

COMMISSIONERS COURT OF UPSHUR COUNTY, TEXAS
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31, 2021
10:00AM REGULAR SESSION

Commissioners met in regular session with all members present.

1. **Invocation and Pledges**
Prayer said by Pastor George Willis
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; copy of check and explanation of funds from TransOil Marketing, LLC for Upshur County School Land; Project Lifesaver Active Membership Operational Agreement and Standards; Correctional Dental Services Agreement; datcs (DRUG & ALCOHOL TESTING COMPLIANCE SERVICES (dacts) Master Service Agreement; 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 Jay W. Miller
Second by Mike Ashley
Gene Dolle, Dustin Nicholson, Mike Ashley, Jay W. Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.
Motion approved.
Copies attached.

3. **Discuss and take action to approve the RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF PROPERTY TO THE CITY OF GLADEWATER, TEXAS and to further authorize the County Judge to execute the DEED WITHOUT WARRANTY pertaining to the transfer of this property known as Lot 11, Block 7, Gladeview Addition to the City of Gladewater, Upshur County, Texas (Volume 175, Page 7 and Document #201903553).**

Motion to approve the Resolution to authorize the County Judge to execute a deed for the transfer of the property as listed above to the City of Gladewater made by Mike Ashley

Second by Gene Dolle

Gene Dolle, Dustin Nicholson, Mike Ashley, Jay W. Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.

Motion approved.

Copy attached.

4. **Discuss and take action to approve a Resolution declaring April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month in Upshur County.**

Motion to approve the Resolution declaring April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month made by Dustin Nicholson

Second by Jay W. Miller

Gene Dolle, Dustin Nicholson, Mike Ashley, Jay W. Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.

Motion approved.

Copy attached.

5. **Hear from Darryl Primo, Chairman of the Board for the Sabine-Neches Resource Conservation and Development Area, Inc. concerning the programs and benefits available to Upshur County.**

The Court Heard from Mr. Primo about funds available to Upshur County and other surrounding counties for clean-up. He also introduced to the court, Ken Conway who is on the board and is the Upshur County Representative. Mr. Primo just wanted to make sure the Court was aware of the program and that funds were available if needed.

No action was needed.

- 6. Discuss and take action to approve the request from LiveGilmer.com to use the Upshur County Courthouse lawn for the RISK IT FOR THE BRISKET event they are hosting on April 10, 2021. They are requesting to use the lawn beginning Friday, April 9, 2021 at 12 p.m. until Saturday, April 10, 2021 at 7 p.m. This event has been approved by the City of Gilmer.**

Motion to approve LiveGilmer.com to use the Courthouse lawn for the RISK IT FOR THE BRISKET event for April 9, 2021 and April 10, 2021 made by Jay W. Miller

Second by Dustin Nicholson

Gene Dolle, Dustin Nicholson, Mike Ashley, Jay W. Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.

Motion approved.

- 7. Discuss and take action to approve a list from the Upshur County Sheriff's Office of surplus vehicles for auction.**

Motion to approve for auction a list of surplus vehicles from the Sheriff's Office made by Dustin Nicholson

Second by Gene Dolle

Gene Dolle, Dustin Nicholson, Mike Ashley, Jay W. Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.

Motion approved.

Copy attached.

- 8. Discuss and take action to remove and destroy the damaged, unusable, and unsaleable property from the Rock Building and from the IT Building and to approve the Dumpster Rental Contract between JLBj Septic Services, LLC On-Site Sanitation and Upshur County for use of a dumpster to remove the referenced property from the County buildings.**

Motion to approve to remove and destroy any damaged, unusable and unsaleable property from the Rock Building and IT Building and to approve a contract for a Dumpster Rental with JLBj On-Site Sanitation made by Gene Dolle

Second by Mike Ashley

Gene Dolle, Dustin Nicholson, Mike Ashley, Jay W. Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.

Motion approved.

- 9. Discuss and take action to approve use of the Courthouse lawn for the Memorial Day service on May 31, 2021.**

Motion to approve the use of the Courthouse lawn for the Memorial Day service on May 31, 2021 made by Gene Dolle

Second by Mike Ashley

Gene Dolle, Dustin Nicholson, Mike Ashley, Jay W. Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.

Motion approved.

