

MINUTES
**Montgomery County Bail Bond
Board**
Darin Bailey
Presiding Officer

Wednesday, April 21, 2021

THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY BAIL BOND BOARD CONVENED AT 12:00 NOON ON THE DATE LISTED AT THE TOP OF THIS AGENDA, IN THE ALAN B. SADLER COMMISSIONER'S COURT BUILDING, 501 N. THOMPSON, 4TH FLOOR, CONROE, TX 77301.

EXECUTIVE SESSION At any time during the meeting the Board may announce it will go into closed session pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code to receive advice from legal counsel or for any other lawful matters that are specifically related to items listed on this agenda. Prior to any such closed session the Presiding Officer, in open session, will identify the agenda item to be discussed and the section or sections of Chapter 551 under which the closed discussion is authorized.

I. CALL TO ORDER TIME: 12:00 NOON

II. ROLL CALL

Board members present:

Tiffany Dupree designee for Melanie Bush, County Treasurer, Kelsey Padgett, Designee for Melisa Miller, District Clerk, Alexis van de Ven Seda, Surety Representative, Darin Bailey, designee for Mark Turnbull, County Clerk, Jamie Meinkowsky, designee for Mark Keough, County Judge, Lt. Jeremiah Richards, designee for Sheriff Rand Henderson, Paul Damico, designee for Judge Phil Grant, 9th District Court, representative for District Courts and Judges, Vanessa Windham, designee for Brett Ligon, District Attorney, Amanda Webb, Criminal Defense representative.

Board members not present:

Judge Wayne Mack, Justice of the Peace 1, Representative for Justice Courts and Judges, Colleen Rice, designee for Judge Claudia Laird, County Court at Law # 2, representative for County Courts and Judges, Judge Mike Davis, Conroe Municipal Court.

Non Board members present:

John McKinney, Asst. County Judge, Legal Counsel to the Bail Bond Board, Jan Avery, Bail Bond Board Administrator.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

(Note: Public must sign registration prior to the start of meeting in order to address the Board. Comments are limited to 3 minutes per speaker.)

Patrick Steirman made public comment to the Board on a dba for a licensee that was on the agenda.

IV. MINUTES

A. Approve the minutes for the meeting March 17, 2021.

Alexis van de Ven Seda motioned to approve the minutes as written for the March 17, 2021 meeting, Amanda Webb seconded. Jamie Meinkowsky, Lt. Jeremiah Richards and Paul Damico abstained from the vote, all other Board members voted for approval. The motion passed.

V. TREASURER

A. Consider acceptance and take action on the Treasurer's Report.

Tiffany Dupree gave a quick recap on the Treasurer's report that was in the packet. Jamie Meinkowsky motioned to approve the report, Alexis van de Ven Seda, seconded. All Board members were in favor, the motion passed.

VI. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

A. Review funds received for the month of March 2021. Report attached.

B. Consider:

1. Updated list of Licensed Surety companies for posting, April 12, 2021 posting date.
2. License Expiration Report – updated 03/31/2021.

VII. PRESIDING OFFICER

A. Hearing for license application: Sondra Morris dba Ace Bail Bonds. This was deferred from the February 25, 2021 meeting for additional research.

Swear in Sondra Morris and proceed to a)

- a) Conduct hearing on the license application for Sondra Morris dba Ace Bail Bonds.
- b) 1704.159 – Enter an order on action taken on the license application of Sondra Morris dba Ace Bail Bonds.

John McKinney stated that Sondra Morris' counsel would like to address the Board before the Board took any further action.

Randy Adler, Attorney for Sondra Morris addressed the Board and asked that this item be deferred or tabled to the May meeting and asked for the Board's discretion on this.

- B. Upon approval of license application for Sondra Morris – Consider, discuss and take action on the pledge of collateral for the license known as 803 Woolley Circle, Crockett, Texas 75835 – Houston County, Current value is \$64,520.00 which will be $x 5 = \$322,600.00$

Item A and B for Sondra Morris was deferred to the May meeting.

- C. Hearing for license renewal application : Sondra Morris, agent, Universal Fire & Casualty Company, license 0095, dba Bail Bonds by Renell

Swear in Sondra Morris and representative from Universal Fire & Casualty if present and proceed to a)

Darin Bailey swore in Sondra Morris and Randy Adler.

- a) Conduct hearing on license renewal application for Sondra Morris, agent for Universal Fire & Casualty, license 0095 dba Bail Bonds by Renell.
- b) 1704.159 – Enter an order on action taken on the license renewal application of Sondra Morris agent for Universal Fire & Casualty, License 0095 dba Bail Bonds by Renell.

Amanda Webb motioned to approve the license renewal of Sondra Morris, Vanessa Windham seconded. All were in favor, the motion passed.

- D. Consider, discuss and take action on the request by Steven Elliott Sondag to change the dba on license 0070 from AAAA Betterway Bail Bonds to Elliott's Bail Bonds. Copy of assumed name certificate submitted.

Alexis van de Ven Seda moved to approve the dba on License 0070 to Elliott's

Bail Bonds, second by Amanda Webb, all Board members were in favor, the motion passed.

VIII. ADJOURN

Amanda Webb made a motion to adjourn, Paul Damico seconded. All Board members were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

The Agenda is on this bulletin board and may be obtained in the County Clerk's office on the 1st floor of the Court's building at 210 West Davis, Conroe, TX 77301 and in the Commissioner's Courtroom on the day of the meeting.