



CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

February 26, 2018 10:00 a.m.

Massachusetts Statehouse, Room 437

Boston, MA

COMMISSION MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Chairman Steven Hoffman
Commissioner Kay Doyle
Commissioner Jen Flanagan
Commissioner Britte McBride
Commissioner Shaleen Title

COMMISSIONER MEMBERS ABSENT: None

LIST OF DOCUMENTS:

1. Presentation: <https://mass-cannabis-control.com/document/presentation-2-26-2018-commission-meeting/>

Chairman calls the meeting to order at 10am and puts meeting on notice that it will be recorded. The Chairman noted that there would be no minutes to be approved. The Chairman welcomed Cedric Sinclair as Director of Communications. Mr. Collins described Mr. Sinclair's professional background and experience. The Chairman thanked Dot Joyce for her role as Interim Director of Communications.

The Chairman thanked all who submitted public comments and attended public hearings on the draft regulations, particularly public officials who contributed their comments. The Chairman described the process for the policy discussions today, Tuesday and Wednesday. The discussion would be confined to policy, rather than language. The Commission would go through the regulations in the sequence it is set out in the draft regulations. The Chairman noted he is not asking a particular Commissioner to make a recommendation on a particular issue.

The Chairman said he was making three changes to sequence. He is placing fees and fines discussion until after the Commission has decided on the categories of license. He also wants to put issues regarding municipalities' roles and responsibilities together for the end. He also wants to put energy and environmental issues towards the end of the discussion, as the Commission was waiting for additional information from EEA.

Chairman opened the discussion on definitions. The first issue is whether the term "marijuana" should be replaced with "cannabis." He noted that the legislation used the term "marijuana." Commissioner Title appreciated the topic being raised and she believed the only other state to have the discussion was

Maryland. Commissioner Title favored using both words, using cannabis in a scientific context and marijuana in a cultural context. She commented that despite the negative origin of the word “marijuana,” the word should be reclaimed and the racist history of the word remembered. Commissioner Flanagan asked if the word “marijuana” was used in the Legislature, should it be hyphenated to recognize both terms. General Counsel Baily raised concern regarding creating confusion. Mr. Collins raised the issue of consistent use of terms.

Commissioner Doyle discussed the definition of “canopy.” She looked at definitions provided in different states and comments submitted. She read out loud the definition from California, noting that the exact language for Massachusetts would be worked out later. She requested a definition consistent with that to be placed in the final regulations. Commissioner Title made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Flanagan. The Commissioner voted unanimously in favor.

Chairman noted that the definition for Transporter was identified as an issue. Commissioner Doyle commented that the issue was technical. The Chairman agreed to postpone it to next week.

Chairman opened discussion of whether edible marijuana products would be treated as food. Commissioner Doyle explained the history of edible marijuana products for medical use not being treated as food, that she had hoped that edible marijuana products for adult use could be treated as food to integrate it into the mainstream inspections process, but that the Department of Public Health had provided feedback that the Food Protection Program would not be able to handle the wholesale manufacturing inspections that it would require them to do. She therefore recommended that edible marijuana products for adult use be treated the same as edible marijuana products for medical use, as not food, but required to comply with sanitary requirements for food. The Commission could revisit the issue in the future. Commissioner Title moved to approved, seconded by Commissioner McBride. The Commission voted unanimously to approve.

Chairman opened the discussion of the definition of microbusiness. The Commissioners decided to postpone discussion to discussion of licensing categories.

Chairman opened discussion of the definition of owner. Commissioner McBride recommended deferring the discussion until later discussion of other language.

Chairman opened discussion of .030 Registration of Marijuana Establishments Agents. No issues were raised.

Chairman opened discussion of adding discretionary language to .031 and .032 regarding denial or revocation of Marijuana Establishment Agents. Commissioner Doyle briefly explained the issue of adding discretionary language to a number of provisions had been raised in public comments and referred the discussion to General Counsel Baily. General Counsel Baily explained a number of commenters raised that the language did not provide discretion to the Commission and traditionally, there is the reserving of discretion to a licensing authority. She strongly recommended adding that language in a number of places in the regulations regarding decisions on applications and action on licenses. She recommended discussion and vote. Commissioner Title agreed with discretion on licensing and penalties, but is uncomfortable with discretion regarding applications and would prefer specific parameters on that discretion. General Counsel Baily agreed to circulate the language to the Commissioners for review before they make a decision. Commissioner McBride spoke in support of circulating the language to the Commissioners before they needed to make the decision and noted that it was important for administrative agencies to have discretion.

