

The Commissioner Court of Houston County met in a special called meeting on January 5, 2015 with the following members present to wit:

Erin Ford	County Judge
Roger Dickey	Commissioner Precinct 1
Willie Kitchen	Commissioner Precinct 2
Pat Perry	Commissioner Precinct 3
Kennon Kellum	Commissioner Precinct 4

Also present

Bridget Lamb	County Clerk
Melissa Mosley	County Auditor

Media

Will Johnson	Grapeland Messenger
Kelly McChesney	Houston County Courier
Caleb Beames	KTRE

Visitors: John Angerstein (Crockett Fire Chief), Dorothy Zink, Roger Zink, Vaden Caldwell, Ray Wollgast

County Judge Erin Ford called the meeting to order and announced this was a special meeting to review the state of Emergency Medical Services within Houston County

Judge Ford opened meeting with a prayer

Pledge Allegiance

Recognition of guests

Judge Ford provided a brief history on how the issue came about and explained that the County had a contract with ETMC EMS which stipulated a notice of one year before termination of service, but the City of Crockett's contract with the EMS provider only called for 90 days.

A committee has been set up to review the options that is available in order to explore the options moving forward to provide third party ambulance service when ETMC EMS pull their service.

The committee is comprised of: Crockett City Administrator, Houston County Auditor, Commissioner Precinct 1, Crockett Fire Chief, Houston County Attorney and Houston County Judge.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Kennon Kellum to authorize Judge Ford to negotiate a contract to provide professional and technical guidance to ensure the quality and timely replacement of EMS service providers and ensure continued coverage for the citizens of Houston County. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Motion made by Willie Kitchen seconded by Roger Dickey that this meeting be adjourn.

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Erin Ford, County Judge

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Roger Dickey, Comm. Pct. #1

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Willie Kitchen, Comm. Pct. #2

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Pat Perry, Comm. Pct. #3

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Kennon Kellum, Comm. Pct. #4

Attest:

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Bridget Lamb, County Clerk