorney's input.

Bruce S. moved to draft regulations and send to law for final review; Eliza Muse second; all vote yes motion carries.

2. Board Discussion

a. Location of Exterior Window Pick-Up

TAB 11

Status: Draft for board discussion

Potential Board Actions: TBD at meeting

Kristina S. summarizes status and gives overview noting that exterior window location must be within the primary location and prohibited to be in another building; Board discussion. Nick M. comments that it accomplishes/addresses public safety issues. Bruce S. moves to approve draft and send to law for initial review and subsequent 30 days public comment; Eliza Muse second; vote yes

b. Plant Height TAB 12

Status: Draft for board discussion

Potential Board Actions: TDB at meeting

Bruce S. move to approve draft and send to law for initial review and subsequent public comment for 30 days; Eliza Muse second; all vote yes.

c. Operating Plans TAB 13

Status: Rough draft for board discussion **Potential Board Actions**: TDB at meeting

Kristina S. gives overview of operating plan regulations rewrite and speaks to complexity of project. Turning written explanations into certifications can be challenging and concerns health and safety issues which are intertwined through all of regulations. She gives example of product descriptions not easily turned into a certifications.

Joan W. mentions AK-ACCIS development for new online case management system and how the certifications rewrite is important when planning how this system will work. Bruce S. asks for enforcement's perspective. Steve J., enforcement, gives input on the operating plan changes. Board discussion. Jane S. points out staff recommendations and comments written on each marijuana form provided to the board for review. Nick M. calls out 4.5 on mj04 provide product name and EPA registration......and notes that this could be a certification but staff recommends description is kept. Jane S. believes this is staff oversight and staff did recommend this section is a 'certification'. Nick M. wishes to streamline application process. Bruce S. notes the onus is on the licensee to do the right thing and follow the regulations. Joan W. gives example from alcohol where more than just a certification is needed for AMCO to do due diligence in review process – specifically that a self-identified 'restaurant' is actually a 'restaurant' and has a commercial kitchen. Board discussion. J. Bankowski, enforcement, comments on waste disposal requires a 'list' of approved methods rather than a certification. Nick M. speaks to the struggle of licensees and frustration with regular business practice changes requiring too much paperwork.

1/31/2023 Break for lunch at 1:00 pm 1/31/2023 Reconvened at 1:22 pm

Comments from board; Bruce S. is all for changes; and sending draft out to law.

Eliza Muse- supports draft and agrees to putting out for public comment – and would like comprehensive product listing for a catalog and supports public health. With regards to testing, details are very necessary in application process;

Ely C. – agrees and is in support of it.

Nick M. likes the direction the draft regulations are taking. Some descriptions might be needed and mentions testing and product manufacturing. He trusts staff judgment.

Director Wilson: recommends to approve the document – and have staff align it with board comments and guidance.

Bruce S. asks when can we get a comprehensive review of the regulations; comprehensive rewrite; streamline the process. He comments that the operating plan rewrite might better be part of that process. Joan W. and Kevin H. speak to this. Board discussion. Nick M. has concerns with timing and AK-ACCIS marijuana online application system development and would like to move project along.

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Bruce S. moves to approve the draft with the caveat that the comments from Eliza M. on product manufacturing and testing be considered and then sent to law for initial review and public comment for 30 days; Ely C. seconds; All vote yes; motion carries

d. Overlapping Premises Restricted Areas

TAB 14

Status: Rough draft for board discussion **Potential Board Actions**: TDB at meeting

Kristina S. summarizes project and gives overview of using overlapping areas.

Bruce S. comments the project broadens the use of overlapping spaces.

Bruce S. makes motion to approve draft, send to law for initial review and out for public comment 30 day period; Ely C. seconds;

Eliza Muse – credits Bruce S. and Barrett Gooddale and thanks for giving us to give feedback to get these regs going

Ely. C. – no comments

Nick M. - echo Eliza Muse – hope we got it right this time.

All vote yes; motion approved.