Chairman raised .040 for Leadership Categories. Commissioner Doyle explained that the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs provided comment on the criteria for the Environmental Leader category and noted that leadership recognition would not be made until 2019. She read out loud the proposed criteria as suggested by EEA. Commissioner Title thanked the EEA. She suggested that there should be a way for applicants or licensees to describe their goals in advance. Commissioner Doyle asked Commissioner Title or General Counsel or Executive Director to assist her in evaluating whether reporting could be used for that purpose. Commissioner Title asked if the percentage could be reduced to 75%. General Counsel Baily noted that they were waiting for additional feedback from EEA on that issue. The Chairman suggested they defer until the language discussion to get the feedback and then resolve that.

Chairman opened the discussion of License Categories and summarized the nature of comments received. He noted that due to the number of issues raised, Commissioner Doyle recommended that Cultivation be postponed until tomorrow, which he agreed with.

He opened discussion on microbusiness. Commissioner Title recommended that a microbusiness be allowed to cultivate or manufacture and not be required to do both, but then how would you limit the size of product manufacturing to be consistent with the idea of microbusiness. She conducted research and sought recommendations on that issue. The average that she received was 2,000 pounds per year purchase limit would be an equivalent amount to the 5,000 sq ft limit on cultivation. Commissioner Title made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Doyle. Motion was approved unanimously.

He asked if there were any issues regarding manufacturing. Commissioner McBride discussed a general issue regarding license classes: the tension between ownership and limiting licensees to three licenses per category. She suggested an addition to .050(1)(b) regarding this issue to edit the final sentence to include preventing control of a marijuana establishment and read out loud language regarding control. It would prevent a large entity from controlling a number of licenses and identify where there may be conflicts of interest. She suggested the language be reviewed by the Chairman and General Counsel prior to next week due to the Chairman's experience in corporate governance. Commissioner Doyle asked about contractors or consultants assisting applicants or licensees, as there some consultants that service a number of businesses. Although they may have influence, they may not have decision-making power. Commissioner Title commented that regardless of the language, people may attempt to abuse it. Chairman Hoffman affirmed that the language would be reviewed next week.

Chairman Hoffman opened the discussion on delivery. He mentioned that there seemed to be a great deal of confusion about the subject. The draft regulations state that with a retail license, there would be delivery with specific operational requirements. The Commission also discussed that a marijuana cultivator or product manufacturer could have a retail delivery license without having a store. The Commission did not approve having a delivery license without having another kind of marijuana establishment license. Chairman Hoffman said the Commission had a number of options, including not allowing home delivery at all, deferring allowing delivery, keeping the draft regulations as they are drafted, or create a delivery service license but only deliver marijuana or marijuana products from retailers. Commissioner Title added that the Commission had decided to refer the issue of delivery licenses without a brick & mortar store to the Cannabis Advisory Board for a recommendation by October 1, 2018. Chairman Hoffman also mentioned for discussion whether delivery should be limited to the municipality where the marijuana establishment is located or allowed to deliver into municipalities have banned marijuana for adult use.

Commissioner Doyle said that she had originally been in favor of delivery because the Department of Public Health has had a good track record with its delivery program, as far as she was aware. She acknowledged that she had failed to appreciate the extra safeguard on ID checking provided by the patient registration card and the ability of RMD agents to check a patient's status, ensure that they are delivering to the correct person, and that the ID they are reviewing is real. The adult use program would not be able to do that, because marijuana retailers are statutorily prohibited from collecting information about their customers so as to provide similar safeguards. She is not yet comfortable regarding the safety of a delivery program, particularly with compliance on ID checking, because there has not been sufficient time to get the necessary information due to the aggressive deadlines that the Commission have been on. She recommended deferring consideration of any delivery in the adult use market until the issue is referred to the Cannabis Advisory Board for information, especially from law enforcement members, on this subject. Commissioner McBride agreed with Commissioner Doyle. She is interested in getting as much done that the Commission can do well, but she is not confident that the Commission will be in a place in the near term where it can regulate this category in addition to the other license types they are approving. Commissioner McBride wanted to establish a strong, sensible industry at the outset and believes all involved will benefit from that approach. The Commissioners were responsible for regulating this. Commissioner Hoffman agreed, that it was a weight on his shoulders, and he wanted to be accountable for it. Commissioner Flanagan commented that she had voted against delivery in the first place and she agreed with approach of reflecting the will of the voters as well as the landscape of Massachusetts. She would prefer to get it done right. She said the other states that she has talked to have first told her what they did wrong, and she wants to be able to tell other states in the future what the Commission has done right. She has proud of the work that has been done and the conversations have been difficult, but she is concerned about public health, public safety, and impaired driving.

