

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
BEXAR COUNTY ESD 5 FIRE AND RESCUE
AUGUST 15, 2024

In compliance with the provision of Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, notice is hereby given that a REGULAR MEETING of the Board of Directors of Bexar County ESD 5 Fire and Rescue was held at 7120 East 6th Street, Somerset, TX 78069 on AUGUST 15, 2024 at 6:00 pm.

1) Call the meeting to order and establish a quorum.

Meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm and a quorum was established. Board members in attendance were Herschel Postert, Howard Dalros, Andrew Flores, Becky Schneider, and Robert Pierce.

2) Invocation: Pledge of Allegiance and prayer

Director Dalros led the pledge and Director Pierce led the prayer.

3) Consent Agenda:

a) Review and approval of the Minutes for the July 25, 2024 Regular Meeting

Motion by Director Schneider to accept the minutes as presented. Seconded by Director Pierce. Motion carried.

b) Review and approval of financials

Motion by Director Flores to accept the financials as presented. Seconded by Director Pierce. Motion carried.

4) Chief's Report; including requests for funds, if any; and Department and Operations report with action taken as necessary.

Assistant Chief Esparza was present for the report. He gave an update on training and said the department will be hosting advanced TCFP classes throughout the end of the year for staff and outside agencies. Chief Esparza said the department now offers more advanced classes than SAC. He reported all truck company personnel and command staff have completed swift water rescue training. He also said an \$800 check was presented to Alamo Area Breast Cancer Awareness from the sale of T-shirts. Chief said the KME truck is in San Marcos for repairs so that it can be sold.

Call volumes reported were 53 calls from station 150 with an average response time of 6:30; 172 calls from station 151 with an average response time of 10 minutes; 76 calls from station

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152 with an average response time of 7 minutes.

Director Postert said Chief Estep had told him the department needed two more heart monitors. Chief Esparza demonstrated the equipment to the board.

Director Schneider asked the cost. Chief Esparza said it would total \$47,445 and there was enough money in the budget to cover it. The board approved by consensus.

Director Flores asked if the training classes were advertised. Chief said on the TCFP website, Facebook, and the department website. Director Schneider said the money from the classes should go into the no-tax account.

Director Postert stated the 2nd generator has been delivered to Station 150 and the 3rd will be ordered soon for Station 152. The generators are between \$6500 and \$7000 from Home Depot but there will also be some expense to get them hooked up.

5) Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Director Schneider. Seconded by Director Dalros. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:12 pm.

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