

CYPRESS BLACK BAYOU RECREATION & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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REVISED MEETING POLICY & PROCEDURE FOR DECEMBER 15, 2020 HEARING/MEETING

NOTICE POSTED: December 14, 2020 at 3:00 PM

PUBLIC NOTICE: Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners for the Cypress Black Bayou Recreation & Water Conservation District will hold a public hearing/meeting as follows:

DATE OF MEETING: Tuesday, December 15, 2020
TIME OF MEETING: 4:00 PM
PLACE OF MEETING: 135 Cypress Park Drive, Benton, LA 71006 at the Nature Center

This is to officially advise of a public hearing/meeting of the Cypress Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District Board of Commissioners on Tuesday, December 15, 2020 at 4:00 pm. The agenda for this hearing/meeting is attached.

Due to the pending COVID-19 public health emergency, the hearing/meeting will be available for viewing on Cypress Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District's Facebook page via Facebook Live. (<https://www.facebook.com/cypressblackbayourecreationpark>)

Public comments on items on the agenda may be submitted prior to the hearing/meeting and will be read into the record of the hearing/meeting. Public comments must be submitted via email to ccarroll@cypressblackbayou.com, by fax to 318-965-2099, or by telephone to 318-965-2289. In order for your comment to be read into the record of the meeting, your public comment must be received by the District no later than 3:00 pm on Tuesday, December 15, 2020, and must include first and last name, address, and telephone number.

In an effort to protect the public during the COVID-19 health emergency, the following guidelines are hereby established to allow for public observance and participation to the fullest extent possible while maintaining public safety:

- 1) In accordance with the most recent Louisiana Governor's Proclamation 168 JBE 2020, issued on November 24, 2020, and all related proclamations, public attendance will be limited at the Nature Center. Any individual who is not allowed in the Nature Center (due to capacity and/or social distancing limitations), but who wishes to make a public comment in-person, will be asked

to wait outside the Nature Center in his/her vehicle until that individual's name is called to speak (as explained below).

- 2) The public is encouraged to send comments regarding items on the agenda in advance of the meeting, as set forth above. The District reserves the right to refuse to read into the record any public comment that does not contain the individual's first and last name, address, and telephone number. Likewise, the District reserves the right to refuse to read into the record any public comment that uses profane, disparaging, or otherwise inappropriate language.
- 3) Any individual who would like to provide an in-person comment on an agenda item will be required to fill out a public comment card prior to commencement of the meeting. Before any action on an agenda item is taken, those individuals who submitted a public comment card will be called upon to speak. Any individual asked to wait outside or in their vehicle will be notified when it is his/her turn to speak.
- 4) Each individual will be limited to one (1) comment per agenda item and three (3) minutes per comment. Public comments will be limited to agenda items.
- 5) There will be no agenda add-ons (additional items to consider) allowed at this public meeting.
- 6) The meeting will also be available for viewing on Cypress Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District's Facebook page, via Facebook Live.
(<https://www.facebook.com/cypressblackbayourecreationpark>)
- 7) Pursuant to the Louisiana Governor's Proclamation 168 JBE 2020, issued on November 24, 2020, **all individuals in attendance will be required to wear a face covering over the nose and mouth upon entering the Nature Center**, as provided in Section 3 of 168 JBE 2020.

SEE ATTACHED AGENDA

Robert Berry, Executive Director
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- I. **CALL TO ORDER**.....Jerry Fowler
- II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**.....Mel Allen
- III. **ROLL CALL**.....Chelle Carroll
- IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
 - 1. Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes of October 13, 2020
Public Comment
- V. **PUBLIC HEARING**
 - 2. To consider amending the 2020 budget and adopting the 2021 proposed budget
Public Comment
- VI. **OLD BUSINESS: NONE**
- VII. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - 3. To consider and adopt Resolution 2020-006 amending the budget for the year 2020
Public Comment
 - 4. To consider and adopt Resolution 2020-007 adopting the proposed budget for the year 2021
Public Comment

5. To consider pier permit request submitted Mr. and Mrs. Robert Aubrey (995 Judy Lane)
Public Comment

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

6. Discussion of litigation pursuant to La. R.S. § 42:17(A)(2) and other matters protected by the attorney-client privilege pursuant to La. R.S. § 42:17(A)(10)
- *Cypress Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District v. David Wendall Hall, et al*; Suit No. C-159899, Div. 3; 26th Judicial District Court; Bossier Parish, Louisiana
 - *Rodney Thornhill v. Cypress Black Bayou Recreation and Water Conservation District*; Suit No. C-160181, Div. 1; 26th Judicial District Court; Bossier Parish, Louisiana
 - *Longleaf Investments, LLC v. State of Louisiana, et al.*; Suit No. C-659593, Sec. 22; 19th Judicial District Court; East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana
- Public Comment*

IX. ADJOURNMENT.....Jerry Fowler

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