# FORT BEND COUNTY BAIL BOND BOARD 401 JACKSON STREET, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR, COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM, RICHMOND, TEXAS WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2024 8:30 A.M.

# **AGENDA**

- 1. Call to Order.
- 2. Pledges of Allegiance by Board Chair (or by an individual requested by the Chair)
- 3. Public Comments regarding Board Action items on the Agenda (4-9).
- 4. Take all appropriate action on submission of the minutes of the previous month's Regular Bail Bond Board meeting.
- 5. Take all appropriate action on submission of the previous month's Bail Bond Board's Monthly Activity Report.
- 6. Take all appropriate action on request submitted by Discount Bonding, Barbie Benton, agent, license #046 to accept Deed of Trust for property located at 1113 Lawrence Street to be pledged as collateral pursuant to Local Rule 7.1; and to set value of the property at \$342,508.00, as allowed by Texas Occupations Code 1704.155 (3) (B).
- 7. Take all appropriate action on submission for Employee Identification Card(s) as requested by Dane Embrey, Agent, d/b/a, A Mobile Bail Bonds, (Lexington National Insurance Company), License #150 for the following:

Brenda Cardenas
Arleth Rachel Serrato

8. Take all appropriate action to release security, as allowed under Local Rule 6.4 C, as requested by Financial Casualty & Surety (FCS), License #099, Sharon Davis-McCleveland, agent, d/b/a Set'em Free Bail Bonds, as stated below:

| Release<br>Certificate<br>Deposit<br>No XXXX-XX-<br>5054 | in the amount<br>of \$50,000.00 | Issued by<br>Iberiabank<br>Bank | To Financial<br>Casualty<br>& Surety (FCS) |
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- 9. Discussion item concerning local application materials (both new and renewal) concerning statement(s) to be made by the applicant regarding whether there are any judgments that have been unpaid for more than 30 days and that arose directly or indirectly from a bail bond executed by the applicant as a surety or as an agent for a surety as of the date of the application.
- 10. Comments from Board/Administrator/County Staff:

### Rule Reminder of the Month

SUBCHAPTER E. BONDING BUSINESS

Sec. 1704.201. ACCEPTANCE OF LICENSE HOLDER BAIL BONDS. A sheriff shall accept or approve a bail bond executed by a license holder in the county in which the license holder is licensed if:

- (1) the bond is for a county or district case;
- (2) the bond is executed in accordance with this chapter and the rules adopted by the board; and
- (3) a bail bond is required as a condition of release of the defendant for whom the bond is executed.

#### Announcements:

County Holidays in April: None.

Condolences to the family and friends of Rosalinda "Rosie" Reyes, Founder of Rosita's Bail Bonds, along with other bonding companies, and a longtime Bondsperson in the Fort Bend County community spanning decades. Rosie passed away on March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Celebration of life was held on Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

11. Adjournment.

Bill Rickert, Bail Bond Board Chair Fort Bend County Treasurer Sara Rosas, Administrator Fort Bend County Bail Bond Board

Any person subject to the local appearance rule shall make a request to appear virtually no later than the preceding Monday at noon.

VIRTUAL MUST BE AUDIBLE AND VISIBLE

Please log in to the Webex address that was sent to you by 8:15 a.m. on the day of the meeting to join virtually. We will call on you when your item is taken up by the Board.

### NOTICE

# Policy of Non-Discrimination on the Basis of Disability

Fort Bend County does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs or activities. The County's ADA Coordinator is the Director of Risk Management, located at 301 Jackson Street, Suite 224, in Richmond, Texas, 77469, telephone 281-341-8630. The Director of Risk Management is designated to coordinate compliance with the non-discrimination requirements in Section 35.107 of the Department of Justice regulations.

Fort Bend County will, generally, upon request, provide appropriate aids and services leading to effective communication for qualified persons with disabilities so that they can participate equally in the County's programs, services, and activities. Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication or modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity of Fort Bend County, should contact the office of the ADA Coordinator as soon as possible, but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event.

