COMMISSIONERS COURT OF UPSHUR COUNTY, TEXAS
TUESDAY, JUNE 30, 2020
10:00AM REGULAR SESSION

Commissioners met in regular session with all members present.

Audio

1. Invocation and Pledges

Prayer said by Gene Dolle
Pledges said by Dustin Nicholson

2. Consider and take action on approval of:

A. The minutes of the previous meeting:
B. Payroll changes:
C. Payroll:
D. Budget amendments:
E. Accounts Payable:
Expense Approval Report:
F. Accept for recording: Auditor reports; Treasurer reports; Bonds; Oaths; Deputations; Certificates; State and County Taxes Summary; refund of overpayment or erroneous tax payments in excess of $2500.00; the FY 19 Upshur County Independent Audit and Single Audit for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019 prepared by Patillo, Brown & Hill; and applications for use of Upshur County roads and rights-of way and permit request.

Motion to approve and record items A-F made by Dustin Nicholson
Second by Jay Miller
Paula Gentry, Dustin Nicholson, Frank Berka, Jay Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.
Motion approved.
Copies attached.

3. **Discuss and take action to authorize the County Treasurer to open an additional account at First National Bank for the purpose of depositing and re-issuing unclaimed property.**

Motion to authorize the County Treasurer to open an account at First National bank for the purpose of unclaimed property made by Frank Berka
Second by Jay Miller
Paula Gentry, Dustin Nicholson, Frank Berka, Jay Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.
Motion approved.

4. **Discuss and take action to approving and entering into an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Big Sandy for road maintenance and repair.**

Motion to approve an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Big Sandy for road maintenance and repair made by Frank Berka
Second by Dustin Nicholson
Paula Gentry, Dustin Nicholson, Frank Berka, Jay Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.
Motion approved.
Copy attached.

5. **Discuss and take action adopting the Upshur County Employees' Manual.**

Motion to adopt the Employees' Manual as presented made by Frank Berka
Second by Dustin Nicholson
Paula Gentry, Dustin Nicholson, Frank Berka, Jay Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.
Motion approved.
Copy attached.

6. **Discuss and take action amending the County policy on naming or designating roads in Upshur County prior to the time such roads are accepted into the County Road inventory, i.e., from a designation of Private Road to a red sign designation.**

No action taken.

7. **Discuss and take action approving the amended plat of the Woodbriar sub-division on Flamingo Rd., and to accept same for recording.**

Motion to approve the amended plat of Woodbriar sub-division on Flamingo Rd and accept same for recording made by Dustin Nicholson
Second by Jay Miller
Paula Gentry, Dustin Nicholson, Frank Berka, Jay Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.
Motion approved.
Copy attached.

8. **Discuss and take action to approve a 3 year service contract with NetMotion to provide software maintenance and support to the Upshur County Sheriff's Department with reference to computer tablets in department vehicles.**

Motion to approve a 3 year service contract with NetMotion made by Frank Berka
Second by Jay Miller
Paula Gentry, Dustin Nicholson, Frank Berka, Jay Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.
Motion approved.
Copy attached.

9. **Discuss and take action to allow the Open Range Cowboy Church to play music and sing on the Courthouse lawn the earliest Saturday that is available.**

Motion to allow the Open Range Cowboy Church to play music and sing on the Courthouse lawn on an available Saturday made by Dustin Nicholson
Second by Jay Miller
Paula Gentry, Dustin Nicholson, Frank Berka, Jay Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.
Motion approved.

10. Recognition of Upshur County Volunteers for placing third in the Texas Oncology Challenge for donating masks to those in need.

The Court heard from Julie York with the Ag Extension service. Back in March the State Extension Office suggested that people volunteer and donate face mask across the state. During this time there became a Texas Oncology contest to make the most mask. Julie recently received a card from Dr. Thomas Fisher who is an Oncologist with Texas Oncology in San Antonio announcing that Upshur County Volunteers had won third place in the contest and he sent them a check in the amount of $250.00. Commissioner Dustin Nicholson told Ms. York that he would like to match that amount. The Court and audience applauded the volunteers and thanked them for all their hard work.
No action was needed.

11. Discuss and take action approving the hosting of a Carter Blood Care Drive at the Rock Building on July 23, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Motion to approve the Carter Blood Care to have a blood drive at the Rock Building on July 23, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. made by Jay Miller
Second by Dustin Nicholson
Paula Gentry, Dustin Nicholson, Frank Berka, Jay Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.
Motion approved.

12. Discuss and take action to approve the purchase of a new bench chair for the Upshur County courtroom to be paid for out of furniture and fixtures line item.

Motion to approve the purchase of a new bench chair out of the furniture and fixtures line item and not to exceed $1000.00 in price made by Frank Berka
Second by Jay Miller
Paula Gentry, Dustin Nicholson, Frank Berka, Jay Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.
Motion approved.

13. Discuss and take action on hiring 2 part time people to work 24 hours a week each to be paid for from Covid-19 relief funds.

Motion to hire 2 part time people to work 28 hours a week, instead of 24 as stated above, at $12.00 an hour to be paid out of the Covid-19 relief funds and to end no later than December 31, 2020 made by Dustin Nicholson
Second by Frank Berka
Paula Gentry, Dustin Nicholson, Frank Berka, Jay Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.
Motion approved.

14. DISCUSSION ITEM ONLY
Report on Courthouse renovation funding and/or awards that Upshur County did not receive from Round XI funding administered by the Texas Historical Commission.

Judge Tefteller read a letter he received stating that Upshur County did not make the cut in Round XI funding.
No action was needed.

15. Discuss and take action to replace the Maintenance Parking Only sign with a Commissioners Vehicle Parking Only sign or designate another parking spot beside the Maintenance Parking spot for "Commissioner Vehicle Parking Only' or just do away with the Maintenance Parking/Commissioner Parking altogether.

Motion to leave the parking spaces as they currently are made by Frank Berka
Second by Jay Miller
Paula Gentry, Dustin Nicholson, Frank Berka, Jay Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.
Motion approved.

16. **Discuss and take action to accept the resignation of Don Gross from being the Upshur County Game Room Hearing and Appeal Examiner.**

Motion to table this item made by Dustin Nicholson
Second by Jay Miller
Paula Gentry, Dustin Nicholson, Frank Berka, Jay Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.
Motion approved.

17. **The Court will go into CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION to discuss personnel matters pertaining to the appointment of a GAME ROOM HEARING EXAMINER/OFFICERS(S) relative to the proposed UPSHUR COUNTY GAME ROOM REGULATIONS, pursuant to V.T.C.A. Sections 551.074(a)(1) et. seq.**

18. **Discuss and take action appointing a GAME ROOM HEARING EXAMINER/OFFICER(S).**

Motion to table this item made by Frank Berka
Second by Jay Miller
Paula Gentry, Dustin Nicholson, Frank Berka, Jay Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.
Motion approved.

19. **Discuss and take action to approve the License Agreement between i3-Bearcat, LLC (NET Data Corporation) (Licensor) and Upshur County, Texas (Licensee).**

Motion to table this item made by Dustin Nicholson
Second by Frank Berka
Paula Gentry, Dustin Nicholson, Frank Berka, Jay Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.
Motion approved.

20. **Adjourn.**

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Attest: Terri Ross, Upshur County Clerk

Attendance sheet placed into minutes for recording purposes only.
Bills previously approved placed into minutes for recording purposes only.
Jury payroll placed into minutes for recording purposes only.