

POTTER COUNTY BAIL BOND BOARD
AMARILLO, TEXAS

MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING

September 25, 2024

Bail Bond Board Members Present:

Julie Smith - Potter County Clerk – **Chair**
Sgt. Don Fowler - Sheriff's Office Designee
Joshua Nelson - Allstate Bail Bonds, Surety Representative
Stephnie Menke – Potter County District Clerk
Travis Tidmore – Potter County Assistant District Attorney

Bail Bond Board Members Absent:

Brooke Graves, Potter County Treasurer
Judge Nancy Tanner – Potter County Judge – **Vice Chair**
Judge Sunny Ratliff – Amarillo Municipal Court
Judge Robert Taylor - Justice of the Peace, Pct. 2
Judge Matt Hand – Potter County Court at Law 2
Brent Huckabay – Criminal Defense Attorney

Melinda Powell, Potter County Assistant County Attorney, was present as Counsel.

Meeting was called to order by Julie Smith at 3:33 p.m.

1. Review of Minutes: Review and discuss the minutes of the public meeting held August 21, 2024, and take action.

The minutes from the August 21, 2024, Potter County Bail Bond Board, were so recognized.

2. Applications for license:

- A. To hold a hearing to consider approving or denying an application for a license submitted at a prior meeting of the Board. Receive any report(s) of investigation concerning a new applicant or renewal.
 - 1. Take action on renewal application from Basden Bail Bonds license #002.

MOTION was made by Sgt. Don Fowler.

SECOND was made by Travis Tidmore.

All approved – Motion carried.

- B. To receive a new or renewal application(s) for a license to operate a bonding business and set a date for final hearing on said application.
 - 1. Receive renewal application for Almost Free Bail Bonds.

A renewal application for Almost Free Bail Bonds was received. No action was taken pending review.

- C. The following companies have had their bonding privileges revoked due to non-payment of a bond forfeiture/paid the bond forfeiture/reinstated.
 - 1. None.

3. Deposited Collateral for pre-approved companies:

- A. To discuss and take necessary action in regard to any company(s) conditionally approved in Potter County, pending collateral being filed with the County Treasurer. A conditionally approved company can list bonds after collateral is posted.
 - 1. None.

4. Security deposits for licensed companies:

- A. To receive an updated report on posted security and changes in collateral and take any necessary action. To receive or release the following collateral for a licensed company. Treasurer Brooke Graves.
 - 1. None.

5. Report from Brooke Graves:

- A. To receive any reports from Brooke Graves.
 - 1. Monthly surety summary report

No report was received. This item was passed.

6. Employee applications:

- A. To receive, approve, deny or take any necessary action in regards to employee applications.
 - 1. Take action on new employee application for Jace Vancleave-Freedom Bail Bonds

MOTION was made by Sgt Don Fowler.

SECOND was made by Stephnie Menke.

All approved – Motion carried.

- 2. Receive new employee application for Javalera Anani-Cowboy Bail Bonds

The application for Javalera Anani – Cowboy Bail Bonds was received. No action was taken pending review.

B. The following approved employee(s) are no longer employed by a licensed company.
(listed at the request of the surety)

None were received.

7. Old Business:

No old business was discussed.

8. New Business: 1. Vote to replace Joshua Nelson with Stephnie Menke as secretary of the Potter County Bail Bond Board.

MOTION was made by Travis Tidmore.

SECOND was made by Joshua Nelson.

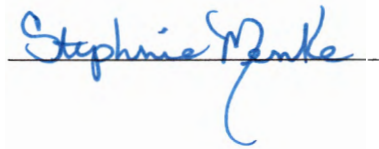
All approved – Motion carried.

9. Public comments and agenda items.

There were no public comments or agenda items presented.

Julie Smith adjourned the Potter County Bail Bond Board meeting at 3:47 p.m. and set the next meeting for October 16th, 2024, at 3:30 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Stephnie Menke, Secretary

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Stephnie Menke". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.