MARIJUANA HANDLER COURSE PROVIDERS – memo provided

TAB 15

A. MHCP 002: Alaska Marijuana Handler Certification - Renewal

TAB 16

Applicant: Alaska Green Resources – Dollynda Phelps

Provider only submitted links and password for online review

Dollynda Phelps provider online to answer questions; Bruce moves to approve the renewal for MHCP 002; Ely seconds; 4-0 motion carries

B. MHCP 003: Alaska Marijuana Handler Online Certification Training - R

Applicant: George Coleman

Bruce moves to approve the renewal for MHCP 003; Eliza Muse seconds; 4-0 motion carries

C. MHCP 008: Marijuana Handler's Card - Renewal

TAB 18

Applicant: Alaska Cannabis Industries

Bruce moves to approve the renewal of MHCP 008; Eliza Muse seconds; 4-0 motion carries

D. MHCP 009: Handle Alaska – Renewal

TAB 19

Applicant: Kimberely Kole

Bruce moves to approve the renewal of MHCP 009; Eliza Muse seconds; 4-0 motion carries

E. MHCP 032: Alaska Marijuana Handler Permit Training – Renewal RServing

Bruce moves to approve the renewal of MHCP 032; Eliza Muse seconds; 4-0 motion carries

Nick M. asks the total amount of handler providers; Gabriel Gozales, LGS responds there is a total of 13 course providers

Jane S. points out MHCP 006 is no longer a course provider.

NEW RETAIL MARIJUANA STORE APPLICATIONS

A. License #36580: The Tufted Puffin TAB 21

Licensee: The Tufted Puffin LLC

Premises Address: 408 Port Ave

Local Governments: Seward; Kenai Peninsula Borough

Consideration: Retail application with outdoor onsite consumption

Objection received

Jana W. Attorney, Randi Wells Licensee, Jennifer Wells Present in person; Jana W. provides overview; Nick questions the Local Government and approval, Randi Wells provides updated documentation with approval and gives information on the objections received; Bruce S. moves to approve #36580 with delegation to include onsite consumption; Ely seconds;

Ely comments that he appreciates facts and not allow conflicts in other people's action; the complaints in the packet don't look like the complaints aren't something that can't be overcome or applicable.

Eliza Muse – appreciates the letter from the Local Government; questions if there is an opportunity for local citizens to approach the council with concerns, licensee answers there was social media outreach, presentation and open for comments through the city; questions if city of Seward questions the consumption of and licensee says there are no codes that says there is no regulation in the City of Seward that doesn't allow consumption. Eliza Muse confirms that it is a stand alone building.

Nicks states that the local government changed his perspective on the vote. Eliza Muse asks licensee in the future on how to resolve neighborhood complaints; Licensee states he will be willing to work with community and do whatever it takes. None Opposed, motion carries, 4-0.

B. License #34856: The Tufted Puffin TAB 22

Licensee: The Tufted Puffin LLC
Premises Address: 48380 Sterling Hwy
Local Governments: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Consideration: Retail application with outdoor onsite consumption

Jana W. Attorney, Randi Wells Licensee, Jennifer Wells Present in person; Jana W. provides overview; Bruce asks distance between each location. Discussion about the building and the structures surrounding the premises; Bruce moves to approve with delegation with the onsite consumption component license #34856; Ely seconds; Eliza Muse commented the indoor consumption and the ventilation; licensee responds with the plan to place a hood for ventilation of the smoke for employees and patrons. Eliza Muse asks about promotions activities, Jana W. states the regulations don't prohibit promotion. Investigator Johnson states the only thing that will prohibit is a contest that will promote over consumption. None opposed, motion carries 4-0.

1/31/2024 – 2:43 p.m Break 1/31/2034 – 3:03 p.m Reconvened All 4 members still present

C. License #35466: The Green Anchor TAB 23

Licensee: Homer Olson, Keith Andrew Nelson

Premises Address: 34145 Chapman St.
Local Governments: Kenai Peninsula Borough

Consideration: Will need delegation – see memo

Homes Olson -Licensee is present on zoom. Kevin Higgins states that there was an accusation that potentially cause a problem with this license but is not a concern at this time. Bruce moves to approve #35466 with delegation; Ely seconds; Eliza questions the purpose mentioning the misdemeanor, Kevin Higgins responds that the question came up on a background check was until the license is presented and results can be looked up in court view. None opposed, motion carries.

