

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
BEXAR COUNTY ESD 5 FIRE AND RESCUE
July 15, 2021

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 15, 2021 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 recited and prayer led by Director Pierce.

3) Consent Agenda:

a) Minutes for the Regular Meeting on June 17, 2021

Motion by Director Schneider to accept the minutes as presented. Seconded by Director Dalros. 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) Chief's Report; including requests for funds, if any; and Department and Operations report with action taken as necessary.

Chief Estep gave his oral and written report on claims, training, physical fitness, staffing, and apparatus. He said Station 150 has been designated as a cooling station by Bexar County OEM. He talked about having a walk through of the Amazon building and the fact that they will have minimum staffing in place by 8/2/2021. They will be fully operational 6-8 weeks later which is much earlier than previously reported. This is the reason for the budget amendment item 5c later in the agenda. Station 151 had 202 calls in June with an average response time of 8:30. Station 150 had 37 calls with an average response time of 6:30. Station 152 had 50 calls with an average response time of 6:00.

The Bexar County ESD 5 Fire and Rescue reserves the right to adjourn into closed session at any time during the course of the meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above should such action be necessary as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.074 (Personnel Matters) or 551.087 (Economic Development) and any other provision under Texas Law that permits this governmental body to discuss a matter in a closed session. Action, if any, will be taken in open session.

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5) Action items:

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

This item was taken in Executive Session.

Meeting was called into Executive Session at 6:17 pm citing Texas Government Code 551.071 Consultation with Attorney for item 5a.

Meeting resumed in Open Session at 6:37 pm.

No action taken on item 5a.

- b) Discussion and action, if necessary, regarding a site for a future fire station (Dalros, Pierce)**

Directors Dalros and Pierce said there was nothing new to report.

- c) Discussion with possible action regarding budget amendments to outfit new Ferrara Ladder truck**

Chief Estep said the Amazon distribution center opening date has been moved up so he needs to get a truck outfitted more quickly than anticipated. He was not asking for any increase in his overall budget, just moving money from line items that had an excess to the Equipment line item so ladder truck could be outfitted. Specifics were highlighted and a list of equipment needed was provided.

Motion by Director Schneider to approve the budget amendments as presented. Seconded by Director Pierce. Motion carried.

6) Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Director Schneider. Seconded by Director Dalros. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm.

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