

# **Potter County Bail Bond Board**

## **Amarillo, Texas**

### **MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING**

**May 21, 2025**

#### **Bail Bond Board Members Present:**

Kourtney Dawson – **Acting Chair**  
Judge Nancy Tanner – Potter County Judge – **Vice Chair**  
Judge Walt Weaver – Potter County Court at Law #1  
Judge Sunny Ratliff – Amarillo Municipal Court  
Judge Steven Denny – 320<sup>th</sup> District Judge  
Judge Robert Taylor – Justice of the Peace, Pct. 2  
Stephnie Menke, Potter County District Clerk  
Joshua Dixon – Bargain Bail Bonds II , Surety Representative

#### **Bail Bond Board Members Absent:**

Julie Smith - Potter County Clerk  
Brooke Graves - Potter County Treasurer  
Travis Tidmore – Potter County Assistant District Attorney  
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 Kourtney Dawson 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 April 16, 2025.

The minutes from April 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. Receive new employee application for Harlee Simpson, Almost Free Bail Bonds, Lic. #0039.

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

1. Jennifer Ballard, Almost Free Bail Bonds, Lic. #0039.

MOTION was made by Josh Dixon to approve both employment items A and B.

SECOND was made by Judge Weaver.

All approved – Motion carried.

**7. Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

**8. Receive agenda items for future meetings.**

Bond Company complaint.

Kourtney Dawson adjourned the Potter County Bail Bond Board meeting at 3:34 p.m. and set the next meeting for June 18, 2025, 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.

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	305	2,652,000	21	240,000	0	0	2,892,000	2,669,180
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	166	836,250	20	96,000	0	0	932,250	167,750
0024	~FREEDOM BAIL BONDS	EXPIRED	99,999,999	213	1,873,500	6	40,500	0	0	1,914,000	98,085,999
0028	SAVIOR BAIL BONDS	ACTIVE	99,999,999	595	4,251,000	54	363,500	4	1,749	4,616,249	95,383,749
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	255,500	0	0	0	0	255,500	244,500
0033	~CENTRAL BAIL BONDS II	EXPIRED	99,999,999	4	44,000	3	25,000	0	0	69,000	99,930,999
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	41	602,000	2	20,000	0	0	622,000	99,377,999
0036	CENTRAL BAIL BONDS 2	ACTIVE	99,999,999	149	663,850	2	8,000	0	0	671,850	99,328,149
0037	ALLSTATE BAIL BONDS	ACTIVE	99,999,999	217	1,378,350	21	153,000	0	0	1,531,350	98,468,649
0038	FREEDOM BAIL BONDS	ACTIVE	99,999,999	740	8,008,810	12	103,000	0	0	8,111,810	91,888,189
0039	ALMOST FREE BAIL BONDS	ACTIVE	99,999,999	146	1,206,750	4	23,500	0	0	1,230,250	98,769,749
0040	DIXON BAIL BONDS II	ACTIVE	99,999,999	208	1,665,352	0	0	0	0	1,665,352	98,334,647
9999	O/C:~	ACTIVE	0	792	4,081,000	76	302,000	23	30,036	4,413,036	0

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