

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**BEXAR COUNTY ESD 5 FIRE AND RESCUE**  
**OCTOBER 17, 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 OCTOBER 17, 2024 at 6:00 pm.

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

*Meeting was called to order at 6:07 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 September 19, 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 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 was present to give the report. He talked about ongoing trainings that the department is hosting for staff plus outside agencies. He said he has attended several legislative meetings in the county and in Austin. Staff has attended several PR events including Heroes Night at Somerset football game and 9/11 events. Firefighter Leo Lopez represented the department in the Heroes Brawl event and handily won against the police officer. He reported on the status of the apparatus being in service. Call volumes reported were 58 from Station 150 with an average response time of 7 minutes; 186 calls from Station 151 with an average response time of 10:30; and 57 calls from Station 152 with an average response time of 7:30.*

*Chief then called forward the following to recognize them for their 5 year anniversary in the*

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*department; Alexander Zueck, Garrett Chase, Gabriel Guerrero, and Edward Esparza.*

*Lastly, Chief Estep advised the board that the County has given the department new Motorola radios.*

**5) Discussion and possible action regarding opening a new account for the Breast Cancer Awareness T-shirt proceeds**

*Chief explained that he doesn't need a new account but just attach the cash app to the non-tax account at Texas Community Bank in order to be able to sell t-shirts since no one really carries cash anymore.*

*Motion by Director Pierce to allow cash app on the non-tax account at Texas Community Bank. Seconded by Director Schneider. Motion carried.*

**6) Discussion with action, if necessary, regarding the Annual Firefighter Award Banquet**

*The board was informed of the date of the Awards Banquet on December 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm at Glimmering Oaks.*

**7) Adjourn**

*Motion to adjourn by Director Schneider. Seconded by Director Flores. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm.*

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