



County of Fairfax, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 17, 2021

TO: Trespass Towing Advisory Board

FROM: Michael S. Liberman, Director *MSL*
Department of Cable and Consumer Services

SUBJECT: Trespass Towing Advisory Board Meeting for March 24, 2021

Please find attached the Trespass Towing Advisory Board agenda packet. The next scheduled meeting is **Wednesday, March 24, 5:00 p.m.** This meeting will be held via a video connection due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

To join the meeting:

Click: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85111236903?pwd=eG5lSG5lS2x2dzM5THYvZWVHQUxTQT09>

Enter Password: 759862

Audio-only participation:

Dial: 888-270-9936

Enter Code: 584548

Please RSVP with your attendance to Carl A. Newcomb by COB on Tuesday, March 23, at Carl.Newcomb@fairfaxcounty.gov or 703-324-5931.

Enclosures

cc: Joseph M. Mondoro, Chief Financial Officer
Office of the County Executive

Rebecca L. Makely, Director
Consumer Services Division, DCCS

Carl A. Newcomb, Manager
Regulation and Licensing Branch, CSD, DCCS



**FAIRFAX COUNTY
TRESPASS TOWING ADVISORY BOARD**

**March 24, 2021
5:00 p.m.
Electronic Meeting**

MEETING AGENDA

Call to Order by the Chairman

Minutes

- Approval of January 27, 2021 meeting minutes.

Report of the Chairman

Report of the Director

Report of the Staff Liaison

Board Matters

Old Business

New Business

- Bylaws approval

Public Comment

Adjourn

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implemented safely or practically. Chairman Scheler further moved that the Board conduct the meeting electronically through the dedicated audio-conferencing line, and that the public access the meeting by calling 888-270-9936 and entering access coded 584548. The motion was seconded by Member Fee and the motion passed unanimously.

Report of the Chairman

- The Chairman had no matters to bring before the Board.

Report of the Director

- Director Liberman reported on the status of Board of Supervisor's (BOS) meetings. BOS meetings were held in person in September and October, returned to an electronic meeting in November of 2020, and meetings in February and March of 2021 will be held electronically.
- Director Liberman reported that the Fairfax County Health Department is currently conducting vaccination clinics, and that the Fairfax County Government Center is one of the locations for these clinics.

Report of the Staff Liaison

- Director Makely provided an update on the new county-wide bylaws templates being used for Boards, Authorities and Commissions. A draft will be presented to the Board once updates have been completed.
- Branch Manager Newcomb had no matters to bring before the Board.

Board Matters

- Member Fee shared a discussion with a family that contracted COVID-19 after the son had taken a family vehicle for a state inspection and asked what COVID-19 precautions the tow industry was taking to protect customers. A discussion ensued.

Old Business

- There was no old business before the Board.

New Business

- **Tow Rates.** Chairman Scheler provided a review of the industry proposal to increase tow rates in Fairfax County. Chairman Scheler stated the basic tow rate for a passenger vehicle (<7501 lbs. GVWR) would increase from the current rate of \$135.00 to the state maximum rate of \$150.00 and the charge for towing a vehicle on a weekend, after hours, or on a holiday would increase from the current rate of \$25.00 to the state maximum rate of \$30.00. Discussion ensued.
- Chairman Scheler motioned that the Board ask the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors to raise the tow rates from \$135.00 to \$150.00 for a light duty tow for vehicles < 7501 lbs. GVWR and increase the amount from \$25.00 to \$30.00 for incidentals on holidays, nights and weekends. Member Dt. Regan seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Minutes

- Chairman Scheler asked for a quick vote on the approval of the January 27, 2021 minutes. The vote was unanimous in favor of approving the minutes.

Public Comment

- Mike Fernandez, Battlefield Towing & Storage, Inc.
- Ashly Miller, Dominion Towing & Storage, Inc.
- Krista White, Resident
- Dwight Gochenour II, Dominion Towing & Storage, Inc.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

Fairfax County
Trespass Towing Advisory Board
2021 Yearly Planning Calendar
As of March 24, 2021

Rooms have been reserved on the dates shown below should meetings need to be held.

January 27	Towing Rates
March 24	Bylaws approval
May 26	
July 28	
September 22	
November 24	

Possible Future Agenda Topics