

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
BEXAR COUNTY ESD 5 FIRE AND RESCUE
JULY 19, 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 JULY 19, 2023 at 6:00 pm.

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

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 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) Open the Public Hearing for comments per the TEFRA notice posted on the website from 7/10/2023 to present date.

It was noted that when the meeting was changed from the 20th to the 19th, the TEFRA notice was not changed, therefore, a public hearing could not be held and the TEFRA notice will be reposted.

4) Close the Public Hearing and begin the Regular Meeting

No public hearing held.

5) Consent Agenda:

a) Review and approval of the Minutes for the June 15, 2023 Regular Meeting, June 28, 2023 Special Meeting, and July 13, 2023 Special 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 Flores. Motion carried.

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

Chief Estep gave his report including trainings, status of apparatus, and call volumes. He did note that at the time he wrote up his report, all front-line apparatus was in service but there was now an issue with a sensor on one of the ladder trucks that is being repaired. Station 150 had 55 calls last month with an

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average response time of 7:00; Station 151 had 215 calls with an average response time of 8:30; and Station 152 had 48 calls with an average response time of 7:30.

Chief talked about updating the Toughbooks with new tablets for all the trucks (7) at a cost of \$16,927. He said that money is in the budget and he was not asking for any more. Director Postert said a motion on this item was not necessary and no board member was opposed to the purchase.

7) Action items:

- a) Update from Galm Real Estate regarding the acquisition of land for a future fire station, with action taken as necessary**

This item was taken in Executive Session.

- b) 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, water drilling issues, and any other matters related thereto**

This item was taken in Executive Session.

Meeting was called to into Executive Session at 6:09 pm citing Texas Government Code 551.071.

Meeting resumed in Open Session at 6:21 pm.

Item 7a – Motion by Director Dalros to approve the contract with Galm Realty. Seconded by Director Pierce. Motion carried.

Item 7b – Motion by Director Dalros to proceed as discussed in Executive Session. Seconded by Director Schneider. Motion carried.

8) Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Director Schneider. Seconded by Director Pierce. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:22 pm.

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