

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

Regular Meeting Minutes

December 14, 2021

A Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Cypress Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District, Bossier Parish, Louisiana was held on the 14th day of December, 2021, at 4:00 pm., 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 Mr. Bigby. Chelle Carroll called the roll, with all members present as follows:

Walter Bigby	Gary Wyche
Jerry Fowler	Robert Berry
Kelly Long	

Others present include Chelle Carroll, Office Administrator for the District; Alex Vozzella and Curtis Shelton, Legal Counsel for the District.

Please see sign-in sheet for members of the public who were also present.

Motion was made by Mr. Bigby, seconded by Mr. Fowler to approve the minutes from the November 09, 2021 Regular Meeting.

Public comment was requested with none received.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

Executive Director's Report:

Mr. Berry stated that quite a few landowners have paid their fees.

Mr. Berry gave an update on salvinia spraying and stated that most of it is contained.

Mr. Berry announced that we will have to temporarily close on Sundays with adjusted hours for the rest of the week due to lack of employees. This information is listed on our website.

Public Hearing:

Motion was made by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Bigby to move into a public hearing to consider amending the 2021 budget.

Public comment was requested with none received.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Bigby, seconded by Mr. Fowler to close the public hearing.

Public comment was requested with none received.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Bigby to enter into a public hearing to consider adopting the 2022 budget.

Public comment was requested with none received.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Ms. Long to close the public hearing.

Public comment was requested with none received.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Bigby to enter into the regular meeting.

Public comment was requested with none received.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

Old Business:

Mr. Wyche announced the consideration of proposed revisions to the District's rules and regulations discussed at the September 14, the October 12, and the November 09, 2021 meetings.

Ms. Vozzella gave a summary of the changes that have been discussed. The majority of changes were just to have clearer language. The substance that did change were in Sec. 1, 2, and 7.

Motion was made by Mr. Bigby, seconded by Ms. Long to approve the proposed revisions to various portions of the District's rules and regulations as discussed at the September 14, October 12, and the November 9, 2021 regular meetings that will be effective January 1, 2022.

Public comment was requested with none received.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

New Business:

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-003

The following Resolution was offered by Mr. Fowler who moved for its adoption, and seconded by Mr. Bigby at the December 14, 2021 meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the Cypress Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District:

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE AMENDMENT OF
THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2021**

WHEREAS, the Cypress Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District of Bossier Parish, Louisiana (the "District") is a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana and a special district created and existing pursuant to Article VI, Section 19 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana 1974 and 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 District's budget for the year 2021, as originally adopted on December 15, 2020, be amended to more accurately project the estimated actual revenues and expenditures for the period ending December 31, 2021;

WHEREAS, the amendment of the District's budget for the year 2021 is set forth and attached as Schedule A to this Resolution;

WHEREAS, a public hearing was set for and held on December 14, 2021, to allow for public input and comment on this Resolution;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that after receiving public input, the 2021 Amended Budget, as set forth in Schedule A attached to this Resolution, be and is hereby approved and adopted.

After an opportunity for public comment, the above and foregoing Resolution was read in full, submitted to a roll call vote, and the Resolution was adopted with the following votes recorded:

	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Gary Wyche	X			
Jerry Fowler	X			
Kelly Long	X			
Robert Berry			X	
Walter Bigby	X			

And the Resolution was declared adopted on this 14th day of December, 2021.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-004

The following Resolution was offered by Mr. Bigby who moved for its adoption, and seconded by Mr. Fowler at the December 14, 2021 meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the Cypress Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District:

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE PROPOSED BUDGET
FOR THE YEAR 2022**

WHEREAS, the Cypress Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District of Bossier Parish, Louisiana (the "District") is a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana and a special district created and existing pursuant to Article VI, Section 19 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana 1974 and 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 proposed budget for the year 2022 has been presented to the District, and is set forth in Schedule A attached to this Resolution;

WHEREAS, a public hearing was set for and held on December 14, 2021, to allow for public input and comment on this Resolution;

WHEREAS, notice of the a public hearing was published as required by Louisiana law;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that after receiving public input, the 2022 Proposed Budget, as set forth in Schedule A attached to this Resolution, be and is hereby approved and adopted.

After an opportunity for public comment, the above and foregoing Resolution was read in full, submitted to a roll call vote, and the Resolution was adopted with the following votes recorded:

	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Gary Wyche	X			
Jerry Fowler	X			
Kelly Long	X			
Robert Berry			X	
Walter Bigby	X			

And the Resolution was declared adopted on this 14th day of December, 2021.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by Mr. Wyche at approximately 5:20 pm.

GARY WYCHE, President
Cypress Black Bayou Recreation &
Water Conservation District

JERRY FOWLER, Secretary
Cypress Black Bayou Recreation &
Water Conservation District