NOTICE OF MEETING

COMMISSIONERS COURT OF UPSHUR COUNTY, TEXAS
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2025, 10:00 AM, REGULAR SESSION
UPSHUR COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 150 E. JEFFERSON ST., GILMER, TEXAS

AGENDA

- 1. Invocation and Pledges.
- 2. Citizens comments.
- 3. Consider and take action on approval of:
 - A. The minutes of previous meetings;
 - B. Payroll changes;
 - C. Payroll;
 - D. Budget amendments;
 - E. Accounts payable;
 - F. Auditor reports; Treasurer reports; Bonds; Oaths; Deputations; Certificates; State and County Taxes Summary; refund of overpayment or erroneous tax payments in excess of \$2500.00; copy of invoice from John's Heavy Equipment dirt work prior to beginning fence construction on Upshur County School Land; copy of invoice from Custom K Welding & Fencing for construction of exterior fence on Upshur County School Land (50% of the construction is completed and cost is paid); Letter from TSLAC notifying the Upshur County Library of membership in Texas Library System for fiscal year 2026; and, applications for use of Upshur County roads and rights-of-way and permit requests.
- 4. Discuss and take action to adopt the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget by RECORD VOTE.
- 5. Discuss and take action to <u>Ratify the Property Tax Increase</u> reflected in the Fiscal 2026 Budget which raises \$885,221 or 5.16% more property tax revenue than last year's budget by RECORD VOTE.
- 6. Discuss and take action to adopt the Fiscal Year 2026 Maintenance and Operations

 <u>Tax Rate</u> of \$0.514 per \$100 valuation for Upshur County by RECORD VOTE.
- 7. Discuss and take action to approve the Upshur County Clerk's Records Archive Plan.
- 8. Discuss and take action to accept for recording the Upshur County Position List with Base Pay Revised on 09/15/2025.
- 9. Accept for recording the FY2024 Upshur County Independent Audit and Single Audit for Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2024 prepared by Patillo, Brown & Hill.
- 10. Hear any updates and discuss and take necessary action concerning the Round XII Courthouse Grant Renovation.
- 11. Discuss and take action to approve a Proclamation declaring September as Suicide Prevention Awareness Month in Upshur County.
- 12. Discuss and take action to approve a request from Julie York and the 4-H County Council to place a Blessing Box at the Rock Building. This will be maintained by Upshur County 4-H members.
- 13. Discuss and take action to approve County Holidays and Commissioner Court meeting dates for 2026.
- 14. Discuss and take action to approve a Resolution (#2025-13) approving the Upshur County dump days for the last Saturday of April 2026, the last Saturday of October 2026 and the last Saturday of April 2027.

- 15. Discuss and take action to accept for recording the plat of Nelson Addition in the Henry W. Augustine Survey, A-8 Upshur County, Texas.
- 16. Discuss and take action to set 2026 Sheriffs' and Constables' Fees.
- 17. Discuss and take action to approve the request from the Sheriff to pay for one (1) of the two (2) AC units needed in the jail out of Courthouse Contingency funds (100-409-4956). Each unit will cost \$19,566.40 each. The other unit will be paid for out of jail funds.
- 18. <u>DISCUSSION ONLY</u>: Making nominations to the Upshur County Appraisal District Board of Directors by the October 14 deadline.
- 19. The Court will/may go into CLOSED SESSION under Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551 as indicated:

Section 551.071 (consultation with attorney(s);

Section 551.072 (deliberation regarding real property);

Section 551.0725 (deliberation and discussion of contracts being negotiated);

Section 551.073 (deliberation about gifts and donations);

Section 551.074 and 551.0745 (personnel matters);

Section 551.076 (deliberation about security audits or security devices).

TO WIT:

- A. Consideration of the Round XII Project administration in reference to the Courthouse Renovation.
- B. Consideration of Round XII Renovation Funding and ARPA Grant requirements consistent therewith.
- 20. The Court will re-convene into open session and take any action necessary as a result of Executive Session.

21. Adjourn.

Todd Tefteller, Upshur County Judge Taxpayer Impact Statement- FY 2026

Upshur County, Texas

Proposed Budget: Fiscal Year 2026

Purpose: The statement compares the estimated property tax bill for an average homestead taxable value at the proposed tax rate and at the no-new-revenue rate.

The Upshur County Commissioners Court is considering adoption of a property tax rate of \$ 0.51400 per \$ 100 valuation for the 2025 tax year and 2026 fiscal year. This rate is 4.7% higher than the no-new revenue rate of \$ 0.490747 per \$ 100 valuation.

If adopted. The owner of an average home valued at \$ 160,413 will pay approximately \$ 37.31 more in county property taxes in 2026 as compared to 2025.

The additional revenue will be used to fund:

- Road and Bridge Equipment
- Increased Road and Bridge materials.
- Increased staffing for Courthouse Security.
- Increase in employee salaries to meet cost of living inflation