

1 BAIL BOND BOARD MEETING

2 NOVEMBER 20, 2025

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4 THOSE PRESENT: JUDGE CRAIG LIVELY

5 JUDGE RANSON "DUCE" JONES

6 KELLIE HOLMES

7 BECKY BERTRAND

8 QUENTIN PRICE

9 DUSTIN GALMOR

10 KEITH DAY

11 HAYLEE FOURNIER-WILLIAMS

12 VALENCIA SIMPSON

13 ERICA BELL

14 LESLIE HUGHES

15 CAPTAIN MORRIS

16 CHIEF SHAUBERGER

17 TIM FUNCHESS

18 TOM ROEBUCK

19 DEDE ROJAS

20 LISA MARTIN

21 PATSY MASON

22 KEN GOOD

23 DARBY GOOD

24 ALEXIS VANDEVENSEDA

25 LOLITA SENIGAUR

1 CHRIS ROMANO
2 TAMARA RITENOUR
3 TIFFANY COUSINS
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1 JUDGE LIVELY: All right. Everybody ready to
2 roll?

3 NUMEROUS PEOPLE: Ready to roll.

4 JUDGE LIVELY: We've got bodies. Let's hit the
5 floor. That sounds like a good song. We couldn't get any real
6 leaders to chair the bond meeting today; so, I am lucky to be
7 here as the designated survivor, I guess.

8 All right. So, let's start with the review of
9 the minutes from the last meeting. Those were circulated, I
0 think, by email. Any questions or comments on the minutes? All
1 right.

12 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: Make a motion to approve.

13 JUDGE JONES: Second.

14 JUDGE LIVELY: Second? All right. We had a
15 motion and second. Everybody in favor?

16 (AYE RESPONSES.)

17 JUDGE LIVELY: All right. Those minutes are
18 approved.

19 And we have -- Becky, do we have any old bond
20 applications that need to be renewed; or is it just the new one?

21 MS. BERTRAND: If we could just address the
22 No. 2, the approval of this one. Those are later on in the
23 list.

24 JUDGE LIVELY: Okay. 'Cause we've got the
25 application to become a bondsman of --

1 MS. BERTRAND: Yes.

2 JUDGE LIVELY: -- Ms. Alexis Vandevenseda. Are
3 you here?

4 MS. VANDEVENSEDA: Yes. I'm here.

5 JUDGE LIVELY: Oh, very good. Nice to meet you.

6 MS. VANDEVENSEDA: Nice to meet y'all.

01:34PM 7 JUDGE LIVELY: All right. So, and I see from the

8 notes that were sent out by Becky that everything's in order
9 except that the power of attorney has not been filed in the
10 County Clerk's real property records. Is that still the --

11 MR. BERTRAND: I was going to ask Mr. Good: When
12 can I anticipate that, or has it already been done?

13 MR. GOOD: (Addressing Ms. Vandevenseda) Have we
14 filed that?

15 MS. VANDEVENSEDA: We mailed it to be filed. I'm
16 not sure if y'all received it. We did snail mail it, so...

17 MR. GOOD: I mean, we still have to file our CD,
18 so...

01:34PM 19 MS. BERTRAND: Right. We have 90 days to

20 complete everything.

21 MR. GOOD: Yes, ma'am.

22 MS. BERTRAND: Yeah.

23 MR. GOOD: So, we will file it -- we can file it
24 as soon as y'all approve.

25 MS. BERTRAND: Okay. So, can you send me an

1 email?

2 MR. GOOD: Yeah. We can send you a copy of the
3 file marked copy after it's been filed.

4 MS. BERTRAND: Okay. Or we can look it up in our
5 office.

6 MR. GOOD: Okay.

7 MS. BERTRAND: We can go back down there and
8 look.

9 MR. GOOD: Yes, ma'am.

01:35PM 10 MS. BERTRAND: But I do need to know, also,
11 whenever the money has been given to the Treasurer.

12 MR. GOOD: Yes, ma'am.

13 MS. BERTRAND: Once I have the power of attorney
14 and the money's been exchanged, I can create the new application
15 and assign a license number and do all that and I'll communicate
16 that back to both of you.

