

November 12, 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, Jerry Fowler, Mel Allen, Gary Wyche and Robert Berry

Absent: None

Also Present: Chelle Carroll, Alex Vozella, Dee Hanson, Matt McGill, Paul and Linda Davidson, Brian Clausing, David and Renee Hall, Margaret Rougeau, Jack Lagrone, Don Rittenbury, Shannon and Ryan Brown, Rodney Thornhill, Cliff and Anne Timmers, Rod Glass, Scott Harkey, Ed Cooper, Warren and Linda Windham, Tom Thompson, Mike Loftin, Heath Harvey, Hunter and Phanid Bolin, and Lynn and Ken Lee

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

The pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Fowler. Roll call was made by Chelle Carroll.

Mr. Bigby asked for public comment on the agenda. Mrs. Brown asked that Mr. Thornhill's pool be added to the agenda. The board did not make a motion to add this to the agenda.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Wyche. The vote was unanimously carried.

A motion to approve the minutes from the 10-08-2019 Monthly Meeting was made by Mr. Allen and seconded by Mr. Fowler. Mrs. Hall wanted to add her name to the also present list because she forgot to sign in. The vote was unanimously carried.

A motion to approve the minutes from the 10-23-2019 Special Meeting was made by Mr. Allen and seconded by Mr. Fowler. The vote was unanimously carried since no changes were to be made.

A motion to approve the minutes from the 10-25-2019 Special Meeting was made by Mr. Allen and seconded by Mr. Fowler. The vote was unanimously carried since no changes were to be made.

Director's Report: Given by Robert Berry

- SWEPCO clearing is almost done. We did not have to close the RV area as originally thought.
- The lift station needs attention.
- Salvinia has come out of some pockets. We are monitoring it with Wildlife and Fisheries.
- There was some discussion regarding the Hydroline contract and the Linton Rd. Bridge project.

New Business:

- None

Old Business:

- Friends of Cypress Black Bayou
 - Mr. Harvey and Mr. McGill spoke on behalf of the Friends of Cypress to ask the board to move the meeting time from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm.
 - After some input from the public, the board will take it under advisement.
- Operation Fees
 - There were three options to increase fees that were read into the meeting. After some discussion with the public, there was a motion to approve option 2 by Mr. Wyche but he then retracted his motion.

A motion to approve option 1 which includes increasing the landowner fees by \$75 with no boat stickers included, park entry fee to \$5, boat launch fee to \$5, increase RV sites \$2.50, and have a yearly entry pass for senior citizens and disabled veterans for \$75 was made by Mr. Berry and seconded by Mr. Fowler. Public comment was requested again with a few comments about the increase. The vote was unanimously carried.

There being no further business at this time, a motion was made by Mr. Fowler 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