● LICENSE OWNERSHIP TRANSFER APPLICATIONS

A. License #10239 Alaska Rustic, LLC TAB 24

Current Licensee (from): Alaska Rustic, LLC (Cynthia Russell 49%, William

Russell 51%)

New Licensee (to): Alaska Rustic, LLC (Timberline Cultivations, LLC

100%, Brent Carse)

License Type: Retail Marijuana Store Premises Address: 3361 W Machen Rd

Local Governments: Municipality of Anchorage
Consideration: Will need delegation

B. License #12023 Green Degree TAB 25

Current Licensee (from): Rosebuds LLC New Licensee (to): Kerby's Corp

License Type: Retail Marijuana Store Premises Address: 3361 W Machen Rd

Local Governments: Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Consideration: Will need delegation

C. License #13614 Puffin AK TAB 26

Current Licensee (from):

New Licensee (to):

License Type:

Premises Address:

Local Governments:

Consideration:

Bay One, LLC

RDA Enterprise LLC

Retail Marijuana Store

200 W 68th Ave Unit A2

Municipality of Anchorage

Will need delegation

D. License #22960 J&M Investments, LLC TAB 27

Current Licensee (from): J&M Investments, LLC (Justin Anderson 50%,

Marc Sikes 50%)

New Licensee **(to)**: J&M Investments, LLC (Justin Anderson 100%)

License Type: Limited Marijuana Cultivation Facility

Premises Address: 1000 E. Burlwood Dr.

Local Governments: Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Consideration: Will need delegation

E. License #23653 SupHerb, LLC TAB 28

Current Licensee (from): SupHerb, LLC (Michelle Velasco 100%)

New Licensee **(to)**: SupHerb, LLC (Oscar Velasco 45%, Christine

Williams 35%, Robert Vallejo 20%)

License Type: Limited Marijuana Cultivation Facility

Premises Address: 2121 N. Post Road

Local Governments: Municipality of Anchorage
Consideration: Will need delegation

F. License #23652 SupHerb, LLC TAB 29

Current Licensee (from): SupHerb, LLC (Michelle Velasco 100%)

New Licensee (to): SupHerb, LLC (Oscar Velasco 45%, Christine

Williams 35%, Robert Vallejo 20%)

License Type: Retail Marijuana Store Premises Address: 2121 N. Post Road

Local Governments: Municipality of Anchorage

Consideration: Will need delegation

G. License #21417 Cosmic Cannabis Company TAB 30

Current Licensee (from): Cosmic SeaWeed, LLC (Christina Logan 50%, Chris

Long 50%)

New Licensee (to): Cosmic SeaWeed, LLC (Cosmic Enterpises LLC- Chris

Long 100%)

License Type: Retail Marijuana Store Premises Address: 261 E. Bunnell Avenue

Local Governments: Homer

Consideration: Will need delegation

A. License #29095 Scorpion Grass TAB 31

Current Licensee (from): Hack's Investments, Inc. (Daniel Hacker 100%)

New Licensee **(to)**: L & J Ventures, Inc. License Type: Retail Marijuana Store Premises Address: 1150 Huffman Park Drive

Local Governments: Anchorage

Consideration: Will need delegation

Bruce moves to approve the transfer applications for # 10239 Alaska Rustic, LLC, #12023
Green Degree, #13614 Puffin Ak, #22960 J&M Investments, LLC, #23652 Supherb, LLC, #23653 Supherb, LLC, #21417 Cosmic Cannabis Company, #29095 Scoprion Grass also with the delegation that they provide information that they owe no taxes to the state or a current payment plan; Eliza seconds. None opposed, motion carries.

LICENSE LOCATION TRANSFER APPLICATIONS

A. License #17389 Kreative Konfections, LLC TAB 32

Current Licensee (from): Kreative Konfections, LLC New Licensee (to): Kreative Konfections, LLC

License Type: Marijuana Product Manufacturing Facility

Old Premises Address: 2301 S. Knik-Goose Bay Rd, #5

New Premises Address: 2115 E Bogard Rd #2 Local Governments: Mat-Su Borough

Consideration: Will need delegation – Transfer of Location only

Licensee Jenny for Kreative Konfections present on zoom. Bruce moves to approve license # 17389 with delegation; Eliza seconds. Nick asks if the building already exists, licensee responds that it is still being built; None opposed, motion carries.

