

December 10, 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, Lee Ayres, Lori Smith, Michael Kendrick, Charles Keene, Bob Key, Sam Thornton, Connie Sheffield, James Anderson, Ken Mason, Paula Mason, Jason McGinty, for complete list, see sheet.

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

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

Mr. Bigby announced that we will hold a special meeting to discuss the budget on Monday, December 16, 2019 at the Nature Center. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Allen. Public comment was requested with non received. The vote was unanimously carried.

A motion to approve the minutes from the 11-12-2019 Monthly Meeting was made by Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Wyche. There was some public input regarding the detail of the minutes. The prepared minutes do satisfy the requirements of Louisiana Statute Section 20. A revised motion was made by Mr. Allen and seconded by Mr. Fowler to table the approval of the 11-12-2019 Monthly Meeting minutes as written. The vote did not carry. A motion to approve the 11-12-2019 Monthly Meeting minutes as written was made by Mr. Wyche and seconded by Mr. Fowler. The vote carried.

A motion to approve the minutes from the 11-15-2019 Special Meeting was made by Mr. Allen and seconded by Mr. Fowler. Public comment was requested with some discussion on requesting public records. The vote was unanimously carried since no changes were to be made.

New Business:

- Proces Verbal/Proglumation Resolution Regarding the October 12, 2019 Election

The Board of Commissioners, serving as governing authority of Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District of Bossier Parish, Louisiana, met in regular public session at it's regular meeting place, the Nature Center building, located in the Cypress Black Bayou Recreation Area, 135 Cypress Park Drive, Benton, Louisiana, at 4:00 o'clock p.m. on December 10, 2019, pursuant to written notice given to each and every member thereof and duly posted in the manner required by law.

The president called the meeting to order and on a roll call, the following members were present: Walt Bigby, Jerry Fowler, Mel Allen, Gary Wyche and Robert Berry

Absent: None

The President of the Board stated that the purpose of the meeting was for canvassing and tabulating the returns of an election held in Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District of Bossier Parish, Louisiana(the "District") on October 12, 2019, on the question of authorizing the levy and collection of a special ad valorem tax on

all taxable property within the District, and therupon presented the following proces verbal, which was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas: Walt Bigby, Jerry Fowler, Mel Allen, Gary Wyche, Robert Berry

Nays: None

PROCES VERBAL

Be it Known and Remembered that on this 10th day of December, 2019, at 4:00 o'clock p.m., in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Commissioners(the “Board”), serving as governing authority of Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District of Bossier Parish, Louisiana, adopted on March 12, 2019 and recorded in the records of said Board, notice of which meeting was issued and published according to law, the undersigned members of the Board, being a quorum thereof, met at the regular meeting place of the Board, and according to law examined the tabulation blanks, certificates and statements which were received from the Commissioners and the Commissioners-in-Charge of the election held in Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District of Bossier Parish, Louisiana on October 12, 2019, in accordance with said resolution, together with the transcription of the totals made by the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Parish Custodian of Voting Machines in and for Bossier Parish to determine the following proposition:

MAINTENANCE MILLAGE PROPOSITION

Shall Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District of the Parish of Bossier, Louisiana, be authorized to levy and collect an ad valorem tax of three and no hundreths(3.00) mills on all property subject to taxation within said District(with \$2.2 million reasonably estimated to be collected per annum) (the “Tax”), for a period of ten(10) years, commencing with the year 2020, for the purpose of improving, operating and maintaining the District's facilities for public benefit, in lieu and cancellation and termination of the 1.54 mills approved on November 4, 2014, upon initial levy of Tax?

The results of said election proved to be as follows:

WARD	PRECINCT	NUMBER OF VOTES IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION	NUMBER OF VOTES AGAINST PROPOSITION
01	01	84	130
01	02	113	171
01	03	100	142
01	03A	120	186
01	03B	44	78
01	4	168	226
01	5	63	108
02	01	90	192
02	02	141	262
02	03	51	54
02	03A	78	102
02	04-1	78	133
02	04-2	67	151
02	05A	17	23
02	06	32	46
02	07	80	139

WARD	PRECINCT	NUMBER OF VOTES IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION	NUMBER OF VOTES AGAINST PROPOSITION
02	08	45	32
02	09	75	99
02	10	58	106
02	11	21	33
02	11A	32	19
02	12A	36	40
02	12B	43	55
02	12C	45	74
02	13	79	87
02	14	56	72
02	15	47	52
02	16	95	153
02	16A	7	4
02	17A	38	39
02	17B	51	71
02	18B	78	228
02	18C	118	239
02	18D	31	116
02	18E-1	133	288
02	18E-2	94	243
02	18F	54	195
02	19	77	71
02	20	58	92
02	21A	131	193
02	21B	142	288
02	21C-1	104	263
02	21C-2	99	223
02	21D-1	110	229
02	21D-2	110	199
02	22A-1	83	246

WARD	PRECINCT	NUMBER OF VOTES IN FAVOR OF PROPOSITION	NUMBER OF VOTES AGAINST PROPOSITION
02	22A-2	49	202
02	22B	60	209
02	22C	36	162
02	23	30	25
03	04	0	0
04	01A	14	53
04	02	100	241
04	04B-1	0	0
04	04B-2	0	0
04	08A	118	126
04	08B-1	107	218
04	08B-2	121	154
04	08C	48	51
04	08D	28	31
04	08F	3	2
04	10-1	87	167
04	10-2	79	112
04	11A	34	72
04	11B	99	219
04	11C	6	8
Absentee Voting		1694	3850
GRAND TOTAL		6189	12094

We therefore ascertained that the majority of qualified electors of Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District of Bossier Parish, Louisiana qualified to vote under the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana voting in said election in the District voted against the Proposition.

