

BAIL BOND BOARD MEETING

DECEMBER 17, 2015

THOSE PRESENT:

Pat Knauth

Casi De La Torre

Becky Garcia

Tim Funchess

Keith Day

Mary Godina

Tina Benoit

Brandi Sewell, CSR

1 MR. FUNCHES: 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
12:37 PM 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. FUNCHES: Do we still want to approve
14 them?

15 MS. BENOIT: Sure.

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

18 MR. KNAUTH: Move.

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

20 MR. DAY: Second.

21 MR. FUNCHES: All in favor.

12:38 PM 22 (RESPONSE)

23 MR. FUNCHES: 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
12:40 PM 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
12:40 PM 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
12:41 PM 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
12:41 PM 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)

12:42 PM 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.

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(RESPONSE)

MR. FUNCHESS: Opposed? We're adjourned.

(MEETING CONCLUDED)