



State of Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board

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MINUTES

Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board • June 15th 2021

The Arkansas Towing & Recovery Board convened on Tuesday, June 15th 2021, 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 9:45 A.M. with roll call; Tom Brown, Jerry Vint, Reggie Binns, Scott DeMott and Matt Ross were present. Also, in attendance were director Steven Rogers, investigator Tracy Watson and legal counsel Joe West.

Chair Joe Spadoni introduced the newest board member, Scott DeMott, insurance representative, recently appointed by the governor and noted that Wayne Edwards had been reappointed as well.

The Minutes for the Board Meeting from March 16th 2021 were approved as presented on a motion by Brown. Second by Vint. Motion carried 6-0.

The Treasurers Report was presented by Steven Rogers in the treasurer's absence. He went through a handout that reflected income and expenses posted in AASIS again pointing out a drop in income and noting adjustments in expenses allowed the board to operate within the FY 2021 appropriation. The report was approved on a motion by Brown. Second by Vint, Motion carried 6-0.

On-Going Business / Staff Reports

Tracy Watson presented the Complaints Report for the prior month.

Joe West updated the board on the Big Wrecker appeal.

New Business

Steven Rogers shared with the tow board what staff was doing to improve the work relationship with law enforcement around the state. Rogers explained a strong relationship improved enforcement related actions. He asked board members for suggestions to further improve the relationship. Board members suggested ATRB get more involved with the training facilities.

The proposal for an online posting as outlined in Act 794, 2021 was presented. After review and a few suggestions in its function a motion was made to approve the program and the proposal by McGonigal Consulting, LLC by Brown. Seconded by Ross. Motion carried. 6-0.

Joe West conducted a training session for board members, Board Information, Freedom of Information Act, Board Conduct, and Hearings. The information was designed to update the board on any changes and as a refresher.

Steven Rogers spoke briefly about the changes that must be drafted into the rules due to Act 789. Rogers suggested the board allow him to draft the language, work with the ATRB executive committee and bring the final language back to the full board for approval rather than form a committee. The board members thought that was a better idea.

Rogers then discussed the possibility of developing Civil Penalty Guidelines for first and second offense complaints by a licensee. After a brief discussion the chair asked that the discussion be postponed to a later date. The item was postponed on a motion by Ross. Second by Binns. Motion carried. 6-0.

Rogers reminded the board that they would need to elect officers for the coming year at the July board meeting.

The next regular board meeting which would include a hearing schedule was set for Tuesday July 20th 2021 at the ATRB office at 9:30 A.M.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 1:40 P.M.

Signed _____
Joe Spadoni, Chair

Attest _____
Steven Rogers, Director

Approved _____ (Date)