#### RESOLUTION 232-15

### RESOLUTION APPROVING TOW OPERATORS FOR THE BOROUGH OF CLAYTON

WHEREAS, Four (4) Tow Operators have submitted applications to be placed on the towing list of the Borough of Clayton pursuant to the policies and procedures of the Borough's Towing Chapter 86A; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the four (4) applicants satisfy all of the appropriate conditions necessary for approval as a tow operator for the Borough of Clayton; and

**WHEREAS**, Sgt. Andrew Davis has submitted his written report of his findings and recommendations, dated December 23, 2015, a copy of which is attached; and

**WHEREAS**, the governing body is in agreement to approve the four (4) applicants as approved tow operators for the Borough of Clayton.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Clayton, County of Gloucester, and State of New Jersey as follows:

- 1. That the governing body does hereby approve Ralph's Auto Service, Delsea Motor Company, East Side Service and Too Fast Recovery as authorized and approved tow operators for the Borough of Clayton.
- 2. That the appointment as approved tow operators are valid January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.

**ADOPTED** at a meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Clayton in the County of Gloucester and State of New Jersey on Wednesday, December 30, 2015.

#### BOROUGH OF CLAYTON

THOMAS BIANCO, Mayor

Attest:

CHRISTINE NEWCOMB, Municipal Clerk

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I, Christine Newcomb, Municipal Clerk, of the Borough of Clayton, in the County of Gloucester, and State of New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was presented and duly adopted by the Borough Council at a meeting of the Borough of Clayton held on Wednesday, December 30, 2015.

CHRISTINE NEWCOMB

Municipal Clerk

### Letter of Recommendation

**Clayton Towing Service 2016** 

#### Ralph's Towing and Auto, Inc.

An application was filed with the Borough of Clayton prior to November 15<sup>th</sup> 2015 which included the \$150.00 filing fee. I reviewed the application and all paperwork was in order. I conducted a review of the Tow Truck Operator's Driver's Licenses. All drivers' licenses were valid. I completed an inspection of the facility on 11/27/15. The Facility could store 25 passenger vehicles and 1 tractor trailer. The inside locked storage area was at least 800 square feet. The facility is staffed 8A – 5P on normal business days. The month that the facility is on duty they have someone available 24 hours 7 days a week to receive phone calls.

I inspected the Tow Trucks that were listed on the application. The Tow Truck's registrations were valid and also possessed valid insurance. Every Tow Truck had the following; Safety jackets, emergency lighting, snatch block per winch, red safety lights to attach to a towing vehicle, ample chains, broom, shovel, prying tool, jumper cables or jump box, flashlight, fire extinguisher, flares or reflectors, 10 pounds of sand or drying compound for fluid cleanup, tool box, and back up alarms. Tow Trucks had valid inspections and Department of License's stickers.

Upon speaking with police officers, who work the road and my own previous experience, Ralphs Towing responds to crashes in a timely fashion and handles tows with professionalism. I would recommend the tow company for a Borough of Clayton Tow License for 2016.

Chief's designee/inspector:

**Chief of Police Endorsement:** 

# Letter of Recommendation Clayton Towing Service 2016

#### **Delsea Motors Co. Inc.**

An application was filed with the Borough of Clayton prior to November 15<sup>th</sup> 2015 which included the \$150.00 filing fee. I reviewed the application and all paperwork was in order. I conducted a review of the Tow Truck Operator's Driver's Licenses. All drivers' licenses were valid. I completed an inspection of the facility on 11/27/15. The Facility could store 25 passenger vehicles and 1 tractor trailer. The inside locked storage area was at least 800 square feet. The facility is staffed 8A – 5P on normal business days. The month that the facility is on duty they have someone available 24 hours 7 days a week to receive phone calls.

I inspected the Tow Trucks that were listed on the application. The Tow Truck's registrations were valid and also possessed valid insurance. Every Tow Truck had the following; Safety jackets, emergency lighting, snatch block per winch, red safety lights to attach to a towing vehicle, ample chains, broom, shovel, prying tool, jumper cables or jump box, flashlight, fire extinguisher, flares or reflectors, 10 pounds of sand or drying compound for fluid cleanup, tool box, and back up alarms. Tow Trucks had valid inspections and Department of License's stickers.