Commissioner Title commented that she has a proposed solution to the concerns raised by the other Commissioners. She would support a delay on delivery and she has the same position on social consumption, so she would address both at the same time, if she could. Commissioner Title expressed appreciation for all the comments received. She said regardless of whether there was merit to the concern, there was some fear and hesitance. She said she wanted to acknowledge that marijuana was a new issue for many people and she understood that with more time and partnering with other agencies, the Commission could address the concerns and build trust while building data along with the agency through outreach. Commissioner Title asked that if they delayed areas of implementation, there would be a commitment to base future decisions on facts and evidence. She asked that if there is a delay, that the Director of Research, when hired, be engaged in research based on the data the Commission collects and the effectiveness of the decisions the Commission makes. She reminded everyone that social consumption is happening in other states: California and Colorado, implemented in Nevada and Alaska, and allowed for in Maine. Delivery is happening here in Massachusetts in the medical program. It is happening in California, Nevada and Oregon for adult use and for medical programs in other states. Commissioner Title said the major problem with the delay was the equitable impact on participation in the industry. Although she did not believe the intent of the delay was to cause inequities in terms of increased arrests, evictions, or fines to marginalized communities, but that will be the result, and that is how institutional racism happens. People forget the effects of their decisions on certain populations. The Commission would be violating their instructions to include people from disproportionately impacted communities. She proposed that the only way to allow the delay is to control the market opportunities. If the licenses for social consumption and delivery are delayed, there should be a five-year limit on delivery licenses, the initial delivery licenses should be limited so that only equity applicants, microbusinesses and craft cooperatives would receive them. The initial social consumption licenses would only go to equity

applicants, and then after five years be opened up to a broader group. There are three side benefits—first, if the Commission puts off delivery, it would be reserved to patients. The patient delivery program would continue under the medical program. Two, this encourages the partnering of the larger applicants with an equity applicant that has a delivery license. Three, although the equity program is workable as is, on the communities of disproportionate impact, the Commission acknowledged that it was done in a rush and if it has more time, the Commission can more accurately designate the communities that it wishes to serve. The Commission may also create partnerships sources of capital that may want to provide loans or investment in applicants. The Commission may also use the time to allow the Cannabis Advisory Board to make its recommendations.

Commissioner McBride asked Commissioner Title asked what the Commission was committing to do in October. She was not sure the Commission could be ready in October with enough data and information. She did not want to have to delay it again and give false hopes or promises that the commission could not keep. Chairman Hoffman said they could keep the October date and delay again if necessary, but make a good faith commitment to try to meet it. He suggested that the Commission put together a workplan to get it done, in terms of what it needed to know and what needed to be done. Commissioner Flanagan thanked Commissioner Title for agreeing to the deferral and asked her whether they could get the data they need by October. Commissioner Title said she had trust that the Commission could do it. Chairman Hoffman said the Commission could not know whether October was realistic until the workplan discussion was had and at that point, the Commission could determine whether the timeframe was appropriate. Commissioner Flanagan clarified that all that would happen in October was a conversation and people should not expect more in October. Commissioner Title agreed that the conversation would start in October and they would spend the next three months discussing it. Chairman Hoffman said he would ask the Executive Director to get input from each of the Commissioners on the workplan and then discuss it in a meeting soon.

