



CYPRESS CREEK FLOOD CONTROL COALITION
 MEETING NOTES
 March 15, 2023

	Directors in Attendance	Meeting Conducted via Conference Call Joe Myers, Dick Smith, Pete Smullen, Jim Robertson, John Porea, Jack Sakolosky
	Committee Members in Attendance	Bill St. Clair, Lisa Foley, Dave Baldwin
	Guests in Attendance	None
	Guest Speaker	None
1	Monthly Transmittals/ Handouts	Meeting called to order - 6:35 pm. Myers emailed the March agenda, February meeting notes, Treasurer's report and updated 2023 Budget to directors. He indicated the primary focus for tonight's meeting will be planning for the Annual Meeting that is scheduled for April 19, 2023.
2	Membership	No new members.
3	Meeting Minutes	A motion to approve February meeting minutes was made by Robertson with second by Sakolosky. Minutes were approved unanimously.
4	Financial	a. Motion to approve the February treasurer's report was made by Sakolosky with second by Smith. The treasurer's report was approved unanimously. ACTION: Follow-up meeting to review CCFCC's financial practices will be scheduled by Myers. Attendees will include Myers, Porea, Smith, and St. Clair.
5	Old Business	a. Annual Meeting Preparations Myers reported HCFCD Director Petersen has confirmed that Jonathan St. Romain will be the speaker for the meeting. He will update us on the Cypress Creek Watershed. Myers is working with Adam to prepare the powerpoint presentation. Foley will confirm

		<p>the Coles Crossing facilities are available. The facilities have a capacity of 150. The notice to members is scheduled to be sent out on Friday, March 24. Myers will coordinate with Smith to finalize the agenda.</p> <p>b. Letter of Support for Coles Crossing Myers requested each board member review the draft letter he has prepared to confirm CCFCC’s support of HCMUD 365 (Coles Crossing) regarding the district’s intent to construct a project to increase the storage volume of an existing detention basin by 200 ac-ft. The letter of support will be sent to Congressman Wesley Hunt for consideration of a funding appropriation under the Community Project Funding program. Send your review comments to Myers.</p>
6	New Business	<p>a. 2020-2021 Annual Report and Outreach Effort (Smith and Robertson) Smith has coordinated with Robertson to resolve the comments he received on CCFCC’s draft 2020-2021 biennial report. Smith will work with Gloria to implement the revisions to the report. The target date to complete the report is in three (3) weeks (ie., April 7). Robertson recommended CCFCC’s tri-fold handout be reviewed and updated. Smith will forward a copy to each director and requested proposed edits and comments be forwarded to him.</p> <p>b. NHA Flood Risk Reduction Priorities Subcommittee Meeting (Robertson) Robertson reported he has received an email from the North Houston Alliance (NHA) requesting he attend a subcommittee meeting to assist the committee prioritize NHA’s flood mitigation goals for Cypress Creek and Green’s Bayou. NHA will meet with local representatives and agencies to obtain their input before submittal to the San Jacinto Regional Flood Planning Group (SJRFPG). The board recommended Robertson attend the meeting if possible. Myers stated he met with Alan Black (now with Quiddity Engineers) who reported that HCFCD plans to submit the TC Jester ease and west detention basins to SJRFPG as individual projects and all other basins in the Cypress Creek Implementation Plan will be submitted as a group. Myers reported that the Coles Crossing project will be submitted to SJRFPG as an FME (Flood Mitigation Evaluation).</p> <p>c. Meetings with Community Representatives or Elected Officials i. Meeting with Commissioner Briones’ Chief of Staff, Alice Lee, March 3, 2023</p>

		<p>Myers, Sakolosky, and Foley attended the meeting. The meeting went well. Myers provided background information on CCFCC’s history and goals. A leave behind package was provided to Ms. Lee (included the information previously submitted to HCFCF Director Petersen by Smith, the CCFCC tri-fold, and CCFCC’s mission statement). Emphasis was placed on the need to retain the funding allocated to Cypress Creek in the Flood Bond Program.</p> <p>ii. Meeting with Commissioner Briones, March 20, 2023 (Cypress Creek Greenway) This future meeting was set up by Robertson. He and Myers will describe the history, current status, and future goals of the Greenway project. Robertson reported he attended the HGAC Awards to Parks and Trails luncheon. He met Judge Duhan of Waller County and discussed a future meeting to talk about the Greenway.</p> <p>iii. Meeting with HCFCF being coordinated with Director of Communications, Beth Walters Myers reported HCFCF is planning a future Zoom meeting that can be attended by all groups and residents in the watershed. Myers will continue his communication with Ms. Walters to advocate for CCFCC to meet with HCFCF to strategize and support the districts on projects for the watershed.</p> <p>iv. HCFCF Organization Chart, January 2023 Myers emailed each director a copy of the latest HCFCF organization chart to each director.</p>
7	Committee Reports	<p>Nominations - Sakolosky Sakolosky reported he will follow-up with Adam and Cathy Dunn regarding potential candidates they may be able to recommend. He will also follow up with Chris Burke to see if he is interested in a director position.</p> <p>Technical Management – Smullen Smullen reported he is in communication with Dunbar regarding the works in progress. He, Smith, and Dunbar are scheduling a working lunch to work through various issues.</p> <p>Tunnel Advocacy – Smith No new information.</p>

		<p>Membership – Adam No report.</p> <p>Cypress Creek Greenway – Robertson Robertson reported the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He attended the Pct #3 Nature Fest at Jones Park and had a booth for to inform the public about the Greenway. • He provided a tour of new projects on the Greenway to Mary Anne Piancentini and two board members of Coastal Prairie Conservancy on February 24th. • He has been communicating with Eric Heppen, Pct #3, regarding Pct #3’s master parks plan and the Greenway. • Faulkey Gully, Malcolmson MUD, and Pct #3 have submitted a grant application to Texas Parks and Wildlife for funding a trail connection to NW MUD 5’s trail. <p>Communications and Website – Smith Smith reported he has updated CCFCC’s Committee descriptions for review by committee chairs. Smith will re-send the descriptions to each chair for review and comments. Myers suggested we follow up with these organizational issues after the Annual Meeting. Smith reported new mas have been placed on the website.</p>
9	Adjourn	<p>8:05 PM</p> <p>NEXT MEETING DATE: April 19, 2023; annual meeting will be held at Coles Crossing.</p>