At the same time and place, we did examine and canvass the returns as evidenced by said tabulation blanks, certificates, and statements received from the election Commissioners and Commissioners-in-Charge, the correctness of which were sworn to by the election Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners according to law, and our finding was that the returns indicated a majority voted against the Proposition.

Therefore, we declare that the result of said election is against the Proposition as stated above.

In accordance with law, a resolution promulgating the aforesaid results was adopted, and the Secretary of the Board was ordered to have a copy of said resolution signed by the President and published in one issue of the Bossier Press Tribune, a newspaper published in Bossier City, Louisiana, and of general circulation in the District.

In accordance with the provisions of R.S. 18:1293, a copy of the Notice of Election is attached hereto as Exhibit A. An affidavit showing proof of publication of said notice is attached hereto as Exhibit B. We did, likewise, order that one copy of the proces verbal be sent to the Secretary of State to be recorded in the archives of the State of

Louisiana, and that one copy be sent to the Clerk of the District Court of Bossier Parish to be recorded in the mortgage records of said Parish and that one copy be filed in the archives of this Board.

RESOLUTION

The following resolution was therupon introduced, and pursuant to a motion made by Mr. Allen and seconded by Mr. Wyche, was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas: Walt Bigby, Jerry Fowler, Mel Allen, Gary Wyche, and Robert Berry

Nays: None

A RESOLUTION PROMULGATING THE RESULTS OF A SPECIAL ELECTION HELD IN CYPRESS-BLACK BAYOU RECREATION AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT OF BOSSIER PARISH, LOUISIANA ON OCTOBER 12, 2019.

Whereas, on October 12, 2019, an election was held in Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District of Bossier Parish, Louisiana, to determine the proposition herinafter set out;

Whereas, the returns of said election were canvassed by the Board according to law and notice duly given as provided by law, and the result of said election was declared to be against the Proposition;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Board, acting as governing authority of Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District of Bossier Parish, Louisiana, as follows:

SECTION 1. An election was held in Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District of Bossier Parish, Louisiana, on October 12, 2019, to determine the proposition herinafter set out; that said election was duly and properly called by the Board by a resolution adopted on March 12, 2019, and recorded in the records of said Board, that notice of said election embracing all matters required by law to be contained therein was given publication in the Bossier Press Tribune, a newspaper published in Bossier City, Louisiana, and of general circulation in Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District of Bossier Parish, Louisiana, on July 24, July 31, August 7, and August 14, 2019, the first of said publications being not less than 45 days nor more than 90 days prior to the date for said election; that this Board did in said resolution designate the polling places for said election and did provide for the use of voting machines in the conduct of said election; that election officials were duly selected; that each election official received the certificate of instruction of the use of the voting machines and his duties in connection therewith as required by law; that the State Custodian of Voting Machines and the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Parish Custodian of Voting Machines of Bossier Parish made available on the day of the election at the polling places designated for the conduct of said election the necessary voting machines and all necessary equipment and paraphernalia required by law in connection with the use of voting machines at elections; that the Registrar of Voters and the Clerk of Court of Bossier Parish furnished to the election Commissioners and Commissioners-in-Charge copies of the precinct registers for each precinct or ward entitled to vote at such polling places; that the Louisiana Secretary of State prepared and certified the ballot used in the voting machines as required by law; that the proposition voted on in said election and as it appeared in said voting machine was in due form provided by law and the resolution adopted by this Board on March 12, 2019, calling said special election; that the results of said election were written on a large sheet of paper at said polling places, which sheet of paper was signed by each of the election officials designated to conduct such election at said polling places and which sheet was thereupon posted in public view at the polling places in accordance with the law; that only qualified electors under the Constitution and the laws of the State of Louisiana voted said election; that the officials who served at said election were duly and properly appointed; that the places of all absent election officials were properly filled in accordance with law; that before opening the polls all election officials were properly sworn in accordance with law; that the polls at the voting places were opened at 7:00 a.m. and remained open and until not later than 8:00 p.m.; that after the closing of the polls the votes for and against the proposition were properly counted and tallied and the necessary tabulation blanks, certificates, and statements were made by the election officials in accordance with law and the voting machines delivered to the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Custodian of Voting Machines in and for Bossier Parish, Louisiana, and a copy of the results of

said election delivered to the Clerk of District Court of Bossier Parish as required by Louisiana Revised Statutes 18:1190 E; that on October 15, 2019, that being the third day after said election the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Custodian of Voting Machines, after breaking the seals and opening the voting machines used in said election did transcript the totals for the proposition voted upon at said election; and that all things whatsoever required by law to be done in connection with the holding of said election were properly and duly performed in manner and form as required by Chapter 4 of Subtitle II of Title 39 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and the general election laws of the State of Louisiana.

SECTION 2. In said election the following proposition failed by a majority of the electors qualified to vote and voting in said election in Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District of Bossier Parish, Louisiana:

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SECTION 3. The results of said election shall be promulgated by publication of this resolution of promulgation one time in the Bossier Press Tribune, a newspaper published in Bossier City, Louisiana, the official journal of the Board and of general circulation in Cypress-Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District of Bossier Parish, Louisiana.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 10th day of December, 2019.

Old Business:

- Friends of Cypress Black Bayou Time Request
 - Mr. McGill spoke on behalf of Friends of Cypress to advocate for the time change so meeting attendance is not limited.

After much discussion with the public, a motion to keep the meeting time at 4:00 pm was made by Mr. Fowler and seconded by Mr. Wyche. 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