

**COMMISSIONERS COURT OF UPSHUR COUNTY, TEXAS
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2016
9:00 AM REGULAR SESSION**

Commissioners met in regular session with all members present.

1. Invocation and Pledges.

Prayer said by Paula Gentry

2. Consider and take action on approval of:

A. The minutes of previous meeting:

Motion to approve the minutes of previous meeting as written made by Mike Spencer

Second by Don Gross

Paula Gentry, Don Gross, Frank Berka and Mike Spencer voted for.

Motion approved. (Minutes of meeting held on November 30th)

B. Payroll changes:

Motion to approve payroll changes made by Mike Spencer

Second by Frank Berka

Paula Gentry, Don Gross, Frank Berka and Mike Spencer voted for.

Motion approved.

Copies attached.

C. Payroll:

Motion to approve payroll made by Mike Spencer

Second by Don Gross Frank Berka abstained

Paula Gentry, Don Gross and Mike Spencer voted for.

Motion approved.

Copy attached.

D. Budget amendments:

Motion to approve budget amendments made by Mike Spencer

Second by Don Gross

Paula Gentry, Don Gross, Frank Berka and Mike Spencer voted for.

Motion approved.

Copy attached.

E. Accounts payable:

Bills Previously Paid:

Motion to approve accounts payable in addition to the inmate expense at \$27,776.36 as listed below in item #7 on the agenda made by Mike Spencer

Second by Frank Berka

Paula Gentry, Don Gross, Frank Berka and Mike Spencer voted for.

Motion approved.

Copy attached.

F. Accept for recording: Auditor reports; Treasurer reports; Bonds; Oaths; Deputations; Certificates; Contract with NCIC for Inmate Telephone Service; and applications for use of Upshur County roads and rights-of-way and permit requests.

Motion to record all documents listed above made by Mike Spencer

Second by Frank Berka

Paula Gentry, Don Gross, Frank Berka and Mike Spencer voted for

Motion approved.

Copies attached.

3. Discuss and take action to approve resolution in support of development and improvements, by TxDOT, of US Hwy 271 between Tyler and Paris.

The Court heard from Larry Morse, the Northeast Texas Mobility Authority representative, which includes Upshur County regarding the importance of the resolution and asked the court for its support.

Motion to approve the resolution in support of development and improvements, by TxDOT, of US Hwy 271 made by Don Gross

Second by Mike Spencer

Paula Gentry, Don Gross, Frank Berka and Mike Spencer voted for

Motion approved.

Copy attached.

4. Discuss and take action to seek bids for Road and Bridge fuel, materials and services.

Motion to seek bids for Road and Bridge fuel, materials and services which will be due by January 14, 2017 at 5:00 pm, to be opened in Commissioner's Court on January 15, 2017 and awarded during Commissioner's Court on January 31, 2017 made by Mike Spencer

Second by Frank Berka

Paula Gentry, Don Gross, Frank Berka and Mike Spencer voted for.

Motion approved.

5. Discuss and take action to grant travel policy exception and reimburse Luana Howell and Fonda Leonard for travel and education expenses.

Motion to approve travel policy exception and reimbursement for Luana Howell and Fonda Leonard for travel and education expenses made by Mike Spencer

Second by Don Gross

Paula Gentry, Don Gross, Frank Berka and Mike Spencer voted for.

Motion approved.

6. Discuss and take action to change locks in the District Clerks Office and pay for same from courthouse security fund.

This item is tabled until a later time.

7. Discuss and take action to pay healthcare expenses for inmate, attempted suicide, at fully billed amount or, in the alternative, at Indigent Healthcare Act annual maximum.

Action for Item #7 is included with Item #E, Accounts Payable.

8. Discuss and take action to allow volunteers to provide reception at swearing-in ceremony, in courthouse, on December 30.

Motion to allow all volunteers to provide reception at swearing-in ceremony on December 30th made by Frank Berka

Second by Paula Gentry

Paula Gentry, Don Gross, Frank Berka and Mike Spencer voted for.

Motion approved.

9. **Discuss and take action to assign Reserve Deputy Constable Gene Crutsinger a vehicle and provide for all the associated expenses involved.**

This item is tabled until a later time.

10. **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.

