

BIOSAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

**The Watertown BioSafety Committee has scheduled a REMOTE ZOOM meeting on
Thursday September 2, 2021 at 7:00 pm**

PRESENT: Heather McManus PhD, Chairperson, Bradford M. Parsons Committee Member,
Larry Ramdin, Director of Public Health, Maureen Foley, Staff

Consultant: Mia Tova Lieberman

In attendance Meghana Kulkarni, Corey Martin, Bernard Paniccia, Yan Li, Jessie English, Jason
Cupp, Emily Ricq

CALL TO ORDER: Dr. McManus called the meeting to order 7:02 pm

Minutes

1. Minutes approvals for December 3, 2020, January 7, 2021, August 5, 2021
(Ramdin, Parsons)
Roll Call

Public Comment

No Public comments

Apellis – 65 Grove Street

Yan Li, Senior Scientist gave a short synopsis of Apellis's activities with a slide show.

Dr. McManus stated the IBC notes were thorough and the COVID protocols added another measure of safety.

Brad Parsons stated hazardous waste and floor plans were well done.

A motion was made to recommend approval of the application to the Board of Health with the following conditions: 1. Updated EAP

(Ramdin, Parsons)

Roll Call

Kisbee Therapeutics, Inc. – 300 North Beacon Street

Emily Ricq, scientist and founder gave a short synopsis of Kisbee's activities.

Brad Parsons questioned the volume since it was not indicated on the application. Brad asked about the waste stream and the flammables. The EAP contacts need updating. Brad questioned the transportation of material on ice in employees' cars. There will be no hazardous waste transported in that manner.

Dr. McManus stated the application was thorough, all the protocols are backed up by IBC minutes. The volume will most likely remain at less than 10 liters.

A motion was made to recommend approval of the application to the Board of Health as submitted.

(Parsons, Ramdin)

Roll Call

Bakx Therapeutics, Inc. – 200 Dexter Avenue

Jessie English, Chief Scientist Officer and Meghana Kulkarni, Biosafety Officer gave a short synopsis of Bakx's activities.

Dr. McManus stated the application was thorough and the IBC minutes answered most of the questions the WBSC had.

Mr. Ramdin stated we need the address of the Community Member. Mr. Ramdin is requesting a more detailed floor plan, layout and space. Mr. Ramdin agreed as a tenant of Arsenal Labs should provide a written agreement to adhere to the structured EAP and chemical hygiene set up by the landlord.

A motion was made to recommend approval of the application to the Board of Health with the following conditions: 1. Written agreement to observe the EAP and chemical hygiene of Arsenal Labs. 2. More detail related to the community member 3. More detailed and larger floor plan

(Ramdin, Parsons)

Roll Call

All amendments must be received by September 10th.

Additional Business

All applications should be sent to Mia Tova Lieberman for review and screening.

Arsenal Labs has a centralized adherence to EAP and chemical hygiene. All tenants agree to that before they enter the lease. Mr. Ramdin wants a legal document that hold all the tenants accountable from storage to disposal.

Adjourn:

(Ramdin, Parsons) 8:39 PM

All in favor.

Respectfully submitted: Larry Ramdin, Director of Public Health