NEBRASKA MOTOR VEHICLE INDUSTRY LICENSING BOARD

January 29, 2025 MEETING MINUTES

1. Notice of this public meeting was given in accordance with law by publication thereof in the Lincoln Journal-Star on July 18, 2024. The current Board meeting agenda is available for inspection in the Board's office located in the Nebraska State Office Building, 301 Centennial Mall South, first floor, Lincoln Nebraska. The agenda is available during normal business hours.

The Board meeting was held in the Liquor Control Commission Hearing Room, 301 Centennial Mall South Lincoln, Nebraska. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairperson Rhonda Lahm. The following Board Members were present: Chairperson Rhonda Lahm, Stephan Budke, Brad Jacobs, Clint Jones, Thomas McCaslin, Matt O'Daniel, and Chad Tessman. Executive Director Joshua L. Eickmeier, Recording Secretary Andrea Stefkovich and Legal Counsel Jarrod Crouse were present.

Chairperson Rhonda Lahm noted that a copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted in the meeting room and was accessible to members of the public.

- 2. <u>Agenda.</u> A motion was made by Mr. Jacobs and seconded by Mr. O'Daniel to approve the agenda as presented. All Board Members present answered "aye" to a roll call vote. No opposing Votes. Motion carried.
- 3. <u>Minutes of the July 22, 2024 Board Meeting.</u> A motion was made by Mr. Tessman and seconded by Mr. McCaslin to approve the July 22, 2024 minutes as presented. All Board Members present answered "aye" to a roll call vote. No opposing votes. Motion carried.
- 4. <u>Executive Director's Report.</u> Mr. Eickmeier gave an agency update, which had been emailed to the Board Members prior to the meeting.
 - A. <u>Renewals:</u> Mr. Eickmeier gave an update on the progress of the renewal system and its features for recording renewal progress. Discussion was made regarding late renewals.
 - B. <u>Website Update:</u> Mr. Eickmeier presented an update regarding the launch of the online form submission and payment system on the Board website.
 - C. <u>Vacant Board Positions:</u> Mr. Eickmeier gave an update on the vacant positions and Board Member reappointments.
 - D. <u>Introduced Legislation:</u> Mr. Eickmeier notified the Board of upcoming legislative proposals that will affect the Board.
 - E. <u>Website Award:</u> The recently revamped Board website was named Bronze Winner by Horizon Interactive Awards.

- 5. <u>Discussion of Fees:</u> Mr. Eickmeier gave an update on the cash status and a need to increase the licensing fees for the next renewal season and licensing year 2026 due to the low watermark of cash status and the need to level out the balance of the cash status. Mr. Budke requested information on the monthly income from licenses to assist with this decision.
- 6. <u>Cash Status and Budget Status Report.</u> For the month ending December 30, 2024. Board Members reviewed the reports. Chairperson Lahm asked for a motion to accept the Budget Reports as presented. A motion was made by Mr. Jacobs and seconded by Mr. O'Daniel to accept the Budget Reports. All Board Members present answered "aye" to a roll call vote. No opposing votes. Motion carried.

7. ADVERTISING VIOLATIONS.

A. Board vs Big Truck N Trailer Sales LLC (Advertising without dealer name) waiver signed/\$2,000 fine paid.

8. ADMINISTRATIVE VIOLATIONS.

- A. Board vs JK Auto Sales (Misuse of dealer plates) waiver signed/\$2,000 fine paid.
- 9. <u>Update and Discussion on Proposed Legislation.</u> Mr. Eickmeier introduced the topic of recently proposed Legislations LB 337, LB 261, LB 346, LB 667 and LB 690. Mr. Eickmeier will be testifying at the hearings for each of these bills and would like the Board to direct him on what position he testifies in at the bill hearings. The Board asked for a motion to allow Mr. Eickmeier to oppose LB 346 on behalf of the Board. A motion was made by Mr. O'Daniel and seconded by Mr. Jacobs to allow Mr. Eickmeier to testify in opposition on behalf of the Board in the hearing for LB 346. All Board Members present answered "aye" to a roll call vote. No opposing votes. Chairperson Laham abstained. Motion carried. The Board discussed LB 667 and LB 690 and took no action on the bills.
- 10. Next Tentative Board Meeting The Next Board Meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday February 20, 2025.
- 11. The meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote at 11:14 a.m.

Joshua L. Eickmeier Executive Director