B. License #19728 Cosmic Seaweed, LLC TAB 33

Current Licensee (from): Cosmic SeaWeed, LLC (Christina Logan 50%, Chris Long 50%)

New Licensee (to): Cosmic SeaWeed, LLC (Cosmic Enterprises, LLC – Chris Long 100%)

License Type: Marijuana Product Manufacturing Facility

Old Premises Address: 262 Charles Way
New Premises Address: 261 E. Bunnell Avenue

Local Governments: Homer; Kenai Peninsula Borough

Consideration: Will need delegation – Transfer of location and ownership

Bruce moves to approve transfer of ownership and location with delegation for #19728; Eliza seconds. Bruce asks if it a standalone building, licensee responds that there is a standalone kitchen and extraction room. Jana states that it will be going to the fire marshal for approval. None opposed, motion carries.

BOARD CONSIDERATION

A. License #12125: Alaska Marijuana Gardens (AMG) TAB 34

Licensee: Alaska Wild Coyote. Inc.

License Type: Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility

Premises Address: 838 Bonanza Avenue
Local Governments: Municipality of Anchorage

B. License #12471: AMG Concentrates

Licensee: Alaska Wild Coyote, Inc.

License Type: Marijuana Concentrate Manufacturing Facility

Premises Address: 838 Bonanza Avenue
Local Governments: Municipality of Anchorage

Incomplete 2023-2024 Renewal Certifications - see memo

Jane S. the renewals is a different application from the OAH hearing earlier; Kevin confirms; Bruce moves to approve the renewal application for #12125 and 12471; Eliza seconds; Ely is opposed; 3-1, motion carries.

At November 2023 meeting, Kevin Higgins provides background and updated information. Mr. Crone, counsel for Evangelina Gonzalez, is present on Zoom. Bruce S. motions to table consideration to the next meeting. Eliza M. seconds. Ely C. is opposed. Motion carries, 4-1.

B. License #36831: BoomTown Buds <u>TAB 35</u>

Licensee: Francis, LLC Premises Address: 200 4th Ave

Local Governments: Municipality of Skagway

Consideration: Will need delegation

Potentially too close to a youth center

Attorney Jason Brandeis, counsel for applicant present on zoom. Director Wilson provides an overview for the board consideration. Bruce moves to approve the #36831 application with delegation; Eliza seconds. Nick comments the letter from Attorney Brandeis came on time and thanks him. None opposed, motion carries.

2023-2024 RENEWALS WITH 3 OR MORE TAX RELATED NOVs

A. License #10308: Green Dreams Cultivation TAB 36

Licensee: Birchie J Walter, Tammy L Walter
License Type: Limited Marijuana Cultivation Facility

Premises Address: 680 Winch Road

Local Governments: Fairbanks North Star Borough

Licensee

7x Tax Delinquency NOV's Between July 1st 2022 & June 30th 2023 Licensee is not on December 2023 tax delinquency list. Staff will provide update at meeting.

Attempted to call licensee and failed; Licensee provided a letter of unavailability due to her employment stating that they are now current with the tax payments. Ely questions that if we going to give the 60 day abeyance to all licensees. Bruce responds that they are not on the January list. Nick states since they are not on the recent list, they are current. Savannah Ritter from DOR confirms they are not on the list as of today. Bruce moves to approve the renewal of license; Eliza seconds. None Oppose, motion carries

B. License #10657: Stoney Moose Farms TAB 37

Licensee: E & M Holdings, LLC

License Type: Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility

Premises Address: 3000 West Tongass Narrows Local Governments: Ketchikan Gateway Borough

3x Tax Delinquency NOV's Between July 1st 2022 & June 30th 2023 Licensee is not on December 2023 tax delinquency list. Staff will provide update at meeting.

Eric Reimer Licensee present on zoom; Bruce asks his status on tax payments; Eric states that his reason being behind with payments because it is inconvenient to take a trip to Anchorage just to make payment to the drop box. Bruce moves to approve renewal of license for #10657 Stooney Moose Farms; Eliza seconds; None opposed, motion carries.

