

BAIL BOND BOARD MEETING**SEPTEMBER 20, 2018****THOSE PRESENT:**

Judge Clint Woods

Judge Raquel West

Judge Ken Dollinger

Pat Knauth

Regan Shannon

Becky Garcia

Theresa Goodness

Mary Godina

Tina Benoit

Rhonda Brode

Dustin Galmor

Tonja Voorhies

Al Reed

Tamika Martin

Quentin Price

Sgt. J. Patrick

Lt. J. Hawkins

Chief Kelly

Chief Shauburger

1 JUDGE DOLLINGER: We'll call the September
2 meeting of the Jefferson County Bail Bond Board to order. We
3 have a quorum present.

4 The first order of business on the agenda is the
5 review of minutes. However, I've been informed they've not been
6 transcribed or uploaded to the computer so there is no way we're
12:35 7 going to be able to review them or ask for any additions or
8 corrections. We'll save that until the following month.

9 The next item on the agenda is a report from the
10 District Attorney's office regarding collections. Those have
11 been passed out. It shows just a little bit over \$18,000
12 collected by the two sets of courts, district and county. Any
13 discussion or comments on the collections as reported by the
14 District Attorney's office?

12:36 15 Okay. The next item of business is consideration and
16 approval of applications to become bondsmen, agents or renewals
17 of same; and I understand we have none for this month.

18 MS. GARCIA: No, sir.

19 JUDGE DOLLINGER: Next is complaints against
20 bondsmen. I also understand we have none of those for this
21 month.

22 MS. GODINA: That's correct.

23 JUDGE DOLLINGER: I'm liking the way this is
24 going.

25 Next is the report from the Treasurer's office

1 for cash and collateral up for CDs. That's also been passed
12:36 2 out. Are there any comments or questions regarding the
3 collateral report that has been furnished by the Treasurer's
4 office?

5 Hearing none, we'll move on to the next, which
6 is the report from the Auditor's office. That has also been
7 passed out. Are there any things of note that you want to bring
8 to our attention?

9 MS. BRODE: Yes, sir. The collateral for Stan
12:37 10 Stanley has changed on the AS400, but it hasn't changed with the
11 Treasurer's office, so I wasn't sure if something had happened
12 up here and it went down \$500,000.

13 MS. BENOIT: Oh, because that's on the agenda.

14 MS. BRODE: Oh, okay. That's what that is.

15 Okay.

16 JUDGE DOLLINGER: Any other items?

17 MS. BRODE: Last month I had asked the
18 Sheriff's office to get me documentation saying that the Sheriff
12:37 19 had given Chief Shauberger authority to increase bonding limits
20 for attorneys. I never received anything.

21 MS. VOORHIES: Okay.

22 MS. BRODE: I'm still waiting on that.

23 MS. VOORHIES: He's coming in.

24 MS. GARCIA: There he is, Rhonda.

25 MS. BRODE: Hey, sir, I was just asking --

1 saying that I hadn't received any documentation that I was
12:38 2 promised at last month's meeting about the Sheriff giving you
3 authorization to increase attorneys limits.

4 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: Yeah, and over thinking
5 that, there is no reason for me to give that authorization
6 because I'm always going to contact her for hers so it's going
7 to be her authorization not mine. That's just a matter of
8 policy.

9 MS. BRODE: So we'll get her authorization in
10 writing or will it all be verbal or how is that going to work?

12:38 11 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: Probably the same way it's
12 been working.

13 MS. BRODE: Well, it only worked one time.

14 JUDGE DOLLINGER: Therein lies the problem; it
15 hasn't been working as it should.

16 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: Do you require it in
17 writing?

18 MS. BRODE: We require something in writing.

19 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: Okay. We'll get it in
20 writing.

21 JUDGE DOLLINGER: Would e-mail be acceptable?

22 MS. BRODE: E-mail will be great. I mean,
23 anything, not just phone call. I can't put my phone in the
24 file.

25 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: Okay. Perfect.

1 MS. BRODE: One other thing I noticed on my
12:39 2 report is that Josh Stewart's bonding amount, bond amount went
3 up. I know that he's expired. I'm sure that there are -- my
4 assumption is going to be that there is accusation bonds that
5 may be -- help me.

6 MS. GARCIA: That cases have -- the bonds that
7 they were written on have now been filed so they've been placed
8 into the court's file.

12:39 9 MS. BRODE: So as an expired bondsmen, I'm very
10 interested in finding out how -- what's the dollar amount of his
11 accusation bonds that are out there, what are we looking forward
12 to?

13 Tamika, can you answer that question once you
14 go back to your office?

15 MS. MARTIN: It may take some time because I
16 have to go through every bond.

17 MS. BRODE: How long?

18 MS. MARTIN: I have no idea.

19 MS. BRODE: I have no idea how many accusation
20 bonds that are out there.

21 MS. MARTIN: A lot.

22 MS. BRODE: Is it by file cabinet or is it by
12:40 23 case number --

24 MS. MARTIN: There is no case number.

25 MS. BRODE: Is it by bonding company? Is it

1 by name?