10. **Discuss and take action to proclaim April 2021 as Child Abuse Awareness Month and to allow blue pinwheels to be placed on the courthouse lawn as a symbol that Children who are raised with safe, stable, and nurturing relationships and environments are more academically and financially successful and grow up to be productive, contributing members of their communities and to further also allow signs and posters to be placed around the Courthouse to bring awareness to the community during the month of April. Further approve a donation jar for those who wish to contribute funds to the Northeast Texas Child Advocacy Center and approve a "SHOW US YOUR BLUE DAY" allowing all County employees to wear blue on April 15, 2021 with a picture for the newspaper to be made at the Courthouse at 11 a.m.**

Motion to proclaim April 2021 as Child Abuse Awareness Month, allow blue pinwheels to be placed on County property and approve a donation jar for those wishing to contribute funds to the Northeast Texas Child Advocacy Center made by Gene Dolle

Second by Jay W. Miller

Gene Dolle, Dustin Nicholson, Mike Ashley, Jay W. Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.

Motion approved.

11. **Discuss and take action to approve the Resolution for Grant Application #2052814 for the Upshur County Family Violence Intervention Program Project for the 2021-2022 grant year.**

12. **Discuss and take action to approve the Resolution for Grant Application #2912104 for the Upshur County Victim Services Project for the 2021-2022 grant year.**

Motion to approve Resolutions for (#11) grant application #2052814 and (#12) grant application #2912104 for the 2021-2022 grant year made by Dustin Nicholson

Second by Mike Ashley

Gene Dolle, Dustin Nicholson, Mike Ashley, Jay W. Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.

Motion approved

Copies attached.

- 13. Discuss and take action to enter into a contract with Bancorp South and East Texas Mack for the lease of four (4) 12-yard dump trucks.**

Motion to table this item until a later date made by Dustin Nicholson
Second by Jay W. Miller
Gene Dolle, Dustin Nicholson, Mike Ashley, Jay W. Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.
Motion approved.

- 14. Discuss and take action to correct the name of the company called as Costal in the action in Item 11 on the Agenda for March 15, 2021 to be called as Sun Coast.**

Motion to correct the action in item 11 on the March 15, 2021 Agenda to be Sun Coast instead of Coastal made by Mike Ashley
Second by Jay W. Miller
Gene Dolle, Dustin Nicholson, Mike Ashley, Jay W. Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.
Motion approve.
NOTE This item is now corrected on the minutes from March 15, 2021.

- 15. Discuss and take action to approve the donation of a light bar/siren from the Upshur County Sheriff from vehicle #97049 to the Simpsonville Volunteer Fire Department.**

Motion to approve the donation of a light bar/siren from the Sheriff's Office vehicle to the Simpsonville Volunteer Fire Department made by Gene Dolle
Second by Jay W. Miller
Gene Dolle, Dustin Nicholson, Mike Ashley, Jay W. Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.
Motion approved.

- 16. Hear from Sheriff Webb concerning damage to the jail roof by the snow storm and repair. Discuss and take necessary action.**

Motion to approve using the contingency funds, up to \$65,000, to repair the roof at the jail made by Gene Dolle

Second by Jay W. Miller

Gene Dolle, Dustin Nicholson, Mike Ashley, Jay W. Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.

Motion approved.

- 17. Discuss and take action to accept for recording the plat for Hartland Crossing Subdivision.**

Motion to approve for recording the plat for Heartland Crossing (the name is misspelled above) made by Gene Dolle

Second by Mike Ashley

Gene Dolle, Dustin Nicholson, Mike Ashley, Jay W. Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.

Motion approved.

Copy attached.

- 18. Discuss and take action to approve the purchase of CopSync software and equipment for each of the Upshur County Constables with initial cost and yearly cost to be paid from the JP Technology Fund.**

Motion to approve the purchase of the CopSync software and equipment for each of the Upshur County Constables with the initial cost coming out of the JP Technology Fund and the yearly cost to be paid out of non-departmental made by Gene Dolle

Second by Jay W. Miller

Gene Dolle, Dustin Nicholson, Mike Ashley, Jay W. Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.

Motion approved.

19. **Discuss and take action to accept a donation of \$6,732.50 from ETEX and a donation of \$6,732.50 from Upshur Rural Electric for computers and mounting hardware for all four Constable Cars.**

Motion to accept the donations of equal amount of \$6,732.50 from ETEX and from Upshur Rural Electric for computers and mounting hardware for all four of the Constable Cars made by Gene Dolle

Second by Dustin Nicholson

Gene Dolle, Dustin Nicholson, Mike Ashley, Jay W. Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.

Motion approved.

20. **Adjourn.**



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.