C. License #11957: Last Frontier Joint Operations LLC. TAB 38

Licensee: Last Frontier Joint Operations LLC.
License Type: Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility

Premises Address: 7180 Revilla Road Suite 101 Local Governments: Ketchikan Gateway Borough

Kolbe Polick- representative for licensee present on zoom; Bruce provides overview; Licensee states that they had dropped a payment as of today. The reason for the late payment is due to taking a plane and having money to purchase a ticket and drop the payment. Nick and Kevin questions Savannah Ritter from Department of Revenue on the balance and how payment is received. Ely inquires that it is a safety issue to bring large amount of cash to make payment and if there is a way, we can work the with state offices in hub villages in rural areas, Director Wilson responds that it has been explored but the cost and security was high and they are looking at pursuing with ACH payments. Bruce moves to deny the renewal License #11957 with 60 day abeyance and delegate to the director to renew the license if the 60 day period the taxes are current it can be renewed; Eliza seconds; None opposed, motion carries.

5x Tax Delinquency NOV's Between July 1st 2022 & June 30th 2023 Licensee is not on December 2023 tax delinquency list. Staff will provide update at meeting.

D. License #14736: The Happy Harvest Company, LLC TAB 39

Licensee: The Happy Harvest Company, LLC
License Type: Limited Marijuana Cultivation Facility
Premises Address: 2301 South Knik-Goose Bay Road #2

Local Governments: Matanuska-Susitna Borough

4x Tax Delinquency NOV's Between July 1st 2022 & June 30th 2023 Licensee is on the December 2023 tax delinquency list. Staff will provide update at meeting.

Charles Olman- Licensee present on zoom for The Happy Harvest Company, LLC, Bruce questions the licensee on strategy to make payment; Charles Olman responds that he should be caught up and he got thrown off with payments due to placing order on consignment; Bruce moves to deny renewal with a 60 day abeyance to verify a zero balance of taxes owed to the state or on a payment plan; Eliza seconds; None Opposed, motion carries. Kevin Higgins states there is a letter that is mailed out after the board meeting stating their direction to pay the taxes.

ACTIVE PENDING INSPECTION STATUS FOR 6+ MONTHS

License #	License Type	DBA	Premises Address	Suite #	City	Licensee Name	Issue Date
10014	Limited Marijuana Cultivation Facility	THE NAKED HERBALIST	47841 South Crop Circle		Willow	PEGGY S FRANCE; MILES S FRANCE	1/24/2017
10231	Limited Marijuana Cultivation Facility	420 GROW TECH	10064 N. Arnistead circle (Garage)		Sutton	GREGORY P HOFFMAN	3/6/2019
10512	Marijuana Testing Facility	SOUTHEAST ALASKA LABORATORIES LLC	5450B Jenkins Dr		Juneau	Southeast Alaska Laboratories LLC	4/10/2018
11635	Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility	Cloudberry Cannabis dba Salmonberry Farms	3307 Spenard Road		Anchorage	Joseph David Shimek; Lily Anastasia Shimek	10/25/2018
13614	Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility	Grace Flower	200 W 68TH AVE	UNIT A2	ANCHORAGE	Bay One, LLC	8/11/2022
14227	Limited Marijuana Cultivation Facility	GALACTIC HERB	595 Henry Hahn Ct		Fairbanks	THEODORE C DELACA	8/3/2020
15192	Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility	GREENSLEEVES GENETICS LLC.	1700 N. Post rd.		Anchorage	GreenSleeves Genetics LLC	2/8/2019
16579	Retail Marijuana Store	GRASS STATION 49	2502 Parks Highway		Fairbanks	The Grass Station, LLC	2/25/2019
17176	Retail Marijuana Store	STATE OF MIND CANNABIS COMPANY	33508 LINCOLN AVENUE, #C		Seward	HS Enterprises LLC	7/2/2019
17346	Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility	GREAT NORTHERN CULTIVATION, INC.	7031 Arctic Boulevard	Suite 101	Anchorage	Great Northern Cultivation, Inc.	11/29/2021
22479	Marijuana Product Manufacturing Facility	AK RIME	100 E International Airport Rd	Suite 101	Anchorage	AK Rime, LLC	11/16/2021
23933	Limited Marijuana Cultivation Facility	Midnight Sun Cultivators	28011 Old Parks Highway	Suite 2	Willow	Midnight Sun Cultivators, LLC	4/15/2022
24115	Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility	Checkmate Harvest Company	1198 E. Sage rd		Wasilla	Checkmate Harvest Company LLC	6/15/2023
26987	Limited Marijuana Cultivation Facility	Caradundy Cultivation	12580 W Westen Dr		Houston	Caradundy Cultivation LLC	7/20/2022
27471	Limited Marijuana Cultivation Facility	Alaska Vibes	10011 Glacier Highway		Juneau	Alaska Vibes LLC	8/9/2022
27532	Retail Marijuana Store	Alaska Vibes	10011 Glacier Highway		Juneau	Alaska Vibes LLC	8/9/2022
27608	Limited Marijuana Cultivation Facility	LeLe Gardens	17833 W Bryant Road		Big Lake	LeLe Gardens LLC	8/23/2021
28093	Retail Marijuana Store	THE HOUSE OF GREEN	9410 Old Seward Hwy		Anchorage	BAM Greeneries, Inc.	9/15/2022
28459	Limited Marijuana Cultivation Facility	Aristocracy	1300 N. Linger Lane		Wasilla	Aristocracy, LLC	9/23/2022
28617	Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility	Denali Farms	23161 W Ayrshire Avenue		Big Lake	Denali Cultivation, LLC	12/28/2021
28780	Limited Marijuana Cultivation Facility	VAN GEER ENTERPRISES, LLC	12724 W Westen Drive		Houston	Van Geer Enterprises, LLC.	2/2/2022
30219	Limited Marijuana Cultivation Facility	KGB Cultivation	8933 S Polaris Ln		Wasilla	FONTAINE BROOKS & BROWN INC	7/19/2022
32350	Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility	Crooked Creek Cultivation	21635 Renault st		Kasilof	Joseph Daniel Utrup	4/6/2023
32367	Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility	AK Legend Gardens	7750 King St		Anchorage	AK Legend LLC	5/16/2023
32368	Retail Marijuana Store	AK Legend's The Dispensary	7750 King St		Anchorage	AK Legend LLC	5/15/2023
32662	Retail Marijuana Store	High Seas	60456 East End Rd.		Homer	High Seas Homer, LLC	12/29/2022