17 MR. GOOD: Our procedure usually, after the Board
18 approves, is we request a C.D. It usually takes a week, week
19 and a half. So, it would probably be done within no later than
01:35PM 20 two weeks.

21 MS. BERTRAND: Okay. I will tell you that if we
22 get everything in before the end of the month, I could put you
23 on the list. If not, if we don't get it in, you won't be added
24 till January.

25 MR. GOOD: I understand.

1 MS. BERTRAND: Okay?

2 JUDGE LIVELY: Okay. So, we're looking at at

3 this point --

4 JUDGE JONES: So, what's your recommendation?

5 MS. BERTRAND: We can approve her license under

6 the conditions we get the power of attorney recorded and then

7 get the money applied to the Treasurer.

8 JUDGE LIVELY: So, it's going to be a motion for

9 conditional approval subject to the C.D.

01:36PM 10 MR. DAY: I'll make a motion.

11 JUDGE LIVELY: So, we've got a motion. And

12 second?

13 MR. FUNCHESS: Second.

14 JUDGE LIVELY: Any discussion? All in favor?

15 (AYE RESPONSES.)

16 JUDGE LIVELY: All right. So, that's -- that is

17 approved as conditionally approved. And, Alexis, welcome

18 aboard.

19 MS. VANDEVENSEDA: Thank you very much.

01:36PM 20 MR. GOOD: Thank you very much.

21 JUDGE LIVELY: Next, are there any complaints

22 against bondsmen?

23 MS. HOLMES: No, sir.

24 JUDGE LIVELY: Very good. Treasurer's report?

25 JUDGE JONES: Treasurer's report.

1 MR. FUNCHESS: I passed it out. If anybody has
2 any questions, I'll be glad to address them.

3 JUDGE LIVELY: Any questions or comments on the
4 Treasurer's report?

5 JUDGE JONES: What did he pass out?

6 MR. FUNCHESS: Huh?

7 JUDGE JONES: You said you passed them out?

8 MR. FUNCHESS: Yeah. I passed it out. You got
9 one.

01:36PM 10 JUDGE LIVELY: Judge, they never give you one.

11 MS. BERTRAND: He passed it right over you.

12 MR. PRICE: There you go (tenders). You can have
13 mine.

14 JUDGE JONES: I can't read it anyway.

15 JUDGE LIVELY: They always skip the JP in the
16 room. I don't know why they do that. It's like municipal
17 judges.

18 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: What's the adjustment?

19 MS. BELL: That's the money they sent out for
01:37PM 20 Ducote. It was sent out in -- the check was given out in
21 October; so, it just hasn't hit the book records yet. But
22 everything is fine for him.

23 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: Okay. Perfect.

24 MS. BELL: Sorry.

25 MS. BERTRAND: I did personally deliver that

1 check to Butch. He had to sign the Auditor's W-2, W-4.

2 MS. BELL: Yes.

3 MS. BERTRAND: And I returned it back to them,
4 so...

5 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: Thank you.

6 MS. BERTRAND: Uh-huh.

7 JUDGE LIVELY: Any further discussion?

8 All right. Next item is any release of any
9 properties, C.D.s, cash, or cashier's checks requested by any of
01:37PM 10 the bondsmen? None.

11 MS. BERTRAND: I'm not aware of any.

12 JUDGE LIVELY: Anybody out there? Okay. So,
13 there's none. Very good.

14 Next is report from the Auditor's office.

15 MS. BELL: I handed out the reports. Everything
16 is fine. I don't know how often she updated y'all on the
17 invoices, but we did send out invoices November 3rd. So,
18 we're -- that money should be collected whenever they send it to
19 us.

01:38PM 20 JUDGE LIVELY: Very good. Any questions or
21 comments on the report?

22 There being none, next one is to discuss and
23 possibly approve changes to all new and renewal applications
24 regarding a name change of the BBB administrator.

25 MS. BERTRAND: Okay. So, the last time I put

1 this on the agenda, I only addressed it to one specific
2 application rather than addressing it on all the applications,
3 new and renewals. My name's still referred to as Garcia. I'm
4 only four years late doing this. So, I'd like to go ahead and
5 change my name on the applications to my current married name.

