



# State of Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board

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## MINUTES

Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board • July 19<sup>th</sup> 2022

The Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board convened on Tuesday, July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 9:30 A.M. in the conference room of the Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board office at 7418 North Hills Boulevard, North Little Rock, Arkansas.

Chair Joe Spadoni called the meeting to order at 9:30 A.M. with roll call; Joe Spadoni, Tom Brown, Reggie Binns, Wayne Edwards, Carrie Meeks, Jerry Vint, Matt Ross, Greg Cochran were present. Also, in attendance were director Steven Rogers, investigator Tracy Watson and legal counsel Joe West.

The chair introduced Secretary Daryl Bassett who spoke with the board regarding the 2023 legislative session, reinstating the investigator position, the move to 900 W Capitol and the announced retirement of director, Steven Rogers. Joe Spadoni then turned the meeting over to hearing officer, Charles Moulton proceed with the Disciplinary Hearing schedule. The court reporter was Conway Court Reporting.

### Disciplinary Hearings

Case Number 2022-02-031 . Towing Services, LLC., Springdale, Arkansas

Respondent violated Ark. Code Ann. § A.C.A. §27-50-1203(e)(1)(E) and Board Rule 4.1 by failing to respond to a Board-issued request for information pursuant to this complaint investigation and Ark. Code Ann. § A.C.A. §27-50-1218(c)(3)(A) and Board Rule 5.2 by failing to respond to a Board-issued request for additional information. Respondent is ordered to pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$8,375.00 for the violation. Motion by Matt Ross. Second by jerry Vint. Motion carried. 8-0

Case Number 2022-04-047 . Lancam LLC, Pine Bluff, Arkansas

Respondent violated Ark. Code Ann. § 27-50-1101(a)(1)(C) by failing to obtain a written private property removal statement from the property owner or agent and Ark. Code Ann. § 27-50-1101(a)(1)(D) by failing to leave a copy of a private property removal statement with the property owner and Ark. Code Ann. § 27-50-1101(a)(1)(E) by failing to retain a copy of a written private property removal statement and Ark. Code Ann. § 27-50-1101(a)(2)(A) by failing to notify law enforcement of the private property removal of the vehicle within two (2) hours of the removal. Respondent is ordered to pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$4,000.00 for the violation.

Motion by Wayne Edwards. Second by Reggie Binns. Motion carried. 8-0

### Business Meeting Reconvenes

The Minutes for the Board Meetings from May 17<sup>th</sup> 2022 were approved as mailed on a motion by Matt ross. Second by Reggie Binns. Motion carried 8-0

Treasurer Carrie Meeks noted the total revenue for 2022 was \$258,439.33 and total expenses for FY 2022 was \$281,539.13 meaning the agency revenue fell short by \$23,099.80. Matt Ross made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Second by Reggie Binns. Motion carried.8-0

Tracy Watson, investigator shared with the board three (3) Offers of Settlement that had been negotiated for minor offenses. The cases were as follows:

- 2022-03-034, Asher Wrecker in Little Rock refunded \$70.00
- 2022-02-029, Collision Pro Repair in fort Smith refunded \$25.00; and
- 2022-01-022, El Dorado Towing & Recovery LLC refunded \$300.00.

Tracy Watson presented the Complaints Report for April 2022.

Joe West updated the board on, pending appeals and briefing schedules that had been filed.

The director, Steven Rogers updated the board on what could be upcoming legislative issues.

Joe Spadoni asked that the board move into executive session. The following motion came out of the executive session: The board will explore the possibility of maintaining Steven Rogers as a part time contract employee after retirement and to meet with Secretary Bassett regarding the possibility. Motion was made by reggie Binns. Second by Jerry Vint. Motion carried 8-0.

The next regular board meeting which would include a hearing schedule was set for Tuesday September 20<sup>th</sup> 2022, to be held at the Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board office in North Little Rock, Arkansas.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 2:35 P.M.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Joe Spadoni, Chair

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

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