Nick gives overview of the list that are Active- Pending inspection for +6 months. Naked Herbalist licensee Miles France present on zoom, states that they are still working on the license due to a setback such as a forest fire in 2019 that slowed everything down. 420 Grow Tech Gregory Hoffman Licensee present on zoom, updates that he is close but since he is out on a well system and broke down once that is replaced, he should be able to open.

Nick asks feedback from the board; Bruce doesn't feel it is constructive and asks if there is a cost or burden to have these licenses hanging in there. Theres a discussion on how to handle the action with the inactive licenses. Eliza is struggling with the value of this and what the next step would be and don't think a time frame is worthy. Ely has nothing to add. Nick suggests that this is something that can be implemented in rewrite. Eliza asks if there is any incentive to have a license hanging out.

DELEGATED STATUS FOR 12+ MONTHS

License #	LicenseType	DBA	Premises Address	Suite #	City	Licensee Name	Board Date
12511	Marijuana Product	ROSIE CREEK FARM	2659 Livingston Loop		Fairbanks	RCFC, LLC	2/22/2019
20439	Manufacturing Facility Retail Marijuana Store	ALASKAN GROWN CANNABIS	230 Tundra Way		Bethel	Alaskan Grown Products LLC	2/7/2020
20440	Retail Marijuana Store	ALASKAN GROWN CANNABIS	1510 Chief Eddie	Connex	Bethel	Alaskan Grown Products LLC	9/11/2019
20832	Marijuana Product Manufacturing Facility	GOOD TITRATIONS	506 Merhar Ave		Fairbanks	FSE, Inc.	4/2/2020
21084	Retail Marijuana Store	ALASKAN GROWN CANNABIS	TNST BRW USS 4615 BLK 34 LOT 8		Utqiagvik	ALASKAN GROWN PRODUCTS LLC	9/11/2019
21709	Limited Marijuana Cultivation Facility	Solstice Green	12663 West Westen Drive		Houston	Solstice Holdings, LLC	8/19/2020
23627	Retail Marijuana Store	Happy Walrus Enterprises	310 Agviq Street		Point Hope	Happy Walrus Enterprises, LLC	6/28/2022
25169	Retail Marijuana Store	Green Degree's Cannabis Bar	2421 Spenard Rd		Anchorage	Liberty ER LLC	1/6/2021
26721	Retail Marijuana Store	Mr. Budd	9370 E Palmer Wasilla Hwy	Suite 1	Palmer	Briske Enterprises, Inc.	6/23/2021
26724	Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility	Mr. Budd's Garden	9370 E Palmer Wasilla Hwy	Suite 2	Palmer	KB Enterprises, LLC	6/23/2021
26876	Limited Marijuana Cultivation Facility	Alaskan Originals Cultivation	3590 South Village Street		Wasilla	JJH Holdings, LLC	3/31/2021
27199	Retail Marijuana Store	Green Jar Palmer, LLC	11709 E Palmer-Wasilla Hwy, Suite 420		Palmer	Green Jar Palmer, LLC	6/23/2021
27222	Marijuana Product Manufacturing Facility	Matanuska Apothecary, LLC	11709 E Palmer-Wasilla Hwy, Suite 710		Palmer	Matanuska Apothecary, LLC	6/23/2021
27711	Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility	Alaska Off Grid Cannabis Co.	30992 Ram Rack Rd		Anchor Point	Alaska Off Grid Cannabis Co.	8/18/2021
