

MINUTES OF THE ARKANSAS MOTOR VEHICLE COMMISSION

**Business Meeting
900 West Capitol Avenue Suite 400
Little Rock, Arkansas**

March 15, 2023

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Arkansas Motor Vehicle Commission was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Chair Joy Blankenship. Staff present including Sandy Stroope, Daniel Pace, and Jeff Huber. The Commissioners that were present include Chair Joy Blankenship, Michael Moix, Jimmy Jones, Rick Whitten, and Jeff Baskin. Others present included the following: Sara Farris (Arkansas Attorney General's Office) Greg Kirkpatrick (AADA-Arkansas Automobile Dealers Association),

The minutes from the January 18, 2023, meeting were unanimously approved by the Commission following a proper motion and second.

The Commission unanimously approved the Fiscal Reports following a proper motion and second.

Director Stroope presented the Director's Reports to the Commission. Sara Farris with the Arkansas Attorney General's Office informed the Commission that there is a current investigation involving a large manufacturer. Sara Farris requested authorization from the commission to issue and serve a Subpoena to the large manufacturer. The Commission unanimously approved the request to issue and serve a subpoena against the large manufacturer if needed, following a proper motion and second.

The Commission then reviewed the FY-21 Motor Vehicle Grant to propose a change on Expenditure. The Commission approved to allow Arkansas State University at Beebe to use leftover funds to address the program's needs.

Director Stroope presented the Commission with an update on the Implementation of ELP-Enterprise Licensing Platform.

Director Stroope informed the commission that the Fiscal year 2022 Legislative Audit has begun.

Director Stroope reminded the commissioners to file a statement of financial interest as soon as possible.

Director Stroope updated the Commission that the Legislative Session has started. Greg Kirkpatrick went into further detail on SB.1579 and SB.395.

Director Stroope announced that the Arkansas Motor Vehicle Commission is working with Rep. Cavanaugh to fully fund the \$250,000.00 appropriation for the Education and Training Grant Program.

Commission Chair Joy Blankenship accepted a proper motion and a second to adjourn the meeting by unanimous approval of the Commission.

These minutes are subject to approval by
The Arkansas Motor Vehicle Commission

Joy Blankenship

Joy Blankenship, Chair