2 MS. MARTIN: Last names, that's how I keep them
3 filed.

4 JUDGE DOLLINGER: The defendant's last name?

5 MS. MARTIN: Defendant last name, that's how I
6 file them.

7 MS. BRODE: Well, I'm just interested. Do we
8 have a million more dollars that can hit Josh Stewart, and we
9 only have \$100,000 in collateral?

10 MS. GODINA: We have no way of knowing because,
12:40 11 I mean, he's written a bond. Say, they never picked the charge
12 up or it takes awhile to pick it up, especially on the felony
13 side if it's a drug case or DWI. They're waiting for lab
14 results. It may take a long time or -- and/or either side
15 felony or misdemeanor, he might have done an accusation bond and
16 they choose not to file the case so we may never know.

17 MS. BRODE: If the board tells me this is
12:41 18 something I don't need to worry about, I'm just -- I know we
19 only have \$100,000 out there.

20 MS. BENOIT: There's nothing we can do about it
21 anyway.

22 MS. BRODE: Right now his bonds are 400,000.
23 I'm just interested in seeing if we are going to get this
24 surprise every month.

25 MS. GODINA: We could.

1 JUDGE WEST: Eventually it will go down,
2 basically because you've got drug cases, four to six months. I
3 mean, there is going to come a time, most of the ones that's
4 waiting periods, DWIs and things, you're waiting on labs, those
5 will be gone.

12:41 6 MS. BRODE: They'll just time out?

7 JUDGE WEST: Yeah. There may be something else
8 that pops up. It's not going to be a bunch, I wouldn't think.

9 MS. BRODE: Okay.

10 MS. GODINA: We'll be disposing of cases.
11 Defendants will be disposing of cases. That will wipe off the
12 bond.

13 MS. BRODE: Okay. It's just when it increased,
14 it made me question.

15 JUDGE DOLLINGER: What would happen in the case
16 of forfeitures of those 400-thousand-dollars' worth of
12:42 17 outstanding bonds when we're sitting on \$101,000 of collateral?
18 I guess, that would be the base question.

19 MS. GOODNESS: We would get some abstracts of
20 judgment against Mr. Stewart, and then we would try to execute
21 against whatever property he had. That's all. I think that's
22 the only recourse we would have, correct?

23 MR. PRICE: It would be, yes.

24 MS. GARCIA: I know as of today's date, the
12:42 25 judgments we have entered in the past, he has been continuously

1 paying them as they have come up.

2 MR. PRICE: We're about to get a pretty good
3 size -- and I can't remember if it's 20 or 30,000 with some
4 reductions because the defendant was arrested after the final
5 judgment was entered but we're about to get a fairly big amount
6 within the next couple of weeks. I think I've got a hearing set
7 October something or another. I don't know the date off the top
8 of my head, but anyway. So he's going to lose some money here
9 pretty quick, what I consider to be a significant amount of
12:43 10 money. So as long as he pays them, there is nothing. I mean,
11 we rock along because that's the way with the whole bonding deal
12 when you take 10 percent or whatever the amount of assets as
13 collateral for the bonds that they write, you always could have,
14 you know, a string of bad luck.

15 JUDGE DOLLINGER: Yes, sir.

16 MR. PRICE: And end up upside down with
17 judgments that you have difficulty collecting on.

18 JUDGE DOLLINGER: Okay. Any other comments
12:43 19 about the Auditor's report or questions thereof?

20 Okay. The next item is the release of CD for
21 Stan Stanley. What is that -- what is that to do with?

22 MS. BENOIT: Oh, they requested to have some
23 CDs released. I've already made adjustments. Everything is
24 ready. The Board just needs to vote whether we can give them
25 CDs.

1 JUDGE DOLLINGER: Is that the reason for the
12:44 2 reductions in the total amount on Mr. Stanley's report that she
3 referenced in the beginning her report?

4 MS. BENOIT: That is correct.

5 JUDGE DOLLINGER: All right. Then is there any
6 questions or comments to be made about releasing certificates of
7 deposit back to Mr. Stanley? I would ask all the voting members
8 in favor of releasing them signify by saying aye.

9 (RESPONSES MADE)

10 JUDGE DOLLINGER: All those opposed to the
11 release, same sign. Hearing none, it passes. We will release
12 those to Mr. Stanley.

13 I think the last item of business got scratched
12:44 14 out because it didn't get in 72 hours ahead of time, so we'll
15 put that on continuing for next month, and we'll take it up at
16 that time.

17 Is there any other business that needs to come
18 before the Bail Bond Board before we entertain a motion to
19 adjourn?

20 Hearing none, we'll entertain that motion.

21 JUDGE WOODS: I make a motion.

22 MS. GOODNESS: Second.

23 JUDGE DOLLINGER: I have a motion and second
24 that we adjourn. All those in favor say aye.

25 (RESPONSES MADE)

JUDGE DOLLINGER: Thank you.

(MEETING CONCLUDED)