

# ELLIS COUNTY BAIL BOND BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, January 23, 2020, 1:15 P.M.  
Ellis County Courts Building, Multipurpose Courtroom, Room #265  
109 S. Jackson St., Waxahachie, Texas

**Directors Present:** Theresa Peel, Criminal Defense Attorney  
Terry Ogden, Designee for County Sheriff  
Melanie Reed, District Clerk  
Krystal Valdez, County Clerk  
Ed Jendrzey, Municipal Judge  
Bob Schell, Designee for Patrick Wilson, District Attorney  
Patricia Marshall, Designee for County Court at Law #2 Judge  
Chris Macon, Justice of the Peace, Pct. 1  
Richard K. Shinpaugh, Licensed Bail Bond Surety Designee  
Erik Test, Designee for the County Judge  
Cindy Ermatinger, District Judge

**Directors Absent:** Cheryl Chambers, County Treasurer

**Others Present:** Ann Montgomery, Assistant County & District Attorney  
Byron Winborne  
Daniel Gonzales, Sheriff's Office

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Director Reed calls meeting to order, declares quorum and declares notices legally posted pursuant to Open Meetings Act. Upon a motion to open the meeting by Director Peel, second by Director Ermatinger, the motion was unanimously approved.

## **INVOCATION**

The invocation was led by Director Jendrzey, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the State of Texas flag.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE**

In accordance with Meeting Agenda Item 2.1, nominations were received to hold a secret ballot election for a licensed bondsman to become an Ellis County Bail Bond Board member, pursuant to 1704.0535 of the Occupations Code, with votes being cast only by licensed bail bond companies that are present at the meeting. Rick Shinpaugh, of Ellis County Bail Bond/Amigo Bail Bond, was elected.

In accordance with Meeting Agenda Item 2.2, nominations were received during a secret ballot election for a criminal defense attorney to become an Ellis County Bail Bond Board member, pursuant to 1704.0535 of the Occupations Code, with votes being cast only by criminal defense attorneys that are present at the meeting. Defense attorney, Byron Winborne, was elected.

In accordance with Meeting Agenda Item 2.3, and upon a motion by Director Peel, second by Director Jendrzey, the Board accepted members for 2020 in accordance with Ellis County Bail Bond Rules and Chapter 1704 of the Texas Occupations Code as follows:

Lieutenant Daniel Gonzales, Designee for Charles E. Edge, Ellis County Sheriff  
Byron Winborne, Elected by the Local Criminal Defense Attorneys  
Chris Macon, Elected by the Ellis County Justices of the Peace  
Robert Schell Designee for Patrick Wilson, District Attorney  
Ed Jendrzey, Municipal Judge  
Judge Cindy Ermatinger, Designee for the Administrative Judicial District  
Erik Test, Designee for Todd Little, County Judge

Patricia Marshall, Designee for County Court at Law No. 2  
Krystal Valdez, County Clerk  
Melanie Reed, District Clerk  
Cheryl Chambers, County Treasurer  
Rick Shinpaugh, Elected by the Licensed Bail Bond Surety

In accordance with Meeting Agenda Item 2.4, and upon a motion by Director Macon, second by Director Shinpaugh, the minutes of the meeting held on December 19, 2019, were unanimously approved.

In accordance with Meeting Agenda Item 2.5, nominations were received to hold an election for Presiding Officer of the Ellis County Bail Bond Board. Director Macon was elected with votes being cast only by board members present. Upon a motion by Director Reed, second by Director Test, Director Macon was approved as the Presiding Officer.

In accordance with Meeting Agenda Item 2.6, nominations were received to hold an election for Vice-Presiding Officer of the Ellis County Bail Bond Board. Director Test was elected with votes being cast only by board members present. Upon a motion by Director Reed, second by Director Valdez and a unanimous vote by the present board members, Director Test was approved as the Vice-Presiding Officer.

In accordance with Meeting Agenda Item 2.7, nominations were received to hold an election for Secretary of the Ellis County Bail Bond Board. Director Valdez was elected with votes being cast only by board members present. Upon a motion by Director Reed, second by Director Shinpaugh and a unanimous vote by the present members of the board, Director Valdez was approved as the Secretary.

In accordance with Meeting Agenda Item 2.8, a report from Ann Montgomery, designated agent for Ellis County Bail Bond Board, was given that no bond companies have been reported to the Sheriff for nonpayment of judgments. Upon a motion by Director Test, second by Director Winborne, the report was unanimously approved.

In accordance with Meeting Agenda Item 2.9, a report from Ann Montgomery, designated agent for Ellis County Bail Bond Board, the report was not available at meeting time. No action was taken.

In accordance with Meeting Agenda Item 2.10, a report from Lieutenant Gonzales was given that there was \$896,237.02 in outstanding bail bonds with \$339,935.58 available, of Waxahachie Area Bail Bonds. Upon a motion by Director Shinpaugh, second by Director Jendrzey, the report was unanimously approved.

In accordance with Meeting Agenda Item 2.11, concerning the current list of employees as of 1/10/20 for AAA Bail Bond;

In accordance with meeting Agenda Item 2.12, concerning the current list of employees as of 1/10/20 for AAA#2 Bail Bond;

In accordance with meeting Agenda Item 2.13, concerning the current list of employees as of 1/10/20 for Act Swift Bail Bond;

In accordance with meeting Agenda Item 2.14, concerning the current list of employees as of 1/10/20 for Waxahachie Area Bail Bonds;

In accordance with meeting Agenda Item 2.15, concerning the current list of employees as of 1/10/20 for Ellis County Bail Bond;

In accordance with meeting Agenda Item 2.16, concerning the current list of employees as of 1/10/20 for Doc's Bail Bond;

In accordance with meeting Agenda Item 2.17, concerning the current list of employees as of 1/10/20 for Amigo Bail Bond;

In accordance with meeting Agenda Item 2.18, concerning the current list of employees as of 1/10/20 for Bad Boy Bail Bonds;

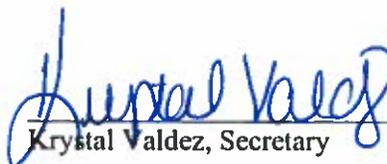
Upon a motion by Director Shinsaugh, second by Director Reed, Agenda Items 2.11 through 2.18 were unanimously approved.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Upon a motion by Director Reed, second by Director Test, the meeting was adjourned by Director Reed at approximately 1:30 p.m.



Chris Macon, Presiding Officer



Krystal Valdez, Secretary

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Date Approved

March 2, 2020

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