

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
BEXAR COUNTY ESD 5 FIRE AND RESCUE
JULY 17, 2025

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 17, 2025 at 6:00 pm.

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

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 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 June 18, 2025 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

Chief Estep presented his report to the board. He discussed the ongoing Advanced EMT training; hosting a Driver/Operator pumper training course; attendance at the Bexar County Public Service Expo; all apparatus in service and outfitting the new BC truck. Chief reported the repairs at Station 151 from the water damage are complete as well as a new front and back decks. He further reported the creation of specialized teams to support the counties response. This includes Honor Guard, swiftwater teams, hazmat teams with firefighters being sent to Alabama for free hazmat tech courses.

Call volumes and response were reported as 51 calls from Station 150 with an average response time of 6:15, 126 calls from Station 151 with an average response time of 8:15, 50 calls from Station 153 with an average response time 6:27, and 122 calls from Station 153

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with an average response time of 8:29.

5) Discussion, update, and possible action regarding maintenance and repairs at Station 151, 11109 Kinney Road, Atascosa, TX 78002

Director Flores had a complaint about the floor buckling. He also said Canco Construction was supposed to repair a door which they did not. No action was taken.

6) Discussion, update, and possible action regarding the septic / plumbing problems at Station 150

The owner of the Dairy Queen, Amit Bhakta, was present to discuss the same septic issues they are having across the street. He said they just replaced their pumps and they were only 5 years old. He said the problem is the line is only a 2 inch line instead of a 4 inch line. He said he has also spent about \$20,000 in plumbing repairs since January. Canco Construction is in the process of running a camera through the lines to show that the problem is not on the Department's side. Director Postert asked Counsel, Mark Sanchez, what could be done. Mark said it sounds like the leaking sewer is a health and safety code violation and in that case, there may be some recourse from the City of Somerset. Chief Estep will prepare a report early next week and get a copy to Mark. No action taken.

7) Adjourn

Motion by Director Schneider to adjourn. Seconded by Director Pierce. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:43 pm.

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