

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

Regular Meeting Minutes
December 12, 2023

A Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Cypress Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District, Bossier Parish, Louisiana was held on the 12th day of December, 2023, at 4:00 p.m., 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 Vice President, Kelly Long. Roll call by Lisa Freel, with members present as follows:

Gary Wyche Rodney Madden
Kelly Long Jerry Fowler - Absent
Jerry Wilhite

Others present include Lisa Free, Office Administrator, John Oswick, Front Gate Administrator, Curtis Shelton, Legal Counsel for the District, and Ben Rauschenbach, Manchac Consulting Group, LLC. Please see sign-in sheet for members of the public who were also present.

Motion was made by Kelly Long and seconded by Jerry Wilhite to approve the minutes from the November 14th, 2023 meeting,

Public comment was requested with none received.
Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing:

Gary Wyche announced consideration to enter into a public hearing to amend the 2023 budget.

Motion was made by Gary Wyche, seconded by Kelly Long to enter into a public hearing to consider amending the 2023 budget.

Public comment was requested with none received.
Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Gary Wyche to close the public hearing, seconded by Kelly Long.

Gary Wyche announced consideration to enter into a public hearing to consider the 2024 proposed budget.

Motion was made by Kelly Long , seconded by Jerry Wilhite to enter into a public hearing to consider the proposed 2024 budget.

Public comment was requested with none received.
Votes were cast, and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Gary Wyche , seconded by Kelly Long to close the public hearing.

New Business:

Mr. Wyche announced the consideration and adoption of Resolution 2023-002 to amend the budget for the year 2023. Resolution read by Gary Wyche.

Mr. Morehart gave a summary of why it was amended.

Motion was made by Gary Wyche, and seconded by Kelly Long to adopt Resolution 2023-002 that amends the budget for 2023.

Public comment was requested with none received.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried as follows:

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Gary Wyche	X		
Kelly Long	X		
Jerry Fowler			X
Rodney Madden	X		
Jerry Wilhite	X		

Mr. Wyche announced the consideration and adoption of Resolution 2023-003 to approve the proposed budget for the year 2024. Resolution read by Gary Wyche.

Motion was made by Gary Wyche, and seconded by Kelly Long to adopt Resolution 2023-003 for the proposed budget for 2024.

Public comment was requested with none received.

Votes were cast, and the motion carried as follows:

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Gary Wyche	X		
Kelly Long	X		
Jerry Fowler			X
Rodney Madden	X		
Jerry Wilhite	X		

Discussion with Mr. Morehart on changes to budgets.

Consideration of items of movable property to be deemed as surplus and sold at auction. See list attached.

John Oswick read the proposed list of items to be auctioned. Comment from Mark Jamroz.

Motion was made by Kelly Long, and seconded by Rodney Madden to deem items as surplus and be sold at public auction.

Public comment was requested with none received.

Votes were cast and motion passed unanimously.

Consideration of variance for permit to build garage for Sharon Davis.

Comments from Ben Rauschenbach and Sharon Davis.

After discussion with the board Ms. Davis will try to have the plans redrawn and the property resurveyed to ensure the garage is not on CBB property. She will reapply for permit after changes are made.

No Motion made.

Public comment by Mark Jamroz.

Park Report:

John Oswick gave CBB Park update; we will be working with Keep Bossier Beautiful Christmas Tree project on January 13th. Christmas trees will be placed in the lake for fish habitats. Landowner payments are coming in pretty steady. We have appointments set for demos on new software programs this next week, looking to go to an all cloud base service. Update on IT issues.

Non-Action Item:

Announcement of intent to call for election on renewal of millage tax read by Gary Wyche. Some discussion on proposed date and other ballot items.

Marina operations update: meeting with possible prospect to operate Marina in the next week or two. Will move to February agenda.

Discussion on Park Operations and Management Staffing. Moved to January 9th agenda.

Old Business:

Consideration of renewal of Hydroline, LLC Water Purchase Agreement
Comments from Ben Rauschenbach. No other public comment received.

No motion made. Gary Wyche will contact Hydroline to negotiate new pricing on contract and move to January meeting agenda.

Adjournment:

Motion made by Gary Wyche, and seconded by Kelly Long to adjourn the meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by Gary Wyche at approximately 5:30 p.m.

Gary Wyche, President
Cypress Black Bayou Recreation &
Water Conservation District

Kelly Long, Vice President
Cypress Black Bayou Recreation &
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