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Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board • March 26th, 2024

The Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board convened on Tuesday, March 26th at 9:30 a.m. The meeting was held on the third floor of the Arkansas Department of Labor and Licensing at 900 West Capitol, Suite 400, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201.

Chair Joe Spadoni called the meeting to order at 10.00 a.m. with roll call; Joe Spadoni, Matt Ros, Ronnie Adcock, Tom Brown, Wayne Edwards, Charles (Tad) Bokker and Jerry Vint were present. Scott DeMott was in attendance via Zoom. Also, in attendance were Director Paul Burnett, Investigators Sheila Johnson and Joseph Rowe, Deputy Attorney General Doralee Chandler, and Assistant Attorney General Sarah Debusk.

Consent Agreements/Offer of Settlement.

2023-0802: D&A Towing LLC/Mary Beth Bowling Complaint/Investigator Rowe.

Consent Agreement was presented by Deputy Attorney General Doralee Chandler to the board for approval. Motion by Brown to accept the Consent Agreement. Second by Vint. Motion carried 8-0.

Disciplinary Hearing. Chairman Joe Spadoni, Hearing Officer, Nicole Neal, Arkansas Diamond Court Reporting.

2023-0909: M&M Wrecker Service LLC/ Donny & Nicky McGuire/ Attorney Todd Tuner. **Ruling:** \$4,150.00 Civil Penalties. Motion by Brown, **Allegations of Facts** A 1-25 all found as True. **Charges C** 1-3 were all found as True. Second by Brown. Motion Carried 8-0.

Business Meeting Reconvenes.

Consideration of February 22nd and 23rd, Meeting Minutes. Motion by Brown to accept the minutes. Second by Vint. Motion carried 8-0.

Treasurers Report- Tom Brown/ Treasure. Motion by Vint to accept the treasurer report. Second by Ross. Carried 8-0

On-Going Business / Staff Reports.

1. Complaint Report: Director Paul Burnett updated the Board on Complaints for January, February, and March. Director Burnett advised for January the Board had (11) formal complaints. (2) have been closed. (1) is in review with the AG and set for the complaint committee. (8) are still active. February had (13) formal complaints. (4) have been closed. (9) are still active. March had (6) formal complaints. (2) have been closed. (4) are still active. Of the (20) active complaints left over from 2023, (10) are waiting for review or are set for hearings, consent agreements, or heard by the complaint committee.
2. Legal Update-Doralee Chandler, Deputy Attorney General. No new updates, Deputy A.G. Chandler is tracking the progress of the appeal the Board had that was filed by Attorney Kitty Cone on behalf of A-1 Recovery NLR.

New Business.

Director Burnett brought up that he was having a meeting with Arkansas State Police about their Troopers placing holds on vehicles for proof of ownership/registration on the tow form. The Troopers are telling the tow companies that if proof is given then release the hold. The problem is the Troopers are doing this verbally and by statute the hold must be released in writing. This is causing tow companies to have issues with the Board over releasing vehicles.

Director Burnett also discussed the new example forms we want to get out to the industry.

Director Burnett also met with ADEQ to start quarterly training on clean-up at accidents for hazardous materials.

Permitting trailers was brought up by Seth McIntire, an attendee, who wanted to know what the Board has decided on this issue. Deputy Attorney Doralee Chandler told the Board and Mr. McIntire that she is working on the special language to present to the Board for permitting or not permitting trailers.

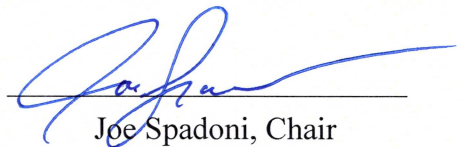
Motion by Ross to adjourn the meeting. Second by Brown. Motion carried 8-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:08 pm.

Attest 

Paul Burnett, Director

Signed


Joe Spadoni, Chair

Date Approved 4/24/24