IN THE TRIBAL COURT FOR THE ASSINIBOINE AND SIOUX TRIBES

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2015-11.0

ORDER CONCERNING RULES OF THE TRAFFIC COURT

WHEREAS the Court sees the need for rules for the Traffic Court, and the following rules will apply:

- 1. DUI, Driving in Violation of a Court Order and multiple offenses of the same action are not eligible for Traffic Court.
- 2. Person appears based on the citation from law enforcement, not criminal complaint or summons.
- 3. Person may pay the citation in person or by mail before the court date.
- 4. Traffic Court begins at 1:00 p.m. every Wednesday starting with arraignments followed by scheduled trials. When Wednesday is a holiday, Traffic Court will be held on the following Wednesday.
- 5. If the defendant does not appear and a bond has been posted, the bond is forfeited, a warrant may be issued and a trial date may be set. If a bond has not been posted, a warrant may be issued and a trial date may be set.
- 6. If the defendant pleads not guilty to a Class B offense, a bench trial will be scheduled and the prosecutor has 10 days to give the defendant the police report and/or any other discovery. If the defendant pleads not guilty to a Class A offense, a pre-trial will be scheduled with the adult criminal docket and the prosecutor has 10 days to give the defendant the police report and/or any other discovery.
- 7. Defendant may be tried in absentia if the defendant does not appear at trial.
- 8. The parties are responsible for bringing their own witnesses.
- 9. There is no appeal where there is only a monetary penalty.
- 10. A specific judge and clerk will be assigned to Traffic Court and the Traffic Court docket will be outside the adult criminal docket.

DATED this day of Movember, 2015.

Stacie Crawford, Chief Judge