



# State of Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board

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## MINUTES

Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board • October 18<sup>th</sup> 2016

The Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board convened on Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> 2016 at 9:34 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, Heath Tibbs 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. 2017-08-011 Yancey Price d/b/a Twin County Towing Inc.

Found in violation of ACA § 27-50-1101 (c) and Board Rule 4.1b and ACA § 27-50-1203 (e) (1) (D) by charging \$137.19 for towing the Complainant's vehicle without written authorization. Yancey Price d/b/a Twin County Towing Inc. was ordered to pay a civil penalty of \$500.00

Case Number. 2017-08-014 Yancey Price d/b/a Twin County Towing, Inc

Found in violation of ACA § 27-50-1101 (c) and Board Rule 4.1b and ACA § 27-50-1203 (e) (1) (D) by charging \$137.19 for towing the Complainant's vehicle without written authorization. Yancey Price d/b/a Twin County Towing Inc. was ordered to pay a civil penalty of \$500.00

Case Number. 2017-08-013 Mike Grindstaff d/b/a Hellanback Towing & Recovery, LLC

Found in violation of ACA § 27-50-1203 (e) (1) (A) and Board Rules 6.1, 9.1, and 9.2 by towing vehicle from private property located at 1627 Fletcher Road, Seligman, Missouri, to his facility located in Springdale, Arkansas while his tow license and safety permit were invalid due to board revocation and expired insurance coverage and ACA § 27-50-1101 (a) (1) (A) and Board Rules 6.1, 9.1, and 9.2 by towing 44 vehicles within the State of Arkansas while his tow license and safety permit were invalid due to board revocation and expired insurance coverage. Mike Grindstaff d/b/a Hellanback Towing & Recovery, LLC was ordered to pay a civil penalty of \$5,000.00 and respondent's tow license and safety permit are hereby suspended for seven (7) days to begin after the expiration of the thirty (30) day time period in which respondent may appeal this decision of the Board. The seven (7) day suspension applies to both consent and non-consent tows.

Case Number: 2017-09-026 Mike Grindstaff d/b/a Hellanback Towing & Recovery, LLC

Found in violation of ACA § 27-50-1101 (A) (1) (C) and Board Rule 4.1 by not obtaining prior written authorization for the tows from the owner, manager, or designee of the private property known as the Whisler Mobile Home and RV Park in Springdale, Arkansas. Respondent violated ACA § 27-50-1203 (e) (1) (D) and Board Rule 4.1 by charging \$214.00 for towing the Complainant's 2006 Chrysler; for towing the Complainant's 2014 Mazda; by charging \$50.00 for the release of Complainant's 2007 GMC; charging \$125.00 for towing the Complainant's 2000 Chevrolet without written authorization, with a revoked license, and with no insurance coverage. Mike Grindstaff d/b/a Hellanback Towing & Recovery, LLC was ordered to pay a civil penalty of

\$500.00 and reimburse the Complainant/owner of the 2006 Chrysler \$214.00, the Complainant/owner of the 2014 Mazda \$323.76, the Complainant/owner of the 2007 GMC \$50.00, and the Complainant/owner of the 2000 Chevrolet \$125.00 within thirty (30) days of the expiration of the appeal period.

The Minutes for the Board Meetings from September 20<sup>th</sup> 2016 were approved as mailed on a motion by Edwards. Second by Ross. Motion carried. 8-0

Treasurer Spadoni reported expenditures for the month of September, \$27,681.16 and revenue for the month as \$14,896.63. The ending balance in the treasury account is \$356,920.80. Binns made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Second by Meeks. Motion carried. 8-0

Consent Agreements / Offers of Settlements

Complaint Number. 2017-07-002 Mike Smith, Discount Tire & Service Center Inc. d/b/a Smith & Son's Wrecker Following a brief discussion the Board agreed to a \$250.00 civil penalty and restitution to the vehicle owner of \$270.00, the amount overcharged. Motion was made by Tibbs. Second by Brown. Motion carried 8-0.

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

Tracy Watson presented the Complaints Report for August. [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 several meetings that had occurred since the last Board meeting and discussed briefly the TIM conference that was coming up in early November. In addition to Steven Rogers and Tracy Watson Chairman Vint asked Matt Ross and Wayne Edwards to attend.

Jerry Vint indicated that he had several conversations with Janice Harrison in OPM and was ready to recommend Steven Rogers for a pay increase at the upper pay scale of his classification with Board approval. A motion to seek an increase was made by Edwards. Seconded by Tibbs. Motion carried. 8-0.

The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> 2016, to be held at the Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board office in North Little Rock, Arkansas.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 3:02 P.M.

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

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

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