

BOARD OF LICENSING FOR TOWING SERVICES

Board Meeting Minutes – Friday, May 20, 2022, 11AM

Location: Online Webex Webinar

Attendance

Board Members

Ms. Tonya Simmons – Chair, BCDOT Towing Division

Lt Charles James – Baltimore City Police Department

Mr. Edward Scrivener – Proxy Ms. Carla Nealy, Baltimore City Department of Finance

Mr. Jamal Simpson - Proxy for Councilman Antonio Glover, City Council Representative

Mr. Harry Mayo – Call in Number, Towing Board Representative

Support

Mr. Liam Davis

Mr. James Turner

Minutes

Announcements

- (1) Mr. Polakoff, former Property Management Representative, resigned effective May 1
- (2) BCDOT is working on moving trespass towing application online with contractors.

Legislative Session Review

These may affect towing services in the City:

- (1) SB146 establishes laws for electric vehicle charging spaces.
- (2) SB0731 authorizes electronic notification to secured party when towed from parking lot
- (3) SB0750 gives more authority to the City of Baltimore (does not give authority to Trespass Towing)

Review of Board Rules and Regulations

Changes are preliminary and will only take effect if approved by Law Department and falls within the scope of the Board's authority stated in the code:

- (1) Removal of Language referred to in the Code
- (2) Photo Identification for Board Members
- (3) DOT Towing takes lead on investigations and reviewing of applications; board members can participate as desired.

Open Discussion

- (1) Expanding the Application Window to 45 days
- (2) Discussion about Inspections (see number 3 above).

Voting Period

| Item | First Motion | Seconded | Approval |
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| 45-day application period | Mr. Scrivener | Lt. James | Approved (5-0) |
| DOT Towing Inspection Lead | Mr. Simpson | Mr. Scrivener | Approved (5-0) |
| Regulations pending Law Approval | Mr. Simpson | Mr. Mayo | Approved (5-0) |

Adjournment— First Motion Mr. Scrivener, Seconded by Mr. Simpson

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