WILLIAMSON COUNTY BAIL BOND BOARD MEETING MINUTES

July 15, 2022

The Williamson County Bail Bond Board met in regular session on Friday, July 15, 2022, at 11:30 AM in the County Attorney Training Room, Suite 229 on the second floor of the Justice Center Annex, 405 M.L.K. Blvd., Georgetown, Texas.

Members in Attendance:

Jessica Zak, Chairman, Licensed Bail Bondsmen Representative Rick Kennon, Vice Chairman, 368th District Court Judge Bill Gravell, County Judge Bridget Chapman, District Attorney's designee Laura Barker, Judge, County Court at Law 2 Nancy Rister, County Clerk Lucas Wilson, Municipal Judge CDR. Jason Harder, Sheriff's designee Cathy Mendoza, District Clerk's designee Cheryl McGirr, Criminal Defense Attorney

The meeting was called to order by Jessica Zak at 11:32 AM.

- 1. Guests introduced themselves. Mike Singletary and Darius Metoyer representing Financial Casualty & Surety, Inc. and Amanda Keese d.b.a. Blackjack Bail Bond.
- 2. The Minutes from the June 17, 2022 meeting were acknowledged and approved as written.
- 3. The Treasurer and Sheriff's report for the month of June 2022 was considered and approved following a motion by Bridget Chapman and a second by Judge Gravell. The motion carried unanimously.
- 4. Update on new employees was given.
- 5. Update of dismissed employees was given.
- 6. New Corporate Surety Application for Financial Casualty & Surety, Inc. and it's Designated Corporate Agent Amanda Keese D.B.A. Blackjack Bail Bonds was considered. Bridget Chapman made a motion to table the application for August Bail Bond Board meeting pending additional documentary evidence to satisfy prior employment statutory requirement with a second by Judge Gravell. The motion carried unanimously. The Board will consider a Local Rule Amendment to provide examples of acceptable documentary evidence of prior employment to satisfy the statutory requirement such as W-2s, paystubs, time sheets, hourly rate, bank statements, etc., and affidavit(s) to authenticate the documentary evidence and provide facts proving that the applicant has performed duties that encompass all phases of the bonding business.
- 7. Update on the Legislative Update Presentation approved by the Bail Bond Board in March was given. August 19, 2022, from 9am to 11am was confirmed for presentation date at the Justice Center. Room number to be confirmed in the notice to be sent to all Board Members by next week. Board will request assistance from IT to provide a remote access/recording option.
- 8. Update on release bond liability process and reports was given. It was discussed that the responsibility of presenting documentation to release the outstanding surety or bond liability falls to the Bondsmen and their Corporate Surety Co.
- 9. The meeting was adjourned at 12:11 PM by Jessica Zak.