

October 26, 2015

A Special Meeting of the Bladen County Board of Commissioners was held on Monday, October 26, 2015 at 7:00 pm in the Commissioners Room on the lower level of the Courthouse, 106 East Broad Street, Elizabethtown, NC. The purpose of the meeting was regarding Emergency Medical Services (EMS).

Members present were:

Charles R. Peterson, Chairman

Russell Priest

James G. "Jimmie" Smith

Michael Cogdell

Daniel Dowless

Billy Ray Pait

Wayne Edge

Arthur Bullock

Excused: Delilah Blanks

Call to Order

Chairman Peterson called the meeting to order. Reverend Larry Hayes provided the invocation. County Manager Greg Martin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM 1. Emergency Medical Services:

County Manager Greg Martin reviewed a six-year financial history regarding EMS. David Howell revisited a presentation recently presented to the Board. The presentation included two recommendations. The first proposal included the addition of four (4) full-time employees to staff an additional truck to allow for increased nighttime coverage. The second proposal included three (3) additional full-time staff to reduce the need for part-time employees and overtime compensation.

Following discussion and upon motion by Commissioner Cogdell, seconded by Commissioner Bullock, the Board unanimously approved the second proposal, increasing full-time EMT positions by three (3), and to allow data collection assist in the use of part-time staff to provide an additional truck.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Dowless, seconded by Commissioner Cogdell, the Board adjourned the meeting at 7:31 pm.

ATTEST:

Gregory J. Martin, Deputy Clerk

Charles R. Peterson, Chairman