

UPSHUR COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 2

AUGUST 27, 2024

6:30 P.M.

MINUTES

The Public meeting of the Upshur County Emergency Services District No. 2 Commissioners was held on August 27, 2024, at the Ore City Fire Station, 102 S. Dogwood, Ore City, Texas 75683.

- 1) **Open meeting.** The meeting was opened at 6:31 p.m. 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 with Tommie Whitaker, Kenny Hankins, and Rita Criswell being present. Gregg Price was absent.
- 4) **Conduct PUBLIC HEARING on proposed tax rate of \$0.10 per \$100 valuation for the 2024-2025 fiscal year.**
Gaston DeBerry, III opened the Public Hearing at 6:37 p.m. No public comments. Gaston DeBerry, III closed the Public Hearing at 6:40 p.m.
- 5) **Approve and adopt the Budget for the 2024-2025 fiscal year by RECORD VOTE.** Motion by Tommie Whitaker with a second by Rita Criswell to adopt the budget for the 2024-2025 fiscal year at \$693,000.00. Vote as follows:
Gaston DeBerry, III For
Tommie Whitaker For
Rita Criswell For
Kenny Hankins For
Present and not voting: None
Absent: Gregg Price, Treasurer
Motion carried 4-0. Unanimous vote in favor.
- 6) **Adopt the tax rate for the 2024-2025 fiscal year by RECORD VOTE.** Motion by Kenny Hankins with a second by Tommie Whitaker that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.10 per \$100 which is effectively a 5.52% increase in the tax rate. Vote as follows:
Gaston DeBerry, III For
Tommie Whitaker For
Rita Criswell For
Kenny Hankins For
Present and not voting: None
Absent: Gregg Price, Treasurer
Motion carried 4-0. Unanimous vote in favor.

- 7) **Discuss and take action on the Contract for Dispatching Services Between the City of Gilmer and Upshur County Emergency Services District #2.** Motion by Kenny Hankins with a second by Tommie Whitaker to accept and sign the Contract for Dispatching Services between the City of Gilmer and the Upshur County Emergency Services District #2 at the rate of \$10,800.00 to be paid in monthly installments of \$900.00/month. Motion carried 4-0. Unanimous vote in favor.
- 8) **Adjournment.** Motion by Tommie Whitaker with a second by Kenny Hankins to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0. Unanimous vote in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.



Presiding Officer Signature
Title: President

Date: 9-17-74