

**COMMISSIONERS COURT OF UPSHUR COUNTY, TEXAS
MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2024
10:00 A.M. REGULAR SESSION**

A regular meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Upshur County, Texas was held on Monday, December 16, 2024 at 10:00 a.m., with the following members of the Court being present, to-wit:

Present: Todd Tefteller – County Judge, presiding
 Gene Dolle – Commissioner Pct. #1
 Dustin Nicholson – Commissioner Pct. #2
 Mike Ashley – Commissioner Pct. #3
 Jay W. Miller – Commissioner Pct. #4

Judge Todd Tefteller called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

1. Invocation and Pledges

Prayer was led by Gene Dolle.

Pledges to the U.S. & Texas flags led by Dustin Nicholson.

2. Citizens Comments. None

3. Consider and take action on approval of:

- A. The minutes of previous meetings;**
- B. Payroll changes;**
- C. Payroll;**
- D. Budget amendments;**
- E. Accounts Payable;**
- 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; Appointment of Upshur County Auditor; Certification and Order for Appointment of Additional Assistant County Auditor; and, applications for use of Upshur County roads and rights-of way and permit requests.**

Motion by Gene Dolle with a second by Mike Ashley to approve items 3 A-F. Motion carried 5-0. Unanimous vote in favor.

(SEE ATTACHED)

4. Hear any updates and discuss and take necessary action concerning the Round XII Courthouse Grant Renovation and/or the Courthouse employee relocation during the renovation.

Judge Tefteller announced that he has requested that they save the cascades that are being removed and replaced from under the windows at the courthouse. He further announced that the Maintenance department is cutting them up into little pieces at Judge Tefteller's request so that they might be able to pass out as a keepsake.

- 5. Hear from Julie York concerning the Extension department activities and successes for 2024 and to advise of the 2025 County Blood drive schedule. Discuss and take action to approve the scheduling of Carter Blood Care blood drives to be held in Upshur County as follows: Thursday, January 9, 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.; Saturday, February 22 (Health Fair), 9:00 a.m.-noon; Thursday, June 12, 10:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; and Thursday, September 11, 10:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.**

Julie York announced the schedule for the 2025 Carter Blood Care blood drives. She further commented about the importance of these blood drives. Ms. York also advised the Court of the events that her department has done as set out in her annual report as presented to the Court. She also read a statement she wrote regarding the duties of a County Extension Agent. Motion by Jay W. Miller with a second by Dustin Nicholson to approve the scheduling of the Carter Blood Care blood drives to be held in 2025. Motion carried 5-0. Unanimous vote in favor.

- 6. Discuss and take action to appoint members to the Upshur County Historical Commission Board.**

Gwen Jewett was present with Eddie Turner to propose the appointment of members to the Upshur County Historical Commission Board as presented on the list provided to the Court. She further announced that these appointments are two year terms. Motion by Dustin Nicholson with a second by Gene Dolle to appoint Ruel Felipe, Joyce Fountain, Lori Helpenstill, Gordon Jewett, Andreana Smith, and Rachel Stewart to the Upshur County Historical Commission Board. Motion carried 5-0. Unanimous vote in favor.

- 7. Discuss and take action to accept a donation of four (4) storage cabinets, one (1) sink and faucet, and one (1) counter-top for use in dispatch and the adjoining restroom from a current dispatch employee.**

Chief David Hazel was present to explain to the Court their intentions with the donated storage cabinets, sink and faucet, and counter top. Motion by Dustin Nicholson with a second by Gene Dolle to accept a donation of four (4) storage cabinets, one (1) sink and faucet, and one (1) counter top for use in dispatch and the adjoining restroom from a current dispatch employee. Motion carried 5-0. Unanimous vote in favor.

- 8. Hear from Cynthia King concerning the addition of murals on two walls in the Family Place at the library. Discuss and take necessary action.**

Cynthia King presented her proposal to the Court regarding the addition of murals on two

walls in the Family Place at the library. She presented pictures of the proposed murals and asked the Court for approval of same of which the cost of \$750.00 will be coming out of her budgeted funds. Motion by Jay W. Miller with a second by Mike Ashley to approve the addition of murals on two walls in the Family Place at the library. Motion carried 5-0. Unanimous vote in favor.

9. Adjourn.

Motion by Mike Ashley with a second by Jay W. Miller to adjourn the meeting.
Motion carried 5-0. Unanimous vote in favor. Meeting adjourned at 10:32 a.m.

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.