### NOTICE

Fort Bend County Bail Bond Board reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberation of Real Property), 551.0725 (Deliberation of Contract Being Negotiated), 551.073 (Deliberation of Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.0745 (Personnel Matters Affecting County Advisory Body) 551.076 (Deliberation of Security Devices) 551.087 (Economic Development) and 551.089 (Deliberation Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits).



# FY 2024

# FORT BEND COUNTY BAIL BOND BOARD PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FORM

Instructions: Fill out <u>ALL</u> blanks – <u>PLEASE PRINT</u>

| Name: Date:  |
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| Home Address:  |
| Telephone (optional):  |
| Please provide the name, address and phone number of any group or organization you represent, if applicable:   |
|  |
| Which agenda item do you wish to address?  |
| In general, are you FOR AGAINST Agenda Item#   |
| (Please check one) I acknowledge that, if called to speak, I will only speak to the agenda item(s) and that my comments will be limited to a maximum of three minutes.   |
| NOTE: This Public Participation Form must be presented to the Administrator prior to the time that the meeting is called to order. Any documentation you wish to provide to the Board should accompany this form when you present it to the Administrator.  This form becomes public record, along with any attachments, and is recorded with materials regarding the Bail Bond Board. |

## MINUTES

# FORT BEND COUNTY BAIL BOND BOARD

401 JACKSON STREET, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR, COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM RICHMOND, TEXAS WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 2024, 8:30 A.M.

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this the 20<sup>TH</sup> day of March, 2024, the Bail Bond Board of Fort Bend County, Texas at the Commissioner's Courtroom, Richmond, Texas with the following members present:

BILL RICKERT

**COUNTY TREASURER, CHAIR** 

MARIA SEGURA

**COUNTY TREASUER DESIGNEE** 

**ERIC FAGAN** 

SHERIFF

**LUPITA SALDANA** 

**BONDSMEN REPRESENTATIVE** 

TAMEIKA CARTER

DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

MARK LaFORGE

DISTRICT ATTORNEY DESIGNEE

**BEVERLEY WALKER** 

DISTRICT CLERK

DEAN HRBACEK

**COUNTY COURT JUDGE** 

**NANCY LUSK** 

**DEFENSE ATTORNEY** 

CRAIG LANDIN

SUGAR LAND MUNICIPAL JUDGE

DEBRA SINCLAIR

MISSOURI CITY MUNICIPAL JUDGE

DAVID KIATTA

**DEFENSE ATTORNEY** 

**OLGA PAYERO** 

**COUNTY JUDGE DESIGNEE** 

<sup>\*</sup>Also present as non-member – Michelle Turner from the County Attorney's Office

1. Call to Order.

Called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Bill Rickert

2. Pledges of Allegiance by Board Chair (or by an individual requested by the Chair)

Pledges led by Bill Rickert.

3. Public Comments regarding Board Action items on the Agenda (4-10)

None

4. Take all appropriate action on submission of the minutes of the previous month's Regular Bail Bond Board meeting.

Moved by Craig Landin seconded by Eric Fagan it is duly put and it is ordered to approve to take all appropriate action on submission of the minutes of the previous month's Regular Bail Bond Board meeting. Dean Hrbacek abstained.

5. Take all appropriate action on submission of the previous month's Bail Bond Board's Monthly Activity Report.

Moved by Beverley Walker seconded by Craig Landin it is duly put and it is ordered to approve to take all appropriate action on submission of the previous month's Bail Bond Board's Monthly Activity Report.

6. Take all appropriate action on request by Barbie Benton, Licensee, d/b/a Discount Bonding, <u>License #046</u>, to submit additional security of real property, located at 1113 Lawrence Street, Rosenberg, Texas, 77471, Legal description, TOBOLA S/D SEC. 1, BLOCK 4, LOT 3 & 4 Appraised Value, \$342,508.00.