28667	Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility	Green Moose Gardens	13305 E. 58 MILE RD.		Sutton	Green Moose Gardens, LLC	10/26/2021
28947	Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility	Double Eagle Cannabis	2920 N. Ross Street		Houston	Double Eagle Farms, LLC	1/19/2022
28966	Marijuana Concentrate Manufacturing Facility	Green Fire Extracts	1349 Warner Road		North Pole	Green Corner, LLC	4/13/2022
29422	Retail Marijuana Store	Houdini's Herb	2343 S. BIRCH LAKE DRIVE		Wasilla	AK ZIP, LLC	4/13/2022
29874	Retail Marijuana Store	Smoke Out Point	10600 E. Max Drive		Palmer	Smoke Out Point, LLC	4/13/2022
29922	Limited Marijuana Cultivation Facility	BP ProGro	3065 N. Nichols Drive, Building 2		Houston	BP ProGro, LLC	6/29/2022
30156	Retail Marijuana Store	UNCLE HERB'S	44728 Sterling Highway		Soldotna	Eden Management Group, LLC	9/21/2022
30362	Retail Marijuana Store	The Pot Shop	902 W. Northern Lights Blvd		Anchorage	The Pot Shop LLC	4/13/2022
30406	Limited Marijuana Cultivation Facility	The Dank Side	3321 N. Bonnie Jim Lane	Unit 1	Wasilla	THE DANK SIDE LLC	6/29/2022
30463	Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility	Melted Face Farms	6281 W AERONAUTICAL AVE		Wasilla	B'n'C Enterprises, LLC	7/28/2022
30548	Limited Marijuana Cultivation Facility	Black Bear Budz	2100 N Spruce Drive	Lower Lev	Wasilla	Black Bear Budz, LLC	6/29/2022
30567	Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility	Alaska farms	12806 s ella louise circle		wasilla	Greg Miller	4/13/2022
30822	Retail Marijuana Store	Copper Nugget	Lot 3 Block 1, Laurence Barrett, Addition to	Townsite (McCarthy	Copper Nugget, LLC	9/21/2022
31005	Retail Marijuana Store	Green Growcer	2835 Rose Street	Unit 1 (sar	Anchorage	HYDK Enterprises, LLC	6/29/2022
31417	Retail Marijuana Store	Catalyst Cannabis Company	5305 E Northern Lights BLVD		Anchorage	Catalyst Retail, LLC	12/13/2022
31437	Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility	Sunshine Valley	1250 S Pioneer Dr		Palmer	Sunshine Valley, LLC	9/21/2022
32613	Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility	Tok Harvest Company, LLC	MP 1308 Alaska Highway		Tok	Tok Harvest Company, LLC	12/13/2022

BOARD REQUESTS (IF ANY)

Bruce requests to look into fees that licensees are paying, lowering fees or applying fees to a biennial renewal or regulation 306.100. Director Wilson will provide a couple models; Bruce moves to adopt a motion to open the licensing fee working group; Eliza seconds. Eliza comments with additional fees that there is a public interest in market sales and to also see the volume transfer between bud and flower. Also, with Metrc and looking into the contract. Eliza also agrees with Jana Weltzin on the edible endorsement and should be a lesser fee. Ely has no comments. Nick comments on the fees and doesn't want to loose sight of it. None opposed, motion carries.

