

MEETING MINUTES

VEHICLE FOR HIRE BOARD

APRIL 27, 2023

4252 GROVES RD
COLUMBUS, OH 43232

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Cathy Collins at 9:37 AM.

The roll call of Board Members showed seven (9) members present, six (4) members absent, and two (2) currently vacant. A quorum was met. A motion was made by Amanda Ford to dispense the reading of the minutes and to approve all old minutes that hadn't been approved. Jennifer Atkinson 2nd the motion.

APPLICATION FOR NEW PEDICAB/QUADRICYCLE OWNER LICENSES

None

APPLICATION FOR NEW TAXICAB OWNER LICENSES

Two (2) licenses issued

APPLICATION FOR VEHICLE TRANSFER OF TAXICAB OWNER LICENSES

Nine (9) licenses transferred

APPLICATION FOR OWNER TRANSFER OF TAXICAB OWNER LICENSES

Two (2) owner licenses transferred

APPLICATION FOR VEHICLE TRANSFER OF LIVERY OWNER LICENSES

None

APPLICATION FOR NEW LIVERY OWNER LICENSES

Two (2) licenses issued

OLD BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

- Discussed upcoming mid-year annual taxicab/livery inspections for May 8-18th at Berliner Park, 325 Greenlawn Ave, Columbus, OH 43223. Letters to all valid taxi owners were sent out the first week of April for inspection times.
- Discussed Experience Columbus Insider (ECI) certification requirement added to the professional taxi application (removing the Certified Tourism Ambassador (CTA) certification, but will accept until the end of year). Zachary Warmouth with Experience Columbus was welcomed to the board. He stated that the website was receiving a good response and would check if they had physical brochures.

OPEN DISCUSSION

- Discussed changing code for VFH Board meeting frequency to quarterly. John Oswalt said that legislation will be drafted to change a quorum of a vote to 50% +1 of current appointed board seats and the code could be amended for the need of special meetings.
- There was also further discussion of addressing hardships through legislation.

Cathy Collins motioned to adjourn, Jennifer Atkinson 2nd that motion. The meeting was ajourned at 10:08 AM.