

Tow and Recovery Advisory Board Meeting

Warrenton Police Department

November 1, 2017

Staff Lead- (non-voting): Steven Shiner

Members Present- Charlie Crummett, Dave Foster, Eddie Payne, Mike Zeets, Aaron Conner, Ron Stanley, Steve Wright, Neil Stribling

Members Absent- Sam Tilley

Other Attendees: Rusty Crowe, Hansford Conner, Kim Walkup

Shiner opened the meeting at 6:02 p.m.

Draft minutes were reviewed with motion to amend made by Zeets- to change opening time of meeting and to remove duplications in paragraph 2. Motion was seconded by Aaron Conner, no members opposed, 1 member was absent.

Public Time:

Crummett shared that at their First Sgt. meeting the Captain put out effective January 1, 2018 DCJS requires that every tow truck driver will need Sharps 2 training. As a board we need to say whether the board will make it a requirement so they can notify Richmond as to what the Fauquier Tow Board has been done. Clarification was made it that this is the TIMS training. Richmond will need to know whether the Board will require or not require TIMS Training. Zeets recapped what Charlie Crummett shared. Crummett advised that his Captain said they might require proof. Steve Wright read ordinance and it says all tower and drivers should meet minimum training standards and attend continuing education programs approved by the Board. The Board discussed the availability for classes, turnover rate, and minimum training standard. Crummett clarified he just needs to know if the Board is going to require. Zeets would like to know what Tracy Gallehr says. Shiner will run by Gallehr. Zeets shared that Mike Coffelt would like to get a class going and he is sure they can reach out to George Johnson, if it is a DCJS state requirement we could lean on them.

Work Session:

Shiner informed the Board that Tracy Gallehr thinks an amendment might need to be done in regards to Rusty's Towing using own heavy duty for subcontractor. She was digging into it. Shiner will follow up with Gallehr on Sharps training and Rusty's truck. Kenny came by office and asked if he could raise storage rent five dollars, Kim found where you can't charge anything different without informing the Sheriff. Clarification was made that this is just an increase of five dollars for storage, from fifty five dollars to sixty dollars. Board has no problems but Zeets suggested that he brings in a new price sheet so it can be reviewed and approved by the Sheriff. Aaron Conner said they received a letter from the office about admin fees, he felt it was a bit excessive, they dropped to the normal but they were going to change to twenty five dollars. Zeets explained that when they find a violation of the ordinance that the office would send a letter giving a reasonable time to fix or you would be taken off the tow list and

apologized if it was taken the wrong way. He also explained it was a form letter, informed what was on the form letter, and said it was for file to show compliance. Zeets explained that the administrative fee was higher than what was allowed and they complied.

Stats for September- October were reviewed. Hansford Conner had question about Heavy Duty 10/24/17. Hansford questioned when you are placed back on the top of the list wanting to know if Deputy or Dispatcher makes that call. Zeets believes officer verbalized to dispatch. Shiner will research with Joell.

Shiner explained unfounded and founded complaints. He informed the Board that he received two complaints:

1. excessive tow bill- unfounded
2. complaint on accident- ended up a question research charges- unfounded

The Board had no questions on complaints.

Zeets last meeting he asked everyone to review of ordinance, ordinance has not been modified since 2012. He would like to have a small sub-committee to review ordinance. Stribling thinks it would be worth sitting down and looking at it to see what needs added and deleted. Zeets explained why. Wright thinks it is a good idea to look at them. Rusty asked if it had to be the Board and was told no because it will still have to come back to the Board to be reviewed. Zeets wanted to know interest prior to going to a motion and would like to be part of it. Zeets feels that they should make the changes at one time. Ron Stanley thought it was already being reviewed. Zeets commented if it was about the application process he does not know anything about that but if it was not on the board agenda it hadn't gotten there. Wright commented the ordinance changes and application changes would be submitted at one time and Zeets said with the subcommittee that they can get with Tracy Gallehr and have her review them to make sure they are legal then bring packet back to the Board, discuss, and then send the recommended change document to the Board of Supervisors.

Shiner asked Ron Stanley to clarify what amendment supposed to go to the Board of Supervisors. The application was supposed to go to the Board of Supervisors for review but no one said if it was approved. Stribling said it was streamlining it. The Board discussed what they knew in regards to the application.

Zeets asked if the Board wanted to wait on the subcommittee. Stribling said he would like to sit on it so would Aaron Conner. Zeets motioned to develop a subcommittee to review ordinances and submit possible changes to the Board for review. Seconded Stribling, no members opposed. One member absent. Zeets will head up subcommittee. Rusty would like to be on it. Steve Wright suggested that Zeets email given so if concerns or if anyone wants something looked at they can email it.

Wright asked about how much longer the question on Rusty's truck was going to take. Shiner said he was hoping to have an answer by today. He informed that Gallehr's initial would be an amendment to ordinance because it was heavy duty with another agency, she just wanted to confirm to make sure.

Board had no more work session items to discuss.

Next meeting scheduled for January 24, 2017.

Zeets said we have to get answer to Charlie about the State Police. Wright asked if it could be done with an email. Aaron wants to call DCJS to see what they say. Zeets said as long as they can get Crummett and answer he does not see where they need to meet. Crummett is good with it. Board is good with not having a meeting for that. Aaron said that he will share his answer with DCJS. Zeets clarified that Shiner will let them know.

Next meeting scheduled for January 24, 2018.

Dave questioned vehicles had to be parked/registered Fauquier. The board discussed. Zeets looked at ordinance and found trucks need to be maintained and registered per the county and a copy of taxes showing domiciled in Fauquier County submitted annually.

Motion was made to close the meeting by Zeets which was seconded by Stribling, no members opposed, one member absent.