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

Regular Meeting Minutes October 11, 2022

A Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Cypress Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District, Bossier Parish, Louisiana was held on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of October, 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. Walt Bigby. The pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Fowler. Chelle Carroll called the roll, with all members present as follows:

Walter Bigby Gary Wyche-Absent Jerry Fowler Robert Berry Kelly Long

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

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

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# Motion was made by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Ms. Long to approve the minutes from the September 13, 2022 Regular Meeting.

Public comment was requested with none received.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

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## Motion was made by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Ms. Long to approve the minutes from the September 28, 2022 Special Meeting.

Public comment was requested with none received.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

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### **Executive Director's Report:**

Mr. Berry stated that the Beach area is slowing down and we will close it after this weekend.

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#### **New Business:**

Mr. Bigby announced the consideration of Hydroline, LLC's request to renew water purchase and access agreement for additional one year term.

Mrs. Vozella stated that the new agreement has the same terms as the previous agreement from 2021.

Ms. Long stated her concern with the drought we had been experiencing.

Mr. Berry recommended to renew the contract for 6 months in order to show data on the next well to see the effect on the lake.

Motion was made to authorize Mr. Bigby to execute the agreement with Hydroline LLC for a 6 month time frame by Ms. Long and seconded by Mr. Fowler.

Public comment was requested with none received.

The motion carried unanimously.

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Mr. Bigby announced the consideration of increasing price for rental of RV sites, cabins, cottages and shelters.

Mr. Berry stated this was discussed at the last meeting to go up \$3.00 on RV sties, \$25 on cabins and cottages, \$50 on the condo and shelters.

Motion was made to approve the increase by Mr. Fowler and seconded by Ms. Long.

Public comment was requested with none received.

The motion carried unanimously.

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#### **Executive Session:**

Mr. Bigby announced the discussion of prospective litigation after formal written demand to Mr. Dan Ursery.

Mr. Ursery stated that Mr. McDonald had finally sent him some of the information that the District asked for and he would like to get this resolved.

Motion was made to go into Executive Session to discuss the May 10, 2022 demand letter to Dan Ursery regarding the seawall at 4112 Lakeway Circle by Mr. Fowler and seconded by Ms. Long.

Public comment was requested with none received.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

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Motion was made to enter back into the regular meeting by Mr. Berry and seconded by Mr. Fowler. Public comment was requested with none received.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

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Ms. Long stated that the District proposes that Mr. Ursery will be granted a seawall permit at the cost of \$250, and be assessed a fine for failing to obtain a permit at the cost of \$500. The permit will specify that if the wall has to be replaced in the future, it will be placed on the property line, not in it's current location. If any additional repairs are required of the current seawall, you will have to obtain a repair permit in order to do so and the permit will also acknowledge the property line is that stated on the Coyle Engineering survey so that it can be referenced in the future.

Mr. Ursery stated that he was agreeable to this.

Motion was made by Ms. Long and seconded by Mr. Fowler to resolve the Ursery dispute with the following: Mr. Ursery will be awarded a seawall permit at the cost of \$250, will pay a fine for failure to acquire a seawall permit at the cost of \$500, the permit will specify that if the wall has to be replaced in the future that it will have to be placed on the property line per the Coyle Engineering survey and if any additional repairs are to be made to the current seawall the owners shall obtain a repair permit but if the repair cost goes over 50% of the cost of a new wall then a new wall must be built on the property line.

Public comment was requested with none received.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

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## **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by Mr. Bigby at approximately 5:00 pm.

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