6 MR. DAY: Are you sure you want to take his name?

7 MS. BERTRAND: To Bertrand.

8 MR. DAY: Positive? I met him. Are you sure you
9 want to take his name?

01:39PM 10 MS. BERTRAND: (Nods head up and down.)

11 JUDGE LIVELY: Okay. If it's lasted four years,
12 I think that's the -- that's the stress test pass point, so...

13 MS. BERTRAND: Well, I mean, we dated for ten
14 before that, so...

15 JUDGE LIVELY: Oh, my gosh. Well, that's a
16 stress test and tolerance test, so...

17 MS. HUGHES: Look at Keith's face.

18 JUDGE LIVELY: Is Tom here? Did Tom --

19 MR. ROEBUCK: Right here.

01:39PM 20 JUDGE LIVELY: Tom, do you think 14 years is long
21 enough to go ahead and change the name?

22 MR. ROEBUCK: Limitations may have run.

23 JUDGE LIVELY: Okay. Yeah. I'm sorry, Becky.
24 You're stuck --

25 JUDGE JONES: Mr. Chairman?

1 JUDGE LIVELY: -- with the new name, so...

2 MS. BERTRAND: Thank you, Judge.

3 JUDGE JONES: I was going to motion that you can
4 change your name.

5 MS. BERTRAND: Okay.

6 UNKNOWN PERSON: That's so sweet.

7 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: I'll second.

8 JUDGE LIVELY: We've got a motion and a second.
9 So, Becky can actually use her real name now as the BBB
01:39PM 10 administrator.

11 MS. BERTRAND: Yes.

12 JUDGE LIVELY: I don't think we need any further
13 discussion on this. All in favor?

14 (AYE RESPONSES.)

15 JUDGE LIVELY: That will be done. Thank you,
16 Becky, for bringing that up.

17 MS. BERTRAND: Thank you, Judge.

18 JUDGE LIVELY: Okay. We need to discuss and
19 possibly approve changes to all new and renewal applications to
01:40PM 20 require an email address for the surety, insurance company,
21 agent for insurance company, registered agent of service, and
22 bail bond representatives so they can be contacted via email.
23 Sounds like a wonderful idea. Who had this on here?

24 MS. BERTRAND: That would be me, also.

25 JUDGE LIVELY: Now, which name would you like to

1 go by today for that?

2 MS. BERTRAND: Well, that's not mine. I want
3 their email address.

4 JUDGE LIVELY: Ms. Bertrand, do you have
5 something you want to talk about on that?

6 MS. BERTRAND: Yes. So, in all the applications
7 we have contact information; but it's just a physical address
8 and phone number. What I'm asking is to also include on here a
9 requirement to list an email address so that if I have an issue
01:40PM 10 or a question, I could reach out via email because sometimes I
11 have to leave messages, it goes unanswered, I make another
12 attempt. So, I would just like to have -- and then for future
13 references for our Auditor's office to have the email to send
14 the invoices out to, we can all have that information in the
15 applications.

16 JUDGE LIVELY: Sure would expedite communication.
17 I mean...

18 MS. FOURNIER-WILLIAMS: I think it's also
19 approved for alternate service --

01:41PM 20 MS. BERTRAND: It is.

21 MS. FOURNIER-WILLIAMS: -- through the
22 Constables' offices --

23 MR. PRICE: It is.

24 MS. FOURNIER-WILLIAMS: -- if you need to serve
25 them.

1 JUDGE LIVELY: I'm buried by email communication
2 in my office now. So, I mean, it's very helpful. I get a lot
3 of business done that way. Do we have a motion and second to do
4 this?

5 MS. FOURNIER-WILLIAMS: Motion, County Clerk.

6 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: I'll second.

7 JUDGE LIVELY: Any discussion further? It sounds
8 like a great idea, Becky. Anybody have any discussion on that?
9 All right. Let's get up to the 20th Century.

01:41PM 10 MS. BERTRAND: Okay. Will do.

11 JUDGE LIVELY: Maybe we'll move to the
12 21st Century in another couple of decades.

13 Next one, now, this one's -- No. 9's really
14 important; and I think, Keith, you've got a lot of information
15 on this. This is to discuss the monthly bail bondsman list at
16 the jail. I understand that it's not being rotated on a regular
17 basis.