Pulled.

| 11.Take | all   | appropriate | action    | on    | submission   | for   | <b>Employee</b> | Identifica | ation |
|---------|-------|-------------|-----------|-------|--------------|-------|-----------------|------------|-------|
| Card(   | s) a  | s requested | by Doni   | na S  | egura, Agent | , d/k | /a, Speedy      | Gonzalez   | Bail  |
| Bond    | , Lic | ense #TBD f | or the fo | volic | ving:        |       | -               |            |       |

Moved by Beverley Walker seconded by Eric Fagan it is duly put and it is ordered to approve submission for Employee Identification Cards as requested by Donna Segura, Agent, d/b/a, Speedy Gonzalez Bail Bond, <u>License #TBD</u> for the following:

Ricardo Salazar

12. Take all appropriate action on submission for Employee Identification Card(s) as requested by Deborah Kay Farmer, Agent, d/b/a, B Lucky Bail Bonds, (Lexington Financial Insurance Company, <u>License #TBD</u> for the following:

Jason Anderson Judy Harris

Moved by Eric Fagan seconded by David Kiatta it is duly put and it is ordered to approve submission for Employee Identification Cards as requested by Deborah Kay Farmer, Agent, d/b/a, B Lucky Bail Bonds, (Lexington Financial Insurance Company, <u>License #TBD</u> for the following:

Jason Anderson Judy Harris

## 13. Comments from Board/Administrator/County Staff:

## Rule Reminder of the Month

Sec. 1704.056. QUORUM; MAJORITY VOTE. (a) Four members of a board constitute a quorum.

(b) A board may take action only on a majority vote of the board members present.

### Announcements:

County Holidays in March: Friday, March 29, 2024 - Good Friday,

14. Adjournment. 8:47 a.m.

Sara Rosas

**Bail Bond Board Administrator** 

Any person subject to the local appearance rule shall make a request to appear virtually no later than Monday at noon. Please log in to:

<a href="https://fortbendcountytx.webex.com/meet/sara.rosas by 8:30">https://fortbendcountytx.webex.com/meet/sara.rosas by 8:30</a> a.m.

to join the meeting.

We will call on you when your item is taken up by the Board.

|   |               |          |          |                      | Mar-24                 |  |                |            |                 |      |        |
|---|---------------|----------|----------|----------------------|------------------------|--|----------------|------------|-----------------|------|--------|
|   |               |          | LICE     | NSEE MONTH           | LY BAIL BOND A         | LICENSEE MONTHLY BAIL BOND ACTIVITY REPORT |                |            |                 |      |        |
|   |               |          |          |                      |                        |  |                |            |                 |      |        |
| CASH/PROPERTY   |               |          |          |                      |                        |  |                |            |                 |      |        |
| LICENSEE  |               |          |          |                      | LIABILITY              | OUTSTANDING                                | SEC            | SECURITY   | PROP            | SUSP | LIC    |
|   | DATE          | п        | Z        | П                    | M                      | LIABILITY                                  | _              | HELD       | CD              | TATS | NUMB   |
| ABC   | 31-Mar        | ∞        | 25       | \$155,000.00         | \$36,500.00            | \$3,525,000.00                             | <del>⇔</del>   | 385,983    | CD/PROF         | 0    | 104-10 |
| DISCOUNT  | 31-Mar        | 0        | 0        | \$0.00               | \$0.00                 | \$974,750.00 \$                            | <del>(S)</del> | 576,304    | 576,304 CD/PROC | 0    | 046-08 |
| FT. BEND COUNTY   | 1-Apr         | 4        | _        | \$45,000.00          | \$1,500.00             | \$548,500.00                               | ↔              | 65,000 CD  | CD              | 0    | 088-07 |
| GRANNIES  | 2-Apr         | 0        | 0        | \$0.00               | \$0.00                 | \$251,278.58                               | \$             | 50,000     | CD              | 0    | 069-99 |
|   |               | 12       | 26       |                      |                        |  |                |            |                 |      |        |
| Corporate Surety's are excluded from complying with Subsection (g) of Section 6, Art. 2372p-3, V.A.C.S.   | m complying   | with Su  | ıbsectic | n (g) of Section 6,  | Art. 2372p-3, V.A.C.S. |  |                |            |                 |      |        |
| Effective September 1, 2001, a person who applies for a renewal of a license that has been held for eight years without having been suspended/revoked may renew | son who appl  | es for a | a renew  | al of a license that | nas been held for eigh | years without having be                    | en sus         | pended/rev | oked may r      | enew |        |
| the license for 3 years from the date of expiration if the Board knows of no legal reason why the application should not be renewed.                            | of expiration | if the l | Board k  | nows of no legal re- | ason why the applicati | on should not be renewe                    | Ö              |            |                 |      |        |
| 0 - Active  |               |          |          |                      |                        |  |                |            |                 |      |        |
| 1- Suspended  |               |          |          |                      |                        |  |                |            |                 |      |        |
| 2- Expired/Inactive   |               |          |          |                      |                        |  |                |            |                 |      |        |
| Late report / Late report with notice sent***   | ith notice s  | sent***  |          |                      |                        |  |                |            |                 |      |        |
| *Inactive   |               |          |          |                      |                        |  |                |            |                 |      |        |
| N/R - Report Not Received or received after the required date/time  | eceived afte  | r the re | eguirec  | date/time            |                        |  |                |            |                 |      |        |

