

Tow and Recovery Advisory Board Meeting

Warrenton Police Department

March 28, 2019

Board Attendees (voting): Sgt. Kenneth Franz, Ron Stanley, Aaron Conner, Dave Foster, Ray Prudhum, Chandler (Rusty) Crowe, Neil Stribling

Absent Board: Sam Tilley

Staff Lead (non- voting): Stephen Shiner

Other Attendees: Kim Walkup, George Johnson, Mark Nesbit, Hansford Conner

Shiner opened the meeting with the minute review. Motion by Prudhum. Seconded by Rusty Crowe.

Public Time:

Cpl. Shiner introduced Mark Nesbit and George Johnson from VDOT to brief on road closure on 29. Mark Nesbit VDOT Resident Engineer Warrenton Office, to talk about project this summer northbound 29 and is projecting to be little over 3 weeks, July 8- August 2. They have been preparing different things to help traffic and wanted to introduce the instant tow program (something implemented in other districts) and see if wanted to implement for project. George Johnson, Regional Incident Management Coordinator for northwest region, VDOT liaison for public safety, fire and rescue, and law enforcement and tow & recovery in a 20 county radius. Mr. Johnson wants to talk about the Safety Service Patrol, Instant Tow Program, and Traffic Incident Management. Nesbit said they are pursuing the Safety Service Patrol Program. Mr. Johnson explained the Safety Service program monitors typically interstate. This is a program motor assists agency. They carry gas, battery jump pack, change tire, arrow boards, and access the scene. Mr. Johnson explained they will assess with potential routes for approximately 27,000 cars a day on route 29 north and discussed what they might do to move the traffic. The positive push, pull or drag off the rd. during peak hours. If AAA there could be confusion for 3 to 4 weeks during event, there may be a few lost calls but it is free of charge in State of VA. Set up cones, arrow boards or message boards to provide safety and try not to render service when AAA is notified. They will need to be introduced to Sheriff's Office/ VSP Tow list. They will meet again to resolve. They do have Sheriff's Office Support for the program and they have to have Capt. of Division 2 support. Instant tow program suggestion you will get a 35-dollar run fee that you could bill VDOT or if tow not needed to go back to top of list. They will not make the next meeting so he will share the information with them. He is leaning toward going to top of list for a short duration. If Capt. Jones VSP wants to go with full Instant Tow program, you will be required to join E-VA. If you do not sign up you will be excluded from that zone. Peak hours will be around 4 AM to 8 AM then 4 pm to 8 pm time. Funding not identified. Mark Nesbit will decide which direction they will go. The Board discussed with Mr. Johnson the Sharp 2 program and let him know that the Sheriff does not require Sharps 2 for the tow list. Mr. Johnson clarified to the Board the Instant Tow Program and advised that this be just while the construction is going on but is trying to be extend to 66 but there are many angles to look at before accomplish it. The Board discussed problems with instant tow like free gas. Mr. Johnson will follow up with a letter, and gather tow list to send to the fiscal office to see what companies are E-VA enrolled. Mark Nesbit clarified the potential area they will be working with. Rusty Crowe was wondering about

tractor-trailers turning around. Mark Nesbit they figured they could catch them on 28 and if any tractor-trailer has business, they will come up with recommended plan and discussed potential for those types of things. Mr. Johnson will inform Sgt. Franz and Cpl. Shiner of the next steps. Shiner clarified information given by Mr. Johnson and Mr. Nesbit and explained the E-zone map discussed in regards to staying as close to 15 minutes to keep road clear and answered any questions in regards. Aaron Conner asked if they get there could they start hooking up. Shiner said no in case of injuries. Shiner had meeting with Tracy Gallehr today. Cpl. Shiner explained VDOT would be putting up a portable camera monitor.

Work Session:

Cpl. Shiner brought up items from last meeting that need re-addressed and possibly to Tracy Gallehr.

- Any draft changes that need to go to Tracy Gallehr- no drafts brought in and Board did not have any to address.
- Item 4- Shiner spoke with Capt. Prudhum and have dispatchers on board sent out information explaining importance to ask if they had preference or next available.

Shiner received email in February in regards to Jesse's in regards to deer accident on 1/11/19, read parts email to Board and passed around. Stribling asked if this was that a formal complaint. Shiner said he told the lady he would put it in front of the Board to see, Rusty feels he should be here. Shiner said that he didn't know he wasn't here until after he mentioned.

Aaron brought up ordinance in regards to the 1st day storage and wanted to know why can we change the first day and would like to change. Aaron further explained. Ron Stanley explained that when Tony Troilo was here it was supposed to be in already. Shiner asked Aaron to draft it up and send to him. Neil said that he does not agree with it and explained. Prudhum asked if that is universal fee believes from Stafford model as courtesy. The board continued to discuss the first day storage. Vote on Aaron drafting verbiage change to as soon as secured amendment to be sent to Tracy Gallehr. All in favor 7 opposed 0, 1 absent.

Rusty asked who is obligated to get stuff out of car. Shiner said it was in his lot, it was his decision. Rusty said there was a person-wanted firearm in trunk and he was a friend of hers the insurance co calls said they can release the car and gave him permission to get it out of car. Rusty told them he would release to insurance and not to him.

Rusty asked to use own equipment. Shiner agreed but needs to be inspected if he wanted to do that he does not think ordinance prohibits. Ron Stanley clarified with Dave Foster.

Aaron brought up that he was thinking about bidding for a contract through VDOT, are they going to be allowed to bid with no conflict for HD and light duty. Board discussed and Ray Prudhum thinks this should be a question addressed by Tracy Gallehr.

Shiner asked Board if they wanted a meeting before May 15. He also discussed application and Kim clarified the recertification. Stribling does not think they need to have a meeting prior to May 15. Kim

said middle of June meeting would be challenging due to inspections might want to wait till July. Shiner said they will play that by ear.

Aaron discussed a call on 610, his guy got 20 minutes down there and was told they called to cancel another tow company took it. Stribling said it was Empire Towing. The Board discussed scanner chasing.

Rusty informed there have been a couple of calls where dispatcher is calling before deputy on scene. Shiner said that dispatch are doing well by asking when on the phone.

Meeting was motioned to adjourn and seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.