

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
BEXAR COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 5
March 18, 2021

The Board of Commissioners of Bexar County Emergency Services District No. 5 conducted a Regular Meeting at 7120 E. 6th Street, Somerset, TX 78069 on March 18, 2021 at immediately following the Public Hearing and Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors for Bexar County ESD 5 Fire and Rescue.

This meeting was held via Zoom Link as well as in person. Board members and the public were able to participate in the meeting by calling 346-248-7799 and entering the meeting ID 861 8839 7943, and passcode 718314. A recording of the meeting will be made available to the public upon request.

1) Call the Bexar County Emergency Services District 5 meeting to order and establish a quorum.

Meeting was called to order at 6:43 pm and a quorum was established. Board members in attendance were Herschel Postert, Howard Dalros, Andrew Flores, and Robert Pierce. Becky Schneider was absent.

2) Invocation: Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Pledge recited.

3) Citizens to be heard: This item will be open for a maximum of 30 minutes with 3 minutes per speaker. (If there are more than 10 speakers, each will be given 2 minutes.)

There was no one present or on Zoom for comment.

4) The Board will hear a brief presentation from R4 Strategies, Rudy Rodriguez, with action taken, if necessary

Rudy Rodriguez was present via Zoom. He gave the board a brief overview of some of the relevant legislative bills coming up. He said he would meet with Chief Estep on Monday to give him some more details and offered to meet with board members as well. He will send general manager an overview by email on Monday for distribution to the board. No action necessary.

5) Consent Agenda:

a) Minutes from the Regular Meeting on February 25, 2021

Motion by Commissioner Dalros to accept the minutes as presented. Seconded by

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Commissioner Pierce. Motion carried.

b) Review and approval of financials

Motion by Commissioner Flores to accept the financials as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Dalros. Motion carried.

6) Reports, presentations, and funding requests with action taken as appropriate:

a) Bexar County ESD 5 Fire and Rescue

Chief Estep talked about applying for a Safer Grant to help with payroll.

b) Lytle Volunteer Fire Dept.

Chief Dear also said he is applying for the Safer Grant for payroll.

He said he will be returning the District's 2014 Ford as he does not have a need for it anymore. Monthly paperwork submitted showed 58 calls in February with a response time of 9:24.

7) Action items: Consider, discuss, and action as appropriate.

a) Personnel issues: Including but not limited to hiring, terminations, discipline, suspensions, and compensation, and any other related matters

No action necessary on this item.

b) Discussion and possible action regarding Long Range Plan

Commissioner Flores noted with the approval of the new Ladder truck, there will need to be a revision in the plan to move that item up from 2024 to 2021 and increase the dollar amount. He will make the revisions and have it ready for the April meeting. No action taken.

e) Discussion and possible action regarding the litigation with the City of San Antonio in reference to Cause No. 2019-CI-26125

Legal Counsel stated that the case is continuing. No action needed.

8) Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Dalros. Seconded by Commissioner Pierce. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.

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