



State of Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board

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MINUTES

Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board • July 19th 2016

The Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board convened on Tuesday, July 19th 2016 at 9:35 A.M. in the conference room of the Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board office at 7418 North Hills Boulevard, North Little Rock, Arkansas.

Chair Wayne Edwards called the meeting to order with roll call; Jerry Vint, Tom Brown, Avon Phillips, Reggie Binns, Matthew Ross, Carrie Meeks and Joe Spadoni were present. Also in attendance were director Steven Rogers, investigators Tracy Watson and John Williams and legal counsel Julie Chavis.

Mr. Edwards welcomed new Board members Reggie Binns and Carrie Meeks, he congratulated Junior Phillips on his reappointment and welcomed guests.

Disciplinary Hearing

Complaint No. 2016-05-073 Silvester Ingraham d/b/a, D&S Auto, Conway, Arkansas

Found in violation of A.C.A. § 27-50-1203(e)(1)(D) and Board Rules 4.1 and 4.5; A.C.A. § 27-50-1203(e)(1)(E) and Board Rule 11. D&S Auto was ordered to pay \$2,409.15 in restitution to Farm Bureau Insurance Company and to pay civil penalties totaling \$6,200.00.

Complaint No. 2016-02-054 Michelle Garner d/b/a Infinity Towing, Springdale, Arkansas.

Found in violation of A.C.A. § 27-50-1203(e)(1)(D) and Board Rules 4.1 and 4.5; A.C.A. § 27-50-1101(c) and A.C.A. § 27-50-1101(E)(2). Infinity towing was ordered to pay civil penalties totaling \$4,500.00.

The Minutes for the Board Meetings from June 21st 2016 were approved as mailed on a motion by Phillips. Second by Vint. Motion carried. 8-0

Treasurer Brown reported expenditures for the month of June, \$28,880.94 and revenue for the month as \$50,429.50. The ending balance in the checkbook on this date is \$113,568.92 with an additional balance of \$206,310.63 in the state treasury. Brown reviewed the Warrant Log and noted the fines that were collected as posted on the Fines Report. Ross made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Second by Vint. Motion carried. 8-0

Election of officers were held for the coming year. The results are as follows:

- Chair-Jerry Vint, Non-Industry Representative.
- Vice Chair-Tom Brown, Non-Industry Representative.
- Treasurer-Joe Spadoni, Consent Only Representative.

Director Rogers reviewed the License & Permit Report for April. [Attached]

Tracy Watson presented the Complaints Report for April. [Attached]

Julie Chavis updated the Board briefly on the status of appeals noting that the first Helton appeal was scheduled in Faulkner County for September 14, 2016 at 1:30 pm. A 2nd appeal was still in the working stages.

In his Directors Report Rogers updated the Board on several items including the need for more thorough tow vehicle inspections and confusion over the 30 day grace period for adding signage onto the side of a tow vehicle and commercial law. He also reviewed the process already in place for suspending a tow vehicle license plate through the department of Motor vehicles for non-payment of civil penalties or fines.

Rogers handed out a guide to be used when dealing with the press and spoke about its application to recent events that occurred in a television broadcast. After a brief discussion a motion was made by Brown to refer all news media to the director when contacted about any issue pertaining to the tow board. Second by Phillips. Motion carried. 8-0.

The meeting date for August was set for Tuesday, August 16th at 9:30 AM at the offices of the Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board, conference room.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 4:18 PM.

Signed _____
Wayne Edwards, Chair

Attest _____
Steven Rogers, Director

Approved _____ (Date)