



CYPRESS CREEK FLOOD CONTROL COALITION
 MEETING NOTES
 March 16, 2022

	Directors in Attendance	Dick Smith, Pete Smullen, Jim Robertson, John Porea, Mark Adam, Jack Sakolosky – Virtual Mtg
	Committee Members in Attendance	Lisa Foley (Nominating Committee)
	Guests in Attendance	Joe Meyer (MUD 365), Dave Baldwin
	Guest Speaker	None
1	Handout Documents	Meeting called to order - 6:35 pm. Handouts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Houston Stronger Meeting Agenda, March 11, 2022 • CCFCC's Covid 19 Interim Plan (Rev #3) • Email to Andrew Weber, USACE, re BBTRS, dated 2/15/22; cc to Col. Vail, Commissioners Cagle and Ramsey, & Alan Black/HCFCD.
2	Membership	No new membership applications.
3	Meeting Notes	Sakolosky stated February meeting notes are in progress. January meeting notes were emailed on March 13. Robertson provided corrections to January meeting notes re the Arbor Day tree planting program. Notes will be corrected to indicate the program was by the Texas A&M Forest Group and trees were provided by Aramco..
4	Treasurer's Report	The March treasurers report and the 2022 Budget were approved. Smith reported Carl Zeitler has resigned from the board due to health issues. Porea will assume administrative responsibility for the annual director's insurance. The board approved a one-year renewal of director's insurance. Adam will review the policy and provide comments to Porea. ACTION: Adam review insurance policy.

5	Old Business	<p>1. <u>Annual Membership Meeting</u> The board decided to include the Annual Membership Meeting as part of the virtual April board meeting. Three director positions expire and are due for re-election:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Smith – has agreed to continue service as a Director (due to vision issues can no longer continue service as President) • Smullen – has agreed to continue service as a Director. • Hoyland – initially agreed to his continued service as a Director. Followed up with an email with his resignation due to a heavy work load with his full time job. <p>The officer positions that will be scheduled for election at the May board meeting are President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary.</p> <p>2. <u>USACE Galveston District Change in Directors</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Colonel Vail’s term will expire and he will be replaced with a new director (Colonel Blackmon) in July 2022. Smith has sent email communication to Colonel Vail describing CCFCC’s goals for the Cypress Creek watershed. b. Refer to Handout Documents, bullet #3 re email from CCFCC to USACE. The email states CCFCC considers an underground stormwater conveyance tunnel is essential for a long term successful flood mitigation plan for the Cypress Creek watershed. <p>3. <u>Cypress Creek Major Tributaries Study</u> Robertson reported the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Jones & Carter report indicates that approximately 12,800 ac-ft (+50%) of the recommended detention volume of 26,500 ac-ft is available. • Earmark funding through Rep Crenshaw’s office is scheduled for construction of the Westador (\$10M) and TC Jester (\$8.2M detention basins). • Robertson sent an email to HCFCD to point out that lack of available land for detention should be one of the parameters used for evaluation and ranking of tunnel conveyance priorities. • The Cultural District (Wilkerson) is trying to partner with a local MUD District to obtain 50% partner funding for

detention basin construction in the Cultural District (estimated to be \$3M construction cost).

4. Meeting with HCFCD Management

HCFCD staff have indicated the Phase 2 Tunnel Study will be available for public review in late April or May 2022. Previous communication with Alan Black indicates a meeting with management should be placed on hold until after the new director (Tina Peterson, PE, PhD) has started.

ACTION:

Smith to call and schedule a meeting with new director Petersen.

5. Tunnel Drainage System

No update. Phase 2 Study scheduled for public information in late April.

6. Changes in Harris County Key Personnel

Smith reported that Harris County is re-organizing the engineering staff. A number of recent resignations have been reported and changes to key engineering staff assignments are anticipated.

7. CCFCC BOD President Appointment

No new information. Sakolosky reported that the Nominating Committee (Adam, Sakolosky, Foley) will meet and discuss names of potential board candidates.

8. Houston Stronger Membership Meeting

Refer to the agenda attached to Smith's email dated 3/16/22. The Houston Stronger meeting was held on March 11, 2022. Smith and Robertson attended. Karl Brown was the guest speaker for USACE. Following the meeting, Mr. Brown referred Smith to Dave Macintosh, Chief Houston Office, to assist in providing maps of the tunnel option for BBTRS. Smith will follow up with Mr. Macintosh. Robertson stated he submitted an application for CCFCC to be recognized as a "Houston Stronger Supporter". There is no cost associated with the application.

9. Technical Consultant Contract Agreement

The contract with Dunbar has been extended to January 2022. Smith is working with Dunbar to prepare a 2-year extension to the agreement.

		<p>ACTION: On-going discussion with Dunbar to reconcile current work authorizations (\pm 6) has been placed on temporary hold due to Dunbar’s recovery from Covid-19. Reconciliation will include updating the WA register which will be maintained by the treasurer.</p> <p>10. <u>BOD Roster Update</u> Adam has taken over the responsibility to maintain the roster due to the resignation of Zeitler.</p>
6	New Business	<p>1. <u>Boy Scout Eagle Scout Request</u> Smith described a request CCFCC received from Assistant Scout Master Thomas Ashby to assist in identifying a project for an Eagle Scout candidate from Troop 901 in Cypress (chartered by Cy-Fair Rotary Club). Robertson will coordinate with the Eagle Scout to provide him with contact information for Bayou Land Conservancy, Harris County Precincts #3 and #4 Parks Departments, and Kickerillo-Mischer Preserve. The Eagle Scout candidate will have to communicate with each entity to discuss and identify a potential project he can construct.</p> <p>2. <u>BOD COVID-19 Interim Plan (Rev #3)</u> Refer to Smith’s email dated 3/16/22. Smith added Task #11 – Work Authorizations #27 Upper Watershed to the Covid-19 Interim Plan task list. He suggested the board continue to meet virtually. Adam stated that the board could meet at his office located at Louetta Road and SH 249 if desired. The April board meeting will be conducted virtually. A decision on how long to continue virtual meetings was not discussed.</p>
7	Other Issues	<p>Joe Meyer (MUD 365) provided the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MUD 365 is coordinating with Alan Black, HCFCD, regarding the HCFCD’s potential acquisition of a 64 acre tract of land that is owned by Coles Crossing for construction of detention. • MUD 365 is considering the possibility to excavate additional depth for an existing 50 acre detention pond in Coles Crossing. The goal is to increase storage; however, the additional depth will require pumped discharge to empty the basin.
8	Committee Reports	<p>Nominations Committee - Sakolosky Refer to Item 5.7.</p> <p>Technical Committee – Smullen</p>

		<p>No additional information.</p> <p>Membership Committee – Adam No additional information.</p> <p>Cypress Creek Greenway Committee – Robertson Robertson reported the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re-organization of the Precinct #3 and #4 Parks Departments is underway. Remapping of precinct boundaries has caused confusion and disrupted progress on a number of trail projects. • Dennis Johnston, Precinct #4 Parks Department, has retired. The trail building crew has gone to Precinct #4. • Robertson is communicating with Precinct #3 to identify a contact in the Parks Department. <p>Communications Committee – Smith Smith is forwarding flood mitigation and flood project information to CCFCC’s membership groups.</p> <p>Tunnel Advocacy Committee – Smith No additional information.</p>
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