

**CYPRESS BLACK BAYOU RECREATION & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Regular Meeting Minutes
August 12th, 2025

A Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Cypress Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District, Bossier Parish, Louisiana was held on the 12th day of August, 2025, at 5:00 p.m., in the Nature Center building, located at 135 Cypress Park Drive, Benton, Louisiana. The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Gary Wyche. The pledge of allegiance was led by Vice-President, Kelly Long. Roll call by Lisa Free, with members present as follows:

Gary Wyche
Kelly Long

Rodney Madden
Jay Crooks

Others present include Lisa Free, Director of Finance and Administration, John Oswick, Park Director, and Alex Vozzella, Legal Counsel for the District, . Please see sign-in sheet for members of the public who were also present.

Motion was made by Rodney Madden and seconded by Jay Crooks to approve the minutes from the July 08th, 2025 Regular Meeting.

Public comment was requested with none received.
Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Jay Crooks and seconded by Kelly Long to approve the minutes from the June 30th Special Meeting.

Public comment was requested with none received.
Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

CBB Park Report:

John Oswick reported the July 4th Event and weekend overall was a success despite rain. There were 899 day passes sold with another 300 arriving after 5:00 pm. Revenue for the weekend was \$11,996.48. We had roughly 150 boats on the water. Triathlon weekend we had 32 check ins in total. Sportsepctrum had 62 children participate on Saturday and 112 adults participate on Sunday. Reopened the park both days following the races at 11:00 am. Saturdays revenue was \$1,295 and Sunday was \$1,708. Compared to the previous weekends we were off about \$1,000.

Financial Report:

Financial reports provided by email and copies in binders. No questions or concerns from Board. The Louisiana Asset Management Pool has returned just under \$12,000 to date. Quotes for new pickup trucks were distributed and order time is approximately 90-180 days for delivery through state program.

Non-Action Item: None

Old Business: None

New Business:

Consideration of rotation of officers for the Board of Commissioners to be effective at the September 16th, 2025 meeting, as follows:

Rodney Madden	President
Jay Crooks	Vice-President
Kelly Long	Secretary

Motion was made by Kelly Long and seconded by Rodney Madden to approve the rotation of officers to be effective at the September 16th, 2025 meeting.

Public comment requested with none received.

Votes were cast and motion passed unanimously.

Consideration to cease Duck Hunting in the Waggoner Inlet (or “White Oak Creek”) area on east side of Cypress Lake.

Motion was made by Kelly Long and seconded by Rodney Madden to table the issue of Duck Hunting on the Waggoner Inlet until the September meeting.

Discussion with Board members and Public Comment from Andrew Smith III.

Votes were cast and motion passed unanimously.

Consideration to move the September meeting from September 9th to September 16th.

Motion was made by Kelly Long and seconded by Jay Crooks to move the September meeting to September 16th, 2025, at 5:00 pm.

Public comment requested with none received.

Votes were cast and motion passed unanimously.

Consideration to extend the Marina Lease to CJ's Grub Shack and allow for extended hours on Fridays and Saturdays into the non peak season.

Motion was made by Kelly Long and seconded by Rodney Madden to continue the lease month to month through December 31st, 2025 as per the current lease and to extend the gate hours on Friday and Saturday to accommodate CJ Grub Shack's business through the non peak season.

Public comment requested with none received.

Votes were cast and motion passed unanimously.

Non-Agenda Item:

John discussed information concerning a possible Flotilla on the lake. He has approval from Wildlife and Fisheries we would be required to have 2 - EMT's and 2 - Sheriff Dept vessels and it would have to remain in the cove behind the Marina and not out in the traffic area of the lake. There will be a Special Meeting Friday August 15th, 2025 to discuss and vote on the Flotilla.

Adjournment:

Gary Wyche requested a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion made by Jay Crooks and seconded by Kelly Long to adjourn the meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by Gary Wyche at approximately 6:00 p.m.

Gary Wyche, President
Cypress Black Bayou Recreation &
Water Conservation District

Kelly Long, Vice President
Cypress Black Bayou Recreation &
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