



# State of Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board

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## MINUTES

Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board • November 15<sup>th</sup> 2016

The Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board convened on Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> 2016 at 9:33 A.M. in the conference room of the Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board office at 7418 North Hills Boulevard, North Little Rock, Arkansas.

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

Mr. Vint welcomed guests.

### Disciplinary Hearings

Case Number 2016-06-080 Hapa Mac Company d/b/a Blue Hill Wrecker & Towing.

Found in violation of ACA § 27-50-1203 (e) (1) (E) and Rule 11, failure to respond in a timely manner. Joe Hicks of Hapa Mac Company d/b/a Blue Hill Wrecker & Towing was ordered to pay a civil penalty of \$2,500.00

Case Number 2017-08-018 Courtney Taylor, Jason Taylor d/b/a Arkansas Auto Recovery LLC

Found in violation of ACA § 27-50-1101 (a)(1)(C) and Board Rule 4.5 and ACA § 27-50-1203 (e) (1) (D) and Rule 4.1 and 4.5 for overcharging and engaging a private property tow without proper paperwork/authorization. Courtney Taylor, Jason Taylor d/b/a Arkansas Auto Recovery LLC was ordered to pay a civil penalty of \$5,000.00 and reimburse the lien holder \$1,736.00.

Case Number 2017-10-037 Mike Grindstaff d/b/a Hellanback Towing & Recovery, LLC

Found in violation of ACA § 27-50-1101(a)(1)(C) and ACA § 27-50-1203 (e) (1) (D) and Board Rule 4.1 Mike Grindstaff d/b/a Hellanback Towing & Recovery, LLC was ordered to reimburse the vehicle owner \$137.19 and pay a civil penalty of \$1,000.00 and respondent's tow license and safety permits are hereby revoked.

Case Number 2017-10-043 Mike Grindstaff d/b/a Hellanback Towing & Recovery, LLC

Found in violation of ACA § 27-50-1101(a)(1)(C); ACA § 27-50-1203 (e) (1) (D) and ACA § 27-50-1203 (e) (1) (A) Board Rule 4.1, 6.1, 9.1 and 9.2. Mike Grindstaff d/b/a Hellanback Towing & Recovery, LLC was ordered to reimburse the vehicle owner \$268.89 and pay a civil penalty of \$1,000.00 and respondent's tow license and safety permits are hereby revoked.

Case Number 2017-10-044 Mike Grindstaff d/b/a Hellanback Towing & Recovery, LLC

Found in violation of ACA § 27-50-1101(a)(1)(C) and ACA § 27-50-1203 (e) (1) (D) and Board Rule 4.1 Mike Grindstaff d/b/a Hellanback Towing & Recovery, LLC was ordered to reimburse the vehicle owner \$387.00 and pay a civil penalty of \$1,000.00 and respondent's tow license and safety permit are hereby revoked.

The Minutes for the Board Meetings from October 18<sup>th</sup> 2016 were approved as mailed on a motion by Phillips. Second by Brown. Motion carried. 8-0

Treasurer Spadoni reported expenditures for the month of October, \$20,049.20 and revenue for the month as \$30,967.83. The ending balance in the treasury account is \$357,368.70. Binns made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Second by Phillips. Motion carried.8-0

**Consent Agreements / Offers of Settlements**

Complaint Number 2017-08-019 Argest Hyler d/b/a JLW Towing & Recovery. Motion by Spadoni, Second by Phillips Motion carried for reimbursement of \$396.00 to vehicle owner and a \$250.00 civil penalty.

Complaint Number 2017-08-015 Raymond Thompson, d/b/a Tri County Towing. Motion by Ross, Second by Meeks Motion carried for reimbursement of \$200.00 to vehicle owner and a \$250.00 civil penalty.

Complaint Number 2017-10-041 Gary Winkler, d/b/a Charlie's Auto Air. Motion by Brown, Second by Edwards Motion carried for reimbursement of \$203.76 to lien holder and a \$250.00 civil penalty.

Complaint Number 2017-08-010 Frank Ross d/b/a Morrilton Wrecker and Service. Motion by Brown, Second by Phillips Motion carried for a \$250.00 civil penalty.

Complaint Number 2017-09-023 Jimmy Youngman : d/b/a Youngman's Collision Center. Motion by Binns Second by Ross Motion carried for a \$250.00 civil penalty.

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

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

Julie Chavis updated the Board briefly on the status of appeals noting dates and times of upcoming hearings.

In his Director's Report Rogers updated the Board on action taken at the TIM conference. He also asked the Board to participate in a workshop in January in lieu of meeting in December to take care of a number of policy related issues. The date January 12<sup>th</sup> 2017 was selected.

The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup> 2017 and a workshop to be held Thrsday, January 12<sup>th</sup> 2017, both to be held at the Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board office in North Little Rock, Arkansas.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 3:38 P.M.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Jerry Vint, Chair

Attest \_\_\_\_\_  
Steven Rogers, Director

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ (Date)