18 MR. DAY: Well, I don't think it's being rotated
19 on a regular basis. I know for certain the lobby of the jail
01:42PM 20 has a list that hadn't been rotated until, I think, finally the
21 other day I think it had gotten changed. The one in releases,
22 do they have in the dorms, as well?

23 CAPTAIN MORRIS: (Nods head up and down.)

24 MR. DAY: They do?

25 CAPTAIN MORRIS: We have it on the tablet now.

1 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: It's on the kiosk, electronic.

2 MR. DAY: So, and I believe the one in releases
3 had not been rotated, either. I don't know who's -- you know,
4 who does the rotating and whatnot.

5 CAPTAIN MORRIS: (Raises hand) I do.

6 MR. DAY: Okay. But it hadn't been rotated,
7 either. So, I don't know if it's -- if it's being rotated, it's
8 being -- I don't know what's going on. But it hadn't been
9 rotated. The one in the lobby, the last picture that we got
10 before it was recently rotated was September; and I believe that
11 Allied was on top of the list at that time.

12 The one in releases was the prior month that had
13 Derrick Dixon at the top of the list. So, we had one that had
14 Derrick Dixon on the top of the list, one that had Allied at the
15 top of the list. So, obviously it needs to be rotated every
16 month.

17 But my recommendation was, seeing how important
18 those lists are to the bondsmen, that we need to -- starting
19 December 1st we need to go back -- and I've talked to Becky
01:43PM 20 about it -- we need to go back to whoever comes after Derrick
21 Dixon, which should be Stan Stanley because they missed a whole
22 month of release -- of being on top of the list in releases,
23 which is an important aspect of our business.

24 JUDGE LIVELY: Sure.

25 MR. DAY: So, my recommendation was to start the

1 new -- to start the list December 1st, since we're already kind
2 of past the middle of the month here. Is that when you put it
3 out, the 1st of the month? It used to be the 15th.

4 MS. BERTRAND: It's the 1st.

5 MR. DAY: It's the 1st now. December 1st going
6 back to Allied or Stan Stanley being at the top of the list and
7 start there and start the rotation that month, so...

8 JUDGE LIVELY: Okay. When you do -- now it's on
9 their tablets now?

01:44PM 10 CAPTAIN MORRIS: Uh-huh.

11 JUDGE LIVELY: Does TS have to do that on the
12 tablets or -- to update it? How's that done? Or IT?

13 CAPTAIN MORRIS: No. Our department updates
14 them.

15 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: We update them. We can update
16 what's on the...

17 JUDGE LIVELY: Is there any issue with what Keith
18 is talking about?

19 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: There's some instances where
01:44PM 20 we don't receive them or Captain Morris hadn't received the
21 list. So, we need to maybe add a contact, Becky, additional to
22 -- who are you sending the list to now?

23 MS. BERTRAND: I send it to Captain Morris,
24 Leslie, Kellie, and Glenda 'cause it has to be posted up here in
25 the courts, as well.

1 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: Include me in the list.

2 MS. BERTRAND: Okay.

3 CAPTAIN MORRIS: Can I speak?

4 JUDGE LIVELY: Sure. Yes, sir.

5 CAPTAIN MORRIS: November is my fault. The 1st
6 fell on a Saturday, and I forgot to change it on the 3rd when it
7 came up. The October, I never received the list. I never
8 received it on email. I went back in all my emails and I didn't
9 receive it and when Leslie looked at her email, I wasn't
01:45PM 10 included in the email for that particular list in October. And
11 that's my responsibility. I go out, and I change it out in
12 releases each month. And I can honestly say November I forgot
13 because November 1st fell on a Saturday and I forgot.

14 JUDGE LIVELY: Captain, are you on the list
15 normally?

16 CAPTAIN MORRIS: Sir?

17 JUDGE LIVELY: Are you normally on the list?

18 CAPTAIN MORRIS: As far as changing it in
19 releases?

01:46PM 20 JUDGE LIVELY: Yes.