Commissioner McBride asked Commissioner Title for more information on the five-year time period and whether there has been challenges to similar programs. Commissioner Title said the economic empowerment program was crafted carefully to be race-neutral and aligned with the statute, but General Counsel could use the delay period to evaluate it. Commissioner McBride asked about the five-year period specifically. General Counsel Baily said that she understood that the vote would be to eliminate delivery from regulations and questioned whether the five-year limitation is intended to be incorporated into the regulations. General Counsel Baily said she saw disadvantages to include the five-year limitation now. Chairman Hoffman asked what was done with the smoking issue. Executive Director Collins responded that it was not embodied in the regulations. Chairman Hoffman said he thought they should be treated consistently. General Counsel Baily said the Commission could take a vote to consider that down the line, but there was no advantage to putting it in the regulations now without all the information needed about how it would work. Chairman Hoffman said he did want the Commission to vote on the commitments that were being discussed, but agreed with General Counsel that it should not be in the regulations.

Commissioner Doyle asked Commissioner Title to re-read her proposal. Commissioner Title re-read her proposal. Commissioner Title asked what the problem was incorporating it into the regulations. General Counsel Baily said her recommendation that the Commission wait until it had more information and confine itself to eliminating references to delivery and social consumption. Chairman Hoffman said the first order of business was to vote on the policy, and work on the language later. Chairman Hoffman asked if there were any concerns on the policy. Commissioner Doyle said she was concerned with the length of time proposed and that social consumption was limited to equity applicants, when she knew

craft marijuana cooperatives were interested in having consumption onsite similar to Napa Valley. Chairman Hoffman clarified that it would be similar to a tasting room at a winery. Commissioner Doyle agreed. Commissioner Doyle added that without including them or cultivators, it seemed inconsistent with the mission to assist farmers. Commissioner Title said she would be friendly to working on that kind of farmstand or tasting room. Commissioner Title explained that she was open to discussing another time frame, but she picked five years because it seemed like the appropriate period of time for an equity applicant to start a business, establish a customer base, business practices and opportunities for compliance, learning, and fundraising to get another license. Chairman Hoffman said he was happy with adding the craft cooperatives into the social consumption licenses, and agreed that it was right to limit the licenses for five years. He asked if there were other comments on the policy. Commissioner Flanagan asked about if the tasting room needed legislative authorization. Commissioner Title responded that it was social consumption. Commissioner McBride said she was more comfortable making it a period of time because she wanted to do the legal research. Chairman Hoffman said he thought they should do the five years with the caveat that legal research would need to be done. Chairman Hoffman said they should vote on the policy first, then vote on the regulatory language in terms of eliminating all references to delivery and social consumption and whether the regulatory language includes the five-year limit. General Counsel Baily recommend a vote to eliminate delivery and social consumption first, then whether the commitment to studying delivery and social consumption by a certain date next, but without identifying that date until it had more information about what time would be needed. Chairman Hoffman said he did not think it was right to vote on deferral until they were clear on what the Commission was committing to do. He suggested taking a short break. It is 11.40 and he suggested taking a short break until noon.

The Chairman reconvened the meeting at noon. He commented that he rejected any argument that the Commission could not implement licensing for delivery in time because he had confidence in the Commission and Commission staff to have gotten it done by April 1, 2018. He is agreeing to the deferral of delivery to allow those who want more facts to obtain them and he is confident that they can, because there are parallels to learn from in the alcohol industry for social consumption and delivery. Chairman Hoffman asked General Counsel Baily to describe the votes.

Chairman Hoffman stated that there would be two votes and he would have General Counsel Baily read the language on the votes. General Counsel Baily stated that delivery and social consumption would be postponed, within two weeks an action plan would be developed regarding delivery and social consumption, the action plan would be revisited in October as well as the operational requirements for these type of businesses, the Commission would commit to drafting regulations on the exclusivity concept, with social consumption licenses being limited to equity applicants and craft cooperatives, and delivery licenses being limited to equity applicants, microbusiness and craft cooperative, with draft regulations being drafted by January. Chairman Hoffman clarified that the same regulatory process would be followed in the same transparent manner that the original regulations were being drafted. Chairman Hoffman committed to himself working with the Executive Director to develop the action plan in the next two weeks. He reminded the meeting that the Commission was legislatively required to take over the Medical Use of Marijuana Program by the end of the calendar year, and that would be factored in to all decisions. Commissioner Doyle recommended adding another month to the timeline to accommodate bandwidth issues to accomplish both regulatory tasks. Commissioner Doyle asked if the exclusivity was established as 5 years, because she would like more information on that. General Counsel Baily said there was no commitment as to duration. Commissioner Title said that if the Commissioners were not comfortable agreeing with a time period, she would agree to that, but she would prefer that 5 years be expressly required. Chairman Hoffman agreed that the 5 years should be in

