

**ARKANSAS PROFESSIONAL
BAIL BONDSMAN LICENSING BOARD**

Regular Meeting

February 9th, 2024

Ricky Joyner was acting chair and called the meeting to order.

Roll call was taken. The following members were present Muldoon, Joyner Wilburn, Edwards was present, Clark, Molder, and Craig were present via Zoom.

Assistant Attorney General Doralee Chandler was present. Board Staff was present.

Hearings

Pulaski County Circuit Court vs Big Daddy Bail Bonding, Inc. / Lee Grimes.

Present was Kevin Caldwell Owner of Big Daddy Bail Bonding, Inc and his Attorney. Molder recused himself from the hearing.

After hearing facts of the complaint from the APBBLB and Big Daddy Bail Bonding, Inc. A motion was made Muldoon to collect the max allowed by statute of the \$75,000.00 forfeiture (\$10,000.00) from the certificate of deposit of Big Daddy Bail Bonding, Inc. to pay the above listed forfeiture. Edwards seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Pulaski County Circuit Court vs Big Daddy Bail Bonding, Inc. / Demond Lewis

Present was Kevin Caldwell Owner of Big Daddy Bail Bonding, Inc and his Attorney. Molder recused himself from the hearing,

After hearing fact of the complaint from the APBBLB and Big Daddy Bail Bonding, Inc. A motion was made Wilburn to collect the max allowed by statue of the \$10,000.00 forfeiture (\$10,000.00) from the certificate of deposit of Big Daddy Bail Bonding, Inc. to pay the above listed forfeiture. Edward seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

APBBLB vs City Bail Bonds, Inc.

Present was Kevin Caldwell Owner of Big Daddy Bail Bonding, Inc and his Attorney.

After hearing from the APPBLB AG Attorney and the Attorney for City Bail Bonds, Inc. A motion was made by Edwards to dismiss the case, due to no finding of the facts. Clark seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

After the vote the board discussed monitoring of City Bail Bonds. Caldwell said he would report all bonds written over \$50,000.00 and provide all documents to show how the bond is being secured to the APBBLB within 48 hours and all so would report all show causes

\$10,000.00 of more and documents supporting the show cause for a period of the next quarterly report in July. Caldwell and agreed to a self-imposed monitoring

Minutes from last meeting.

Joyner made a motion January board meeting minutes for board member stipends to include expenses. Wilburn seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes presented for previous meeting January 12th, 2024, were approved. Edwards made motion to approve previous minutes and Muldoon seconded. Motion passed.

Old business

Appeal update. AG reported on APBBLB vs First Step Bail Bond Co. Inc. that the appeal is still pending.

NEW BUSINESS

Vouchers Paid & Financial Report:

The Chairman invited questions and/or discussion regarding the vouchers paid since last meeting. Joyner made a motion to approve expenses and Wilburn seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Forfeitures: Eighteen (18) new forfeitures.

Transfers- There were zero (0) transfer.

License Suspensions and Terminations- There were zero (0) License Suspensions and Termination.

License Approvals:

There were three (3) licenses issued since last meeting.

The Previous Months Forfeiture Report was presented.

A motion Joyner was made to send out a 10-day letter on all forfeitures that are not paid in a timely manner and if not paid by the 10 days that the company be suspended pending a hearing before the board. Edwards seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Investigators Report: Investigator informed board of new cases working and working with AG on previous cases.

Director's Report / Review:

Talked about ELP and board member stipends. Muldoon requested of the director that the new law be updated in the statute book. Director reported it was updated on the website and all bond companies was emailed a copy to the new law.

Public comments:

Brad Parnell had a question about the issuance of bond numbers and when to start using the new bail bond form. The AG explained the new rule of when it would possibly go in affect.

Meeting was adjourned.

Joyner made a motion to adjourn, Muldoon seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned.

Submitted for approval:

This 8th day of March 2024 _____

Curt Clark, Chairman