

UPSHUR COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 2

MAY 18, 2021

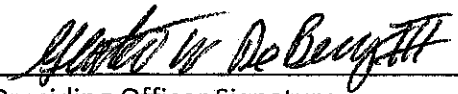
7:00 P.M.

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Upshur County Emergency Services District No. 2 Commissioners was held on May 18, 2021, at the Ore City Fire Station, 102 South Dogwood, Ore City, Texas 75683.

- 1) **Open meeting.** The meeting was opened by Gaston DeBerry, III.
- 2) **Call to order.** Gaston DeBerry, III called the meeting to order. Prayer was led by Gaston DeBerry, III.
- 3) **Determine quorum present.** Gaston DeBerry, III determined a quorum was present.
- 4) **Read and approve minutes from the meeting held April 20, 2021.** Motion by Kenny Hankins with a second by Tommie Whitaker to approve the minutes from the meeting held April 20, 2021. Motion carried 5-0. Unanimous vote in favor.
- 5) **Public Comment.** No public comment.
- 6) **Discuss and take action on the following items:**
 - a) **Tax identification number;** Motion by Kenny Hankins with a second by Gregg Price to authorize Gaston DeBerry, III get with Lanny Walker with Arnold, Walker and Arnold to prepare the paperwork to get a tax identification number for the ESD #2. Motion carried 5-0. Unanimous vote in favor.
 - b) **Post Office box rental;** Motion by Tommie Whitaker with a second by Kenny Hankins to rent a post office box in Gilmer for the fee of \$36.00 for the first six months. Motion carried 5-0. Unanimous vote in favor.
 - c) **Opening a checking account with First National Bank of East Texas;** Gaston DeBerry, III announced that the bank will require a minimum balance of \$500.00. No other action taken at this time.
 - d) **Dispatching;** Gaston DeBerry, III will set up meetings with both Chief Jerry Taylor and Sheriff Larry Webb. No other action taken at this time.
 - e) **Paperwork to set up the ESD#2 District;** No action taken at this time.
 - f) **Tax Assessor;** No action taken at this time.
 - g) **Website;** No action taken at this time.
 - h) **Property values for the ESD#2;** No action taken at this time.
 - i) **File with the State of Texas Agriculture Department;** No action at this time.

- j) **Membership to join SAFE-D;** Motion by Tommie Whitaker with a second by Kenny Hankins to join SAFE-D. Motion carried 5-0. Unanimous vote in favor.
- 7) **Discuss and take action on considering mutual aid contracts with various fire departments and the Upshur County ESD#1.** No action taken at this time.
- 8) **Discussion only concerning Christus EMS.** Donnie Reynolds, Olivia Welch, and Joe Lindley spoke on behalf of Christus EMS.
- 9) **Adjournment.** Motion by Tommie Whitaker with a second by Trevor Larrington to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0. Unanimous vote in favor.



Presiding Officer Signature
Title: President

Date: 6-22-21