

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF THE BLUE ISLAND PARK DISTRICT HELD ON FEBRUARY 22, 2017
AT 7:00PM AT THE MEMORIAL PARK FIELD HOUSE

Call to order: 7:00pm

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Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Commissioner St. Leger

Commissioners Present: Raeann Zylman, Will Ochoa, Ted Ruthenberg, and Brad St. Leger

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff: Executive Director Thomas Wogan, Director of Security and Operations Octavio Carbajal, Park Maintenance Supervisor Mark DeRango, Attorney for Park District Michael Hayes, Minutes Secretary Karen Zielinski

Others: Kevin and Sarah Brown

Public Comments: None.

* Public comments, as a courtesy to other visitors with comments, each visitor shall be permitted up to two (2) minutes for his or her comment.

Additions or revisions to the agenda: #15 Equipment purchase, vehicle and splash pad. Move #14 prior to consent agenda.

Agenda item 14: **DISCUSSION** - Dragon Boat Festival, Presentation by Kevin and Sarah Brown, coordinators of the 2017 Dragon Boat Race and Festival. First festival was held in 2016 in conjunction with the Blue Island Arts Alliance and a few other organizations and was a success. This year's festival and boat race will be held at the MWRD water fall park at Chatham Street and Grove Streets. Reopening of the Pedi Bridge will give the festival a large area for a viewing audience. Food and beverage vendors will be available for the teams as well as the public. Sponsors would include Metra Rail, Rock Island Public House and Blue Island Beer Company. They are asking the Blue Island Park District to consider again being a sponsor for this event.

AGENDA: Motion to approve consent agenda 1 through 7 made by Commissioner St. Leger and seconded by Commissioner Ruthenberg. Motion to approve consent items 8 and 9 were made by Commissioner St. Leger and seconded by Commissioner Ochoa. On the Question: None. Roll call: Commissioners Zylman, Ochoa, Ruthenberg and St. Leger. All aye, motion carries.

1. **CONSENT** – Approval of the minutes of the Regular Session December 14, 2016.
2. **CONSENT** – Approval of the minutes of the Executive Session December 14, 2016.
3. **CONSENT** – Approval of the minutes of the Special Meeting January 11, 2017.
4. **CONSENT** – Approval of the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting January 11, 2017.
5. **CONSENT** – Approval of the minutes of the Executive Session on January 11, 2017.
6. **CONSENT** – Approval of the minutes of the Regular Session of the board January 25, 2017.

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7. **CONSENT** – Approval of the minutes of the Committee of the Whole February 8, 2017.
8. **CONSENT** – Approval of payroll ending January 7, 2017 in the amount of \$19,961.84 and payroll ending January 21, 2017 in the amount of \$23,049.06.
9. **CONSENT** – Approval of accounts payable in the amount of \$34,654.30.
10. **ACTION** - Waiver of the fees for the American Legion annual picnic, August 20, 2017. Motion to approve made by Commissioner St. Leger and seconded by Commissioner Ochoa. On the Question: None. Roll call. Commissioners Zylman, Ochoa, Ruthenberg and St. Leger, all aye, motion carries.
11. **ACTION** – Waiver of the fees Operation: Honor event on August 26, 2017. Motion to approve was made by Commissioner Ruthenberg and seconded by Commissioner Ochoa. On the Question: None. Roll call: Commissioners Zylman, Ochoa, Ruthenberg and St. Leger, all aye, motion carries.
12. **ACTION** – Waiver of fees for the Salem Lutheran Church, annual picnic held on August 13, 2017. Motion made by Commissioner Ruthenberg and seconded by Commissioner Ochoa. On the Question: None. Roll call. Commissioners Zylman, Ochoa, Ruthenberg and St. Leger, all aye. Motion carries.
13. **ACTION** – Travel Ordinance No. 012517-1, an ordinance adopting a new travel policy for Park District employees. Motion to approve was made by Commissioner Ruthenberg and seconded by Commissioner St. Leger. On the question: None. Director Wogan explained that this ordinance was drafted according to state law guide lines for travel reimbursement regarding employee travel. Roll call Commissioner Zylman, Ochoa, Ruthenberg and St. Leger, all aye, motion carries.
14. **DISCUSSION** – Security vehicle and Splash pad repairs.
 - a. Security vehicle: Requiring more maintenance cost (over \$5,000 in 2016). Adopt new standards on handling and safety for car usage. Mark DeRango from Maintenance Department will be investigating option for a replacement vehicle.
 - b. Splash pad: Deterioration of pad covering has caused problems with filtration system and would be a hazard to children. Splash pad was installed in 2002 and is used for summer camp and rentals as well as summer swimmers. Talk to other companies and parks regarding recommendations for this project.

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Directors Report:

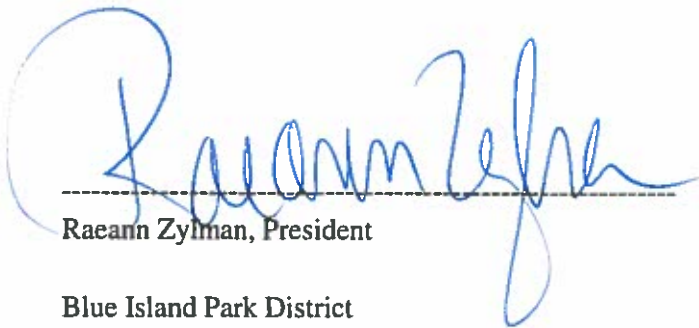
- a. Director Wogan and Commissioner Zylman attended the last city council meeting to present the city Aldermen with certificates for their involvement in the Santa House fundraiser.
- b. Public bid notice is out for flooring in Chicago South Town outlining acceptable bids. Only sealed bids will be accepted. A span of dates in May have been set aside for this project.
- c. Replacing of blinds in banquet hall. Maintenance Department has spoken to several companies regarding quotes.
- d. Replacement banquet tables, Maintenance Department will gather quotes.
- e. Meeting with SWSWRA, in their annual report proactive sensory room built, could be of possible use for Park District and School District 130.
- f. Black History Month, the Park District youth basketball teams will compete in a tournament. Park District Marketing Department had a hand in helping to create the brochure.
- g. Chamber of Commerce sent an invitation for the upcoming awards dinner. A table of 8 would cost \$480. This event is being held on March 11, 2017.

Motion to adjourn to Executive Session regarding the appointment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees pursuant to Section 2 (c) (1). Motion was made by Commissioner Ochoa and seconded by Commissioner Ruthenberg. All aye.

Re-open Regular Open Session

Adjournment

Approved



Raeann Zylman, President

Blue Island Park District