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3 **BAIL BOND BOARD MEETING**

4 **DECEMBER 17, 2015**

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6 THOSE PRESENT: Pat Knauth  
7 Casi De La Torre  
8 Becky Garcia  
9 Tim Funchess  
10 Keith Day  
11 Mary Godina  
12 Tina Benoit  
13 Brandi Sewell, CSR  
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1 MR. FUNCHESS: I will call this meeting of the  
2 bail bond board together. The first item on the agenda is to  
3 review the minutes from the last meeting. Has everybody had a  
4 chance to review those?

5 MS. GARCIA: I don't believe those have been  
6 sent out to anyone.

7 MS. SEWELL: Those are on the webpage.

8 MS. BENOIT: We just post them to the web now.

9 MS. GARCIA: I didn't know that.

10 MS. BENOIT: Maybe you weren't at the meeting  
11 where we decided to do that.

12 MS. GARCIA: Okay.

13 MR. FUNCHESS: Do we still want to approve  
14 them?

15 MS. BENOIT: Sure.

16 MR. FUNCHESS: We'll take a motion to approve  
17 the minutes as posted.

18 MR. KNAUTH: Move.

19 MR. FUNCHESS: So moved. I got a second?

20 MR. DAY: Second.

21 MR. FUNCHESS: All in favor.

12:38 PM 22 (RESPONSE)

23 MR. FUNCHESS: Opposed? None. All right.

24 | Passed.

25 Second thing on the agenda is district

1 attorney's office report regarding the status of collections  
2 regarding bond forfeiture cases.

3 MS. GARCIA: It's been passed out.

4 MR. FUNCHESS: Any questions or comments?

5 MS. GARCIA: I just want to say kudos to the  
6 county clerk's office and the hard-working staff that supply  
12:38 PM 7 this funds for the county.

8 MR. DAY: Then I want to say kudos to the  
9 bondsmen who pay all of this, who took care of this and paid  
10 their bills --

11 MS. GARCIA: You are correct.

12 MR. DAY: -- as well.

13 MR. KNAUTH: I second both motions. Thank you  
14 both.

15 MR. DAY: Don't want to let Becky take all the  
16 credit here. We're a team.

17 MR. FUNCHESS: All right. Third thing on the  
18 agenda is consideration/approval of applications to become  
12:39 PM 19 bondsmen or agents.

20 MS. GARCIA: I don't have any applications to  
21 be approved this month. There will be an application for next  
22 month; Erica Francois has applied again. I am in the course of  
23 reviewing it. There are little issues with it that she will  
24 have to get worked out. I do plan on e-mailing to everyone,  
25 all the board members, what I have and what I find in it prior

12:39 PM 1 to the next board meeting so that you can review it. And if  
2 you have your own questions, you can address them at that time  
3 as well.

4 MR. FUNCHESS: Did we get another application  
5 fee from her?

6 MS. GARCIA: Yes, we did; and it has been  
7 deposited.

8 MR. FUNCHESS: Good deal. All right.

9 Fourth thing on the agenda, consider any  
10 complaints against bondsmen.

11 MS. GODINA: I did receive a complaint, and I  
12 passed it out to the ones that were here.

13 MR. FUNCHESS: Becky, you want to give us some  
14 detail on this?

15 MS. GARCIA: Yes, sir. It came to my  
16 attention while working in a misdemeanor case that the  
17 signature of the surety did not match the signature of that  
18 surety in his applications that he had filed with the Bail Bond  
19 Board. I've supplied two examples of his signature on a surety  
20 bond and on an AFRS and I've also supplied this surety  
21 signature as it appeared in sworn statements that was  
22 previously provided to the Bail Bond Board as well as his  
23 signature on his driver's license. They do not seem to match.  
24 I discussed this issue with Roebuck. He agreed with my  
25 assessment and that we need to continue with this complaint.

1 MR. FUNCHESS: Well, what's our plan of action  
2 going forward with this?

3 MS. GARCIA: I think at this time the Board  
4 would need to send out a letter to the surety addressing him of  
5 what the complaint is in accordance with the rules in  
6 Chapter 17.04 of what's required in that letter.

7 MR. FUNCHESS: Who needs to send the notice  
8 out?

9 MS. GODINA: I'll send him a notice, but I  
10 just wanted the Board to look at everything before we put the  
11 cart before the horse to make sure we have something to send  
12 out about.

13 MR. FUNCHESS: Do we need to vote on that  
14 action or just move forward with it?

15 MS. GARCIA: I believe we do need to take a  
16 vote on this.

17 MR. FUNCHESS: Do I hear a motion on that?

18 MR. KNAUTH: Motion.

19 MR. DAY: Second.

20 MR. FUNCHESS: Got a motion and a second. All  
21 in favor.

22 ( RESPONSE )

23 MR. FUNCHESS: Any opposed?

24 ( NO RESPONSE )

25 MR. FUNCHESS: All right. I guess we'll

1 report again next month. All right.

2 I passed out my treasurer's report. If there  
3 is no questions or comments on that, we'll enter it into the  
4 record.

5 I also have Rhonda's audit report. The  
6 bondsmen and attorneys reports weren't available, but she's got  
12:42 PM 7 the bail bond license fund. It looks like for the month we had  
8 about 26 hundred dollars in revenue versus 2250 in expenses so  
9 net income of \$228.65 for the month. If there are no comments  
12:43 PM 10 or questions on those, we'll enter those into the record.

11 Now, moving on. Do we have any old business  
12 or new business anybody needs to bring to the attention of the  
13 Board?

14 (NO RESPONSE)

15 MR. FUNCHESS: Well, if not, this meeting is  
16 concluded if I can get a motion.

17 MR. KNAUTH: Move.

18 MR. DAY: One second. Stellina Reed brought  
19 some homemade jams for everybody that's here today so everybody  
20 take one and those are y'all's gifts from Stellina and Al Reed  
12:43 PM 21 for whoever is here. So if you weren't here -- and they're all  
22 homemade, made straight out of her kitchen. I've seen her  
23 kitchen before. It's very clean.

24 I second your motion to adjourn.

25 MR. FUNCHESS: All right. All in favor.

1 (RESPONSE)

2 MR. FUNCHESS: Opposed? We're adjourned.

3 (MEETING CONCLUDED)

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