

Potter County Bail Bond Board

Amarillo, Texas

MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING
February 18, 2026

Bail Bond Board Members Present:

Julie Smith - Potter County Clerk - **Chair**
Judge Nancy Tanner - Potter County Judge - **Vice Chair**
Stephnie Menke – Potter County District Clerk – **Secretary**
Judge Walt Weaver- Potter County Court at Law #1
Judge Sunny Ratliff - Amarillo Municipal Court
Brooke Graves - Potter County Treasurer
Travis Tidmore - Potter County Assistant District Attorney
Joshua Dixon - Bargain Bail Bonds II , Surety Representative

Bail Bond Board Members Absent:

Judge Steven Denny - 320th District Judge
Judge Robert Taylor- Justice of the Peace, Pct. 2
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 Julie Smith 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 January 21, 2026.

The minutes from the January 21, 2026, Potter County Bail Bond Board meeting were so recognized.

2. License Applications:

- 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.
 - 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. Receive the renewal license application for Bargain Bail Bonds II, Lic. #0032.

The renewal license application was received for Bargain Bail Bonds II. Final hearing was set for March 18, 2026.

- 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 a new employee application for Michael Bonner, Basden Bail Bonds, Lic. #0002.

- 2. Receive a new employee application for Allison Weathers, Freedom Bail Bonds, Lic. #0038.

MOTION was made by Josh Dixon to approve both Item A1 and A2.

SECOND was made by Travis Tidmore.

All approved – Motion carried.

- B. The following approved employees are no longer employed by a licensed company.
1. No employment matters were received.

7. New Business:

- A. To consider and act upon releasing \$30,000 from the funds on deposit to Roger Grady. Funds will come from monies on deposit for the sale of real property belonging to Judy Maples.

MOTION was made by Travis Tidmore to approve the release of \$30,000 from the funds on deposit to Roger Grady.

SECOND was made by Judge Weaver.

All approved – Motion carried.

8. Public comments

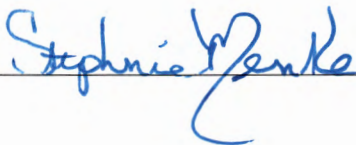
No public comment was received.

9. Receive agenda items for future meetings.

To recognize Judge Weaver, County Court at Law #1, as the 2026 Board Designee for County Court at Law.

Julie Smith adjourned the Potter County Bail Bond Board meeting at 3:39 p.m. and set the next meeting for March 18, 2026, at 3:30 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Stephnie Menke, Secretary



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	244	1,891,750	19	232,500	0	0	2,124,250	3,436,930
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	2	8,500	0	0	0	0	8,500	1,238,920
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	162	889,750	10	48,000	0	0	937,750	162,250
0024	~FREEDOM BAIL BONDS	EXPIRED	99,999,999	199	1,775,000	3	3,000	0	0	1,778,000	98,221,999
0028	SAVIOR BAIL BONDS	ACTIVE	99,999,999	574	3,916,000	5	21,000	2	1,885	3,938,885	96,061,113
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	2	6,000	2	751	326,751	642,298
0032	BARGAIN BAIL BONDS II	ACTIVE	500,000	52	293,500	0	0	0	0	293,500	206,500
0033	~CENTRAL BAIL BONDS II	EXPIRED	99,999,999	4	44,000	0	0	0	0	44,000	99,955,999
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	53	491,000	1	5,000	0	0	496,000	99,503,999
0036	CENTRAL BAIL BONDS 2	ACTIVE	99,999,999	167	809,350	0	0	0	0	809,350	99,190,649
0037	ALLSTATE BAIL BONDS	ACTIVE	99,999,999	267	1,461,000	4	57,500	0	0	1,518,500	98,481,499
0038	FREEDOM BAIL BONDS	ACTIVE	99,999,999	700	7,259,000	2	10,000	0	0	7,269,000	92,730,999
0039	ALMOST FREE BAIL BONDS	ACTIVE	99,999,999	159	1,465,000	0	0	0	0	1,465,000	98,534,999
0040	DIXON BAIL BONDS II	ACTIVE	99,999,999	238	1,934,250	0	0	0	0	1,934,250	98,065,749
9999	O/C:_	ACTIVE	0	799	4,237,750	71	310,500	28	32,790	4,581,040	0

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