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MINUTES

Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board • December 10th, 2024

The Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board convened on Tuesday, December 10th, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. The meeting was held at the Arkansas Department of Labor and Licensing at 900 West Capitol Avenue, Suite 400, Little Rock, Arkansas, 72201.

Chair Joe Spadoni called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. Chief Investigator Rowe conducted the roll call; Joe Spadoni, Matt Ross, Ronnie Adcock, Wayne Edwards, Scott DeMott, Tom Brown, and Jerry Vint were present. Director Paul Burnett, Chief Investigator Joseph Rowe, and Deputy Attorney General Doralee Chandler also attended. Board Member Brown left the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

Minutes Approval:

The Board was given the October 9th, 2024, minutes to be considered for approval. The minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Vint, second by Mr. Edwards. Motion carried 7-0

Disciplinary Hearing: Joe Spadoni, Chairman, Melody Haley, CCR, Arkansas Diamond Court Reporting.

2024-0601: A-1 Towing & Recovery NLR (Terry Wyatt and Gerald Kennon). Council for A-1 Towing & Recovery NLR made an offer to the Board for a settlement. After a review of the Agency's exhibits and discussion, a motion was made Brown to reject the consent agreement a proceed with the hearing, and a second to the motion was made by Vint. The motion passed 6-0, DeMott recused himself. A continuance was requested by Deputy Attorney General Chandler due to an unserved subpoena for a respondent witness. A hearing will be set at a later date.

2024-0203: Akin & Son, Inc. DBA Red River Wrecker (David Akin). **Ruling:** No Civil Penalty. Restitution of \$16,726.00 to the Complainant after issuance of the final order. **Allegation of Facts:** A-12 all found as True. **Charges:** C-1 is proven True. C-1 \$0.00. Motion by Ross, Seconded by Vint. Motion carried 6-0. Amendment by Ross for a 30-day restitution period, Seconded by Vint. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Brown excused himself from the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

Business:

Director's Report: Director Burnett addressed the Board with several items. Director Burnett advised the Board on the status of complaints and the overall day-to-day operations. Director Burnett and Chief Investigator Rowe have had meetings with tow companies and legislators from Oklahoma who are looking to create a towing board.

Financial Report: Chief Investigator Joseph Rowe presented the financial report as of 11/30/2024.

Legal Update: Deputy Attorney General Doralee Chandler had no legal update.

New Business:

Chairman Spadoni brought up how to have video used in a hearing displayed to the board to avoid the issues during the hearing today.

Next meetings:

January 28th, 2024, and January 29th, 2024, at 900 West Capitol Avenue, Little Rock, Arkansas.

With no other business, the meeting was concluded. Motion by Mr. Vint to adjourn, Second by Mr. Edwards. Approved 5-0.

The meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

Joe Spadoni, Chair

Paul Burnett, Director

Date Approved: 01/28/2025