|                               |       |     | CE  | SEE MONTH     | Mar-24  LICENSEE MONTHLY BAIL BOND ACTIVITY REPO | CTIVITY REPORT |                  |       |      |        |
|-------------------------------|-------|-----|-----|---------------|--|----------------|------------------|-------|------|--------|
| CORPORATE SURETY              |       |     |     |               |  |                |                  |       |      |        |
| LICENSEE                      |       |     |     |               | LIABILITY  | OUTSTANDING    | SECURITY         | PROP  | SUSP | LIC    |
|                               | DATE  | П   | 3   | П             | M  | LIABILITY      | HELD             | CD/CK | STAT | NUMB   |
| 1ST CHOICE/ LEXINGTON         | 1-Apr | 1   | 25  | \$210,000.00  | \$46,000.00                                      | \$1,116,103.00 | \$50,000.00      | CD    | 0    | 151-23 |
| 1ST OUT / LEXINGTON           | 1-Apr | 2   | 0   | \$165,000.00  | \$0.00   | \$542,250.00   | \$50,000.00      | CD    | 0    | 152-23 |
| A BETTER DEAL/US FIRE         | 2-Apr | 12  | 33  | \$171,000.00  | \$51,631.30                                      | \$6,260,177.50 | \$50,000.00      | S     | 0    | 139-19 |
| A AFFORDABLE/ ALLEGHENY       | 1-Apr | 7   | 48  | \$185,000.00  | \$156,501.10                                     | \$3,790,041.00 | \$50,000.00      | CD    | 0    | 141-19 |
| A SPEEDY / US FIRE            | 1-Apr | 7   | 6   | \$97,000.00   | \$19,425.10                                      | 8.00           | \$50,000.00      | 웃     | 0    | 140-21 |
| A MOBILE BB / LEXINGTON       | 1-Apr | 0   | N   | \$0.00        | \$6,500.00                                       | 0.00           | \$50,000.00      | CD    | 0    | 150-23 |
| AARON / FCS                   | 3-Apr | Οī  | ယ   | \$229,000.00  | \$26,500.00                                      |                | 7.00 \$50,000.00 | CD    | 0    | 093-08 |
| A-FAST / BANKERS              |       | 15  | 6   | \$232,500.00  | \$49,500.00                                      |                | \$50,000.00      | CD    | 0    | 117-12 |
| ALLIED / AMERICAN SURETY      | 3-Apr | ω   | 00  | \$136,500.00  | \$16,250.00                                      | \$1,668,707.00 | \$50,000.00      | CD    | 0    | 128-17 |
| ASAP / LEXINGTON              | 3-Apr | 12  | 26  | \$119,750.00  | \$72,150.00                                      | \$7,401,838.10 | \$50,000.00      | CD    | 0    | 110-11 |
| BETTER NOW / BANKERS          | 3-Apr | ∞   | ဖ   | \$165,000.00  | \$12,450.40                                      | 0.00           | \$50,000.00      | CD    | 0    | 081-06 |
| COMING TO GET YOU/LEXINGTON   | 2-Apr | 4   | 12  | \$100,000.00  | \$28,000.00                                      | \$5,063,058.50 | \$50,000.00      | CD    | 0    | 119-13 |
| COUNTRY / ALLEGHENY           | 1-Apr | 12  | 10  | \$507,500.00  | \$35,000.00                                      | \$2,284,133.00 | \$50,000.00      | S     | 0    | 146-21 |
| FEARLESS 2 / FCS              | 1-Apr | _   | 2   | \$20,000.00   | \$4,000.00                                       |                | \$50,000.00      | CD    | 0    | 153-24 |
| FREEBIRD / US FIRE            | 1-Apr | 26  | 41  | \$303,500.00  | \$81,751.00                                      | \$3,930,910.40 | \$50,000.00      | 웃     | 0    | 143-20 |
| H-TOWN / US FIRE              | 1-Apr | 25  | 32  | \$396,000.00  | \$44,600.00                                      |                | \$50,000.00      | CD    | 0    | 122-14 |
| MR JONES 3 / ALLEGHENY        | 1-Apr | 17  | 42  | \$204,500.00  | \$123,427.00                                     | \$3,012,711.00 | \$50,000.00      | CD    | 0    | 147-22 |
| RAPIDO / ALLEGHENY            | 一大学   | 4   | 00  | \$62,500.00   | \$23,250.00                                      |                | \$50,000.00      | CD    | 0    | 145-21 |
| ROSITA'S IN&OUT / NORTH RIVER | 1-Apr | 20  | 8   | \$126,000.00  | \$27,503.00                                      | \$3,283,089.90 | \$50,000.00      | CK    | 0    | 114-12 |
| TEXAS BAIL / ALLEGHENY        | 1-Apr | 15  | 13  | \$358,500.00  | \$52,500.00                                      | \$3,373,260.00 | \$50,000.00      | CD    | 0    | 144-20 |
|                               |       | 198 | 333 | <b>⇔</b><br>- | +  | -              |                  |       |      |        |

