

December 12, 2017
Board Meeting

A Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Cypress Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District, Bossier Parish, Louisiana was held in the Nature Center building, located in the Cypress Black Bayou Recreation Area, Benton, Louisiana on the above date with the following:

Present: Jerry Fowler, Gary Wyche, Alan Warren, Walt Bigby, and Robert Berry

Absent: None

Also Present: Nancy Scripture, Stacey Melerine, Bruce Easterly, Charles Keene, Cliff and Anne Timmers

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 by Mr. Fowler. Roll call was made by Nancy Scripture.

The pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Fowler. The prayer was given by Mr. Warren.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Mr. Warren and seconded by Mr. Wyche. Public comment was requested with none received. The vote was unanimously carried.

A motion to approve the minutes from the 11-14-2017 Monthly Board Meeting was made by Mr. Bigby and seconded by Mr. Warren. Public comment was requested with none received. The vote was unanimously carried.

A motion to enter into a public hearing for the 2017 amended budget was made by Mr. Bigby and seconded by Mr. Warren. Public comment was requested to discuss any questions about the budget.

A motion to close the public hearing for the 2017 amended budget and enter into a regular meeting was made by Mr. Bigby and seconded by Mr. Warren.

A motion to enter into a public hearing for the 2018 proposed budget was made by Mr. Bigby and seconded by Mr. Wyche. Public comment was requested to discuss any questions about the budget.

A motion to close the public hearing for the 2018 proposed budget and enter into a regular meeting was made by Mr. Bigby and seconded by Mr. Warren.

- Resolution 2017-004 read as follows:

The following resolution was offered by Commissioner Berry and seconded by Commissioner Warren.

CYPRESS BLACK BAYOU RECREATION AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 2017-004

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AMENDMENT OF CYPRESS BLACK BAYOU RECREATION AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT'S 2017 BUDGET, ORIGINALLY ADOPTED ON DECEMBER 13, 2016

WHEREAS, the Cypress Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District (the "District") is a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana ("State") and a district created and existing pursuant to Title 38 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, as amended (La. R.S. 38:2601 et seq), and other relevant constitutional and statutory authority;

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 39:1310 and 1311 require that the 2017 budget of the District, as originally adopted on December 13, 2016, be amended to more accurately project the estimated actual revenues and expenditures for the period ending December 31, 2017;

WHEREAS, the 2017 amended budget of the District is presented as Schedule A to this Resolution;

WHEREAS, a public hearing was set for and held on December 12, 2017 to allow for public input and comment on this Resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that after receiving public input, that the 2017 amended budget be and is hereby adopted.

Resolution No. 2017-004 was read in full at an open and legal session convened. After public comment, the above and foregoing was offered for adoption, seconded, and then approved by the following vote:

	YEAS	NAYS	ABSENT
Robert Berry	X		
Walter Bigby	X		
Jerry Fowler	X		
Alan Warren	X		
Gary Wyche	X		

And the Resolution was declared adopted on this ____ day of _____, 2017.

CYPRESS BLACK BAYOU RECREATION
AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT,
STATE OF LOUISIANA
Jerry Fowler, President

- Resolution 2017-005 read as follows:

The following resolution was offered by Commissioner Berry and seconded by Commissioner Warren.

CYPRESS BLACK BAYOU RECREATION AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 2017-005
A RESOLUTION ADOPTING CYPRESS BLACK BAYOU RECREATION AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT'S
2018 BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Cypress Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District (the "District") is a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana ("State") and a district created and existing pursuant to Title 38 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, as amended (La. R.S. 38:2601 et seq), and other relevant constitutional and statutory authority;

WHEREAS, the 2018 budget of Cypress Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District is presented as Schedule A to this Resolution;

WHEREAS, a public hearing was set for and held on December 12, 2017 to allow for public input and comment;

WHEREAS, notice of the December 12, 2017 public hearing was published as required by Louisiana law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that after receiving public input, the 2018 budget be and is hereby adopted.

The above and foregoing Resolution was read in full at an open and legal session convened. After public comment, the above and foregoing was offered for adoption, seconded, and then approved by the following vote:

	YEAS	NAYS	ABSENT
Jerry Fowler	X		
Gary Wyche	X		
Alan Warren	X		
Robert Berry	X		
Walter Bigby	X		

And the Resolution was declared adopted on this 12th day of December, 2017.

CYPRESS BLACK BAYOU RECREATION
AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT,
STATE OF LOUISIANA
Jerry Fowler, President

Nature Center Report: Read by Madora Abney

Total number impacted by Cypress Nature Study Center November 2017 1,693

Memorandum

The Nature Center would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Coming Soon

December 20- January 5 – BPSB Christmas Holidays

Director Report: Given by Robert Berry

- We have completed the other loading pier and the fishing pier at Parks Rd. launch. The fishing pier is free to fish off of and it does have lights.
- We have started the building of the RV area bath house.
- We will need to surplus 4 of our park vehicles.
- We have 2 engagement letters to sign at the end of the meeting regarding our audit. The state has added more steps for the audit.

A motion to give authority to Jerry Fowler sign the 2 engagement letters regarding the 2017 audit was made by Mr. Berry and seconded by Mr. Bigby. Public comment was requested with none received. The vote was unanimously carried.

A motion to declare the 4 park vehicles surplus was made by Mr. Warren and seconded by Mr. Wyche. Public comment was requested with none received. The vote was unanimously carried.

A motion to approve the bills for payment was made by Mr. Warren and seconded by Mr. Bigby. Public comment was requested. The vote was unanimously carried.

Old Business:

- Name change of Cypress Black Bayou Preservation Society
 - We had filed a lawsuit regarding due to the confusion of the names of the two entities. We have offered to settle the matter.

A motion to take this under advisement and discuss it in executive session was made by Mr. Berry and seconded by Mr. Warren. Public comment was requested with none received. The vote was unanimously carried.

A motion to enter into executive session was made by Mr. Warren and seconded by Mr. Bigby. Public comment was requested with none received. The vote was unanimously carried.

A motion to enter back into the regular meeting was made by Mr. Bigby and seconded by Mr. Warren. Public comment was requested with none received. The vote was unanimously carried.

There being no further business at this time, a motion was made by Mr. Warren and seconded by Mr. Wyche to adjourn the meeting. Public comment was requested with none received. The vote was unanimously carried.

Jerry Fowler, President

Gary Wyche, Vice-President