the vote and the Commission could change it later if needed. Commissioner McBride expressed reservations and how the vote was phrased was important. Commissioner McBride said it was difficult to vote without understanding the implications. Commissioner Title said they could not specify the timeline and develop a timeline in an action plan. Chairman Hoffman expressed a preference for the five year timeline being included in the vote. Commissioner McBride expressed concern about committing to something that it might have to immediately back away from. Commissioner Flanagan said she was fine with not specifying a timeline because the Commission has already the intent to address social justice. Commissioner Title said she could look into the 5 years as part of the work on the action plan. General Counsel Baily expressed concern that the Commission would be very busy in the next two weeks. Chairman Hoffman reiterated his desire to include the 5 years in the vote. Commissioner Title agreed not to put a timeline in on the exclusivity and the timeline would be developed by October. Commissioner Doyle asked the motion to be reread. General Counsel Baily reread the motion, amending the deadline for drafting regulations to February. Commissioner Doyle asked if they are committing to execute the idea expressed today or whether they are committing to study the issues and then draft regulations on the issue. Commissioner Title said the motion was to delay the vote, commit to exclusivity for the identified groups, and then study the issues raised about delivery and social consumption during the delay. Commissioner Doyle expressed concern about committing to do something before it has been studied. She agreed that it should be studied, look at the impacts of delay and social consumption and figure out how to balance it with the mission on social justice and assisting farms, but she did not feel that she had enough information to affirmatively vote for it. Commissioner McBride agreed that there should be more study on the implications and how equity would be provided. Commissioner Flanagan asked that there was a caveat on the vote regarding check on whether there would be legal challenges. Commissioner Title reiterated that the purpose of the vote was to offset ramifications of the delay. Commissioner Flanagan asked if the legal caveat gave them the opportunity to revisit the issue if there was a legal problem. Chairman Hoffman asked if they could compromise on "exclusivity or other measures." Commissioner Title said that rendered the vote meaningless. Chairman Hoffman conceded. General Counsel Baily summarized the positions of the Commissioners. Commissioner McBride clarified that her concern was not which license types received the exclusivity and more about the details about how it would work and what the implications would be. Chairman Hoffman asked that the policy vote would be written overnight so the Commissioners could study it. Commissioner Title reread the proposed motion as eliminating social consumption and delivery from the proposed regulations, limiting social consumption license to equity applicants and craft cooperatives and delivery license to equity applicants, microbusinesses and craft cooperatives for an unspecified period of time, coming back within 2 weeks to discuss an action plan. Chairman Hoffman asked for an explicit timeframe on the draft regulations. Commissioner Title said her recommendation would be to collect information by October, 2018 and to draft regulations by February, 2019. Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve, Commissioner Title seconded. Commissioners Title, Flanagan, Hoffman and McBride voted to approve. Commissioner Doyle voted against.

General Counsel Baily recommend the Commissioners take an express vote eliminating mention of delivery and social consumption from the regulations. Commissioner Doyle made the motion, Commissioner Flanagan seconded. The Commissioners unanimously approved the motion.

Chairman Hoffman asked about discussion on town rights on social consumption. Commissioner Doyle suggested that it be discussed at a March 2018 meeting. Chairman Hoffman agreed. He asked if there were any other social consumption issues. There were none.

Chairman Hoffman asked if there were any issues regarding research facilities. There were none.

Chairman Hoffman asked if there were any issues regarding independent testing labs. He was aware of one technical language issue that would be discussed next week regarding compensation. There were no other issues.

Chairman Hoffman asked if there were any issues regarding transporters. He commented that there was feedback that warehousing was not included in the draft regulations. The requirement was that anything that is not delivered must return to the origination point, instead of a warehouse. He recommended allowing warehouse. It would apply solely to transportation between marijuana establishments, not delivery to consumers. He would work on language with General Counsel.

Commissioner Title asked if the Commission could return to research facilities. She received feedback it was unusual to allow research facilities to have a retailer license to sell and it should be stricken. Commissioner Title agreed with the recommendation. Commissioner Doyle explained that the purpose of allowing the retail license was to assist with funding the research. Chairman Hoffman agreed with Commissioner Title's recommendation. Commissioner Title moved to eliminate the language, Commissioner Doyle seconded. The Commission unanimously voted in favor of the motion.

