NEBRASKA MOTOR VEHICLE INDUSTRY LICENSING BOARD

July 22, 2024 MEETING MINUTES

 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 9:30 a.m. by Chairperson Rhonda Lahm. The following Board members were present: Chairperson Rhonda Lahm, 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. Absent was Board member Stephan Budke

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 with the requested alteration. All Board members present answered "aye" to a roll call vote. No opposing Votes. Motion carried.
- 3. <u>Minutes of the March 28, 2024 Board Meeting.</u> A motion was made by Mr. Tessman and seconded by Mr. McCaslin to approve the March 28, 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>Website Update:</u> Mr. Eickmeier gave an update on changes to the agency website including updating the application and online pay options to the website.
 - B. <u>Vacant Board positions:</u> Mr. Eickmeier presented information we have regarding the three board member vacancies. We have no timelines from the Governor's office on appointment of new Board members.
 - C. <u>VIN Inspections:</u> Mr. Eickmeier gave an update on Investigator Treat and Investigator Eppens becoming approved VIN inspectors.
 - D. <u>Personnel Update:</u> Mr. Eickmeier notified the Board that we are currently awaiting word from DAS Personnel Division on hiring a qualified candidate for the currently vacant Northeast Nebraska Investigator position. The qualified candidate is

currently a State of Nebraska employee with another division and would require an increase in pay for this position due to NAPE/AFSME union contract rules and potentially an increase in pay for all current investigators. Mr. Eickmeier updated the Board that Investigator Treat will be on FMLA for six weeks.

5. <u>Cash Status and Budget Status Report.</u> For the month ending June 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. McCaslin and seconded by Mr. Jones to accept the Budget Reports. All Board members present answered "aye" to a roll call vote. No opposing votes. Motion carried.

6. ADVERTISING VIOLATIONS.

- A. Board VS. Ben Pavelka Truck Sales (Advertising without dealer name) waiver/\$2000 fine.
- B. Board VS. Biltoft Truck Sales (Advertising without dealer name) waiver/\$2000 fine.

7. ADMINISTRATIVE VIOLATIONS.

- A. Board VS. Georges Auto Sales (Failure to produce title, multiple in-transits) waiver/\$2000 fine 1yr probation.
- 8. <u>Curber Discussion.</u> Mr. Eickmeier introduced the topic of Deputy State Sheriff Commissions for currently certified investigators be considered due to the increasing curber issues and inability to enforce the laws surrounding curbing cars due to not having a Deputy State Sheriff Commission. Discussion was also opened to the issue of running background checks on applicants who currently are required to provide their own background check. Chairperson Lahm asked for a motion to allow qualified investigators seek Deputy State Sheriff Commission. A motion was made by Mr. O'Daniel and seconded by Mr. Jones to allow qualified investigators seek Deputy State Sheriff Commissions. All Board members present answered "aye" to a roll call vote. No opposing votes. Motion carried.
- 9. Executive Director Performance Review. Chairperson Lahm called for a motion for the Board to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters only. A motion was made by Mr. Tessman seconded by Mr. O'Daniel to go into Executive Session. All Board members present answered "aye" to a roll call vote. Motion carried. The Board went into executive session at 10:34 a.m.

A motion was made to come out of Executive Session. By unanimous consent via voice vote the Board came out of Executive Session at 11:27 a.m. Motion carried. All Board members affirmed no items other than a personnel matter were discussed. A motion was made by Mr. O'Daniel to

increase the pay of executive Director Josh Eickmeier by 3% as of July 29, 2024 seconded by Mr. Jones. All Board members present answered "aye" to a roll call vote. Motion carried.

- 10. Next Tentative Board Meeting- The Next Board meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday August 15, 2024.
- 11. Motion made by Mr. McCaslin to adjourn Seconded by Mr. Jacobs. Meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote at 11:29 a.m.

Joshua L. Eickmeier Executive Director