UPSHUR COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1
P.O. Box 1432, Gilmer, Texas 75644

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November 9, 2026
6:00 P.M.
Upshur County Courtroom
Temporary Upshur County Courthouse
150 E. Jefferson Street, Gilmer, Texas 75644

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of the **UPSHUR COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1** will hold a meeting on **NOVEMBER 9, 2026 at 6:00 P.M.** at the following location: Upshur County Courtroom, Temporary Upshur County Courthouse, 150 E. Jefferson Street, Gilmer, Texas 75644.

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice. Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

Pursuant to Policy Number 3 of the Upshur County Emergency District No. 1, anyone wishing to address the Board must sign up on the provided sign-up sheet along with the items they wish to speak about prior to the meeting being called to order. Individual members of the public may address the Board for a maximum of 3 minutes on any matter. Members of the public may collectively address the Board for a total of 30 minutes on any single matter. Individuals may address the Board once per item. No formal action, discussion, deliberation, or comment will be made for items not on this agenda. Any individual wishing to speak during a particular agenda item after the public comment section must wait to be recognized by the chairperson. It is the Board's discretion to hear any comment from individuals on agenda items after the public comment section.

1. Call to order and establish quorum.
2. Public comments.
3. Announcements.
   a. Financial Report.
   b. Pension Report/Update.
   c. Update on ESD #1 office building.
4. Consent agenda items:
   a. Consider approving Minutes of October 12, 2026 as written.
   b. Consider approving Accounts Payable items.
   c. Consider approving reimbursements to departments for invoices submitted for the month of September 2026.
   d. Consider approving expenditures, if any, purchased with the ESD's credit card and authorize payment for the credit card invoice due on or about November 12, 2026.
5. Discuss and consider taking action on purchases and/or improvements and any contractor draws requested for work performed to the Upshur County ESD #1 building/property located at 687 State Hwy 155N, Gilmer, Texas 75644.

6. Discuss and consider taking action to accept a contract for ladder and hose testing.
7. Discuss and consider taking action on approval of a caterer for the banquet and to pay the speaker $450.00.
8. Discuss and consider taking action to approve the request from East Mountain VFD for reimbursement of invoices submitted in the amount of $720.35 to be deducted from their rollover funds.
9. Discuss and consider taking action to approve any requests for draws of the $8,000.00 quote from Brooke Taylor for consulting work and data for implementation of the fire department response details.
10. Discuss and consider taking action to approve the use of the Upshur County Emergency Services District #1 logo on a flyer for an Engine Operations Course to be held in 2027.
11. Discuss and consider taking action on any grant acceptance and grant reimbursement requests submitted, including but not limited to the following:
    a. West Mountain for Emergency Skid Unit. TFS has granted $15,000.00 of the $21,000.00 and West Mountain VFD is asking for the difference from their rollover funds.
12. Discussion of the Sales Tax Election.
13. Discuss if there is any interest in another Upshur County Fire Class to begin in February 2027.
14. Discuss and consider taking action to approve the engagement letter with Heard, McElroy & Vestal, LLC.
15. Discuss and consider taking action on insurance claim payouts.
16. Discuss and consider items for next month's agenda.
17. Adjournment.

UPSHUR COUNTY EMERGENCY
SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1

By: Kenny Southwell (TJS)
Kenny Southwell, President

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 3 business days prior to the meeting.

UPSHUR COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES
DISTRICT NO. 1 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Kenny Southwell – President
Scott Mischnick – Vice-President
Raymond Cook - Secretary/Asst. Treasurer
Brian Jones – Treasurer/Asst. Secretary
Garon (Gig) Wade

The Board of Commissioners may retire to Executive Session any time between the meeting's opening and adjournment for any purpose authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, including but not limited to: consultation with legal counsel (Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code); discussion of real estate

acquisition (Section 551.072); gifts to the District (Section 551.073); personnel matters (Section 551.074); and/or deliberation regarding security devices or security audits (Section 551.073 and 551.089). Action, if any, will be taken in open session.