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UPSHUR COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 2

August 18, 2026
7:00 P.M.
Ore City Fire Station
102 S. Dogwood, Ore City, Texas 75683

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of the **UPSHUR COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 2** will hold a meeting on **August 18, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.** at the following place in the District: Ore City Fire Station, 102 S. Dogwood, Ore City, Texas 75683.

AGENDA

The District will consider and act upon the following matters:

1. Open meeting.
2. Call to order.
3. Determine quorum present.
4. Public Comment.
5. Hear from Shawn Salter with Christus EMS regarding ambulance coverage to the Upshur County ESD #2 area and take action if needed.
6. Discuss and take action on the Financial Statement ending July 31, 2026.
7. Approve the minutes as written for the meeting held July 21, 2026.
8. Discuss and possibly take action on the FY27 Proposed Budget.
9. Discuss and take action to schedule the Public Hearing on the Proposed Budget for September 15, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.
10. Discuss and take action to schedule the Public Hearing on the Tax Increase (any rate above the No-New Revenue Rate) for September 15, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.
11. Discuss and set the PROPOSED tax rate by RECORD VOTE.
12. Pay Upshur County Sheriff for dispatching services for the month of August, 2026 in the amount of $900.00.
13. Pay bills for the Upshur County ESD #2 as submitted and approved.
14. Discuss and take action to pay Diana VFD their carryover from previous budgets in the amount of $85,210.66 for note payments.
15. Discuss and take action for pre-approval expenditures, if any, over $25,000.00 by Diana VFD or New Mountain VFD.
16. Pay the City of Ore City in the amount of $14,166.00 as the monthly installment as set out in the Contract for Fire Fighting Services for the FYE 2026.
17. Pay Diana VFD in the amount of $16,583.33 as their monthly budget allotment for the FYE 2026 and any other expenses presented for approval.
18. Pay New Mountain VFD in the amount of $4,291.66 as their monthly budget allotment for the FYE 2026 plus $1,500.00 as the recurring truck payment as previously approved and any other expenses presented for approval.
19. Discuss and take action on any budget amendments.

20. Items to be considered for next month's agenda.
21. Adjournment.

This Meeting Notice and Agenda was filed with the County Clerk's Office, posted at the Upshur County courthouse bulletin board, and posted on the District's website at least three (3) business days prior to the meeting.

Gaston DeBerry, III (TR)

Gaston DeBerry, III, President

UPSHUR COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES
DISTRICT NO. 2 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Gaston DeBerry, III – President
Tommie Whitaker – Vice-President
Gregg Price – Treasurer
Rita Criswell - Secretary
Kenny Hankins- Member

TAXPAYER IMPACT STATEMENT
UPSHUR COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #2
MEDIAN-VALUED HOMESTEAD PROPERTY
TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.043

Texas Government Code 551.043(a) was amended by House Bill 1522 in 2025. This is changing the notice period for government meetings from 72 hours to 3 (three) business days. This amendment also requires that any meeting at which a governmental body will discuss or adopt a budget for the governmental body must include a **Taxpayer Impact Statement** for the median-valued homestead property, a comparison of the property tax bill in dollars pertaining to the property for the current fiscal year to an estimate of the property tax bill in dollars for the same property for the upcoming fiscal year. These changes took effect on September 1, 2025.

The Upshur County Emergency Services District #2 is considering the adoption of a property tax rate of $0.10 per $100 valuation for the 2026 tax year and 2027 fiscal year. This rate is 1.83% higher than the no-new revenue rate (NNR) of $0.0982 per $100 valuation.

Fiscal Year (Tax Year)	Median-Valued Homestead	Tax Rate per $100 Valuation		Property Tax Bill
FY 2025-2026 (Tax Year 2025)	$229,180	Adopted 2025 Tax Rate:	$0.10	$229.10
Estimated FY 2026-2027 (Tax Year 2026)	$227,490	Balanced Budget Funded at the Estimated 2026 No New Revenue Tax Rate:	$0.0982	$223.31
Estimated FY 2026-2027 (Tax Year 2026)	$227,490	Proposed Budget Funded at the Proposed 2026 Tax Rate:	$0.10	$227.40

These estimates in this Impact Statement are valid only for the proposed budget and proposed tax rate that the Upshur County Emergency Services District #2 will discuss at its meeting on September 15, 2026. The proposed budget and the proposed tax rate may each be amended by Upshur County Emergency Services District #2 Board of Commissioners before the final adoption. A copy of the proposed budget is attached hereto.