



March 1, 2017

Honorable Rick Lewis  
Montague County Judge  
P O Box 475  
Montague, TX 76251

Re: Bowie Emergency Ambulance Service

Dear Judge Lewis:

I wanted to inform you of action taken by the Bowie City Council at last evening's special council meeting. After discussion with our electrical consultants and their recommendation to raise electrical rates it was the council's decision to maintain the current electrical rates.

Instead the council approved a number of cost reducing actions. One of the actions was the resolution to notify Montague County Commissioners Court of the city's intention to discontinue ambulance services outside the city limits of Bowie, Texas, effective October 1, 2017. As I discussed with the commissioners last year the city is experiencing a significant net revenue loss in our ambulance operation, and this is one of the steps in an effort to improve that situation.

Respectfully, I would like to ask the court to consider a request for pricing regarding ambulance services in the southern part of Montague County, excluding the City of Bowie. Please know we will work with you to provide any historical data you might need to assist with your RFP request, including data inside the city limits as well. Mr. Tow and I will make ourselves available to discuss any RFP options you would like to discuss.

Although September 30, 2017 will be our last day to provide service outside the city, we will be available to provide mutual aid as necessary to the provider the court chose. I want to make this transition as seamless as possible. If it should be beneficial to the county to provide ambulance service at an earlier date we would be willing to work toward accomplishing that goal.

Please contact me whenever I or the city staff may assist you.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Larry Slack".

Larry Slack  
Mayor, City of Bowie