Nick requests to continue looking into the plant tags expenses and do the research and see if there's anything we can do, since it is getting expensive.

2/1/2024: 9:53 am Break and will go into deliberative session 2/1/2024: 11:34 am back on the record from deliberative session Roll call:

Nick Miller, Board Chair and Industry Member, present in person Bruce Schulte, Public Member, present in person Eliza Muse, Public Health Member, present in zoom Ely Cyrus, Rural Public Member, present in zoom Christopher Jaime, absent

MARIJUANA MAILBOX

TAB 40

All correspondence received in the marijuana@alaska.gov inbox from November 4, 2023 to January 19, 2024.

No comment on mailbox

•ADDITIONAL PUBLIC TESTIMONY

<u>Bailey Stewart</u> – Green Jar – Supportive of the Reduction of fees, Mertc if we can look they removed the language of RFID but not seeing it in our regulations and opens it to other states opening up

<u>Ryan Tunseth</u> – East Rip – Thanks Nick for his service on the board; Support HB119 and delegate the ability to Director; Sunset provision for seed corporations is a big deal it would be something that we would need support; Thanks Eliza; Recognize Kevin and all the legalities for the hemp law he has done and a great asset to the board.

<u>James Thornton</u> – Secret Garden- Thank AMCO staff for all their work for industry and the way it is evolving; the board as well; and enforcement team; AMIA; adding about Metrc, had an experience about it not being in compliance and having technical difficulties. Metrc doing back-end work to edit their programming and was causing a lot of resources to be used.

<u>Jason Brandeis</u> – Attorney – Echo thanking the staff and board for all their hard work. Thanks, Nick for his service as chair; Comments that he would be helpful if there are issues that come up with policy to put in writing and on website. Also, suggests planting the seed for an advisory opinion process or to ask for an interpretation for a case law for the agency to give guidance to the licensee.

Nick responds to a request for a resolution for the HB119 for the board to support it. Bruce moves to adopt a resolution to support the HB119; Ely Seconds; Bruce asks the board due to Nicks leaving if he can go and speak to the board. Eliza is struggling with the bill due to the 6% retail tax, and with the drop off box and inconvenience and with the retail it will be more. Ely supports the director propose and the changes and had the same box of inconvenience of drop box so we may need to highlight a way to fix that even more. Nick agrees that there are some challenges, but he does support the bill. Eliza opposes, 3-1, motion passes. Ely makes a motion to support that B. Schulte can act as liaison of the board to support the bill. Eliza seconds. 4-0, none opposed. Motion carries.

The Board may decide to limit public testimony.

Public testimony is limited to issues not on this agenda and that are not proposed regulations Written comments may also be submitted to the board for review during its next regular meeting via marijuana@alaska.gov.

1/31/2024: Board adjourns at 4:30 pm

2/1/2024: Board reconvene at 9:00 am Roll Call:

Nick Miller, Board Chair and Industry Member, present in person

Bruce Schulte, Public Member, present in person

Eliza Muse, Public Health Member, present in zoom

Ely Cyrus, Rural Public Member, present in zoom

Christopher Jaime, absent

DISCUSSION OF THE MCB SUNSET AUDIT

TAB 41

Director Wilson gives overview of audit. There is a discussion regarding the majority of the board and controversial discussions. Eliza comments on exhibit 3 the regulation description should say clean up instead of onsite since onsite was already adopted in 2019. Ely adds that the requirement of a full board vote but is fine the way the board handles controversial voting now. Director Wilson summarizes the budget for this year and the general fund.

BOARD COMMENTS

Eliza: thanks everyone and staff, diverse perspective and willingness on different viewpoint for common grounds; Kevin and Director Wilson for sticking out on what she believes is right.
Ely: Thanks Nick, for all his work he has done, Thanks to Eliza and wishes Bruce luck.
Nick: Thanks everyone; introduces Bailey has his replacement to the board
Bruce: this is the best board group and sad to see it end; Eliza everyone recognized how hard you had worked, Nick for all the work he has done and best of luck in his business, Joan, staff, Kevin, and enforcement.

NEXT MARIJUANA CONTROL BOARD MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for April 17 - 18, 2024 in Anchorage. The deadline for complete applications is March 29, 2024.

ADJOURN

Board adjourns at 2:02 pm

Recordings for this meeting

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