

Potter County Bail Bond Board

Amarillo, Texas

MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING

August 20, 2025

Bail Bond Board Members Present:

Stephnie Menke, Potter County District Clerk
Brooke Graves - Potter County Treasurer
Judge Steven Denny – 320th District Judge
Judge Robert Taylor – Justice of the Peace, Pct. 2
Travis Tidmore – Potter County Assistant District Attorney
Joshua Dixon – Bargain Bail Bonds II , Surety Representative

Bail Bond Board Members Absent:

Julie Smith – Potter County Clerk – **Chair**
Judge Nancy Tanner – Potter County Judge – **Vice Chair**
Judge Walt Weaver – Potter County Court at Law #1
Judge Sunny Ratliff – Amarillo Municipal Court
Sgt. Don Fowler, Sheriff's Office Designee
Representative for Criminal Defense Attorney

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

The meeting was called to order by Stephnie Menke at 3:30 p.m.

Standing Business

- 1. Review of Minutes:** To recognize the minutes of the Potter County Bail Bond Board public meeting held on July 16, 2025.

The minutes from July 16, 2025, Potter County Bail Bond Board meeting were so recognized.

2. License Applications:

- A. To hold a hearing to consider approving or denying an application for a license submitted at a prior meeting of the Potter County Bail Bond Board. Receive any report(s) of investigation concerning a new applicant or renewal.
 1. No applications were submitted.
- 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. No new or renewal applications were received.

C. The following companies have had their bonding privileges revoked due to non-payment of a bond forfeiture.

1. No privileges were revoked.

D. The following companies have had their bonding privileges re-instated after payment of a bond forfeiture.

1. No privileges have been re-instated.

3. Deposited Collateral for pre-approved companies:

A. To discuss and take necessary action regarding any company(s) conditionally approved in Potter County, pending collateral being filed with the County Treasurer. A conditionally approved company can post bonds after the collateral is posted.

1. No pre-approved companies were submitted.

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. No report was submitted.

5. Reports from Brooke Graves, Potter County Treasurer:

A. To receive any reports from Brooke Graves.

1. Monthly Surety Summary Report

The Monthly Surety Summary Report was received and recognized.

6. Employee Applications:

A. To receive, approve, deny or take any necessary action regarding employee applications.

1. No employment applications were received.

B. The following approved employees are no longer employed by a licensed company.

1. No employment matters were received.

7. New Business:

A. Address Bonding Company's discretionary conditions. (Judge Denny)

Discussion was held. Outcome of discussion:

- 1) There are never "Discretionary Bonding Conditions".
- 2) All Judges (District, County Court at Law, Magistrate, JP) set the conditions on the bonds that are mandatory, not discretionary.

7. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

8. Receive agenda items for future meetings.

Stephnie Menke adjourned the Potter County Bail Bond Board meeting at 3:36 p.m. and set the next meeting for September 17, 2025, at 3:30 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Stephnie Menke, Secretary

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Stephnie Menke", is written over a horizontal line.

August 20, 2025

ATTENDEE NAME	TITLE & OFFICE
Josh Dixon	Bail Bonds
Brooke Graves	Treasurer
Steven Denny	320th
Kenneth Dawson	Co. Clerk
Stephanie Menke	District Clerk
Travis Tidmore	D.A.
Brenda Cano	DC
Brenda Borden	Bail Bonds
Melinda Paralel	CA
Robert & Joseph	Justices of Peace #2

Lic#	Surety/Bond Company	Status	Ceiling	----	Current	----	Jgmt NISI	----	Final Jgmt	Tot Liability	Available
0001	~AMARILLO BAIL BOND (EXP)	EXPIRED	1,200,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,200,000
0002	BASDEN BAIL BOND	ACTIVE	5,561,180	248	1,956,250	20	237,500	0	0	2,193,750	3,367,430
0005	AKA GAYLYNN'S BAIL BOND	ACTIVE	745,480	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	745,480
0006	~BAIL BONDS BY JUDY	EXPIRED	1,247,420	36	239,500	2	5,500	0	0	245,000	1,002,420
0020	~BUDGET BAIL BOND	EXPIRED	1,325,000	37	306,500	6	20,000	5	11,882	338,382	986,617
0021	~BAILMAXX BONDING	SUSPEND	99,999,999	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	99,999,999
0023	AMARILLO BAIL BOND	ACTIVE	1,100,000	175	859,750	12	56,500	0	0	916,250	183,750
0024	~FREEDOM BAIL BONDS	EXPIRED	99,999,999	207	1,832,000	5	25,500	0	0	1,857,500	98,142,499
0028	SAVIOR BAIL BONDS	ACTIVE	99,999,999	581	4,184,750	18	104,500	3	10,542	4,299,792	95,700,206
0029	~DIXON BAIL BONDS	EXPIRED	99,999,999	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	99,999,999
0030	GREEN-LIGHT BAIL BOND	ACTIVE	969,050	66	320,000	3	11,000	2	751	331,751	637,298
0032	BARGAIN BAIL BONDS II	ACTIVE	500,000	40	265,250	0	0	0	0	265,250	234,750
0033	~CENTRAL BAIL BONDS II	EXPIRED	99,999,999	4	44,000	0	0	1	565	44,565	99,955,433
0034	~BUDGET I BAIL BONDS	EXPIRED	99,999,999	24	129,500	1	3,500	0	0	133,000	99,866,999
0035	COWBOY BAIL BONDS	ACTIVE	99,999,999	42	606,000	2	20,000	0	0	626,000	99,373,999
0036	CENTRAL BAIL BONDS 2	ACTIVE	99,999,999	129	655,850	1	5,000	0	0	660,850	99,339,149
0037	ALLSTATE BAIL BONDS	ACTIVE	99,999,999	213	1,166,000	15	120,500	3	11,554	1,298,054	98,701,944
0038	FREEDOM BAIL BONDS	ACTIVE	99,999,999	707	7,755,000	9	44,500	0	0	7,799,500	92,200,499
0039	ALMOST FREE BAIL BONDS	ACTIVE	99,999,999	151	1,330,750	2	15,000	1	2,510	1,348,260	98,651,738
0040	DIXON BAIL BONDS II	ACTIVE	99,999,999	189	1,638,750	0	0	0	0	1,638,750	98,361,249
9999	O/C:~	ACTIVE	0	792	4,201,750	68	241,500	28	33,220	4,476,470	0
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