

November 14, 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: Chelle Carroll, Nancy Scripture, Stacey Melerine, Bruce Easterly, Bobby Edminston, Scott Stephens, Ed Cooper, and Charles Keene

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

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 10-10-2017 Monthly Board Meeting was made by Mr. Wyche and seconded by Mr. Warren. 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. Wyche. Public comment was requested. The vote was unanimously carried.

Nature Center Report: Read by Madora Abney

Total number impacted by Cypress Nature Study Center October 2017 1,797

Memorandum

Thank you to the Biedenharn Estate for the donation of a Louisiana Black Bear, Javalenia, and Ring-tailed cat.

Continuing to meet with Boy Scout from Benton about their Eagle Projects. Zach Anderson will be constructing a turtle habitat outside the Nature Center on November 11.

Katherine Parker constructed a sensory path for autistic students for her Senior Project. Make sure you check it out!

Coming Soon

November 1 – Nature Center at Ag Magic

November 20-24 – BPSB Thanksgiving Holidays

Director Report: Given by Robert Berry

- We have completed a fishing pier that is free to the public at the Parks Rd. launch. We are looking at building one at the Black Bayou launch.
- Bruce Easterly gave an update regarding Cypress Forest Subdivision's pier. They would like to pour concrete around two foot piles and rebuild structure. Mr. Easterly does not recommend to allow this.

A motion to take recommendation under advisement was made by Mr. Berry and seconded by Mr. Bigby. Public comment was requested with none received. The vote was unanimously carried.

Old Business:

- Update of Financial Options for Park and Lake Operations
 - We are looking at other options to generate funds
- Update of Delinquent Landowners for 2017
 - We have 13 landowners that we are about to file lawsuits on.

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. Wyche. 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. Wyche and seconded by Mr. Warren to adjourn the meeting. Public comment was requested with none received. The vote was unanimously carried.

Jerry Fowler, President

Gary Wyche, Vice-President