

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
BEXAR COUNTY ESD 5 FIRE AND RESCUE
FEBRUARY 16, 2023

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 FEBRUARY 16, 2023 at 6:00 pm.

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

Meeting was called to order at 6:06 pm and a quorum was established. Board members in attendance were Herschel Postert, Howard Dalros, Becky Schneider, and Robert Pierce. Andrew Flores was absent.

2) Invocation: Pledge of Allegiance and prayer

Director Dalros led the pledge Director Pierce led the prayer.

3) Consent Agenda:

a) Review and approval of the Minutes for the January 19, 2023 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 Dalros to accept the financials as presented. Seconded by Director Pierce. Motion carried.

4) The Board will hear a brief presentation from Texas Regional Bank

There was a presentation by Greg Booth and Kevin Whitworth of Texas Regional Bank. They emphasized that they are a “one stop shop” having every product an ESD needs including insurance, CDs, treasury products, loans, etc. It was also important to note that they have a public funds division so all the accounts would be properly secured. They presented several success stories showing how they were able to get clients better return on their money. No action was taken.

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

Chief Estep gave his report on training saying the department is finalizing the process to become an authorized training center through TCFP. He said there are currently 17 qualified instructors in the department. Chief said all front-line apparatus was in service. The KME will soon be sent to a shop in Dallas for repair work. Call volumes reported were 47 from Station 150 with an average response time of 7 minutes; 234 calls from Station 151 with an average response time of 8:00; and 72 calls

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from Station 152 with an average response time of 7:00. No action taken.

6) Action items:

- a) Discussion with action taken as appropriate regarding the future fire station in the Montgomery Road area, including any action necessary regarding financing, bid process, status of platting, and resolution, if any, and any other matters related thereto**

Director Dalros talked about Judge Sakai getting a letter from a constituent questioning why the station had not yet been built. There was a discussion about response times from that location versus the next closest station being quite a distance away. He says this is what got the ball rolling. Motion by Director Schneider to approve the Resolution as presented to authorize the purchase of the land on Montgomery Road by BCESD5 Fire and Rescue for \$120,000. Reading of the Resolution was waived. Motion seconded by Director Dalros. Motion carried.

- b) Update and discussion regarding land acquisition of land on Pearsall Road and other related matters with action taken, if needed**

Director Dalros said he has contacted 2 other landowners about possible sites and is waiting on responses. No action taken on this item.

7) Adjourn

Motion by Director Schneider to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Director Pierce. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.

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