

**Morgan County Commission Public Hearing  
November 13, 2025**

**Members present:**

President Bill Clark  
Commissioner Joel Tuttle  
Commissioner Sean Forney



**Staff Present:**

Misty Clingerman, County Administrator

**Call to Order**

Commissioner Tuttle called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**Public Hearing - EMS Commercial Billing Fee**

President Clark opened the 6:00 pm Public Hearing. The meeting consisted of two members of the EMS Board: Wayne Sanderson and Otto Schlict, three Company 7 employees: Kevin Duckwall, Mike Jenkins and Renea Stansbury and one citizen from the public. Commissioner Forney explained to the public that the EMS board has a contract with Company 7 to help fund lifesaving services for the county. One major financial problem is competing with salaries of paramedics in surrounding counties. Commissioner Forney presented some general statistics to the public on how much it costs to buy an ambulance and outfit it, purchase of heart monitors, medical supplies, diesel and so much more. The EMS Board is in a 1-year agreement to help fund Company 7 but are trying to figure out how to fund it long term. Commissioner Forney explained that the 1-year agreement between the EMS board and Company 7 had to give an additional \$200,000 in funding provided equally from the EMS Board and the County Commission. Term project in hopes that Legislative would pass the 1% sales tax increase, but that no longer looks hopeful. The board believes that implementing commercial billing will not solve the problem completely, but it will help them to get there. President Clark opened the floor for public comment for questions and recommendations. One member of the public inquired about the tiered approach that Commissioner Forney had mentioned. Commissioner Forney explained that the tiered approach would be based on square footage with a max billing fee of \$5,000. Commissioner Forney said that is where they need help structuring the fair way to determine a fee that will help figure out this problem. Since there has now been two public meetings, the next step is to draft a new ordinance. This will be placed on the next Commission Meeting Agenda on November 19, 2025. President Clark did one last call for public comment.

**Adjourn**

President Clark adjourned the meeting at 7:05 pm.