Board of Licensing for Towing Services

Meeting Held Online on Webex

7/18/2023 11AM-NOON

Members in Attendance:

- Mr. Tavon Braxton (Department of Transportation, Chair)
- Ms. Carla Nealy (Department of Finance)
- Mr. Harry Mayo (Towing Industry Representative)

Support: Mr. James Turner, Department of Transportation, Secretary

Meeting Minutes

- 1. Introduction
- 2. Updates
 - a. Approval of February Minutes (Motion Mr. Mayo, Second Ms. Nealy, 3-0)
 - b. Mr. Braxton spoke about Bill Number 23-0347, the Department of Business Licensing and Consumer Protection.
 - i. The Bill is in first reader with no hearing scheduled.
 - ii. Implications that the Tow Board will be abolished if the bill passes
 - iii. All functions of the Board will go to the new Agency "Department of Business Licensing and Consumer Protection
 - iv. Mr. Turner will notify attendees of hearing when it is called
 - c. Open Floor for Questions
 - i. Participants asked about the intentions of the bill and sponsor.
 - ii. Participants reflected on previous Board decisions and the implications of a new agency
 - iii. Participants were happy with the current Board
- 3. Application Period
 - a. Reminder to participants that the application period will open in a month
 - b. Reminder that all properties should follow the current Rules and Regulations and state/local laws.
- 4. Rules and Regulation Review
 - a. Mr. Turner reviewed several changes that are being suggested in the changes to Rules and Regulations, including:
 - i. Requiring acceptance of Credit or Debit Cards
 - ii. Opening Up to Online Applications or at least basic information on online application
 - iii. Changing insurance rating (from AM Best B+ to A)

- b. Stating that the process may change soon, so the Board and DOT will consult with Law for further steps
- 5. Open Discussion (no comments)
- 6. Adjournment (Motion Chair Braxton, Seconded By Ms. Nealy)