

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**BEXAR COUNTY ESD 5 FIRE AND RESCUE**  
**MARCH 21, 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 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Somerset, TX 78069 on MARCH 21, 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**

*Pledge led by Director Dalros and prayer led by Director Pierce.*

**3) Consent Agenda:**

**a) Review and approval of the Minutes for the February 29, 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 Pierce to accept the financials as presented. Seconded by Director Flores. Motion carried.*

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

*Asst. Chief Javier Esparza was present to give the report. He gave a brief report on trainings, physical fitness training, Chief Estep attending the Federal Labor and Standards Act training, status of apparatus, and the progress of retrofitting the Ford F450 to make it Attack 153. Call volumes are as follows: Station 150 had 58 calls with an average response time of 7.5 minutes; Station 151 had 230 calls with an average response time of 10 minutes; and Station 152 with 63 calls with an average response time of 7 minutes.  
No action taken.*

**5) Action items:**

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**a) Discussion and possible action regarding procedures for hiring contractors**

*This item was taken in Executive Session.*

*Meeting was called to into Executive Session at 6:08 pm for item 5a citing Texas Government Code 551.071.*

*Meeting resumed in Open Session at 6:26 pm.*

*5a – Motion by Director Schneider to follow requirements for hiring contractors that the ESD must follow per statute. Seconded by Director Pierce. Motion carried.*

**5) Adjourn**

*Motion to adjourn by Director Schneider. Seconded by Director Pierce. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:26 pm.*

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