

City of Gardiner
Marijuana Task Force Meeting
Tuesday, March 21, 2017 6pm

Attendance: CEO Barb Skelton, Police Chief Jim Toman, Jack McMillian(opponent), Jaime Schorr (opponent) Louis Sigel(proponent), Curtis Ayotte(proponent), Terry Berry (chair), Executive Assistant Robin Plourde,

Members Absent: Karen Tucker, John Shaw and Interim City Manager Anne Davis.

Ben Newell, Dispensary Operations Mgr.
Daniel Walker, PretiFlaherty-Legal Council

Agenda

1. Members meet at the Wellness Center at 6pm for a tour.

Members meet to ask questions and take tour of facility. All persons entering must show a valid state issued I.D. DHHS requires monthly reports on all who enter facility.

Mr. Newall explains that there are different strains –a physician establishes the limit you can purchase. Any volume can be purchase at one time as long as it's with in the limit prescribed. They average 100 customers daily.

Committee members ask if any challenges; Mr. Newall states that the facility opened in December of 2014 and have had no issues. The city was great to work with, Chief Toman also says the police department has had no issues at all with the facility or people as a result of purchases made from the Center.

Members take tour of facility and then continue their meeting at city hall at 7pm.

Chair Berry calls the meeting to order.

Vote to approve minutes from 2/28/17 and 3/7/17. Chris Ayotte makes a motion to approve minutes from 2/28/17, second by Jack McMillin. Motion approved by unanimous vote.

Motion made by Louis Sigel to approve minutes from 3/7/17, second by Jack McMillin. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

CEO Barb Skelton talks to committee regarding a continuance on the Moratorium: if you want to public meeting on retail sales you need to advertise 14 days in advance, you need to inform the public and secure presenters.

Chris Ayotte suggest moving the shorter nights sooner on the calendar.

Chief Toman – the committee needs to take its time/get the right information and be well suited when you go before council. Meetings need to be posted and updated for the public.

Louis Sigel – the purpose of a moratorium is to protect the city from lawsuits.

Chair Berry- thoughts on postponing next week meeting?

CEO – my thought is to proceed with the information that you have.

Louis-we should have experts; you could get them from Washington DC. Or Colorado. And I also postpone next week's meeting.

Chief Toman- you need to have public meetings for Social Clubs, Retail Sales. Public will want answers.

Louis – we need to continue to monitor what's going on in Augusta.

CEO- you need public input.

Chair Berry- have a public meeting April 4th to get views from the public.

Motion to have a moratorium made by Louis Sigel, second by Curtis Ayotte motion passed by unanimous vote.

Louis – should have a conference call with experts in Gunnerson Colorado.

Next meeting set for April 4th, chair Berry would like names of speakers by Friday the 24th.

Chair Berry will reach out to the production process in Auburn to inquire about taking a tour.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Chair Berry, second by Louis Sigel. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Adjourned at 8:15

Submitted by Robin Plourde