

**COMMISSIONERS COURT OF UPSHUR COUNTY, TEXAS  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2020  
10:00 AM REGULAR SESSION**

**Commissioners met in regular session with all members present.**

**1. Invocation and Pledges**

Prayer said by Paula Gentry

Pledges led by Dustin Nicholson

**2. Consider and take action on approval of:**

- A. The minutes of 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; refund of overpayment or  
erroneous tax payments in excess of \$2500.00; and applications  
for use of Upshur County roads and rights-of-way and permit  
requests.**

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 approve a Resolution in honor of West Mountain Fire Chief Andy Killian and his 40 years of service to Upshur County.**

Motion to approve the Resolution honoring Chief Andy Killian 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.

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

\*NOTE\* Commissioner Nicholson left the Courtroom due to a conflict of interest.

Motion to go out for bids for fuel, material and services for the Road and Bridge Department with bids being due back to the Judge's office by February 13, 2020, bids opened in Commissioners Court on February 14, 2020 and awarded in Commissioner's Court on February 28, 2020 made by Frank Berka  
Second by Jay Miller  
Paula Gentry, Frank Berka, Jay Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.  
Motion approved.

**5. Discuss and take action to make an exception to certification pay for a Road & Bridge employee.**

Motion to make an exception to the waiting period for a Road & Bridge employee to receive certification pay due to him receiving his hazmat certification and to be effective as of 1/1/2020 made by Frank Berka  
Second by Jay Miller  
Paula Gentry, Dustin Nicholson, Frank Berka, Jay Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.

**6. Discuss and take action to approve the purchase of the service weapon having been used by Sgt. Ron Hudspeth (TX Govt. Code Sec. 614.051) while an Upshur County Sheriff's Officer.**

Motion to approve the sale of the service weapon to Sgt. Ron Hudspeth from the Upshur County Sheriff's Office at the appraised value of \$375.00 made by Paula Gentry  
Second by Dustin Nicholson  
Paula Gentry, Dustin Nicholson, Frank Berka, Jay Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.  
Motion approved.

- 7. Discuss and take action to set the dates, times and locations for the March Primary early voting. Accept for recording the polling locations set by the party chairs for the March Primary.**

Motion to accept the dates, times and locations for the March Primary made by Paula Gentry

Second by Jay Miller

Paula Gentry, Dustin Nicholson, Frank Berka, Jay Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.  
Motion approved.

Copy attached.

- 8. Open bids for grant administrator for TIF grant. Discuss and take necessary action.**

Motion to table this item until the January, 31, 2020 Commissioner's Court Meeting to study the only bid received from Gary Traylor and Associates made by Frank Berka

Second by Dustin Nicholson

Paula Gentry, Dustin Nicholson, Frank Berka, Jay Miller and Judge Tefteller voted for.  
Motion approved.

- 9. Hear from Steve Dean concerning updated information pertaining to the creation of The Upshur County Economic Development Partnership.**

The Court heard from Steve Dean concerning updated information on the creation of The Upshur County Economic Development Partnership. For the full discussion, please hear the audio attached to the January 15, 2020 Commissioner's Court Meeting posted on [countyofupshur.com](http://countyofupshur.com) website.

- 10. Discuss and take action concerning the creation of the Upshur County Economic Development Partnership.**

No action taken.

**11. 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.