21 CAPTAIN MORRIS: Yeah.

22 JUDGE LIVELY: Okay. Good.

23 CAPTAIN MORRIS: Yeah. But, also, with that
24 being said, back a long time ago we used to have a lot of
25 traffic in that lobby that they look at the -- they'll come to

1 the window, "Hey, such and such, how much is the bond?" Then
2 they'll go to the list and call. That's rare. That's rare,
3 very rare for somebody to come in and actually call from the
4 lobby to get a bondsman, very rare.

5 So, I don't know if -- you know, of course, time
6 is changing. Technology has changed. A lot of people come to
7 our jail with bonds already. They used to hang out in the
8 lobby, come in, find out what they need to get out; and then
9 they'll go to the list and call. But that's very rare now, very
10 rare.

11 JUDGE LIVELY: Does everybody get a tablet when
12 they're in there, or is there a --

13 CAPTAIN MORRIS: We have a kiosk on the wall.
14 They request tablets if they need one.

15 CHIEF SHAUBERGER: They all have access to one.

16 JUDGE LIVELY: Any other discussion on this
17 topic? All right. So, that doesn't need to be voted on.
18 That's just something that's -- or does it?

19 MS. BERTRAND: Well, we've discussed it. But the
01:47PM 20 issue remains where do we want -- do we want to go back and
21 repost the list as it had Allied at the top and then pick up
22 from there for December, since they weren't at the top of the
23 list in the other location?

24 JUDGE LIVELY: Okay. Let's vote on it that way,
25 then, just to make sure that we get them -- 'cause they got

1 bumped, and that costs money.

2 MS. BERTRAND: Starting December 1st.

3 JUDGE LIVELY: Yeah. So, the motion would be to
4 start the rotation list December 1st with Allied at the top of
5 the list and then rotating down the list as scheduled monthly at
6 the 1st of each month.

7 JUDGE JONES: So moved.

8 MR. FUNCHESS: Second.

9 JUDGE LIVELY: All in favor?

01:48PM 10 (AYE RESPONSES.)

11 JUDGE LIVELY: Okay. Any old business? New
12 business?

13 MR. DAY: One thing I wanted to bring up, Judge,
14 and this is --

15 JUDGE LIVELY: I knew he'd do it.

16 MR. DAY: No complaint has been filed as far
17 as -- well, obviously by bondsmen, but I've gotten a few calls
18 recently from other bondsmens stating that -- that there may
19 possibly be bondsmen that are going and pulling people without
01:48PM 20 first being notified by a defendant or their family member or
21 friend by someone first, which is kind of, you know -- so, I
22 don't know if it's -- I don't know if it's going on. I know we
23 had an issue this morning when my agent went over there that she
24 was questioned by one of the jailers about it. So, I assume it
25 may be going on.

1 I'm not sure exactly how the -- how we'd even be
2 able to regulate that, to be honest with you. I know how some
3 other counties regulate that. I don't want to get into that
4 whole situation, but I did want it brought to the attention of
5 you guys that it is -- that it possibly could be an issue that,
6 you know, we may need to be watching out for. So...

7 JUDGE LIVELY: Okay. If it comes up more and we
8 need to discuss it further --

9 MR. DAY: Like I said, I'm usually the first one
01:49PM 10 to get the phone call about certain things. Hopefully this may
11 take care of it --

12 JUDGE LIVELY: Yeah.

13 MR. DAY: -- you know, just bringing it up in an
14 open meeting. But I just wanted it brought to the Board's
15 attention.

16 JUDGE LIVELY: Which if you've gone to the bail
17 bond -- bondsman school, you know that's a no-no. And, so, we
18 don't want to be getting complaints like that 'cause that can be
19 dangerous to your business.

01:50PM 20 MR. DAY: Uh-huh.

21 JUDGE LIVELY: So, hopefully the word will get
22 out in the community that that's not going to be an ongoing
23 problem.

24 Anything else?

25 MR. FUNCHESS: Move to adjourn.

1 JUDGE LIVELY: Second? I don't have a second on
2 that one?

3 MR. PRICE: Second.

4 JUDGE LIVELY: All right. Meeting's adjourned.

5 (CONCLUSION OF MEETING)

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