

MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF THE BLUE ISLAND PARK DISTRICT HELD ON AUGUST 29, 2017
AT 7:00PM AT THE MEMORIAL PARK FIELD HOUSE

Call to order: 7:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance Lead by Commissioner Franchetti

Commissioners Present: Raeann Zylman, William Ochoa, Theodore Ruthenberg and
Bradley St. Leger

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff: Executive Director Thomas Wogan, Operations Director Octavio Carbajal,
Supervisor of Maintenance Supervisor Mark DeRango, Assistant Maintenance
Supervisor Ken Bereta, and Minutes Secretary Karen Zielinski

Others Present: Blue Island Residents, Toni Ebeling and Mr. & Mrs. Cardenas,

Public Comments:

* Public comments are welcome. 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 Agenda: Addition of the Winter Catalog discussion

Agenda:

Discussion: - Park renovation Grant Projects in October 2017. Two Grants have been confirmed. One is an existing KaBOOM Project, Kiddie Korral which will be a spruce up project on October 14, 2017 and the other will be a new rebuild project at Perillo Park, either October 21 or 28, 2017.

Kiddie Korral- Blue Cross, Blue Shield is providing \$5,000 in funds for cleanup of the park. Question will be, will the Board of Commissioners be willing to match this amount. Commissioner Zylman suggested board visit this park and grow ideas, photo shoot and take notes. Need volunteers for this project in the area of 20 to 30. A date will be selected to review park.

Perillo Park - October 21 or 28th will be the possible dates for this project. Signed letter of attention has been sent. Park District fees for this project will be \$8,600. This will come out of Capital Project funds which are already in the budget. KaBOOM will interview neighborhood people and develop according to Park District and community needs.

Volunteers are needed for both projects. Volunteers will consist of Park District staff and ask for involvement from the City of Blue Island and District 130 School District.

Mr. Cardenas stated to the Board that the teens down by Perillo Park are wrapping the children swings around the top bars and making them unusable. Ms. Ebeling asked about cutting down trees. Address property damage with the City of Blue Island and security, the children are now kicking and trying to break the sign post inside the park by her house, also dumping of garbage cans.

Inform Assistant Supervisor Ken Bereta, what would be a good date to start removing equipment. Swing set at Perillo could be transferred to another park.

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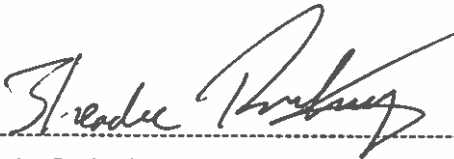
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Discussion: Winter Catalog – Santa at the Parks. Suggestion was made to select four to five dates for the Santa house to visit select areas of Blue Island. Pick only certain areas such as Recreation Center, Golf Course, and Centennial Park are possible locations. Place books in area that forum can be picked up. Looking at ways to save money, instead of mailing brochures, having areas for the public to pick them up, such as the Library and having them given out by the schools.

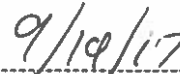
Discussion: Mark's last meeting – will be helping during Ken's phase in and help with Capital Projects.

Motion to adjourn the Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners made by Commissioner Ochoa, and second by Commissioner Franchetti. All aye, motion carries. 7:32pm.

Approved



Theodor Ruthenberg, President



Date

Blue Island Park District