

**MINUTES OF THE BAIL BOND BOARD OF WEBB COUNTY
MEETING OF AUGUST 2, 2023
MEETING HELD AT THE 341ST DISTRICT COURT**

The Bail Bond Board of Webb County met at a regular meeting on August 2, 2023. The following members were present to-wit:

JUDGE JESUS DOMINGUEZ	MUNICIPAL JUDGE
JUDGE VICTOR VILLARREAL	COUNTY COURT AT LAW #2
ESTHER DEGOLLADO	DISTRICT CLERK
ROBERTO LOPEZ	REPRESENTATIVE MARGIE IBARRA
	COUNTY CLERKS
COMMISSIONER RICARDO JAIME	WEBB COUNTY COMMISSIONER PCT. 4
RODOLFO MORALES III	CRIMINAL DEFENSE ATTORNEY
JESSICA LAUREL	BONDSPERSON REPRESENTATIVE

The following members were absent:

JUDGE BECKIE PALOMO	341ST DISTRICT JUDGE
JUDGE OSCAR LIENDO	JUSTICE OF PEACE JP1 PL2
ALEJANDRO GUTIERREZ	REPRESENTATIVE MARTIN CUELLAR
	SHERIFF OFFICE
PEDRO J GARZA JR.	REPRESENTATIVE ISIDRO R ALANIZ
	DISTRICT ATTORNEY
JERONIMO MARTINEZ	REPRESENTATIVE RAUL REYES
	COUNTY TREASURER

Also present was Albrecht Riepen General Counsel and Enedelia Romo Bail Bond Board Administrator.

1. **Call meeting to order.**

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY ADDRESS THE BAIL BOND BOARD DURING PUBLIC COMMENTS. ALL PERSONS MUST PRE-REGISTER IN WRITING BY EMAILING THE BAIL BOND BOARD ADMINISTRATOR AT eromo@webbcountytexas.gov NO LATER THAN 4:00PM ON THE BUSINESS DAY BEFORE THE MEETING. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION WILL BE LIMITED TO THREE MINUTES FOR THOSE WHO HAVE PRE-REGISTERED. PURSUANT TO STATE OPEN MEETING LAW, THE WEBB COUNTY BAIL BOND BOARD IS RESTRICTED IN DISCUSSION OR TAKING ACTION ON ITEMS NOT POSTED ON THE AGENDA.

3. **Approval of July 2023 Bail Bond Board Meeting minutes.**

Upon motion of Mr. Rodolfo Morales III, Seconded by Mrs. Esther Degollado, all voting in favor the minutes of July 5, 2023 were approved.

4. **Report on Outstanding Agreed Judgments/ Default Judgments, Pending Writs of Execution, and Suspended Sureties as of July 28, 2023.**

Albrecht Riepen General Counsel informed the Board that we don't have any Writs of Execution and we have 4 Bonding Companies that have a Judgment pending at this time. Cristobal Cisneros still suspended.

5. **Report on Outstanding Bonds regarding Bonding Companies as of July 28, 2023.**

Enedelia Romo Bail Bond Board Administrator informed the board about Bonding Company report.

6. **Quarterly Report on Art. 17.16 Affidavits of Surety for Discharge of Liability and Art. 17.19 Affidavits of Surety for Warrant or Capias filed by bonding companies.**

Albrecht Riepen General Counsel informed the Board regarding the Quarterly Report that was provided by District Clerks from January thru June 2023.

7. **Discussion and possible action related to Webb County Bail Bond Board Rule Section 3.3, regarding employee registration for 1st Bail Bonds 2 d Lares Bail Bonds. Specifically: Esmeralda Annette Lares. (Albrecht Riepen, Board Counsel)**

Albrecht Riepen Board Counsel informed the Board that Mr. Arnulfo Lares asked to Deleted this item. Upon motion of Judge Jesus Dominguez, Seconded Commissioner Ricardo Jaime all voting in favor this item was Deleted.

8. **Discussion and possible action regarding the filing of designations and waivers for service of process under Art. 22.03 (c) (d). (Albrecht Riepen, Board Counsel)**

Albrecht Riepen Board Counsel informed the Board to table this item for next meeting. Upon motion of Commissioner Ricardo Jaime, Seconded Judge Victor Villarreal all voting in favor this item was Tabled.

9. **Discussion and possible action regarding the multiplicative power of collateral pledged by sureties that have been suspended under Tex Occ. Code 1704.(Albrecht Riepen, Board Counsel)(Tabled from last meeting)**

Albrecht Riepen Board Counsel informed the Board to table this item for next meeting. Upon motion of Commissioner Ricardo Jaime, Seconded Judge Victor Villarreal all voting in favor this item was Tabled.

10. **Discussion and possible action regarding hiring outside counsel to advise on reducing the multiplicative value of collateral for sureties who have had their licenses suspended and on upcoming changes to the local rules.(Albrecht Riepen, Board Counsel)**

Albrecht Riepen Board Counsel asked the Board to hire Attorney Mr. Roger Moore. As per motion of Commissioner Ricardo Jaime to hire Attorney Moore and not to exceed \$5,000.00 Dollars to address any issues regarding the Bonding Business. Upon motion of Commissioner Ricardo Jaime, Seconded Judge Victor Villarreal all voting in favor motion passed it.

11. **Announcement regarding bond forfeitures for failures to appear in the county courts and in Operational Lone Star cases. (Albrecht Riepen, Board Counsel)**

Albrecht Riepen Board Counsel informed the Board in reference to bond forfeitures and ask County Clerks to follow up on Court Cost regarding Bond Forfeitures.

12. **Discussion and possible action regarding sureties withholding defendant contact information from defense attorneys. (Albrecht Riepen, Board Counsel)**

Albrecht Riepen Board Counsel informed the Board No further action.

13. **Motion to instruct Ms. Enedelia Romo to inquire, from other Texas counties the process and implementation cost of a paperless bond system. (Ricardo Jaime, Commissioner Pct. 4)**

Commissioner Ricardo Jaime informed the Board to instruct Ms. Romo to ask the Texas counties on paperless Bond form and provided a Report for September meeting. Upon motion of Commissioner Ricardo Jaime, Seconded Judge Victor Villarreal all voting in favor this item was Tabled.

14. **Committee Reports**

Rules Committee

The Rules Committee inform that they will meet on Thursday from next week.

Advertise Committee

The Advertise Committee inform that Jeronimo Martinez submit flew chart for review.

Website Committee

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15. **Miscellaneous Business.**

Rafael Pena from IT informed the board about the Tylor that has been approved by the Commissioners Court.

16. **Adjournment.**

Upon motion of Commissioner Ricardo Jaime, Seconded by Judge Jesus Dominguez, all voting in favor the meeting was adjourned.