|   | MARCH 2024          |         |       |      |
|---|---------------------|---------|-------|------|
| Monthly Su                                | mmary of Bonding Ac | ctivity |       |      |
|   | BONDSMEN            |         | ATTOR | NEYS |
| FBC BONDSMEN AND ATTYS WHO EXECUTED BONDS | 22                  |         |       | 2    |
|   | FEL                 | MISD    | FEL   | MISD |
| BONDSMEN AND ATTY BONDS - FBC             | 210                 | 359     | 2     | 2    |
| BONDSMEN AND ATTY BONDS - OUT/CTY         | 3                   | 13      | 0     | C    |
| BONDSMEN AND ATTY BONDS - JP              |                     | 3       | 0     | 0    |
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| BONDSMEN AND ATTY BONDS - MUNICIPAL       |                     | 3       | 0     | 0    |
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| CASH BONDS - FBC, other                   | 3                   | 55      | 0     | (    |
| CASH BONDS - OUT/CTY                      | 2                   | 5       | 0     | (    |
| CASH BONDS - JP                           | 0                   | 0       | 0     | (    |
| CASH BONDS - JP/OUT/CTY                   |                     | 0       | 0     | (    |
| CASH BONDS - MUNICIPAL                    |                     | 2       | 0     | (    |
| CASH BONDS - MUNICIPAL OUT/CTY            |                     | 0       | 0     | (    |
| PR BONDS - FBC                            | 41                  | 105     | 0     | (    |
| PR BONDS - OUT/CTY                        | 0                   | 0       | 0     | (    |
| PR BONDS - JP                             |                     | 0       | 0     |      |
| PR BONDS - MUNICIPAL                      |                     | 2       | 0     | (    |
| APPEAL BOND                               | 0                   | 0       | 0     | (    |
|   | 0                   | 0       |       |      |
| PERSONAL BONDS                            | 2                   | 0       | 0     | (    |
| BONDS WRITTEN BY BONDSMEN NOT FROM FBC    | 9                   | 11      | 0     | (    |
| SUBTOTALS                                 | 270                 | 559     | 2     | 2    |
| TOTAL NUMBER OF BONDS WRITTEN             |                     |         |       | 833  |

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| ATTORNEY   | F     | M    | F [         | M          |
| John Venza   | 2     | 0    | \$10,000.00 | \$0.00     |
| Celestine Ude  | 0     | 2    | \$0.00      | \$4,750.00 |
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