Upon speaking with police officers, who work the road and my own previous experience, Delsea Motors responds to crashes in a timely fashion and handles tows with professionalism. Officers and I have concerns with some outdated equipment but they are compliant with this ordinance. I would recommend the tow company for a Borough of Clayton Tow License for 2016.

Chief's designee/inspector:

**Chief of Police Endorsement:** 

#### **Letter of Recommendation**

#### **Clayton Towing Service 2016**

East Side

#### Delsea Motors Service

An application was filed with the Borough of Clayton prior to November 15<sup>th</sup> 2015 which included the \$150.00 filing fee. I reviewed the application and all paperwork was in order. I conducted a review of the Tow Truck Operator's Driver's Licenses. All drivers' licenses were valid. I completed an inspection of the facility on 11/27/15. The Facility could store 25 passenger vehicles and 1 tractor trailer. The inside locked storage area was at least 800 square feet. The facility is staffed 8A – 5P on normal business days. The month that the facility is on duty they have someone available 24 hours 7 days a week to receive phone calls.

I inspected the Tow Trucks that were listed on the application. The Tow Truck's registrations were valid and also possessed valid insurance. Every Tow Truck had the following; Safety jackets, emergency lighting, snatch block per winch, red safety lights to attach to a towing vehicle, ample chains, broom, shovel, prying tool, jumper cables or jump box, flashlight, fire extinguisher, flares or reflectors, 10 pounds of sand or drying compound for fluid cleanup, tool box, and back up alarms. Tow Trucks had valid inspections and Department of License's stickers.

Upon speaking with police officers, who work the road and my own previous experience, East Side responds to crashes in a timely fashion and handles tows with professionalism. I would recommend the tow company for a Borough of Clayton Tow License for 2016.

Chief's designee/inspector:

**Chief of Police Endorsement:** 

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## Letter of Recommendation Clayton Towing Service 2016

#### **Too Fast Towing Inc.**

An application was filed with the Borough of Clayton prior to November 15<sup>th</sup> 2015 which included the \$150.00 filing fee. I reviewed the application and all paperwork was in order, with the exception that the application was signed by a president of a corporation but never attested to by secretary (#8 on application). I conducted a review of the Tow Truck Operators Driver's Licenses. All drivers' licenses were valid. I completed an inspection of the facility on 11/27/15. There was no staff on location during normal business hours. Upon contacting the company via phone, Scott Schneider advised that he was short-handed today and could not get any tow trucks to my location for inspection (Note: Too Fast was currently on call in November for Clayton). Scott Schneider requested that I conduct an inspection on Monday, November 30<sup>th</sup>. I was unable to return to the facility on Monday, November 30<sup>th</sup> but I did follow up on Tuesday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, I again found the facility to be unstaffed (but they were no longer on call for the month). I again called Too Fast Towing via phone and left a message that I wished to conduct an inspection. Scott Schneider returned my call a few hours later. He advised that he would be available at 12:30PM. Upon inspecting the facility at 12:30PM on December 1<sup>st</sup>, the facility could store 25 passenger vehicles and 1 tractor trailer on the outside of the property. The inside locked storage area was at least 800 square feet. Scott Schneider advised that in the future he would staff the building during normal business days when they were on call for the month. The month that the facility is on duty they have someone available 24 hours 7 days a week to receive phone calls.

I inspected only 4 the Tow Trucks that were listed on the application (Registration# XBCJ24, #XBKN67, #XBKG63, #XBKG64). The Tow Truck's inspections, registrations, and insurance were valid. Every Tow Truck had the following; Safety jackets, emergency lighting, snatch block per winch, red safety lights to attach to a towing vehicle, ample chains, broom, shovel, prying tool,

jumper cables or jump box, flashlight, fire extinguisher, flares or reflectors, 10 pounds of sand or drying compound for fluid cleanup, tool box, and back up alarms. Tow Trucks had valid Department of License's stickers.

Upon speaking with police officers, who work the road and my own previous experience, Too Fast Towing responds to crashes in a timely fashion most of the time but has exceeded 20 minute response times on some occasions. The tow handlers are knowledgeable and act with professionalism. I received a Valid Zoning Permit for Too Fast Towing (Permit# 322-12) from Glassboro. I would recommend the tow company for Borough of Clayton Tow License for 2016.

Chief's designee/inspector:

**Chief of Police Endorsement:** 

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