

September 10, 2019
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: Walter Bigby, Mel Allen, Gary Wyche and Robert Berry

Absent: Jerry Fowler

Also Present: Chelle Carroll, Alex Vozella, Ed Cooper, Charles Keene, Jack LaGrone, Janice Smith, Dorothy Martin, Devin Ytzen, Kosha Shah, Shannon Brown, Rodney Thornhill, Rosemarie Goin, Brenda Arnold, and Stacey Tinsley

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM by Mr. Bigby.

The pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Berry. The prayer was given by Mr. Wyche. Roll call was made by Chelle Carroll.

A motion to approve the minutes from the 08-13-2019 Monthly Meeting was made by Mr. Allen and seconded by Mr. Wyche. The vote was unanimously carried since no changes were to be made.

A motion to approve the minutes from the 08-16-2019 Special Meeting was made by Mr. Allen and seconded by Mr. Wyche. The vote was unanimously carried since no changes were to be made.

Director's Report: Given by Robert Berry

- The park was full for Labor Day weekend. We received very positive feedback from the guests.
- There was some discussion regarding the Linton Bridge closing.

New Business:

- None

Old Business:

- Ratify agreement with Acadiana Properties
 - The Special Meeting on August 16 was to discuss a potential settlement with Mr. Leonard Pogue for Acadiana Properties. We did reach an agreement for Mr. Pogue to remediate his property and be responsible for a hefty fine.

A motion to ratify the settlement agreement with Leonard Pogue for Acadiana Properties was made by Mr. Allen and seconded by Mr. Wyche. Public comment was requested with none received. The vote was unanimously carried.

- Shah/Ytzen Boathouse Proposal
 - This is a second proposal. The neighbors still do not approve and there are concerns from the board's engineer regarding depth and dredging. It was also brought up by the board's legal counsel that there could be some encroachment on the neighbor's property.
 - Our legal counsel recommends to deny the proposal as presented based on these concerns.

A motion to deny the boathouse proposal as presented was made by Mr. Wyche and seconded by Mr. Allen. There was some more discussion regarding the decision. The vote was unanimously carried.

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

Walt Bigby, President

Jerry Fowler, Vice-President