

COMMISSIONERS COURT OF UPSHUR COUNTY, TEXAS
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2026
10:00 A.M. [REGULAR SESSION](#)

[AUDIO](#)

A regular meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Upshur County, Texas was held on Wednesday, April 15, 2026 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 Tefteller called the regular meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

1. Invocation and Pledges

Prayer was led by Commissioner Dolle.

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

2. Citizen 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 report](#); Treasurer report; Bonds; Oaths; Deputations; Certificates; [State and County Taxes Summary](#); refund of overpayment or erroneous tax payments in excess of \$2500.00; [Gilmer Civic Center](#) General Lease Agreement/Rules/Regulations (for use during early voting); and, applications for use of Upshur County [roads and rights-of way and permit requests](#).

Commissioner Ashley made a motion with a second by Commissioner Nicholson to approve items 3A-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.

Judge LeFleur was present and advised the Court that the windows are being installed and

that they are moving right along. He further advised that they will have their bi-weekly meeting today with the contractors. He also confirmed that the target completion date is still set for the latter part of July.

5. Discuss and take action to approve a [Proclamation](#) declaring April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month in Upshur County.

Holly Bruce, a representative with the Women's Center of East Texas, was present to read the Proclamation to the Court. Motion by Commissioner Ashley with a second by Commissioner Nicholson to adopt and sign the Proclamation as presented and to proclaim April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month in Upshur County. Motion carried 5-0. Unanimous vote in favor.

6. Hear the Annual Report from Gwen Jewett of the Upshur County Historical Commission. Discuss and take necessary action.

Ms. Jewett was not present. This matter will be passed to the next meeting.

7. Discuss and take action to accept for recording the [election day polling locations](#) for the May 26, 2026 Primary Run-off Election as set by the parties.

Motion to approve combined with the following motion in 8) below. Motion carried 5-0. Unanimous vote in favor.

8. Discuss and take action to set the [early voting](#) times and location for the May 26, 2026 Primary Run-off Election.

Motion by Commissioner Nicholson with a second by Commissioner Dolle to approve the early voting times and location and the election day polling locations for the May 26, 2026 Primary Run-off Election. Motion carried 5-0. Unanimous vote in favor.

9. Discuss and take action to approve transferring \$20,000 from Contingency to Dispatch Leave Excess Comp. expense.

Auditor Connie Williams explained to the Court as to why this money needs to be moved to Dispatch Leave Excess Comp budget. Motion by Commissioner Nicholson with a second by Commissioner Dolle to approve transferring \$20,000 from Contingency to Dispatch Leave Excess Comp. line item. Motion carried 5-0. Unanimous vote in favor.

10. Hear from Cynthia King, Upshur County Librarian concerning the state of the Upshur County Library and the [Annual Report](#). Discuss and take necessary action.

Cynthia King, Upshur County Librarian, presented her Annual Report to the Court. No action necessary.

11. Open bids for Road and Bridge aggregate materials: Rip Rap/Rock, Gravel, and Limestone Flex Base. Discuss and take necessary action.

Commissioner Nicholson excused himself from the meeting at 10:43 a.m. before opening bids.

The following bids were opened:

[Penn Custom Construction and Fabrication](#)

Rock Rip/Rap

3"-6" Rock \$28.00/ton = \$840,000.00

7"-12" Rip Rap \$36.00/ton = \$1,080,000.00

7"-18" or 24" Rip Rap \$42.00/ton

(Delivery available depending on location and fuel prices)

[Longview Asphalt](#)

Rock FOB \$53.50/ton = \$1,605,000.00

DEL \$68.50/ton = \$2,055,000.00

Rip Rap FOB \$60.00/ton = \$1,800,000.00

DEL \$75.00/ton = \$2,250,000.00

[Green Dream](#)

Rock FOB \$52.25/ton = \$1,567,000.00

DEL \$66.50/ton = \$1,995,000.00

Rip Rap FOB \$77.00/ton = \$2,310,000.00

DEL \$97.52/ton = 2,925,600.00

[Green Dream](#)

Gravel FOB \$63.80/yd = \$229,680.00

DEL \$78.05/yd = \$280,980.00

[Penn Custom Construction and Fabrication](#)

Gravel FOB \$19.00/ton = \$68,400.00

(Delivery available depending on location and fuel prices)

[Longview Asphalt](#)

Limestone Flex Base FOB \$46.00/ton = \$460,000.00

DEL \$61.00/ton = \$610,000.00

[Green Dream](#)

Limestone Flex Base FOB \$43.32/ton

DEL \$55.32/ton

Pass action to award bids at next meeting.

Commissioner Nicholson returned to the meeting at 10:43 a.m.

12. The Court will/may go into CLOSED SESSION under Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551 as indicated:

 C Section 551.071 (consultation with attorney(s));

 A,B Section 551.072 (deliberation regarding real property);

 A,B,C Section 551.0725 (deliberation and discussion of contracts being negotiated);

 Section 551.073 (deliberation about gifts and donations);

 Section 551.074 and 551.0745 (personnel matters);

 Section 551.076 (deliberation about security audits or security devices).

TO WIT:

- A. Consideration of the Round XII Project administration in reference to the Courthouse Renovation.**
- B. Consideration of Round XII Renovation Funding and ARPA Grant requirements consistent therewith.**
- C. Consideration of the County Health Insurance Plan.**

The Court went into **CLOSED SESSION** at 10:45 a.m.

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13. The Court will re-convene into open session and take any action necessary as a result of Executive Session.

The Court re-convened into **OPEN SESSION** at 11:55 a.m.

No action necessary as a result of Executive Session.

14. Adjourn.

Motion by Commissioner Ashley with a second by Commissioner Dolle to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 5-0. Unanimous vote in favor. Meeting adjourned at 11:55 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.