

State of Rhode Island CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION 560 Jefferson Boulevard Warwick, Rhode Island 02806

Cannabis Control Commission

Open Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, June 29, 2023, 12:00pm

Place: Department of Administration

Conference Room 2A

1 Capitol Hill

Providence, RI 02908

Members Present: Chair Kimberly R. Ahern, Esq.

Commissioner Robert B. Jacquard, Esq. Commissioner Olayiwola Oduyingbo, Esq.

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Lynn M. Radiches, Esq., RI Ethics Commission Staff Attorney/Education

Coordinator

Colin Murphy, RI Ethics Commission Intern

Chairperson Ahern called the meeting to order at 12:02 pm.

The first order of business was:

Welcome and Introductory Remarks from the Chairperson

Chairperson Ahern welcomed everyone present to the first meeting of the Cannabis Control Commission.

The meeting is being live streamed through Zoom for viewing purposes only. She stated that they hoped to be able to receive public comment through Zoom at a later date.

Public comments are welcomed from those present and will be limited to 3 minutes each. There is a sign in sheet for anyone wishing to speak.

Chairperson Ahern introduced Lynne Radiches from the Ethics Commission.

The next order of business was:

<u>Presentation on "Introduction to the Rhode Island Ethics Commission and the Rhode Island Code of Ethics" from Lynne M. Radiches, Staff Attorney/Education Coordinator at the RI Ethics Commission.</u>

Attorney Radiches provided a training on the Rhode Island Code of Ethics, R.I. Gen. Laws Chapter 36-14, to the Commission.

The next order of business was:

Committee introductions by Chairperson Ahearn

Chairperson Ahern, Commissioner Robert B. Jacquard, Esq. and Commissioner Olayiwola Oduyingbo, Esq. introduced themselves and gave brief backgrounds and experience.

Chairperson Ahern advised that if you are interested in getting notifications of future meetings, please email the Office of Cannabis Regulation at dbr.ri.gov to be added to their interested parties list.

Chairperson Ahern advised of a plan for the summer to have public listening sessions.

Then next order of business was:

Public Comment

Jeff Padwa from SCIR, lobbyists for Sensible Cultivators for Intelligence Reform gave a brief welcome, offer of support and looks forward to working with the CCC in the future.

There were no other comments.

The next order of business was:

Next Meeting Date

Chairperson Ahern reported the CCC will be announcing the next meeting date.

The final order of business was:

Adjournment

Upon motion made by Commissioner Oduyingbo and duly seconded by Commissioner Jacquard, it was unanimously

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting at 12:56 pm.