Chairman Hoffman opened the discussion on fees and fines. The Commission received feedback on specific fees on specific categories. He did not have a recommendation to change them, but he was open to discussing it. Commissioner Title said the Commission received feedback from outdoor farmers that application and licensing fees should be lowered for outdoor cultivators. Chairman Hoffman said he would go back in the worksheet and make a recommendation on that issue tomorrow. He asked if there were any other issues on fees. There were none.

Chairman Hoffman discussed the software licensing and RFID tags and whether the Commission would pay for it or the licensees would pay for it. He recommended for craft cooperatives and microbusinesses that the Commission consider covering the \$40/month licensing fee. Each licensee would pay for a tag: \$.45 for a plant and \$.25 for a package. Chairman Hoffman proposed that the Commission would not pay for the tags. Executive Director Collins explained his negotiation regarding different craft cooperative locations so that they would not be considered separate licenses. Commissioner Title commended Executive Director Collins on his negotiating skills. Commissioner Doyle asked if the proposal was in the budget. Chairman Hoffman said no, but because the software contract came in lower than expected, they had adequate flexibility in the budget to do it. Commissioner Doyle asked if they needed to add another legal caveat. General Counsel Baily said she would need to review it. Chairman Hoffman commented that the Commission had agreed to waive fees for certain applicants in the past, so this should be the same. Chairman Hoffman described the motion to be a waiver of the monthly license fee for equity applicants, craft cooperatives and microbusinesses. Commissioner Title moved, Commissioner Doyle seconded. The Commission approved it unanimously.

Chairman Hoffman opened the discussion on economic empowerment applicants and whether additional categories should be added. Commissioner Title said the suggestion to add race was repeatedly raised. The economic empowerment category is a list of 5 different criteria, two of which would have to be met by applicants. She recommended adding race as a sixth criteria. Race would be majority of ownership of the applicant being black or African-American or Hispanic or Latino. The applicants would now have to show they meet three of the criteria. Commissioner Doyle asked what the Commission rely on to support adding the sixth criteria. Commissioner Title said the Commission could use the ACLU report on disparate impact in drug arrests. Commissioner Flanagan asked why it would be limited to those races, as there were many races in different part of the Commonwealth. Commissioner Title said that the Commission received feedback that by disregarding race in the disproportionately impacted communities study, the Commission was ignoring a significant factor. Commissioner McBride asked if they could craft language such as “a majority of owners come from a minority population” to include other minority categories. Commissioner Title said living in one of the disproportionately impacted communities would allow people to meet one of the criteria, and this addition would give an opportunity to those who did not live in those communities. General Counsel Baily asked for additional time to review the issue of categorizing by race. Commissioner Doyle asked if they could simply include the legal caveat. Commissioner Title reiterated why she did not feel it would be necessary, but she agreed to it. Commissioner Title made the motion to approve, Commissioner Doyle seconded it. Commissioners Title, Hoffman, Doyle and McBride voted to approve. Commissioner Flanagan voted against.

Chairman Hoffman asked if there were any other issues regarding requirements for economic empowerment applicants. Commissioner Title said there were issues regarding sexual orientation. Applicants are required to submit diversity plans, but Commissioner Title said she neglected to include sexual orientation, so she proposed adding it in. Commissioner McBride moved to approve, seconded by Commissioner Doyle. The Commission approved unanimously. Commissioner Title said another feedback was to include owners with drug crimes in their past, which she recommended against, because it did not demonstrate providing economic empowerment. Chairman Hoffman said if there were no objections to that, there was no reason to vote on it since it did not make a change.

Commissioner Title said there was a proposal to narrow types of drug crimes and she invited whoever proposed it to explain, but she recommended against it because the statute refers to G.L. c.94C. Commissioner McBride said she had proposed it, but she was fine with Commissioner Title’s recommendation.

Chairman Hoffman proposed a short break and reconvene at 1:30 p.m.

Chairman Hoffman reconvened the meeting to adjourn it, because one of the Commissioners received bad personal news that he would not be providing any details on. The next meeting would be tomorrow, February 27, 2018 at the Gaming Commission meeting room at 10:00 a.m.