

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

Regular Meeting Minutes

June 14, 2022

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 June, 2022, 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 Lee Ayres, Legal Counsel for the District.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Bigby to approve the minutes from the April 12, 2021 Regular Meeting.

Public comment was requested with none received.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Mr. Bigby and seconded by Mr. Fowler to add the Bossier Parish School of Technology and Innovative Learning presentation to the agenda under New Business.

Public comment was requested with none received.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

Old Business:

Mr. Wyche announced the consideration of proposed construction plans for Belmere Unit 6 subdivision.

Mr. Micha Duffy presented that the developer would dredge the 500 feet. This will allow room for a 25'x25' boathouse.

Mr. Duffy also stated that the developer would build the seawalls for the lots.

Motion was made by Mr. Bigby, seconded by Ms. Long to move forward with the plans to dredge and build seawalls.

Public comment was requested with none received.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

New Business:

Mr. Wyche announced the presentation from the Bossier Parish School of Technology and Innovative Learning.

Ms. Katelin Breaux and Mr. Clay Haynie presented a plan to utilize the Nature Center and the Zoo for the Agriscience program.

Public comment was requested with none received.

Mr. Wyche announced the consideration and adoption of Resolution 2022-001 adopting the millage rate for the year 2022.

Mr. Berry read the resolution as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-001

The following Resolution was offered by Ms. Long who moved for its adoption, and seconded by Mr. Bigby at the June 14, 2022 meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District:

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE MILLAGE RATE
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;

BE IT RESOLVED that the following millage is hereby levied on the 2021 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by Cypress Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District:

2022 MILLAGE

Maintenance and Operations

1.56 mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Cypress Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District, Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, be and is hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as herein above set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2022, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

	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 June, 2022.

Mr. Wyche announced the consideration and approval of the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for the 2022 audit.

Motion was made to approve the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for the 2022 Audit by Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Bigby.

Public comment was requested with none received.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Wyche announced the consideration of imposing a service fee for payments made by credit/debit cards.

Mr. Berry stated that the fees are considerably high and that as a public entity, we should be passing those fees on as long as it's reasonable.

Motion was made to table this discussion until we can get more information by Mr. Bigby and seconded by Mr. Fowler.

Public comment was requested with none received.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Wyche announced the consideration of a pool request submitted by Mr. Anthony SanAngelo at 846 West Lakeshore Dr.

Mr. and Mrs. San Anglo presented the pool plan.

Ms. San Angelo stated that the pool does encroach on the flowage easement and they are willing to put it at ground level or dig below the flowage easement for a positive impact.

Mr. Berry stated that there would be a possibility of having to sign a waiver to state that the District is not responsible for flooding.

Motion was made to move forward with the topographical survey to see what kind of impact it would have on the flowage easement by Mr. Bigby and seconded by Mr. Fowler.

Public comment was requested with none received.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Wyche announced the consideration of additional information provided by Dan Ursery at 4112 Lakeway Circle in relation to a seawall.

Mr. Ursery presented that he originally wanted to build a new seawall. Due to different factors, Mr. Ursery stated that he decided to just repair the existing seawall.

Mr. Ursery stated that he was not aware that he needed a permit for repairs.

Mr. Berry asked to discuss further in executive session.

Mr. Wyche announced the consideration of a temporary floating pier for the Hammond and Martin residence in Water's Edge II.

No one from either party was in attendance so there was no further discussion.

Mr. Wyche announced the consideration of alcohol enforcement at the beach.

Mr. Berry asked to discuss this in executive session.

Executive Session:

Motion was made to enter into executive session by Mr. Bigby and seconded by Mr. Fowler.

Public comment was requested with none received.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made to enter back into the regular board meeting by Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Bigby.

Public comment was requested with none received.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion to table the Dan Ursery seawall for 60 days in order to get a current survey marked on the ground and to provide a receipt and materials list was made by Ms. Long and seconded by Mr. Bigby.

Public comment was requested with none received.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

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

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

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