

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

Call to order: 7:00pm Page 1 of 2

Pledge of Allegiance Led by Commissioner Ruthenberg

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

Commissioners Absent: William Ochoa

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

**Public Comments:** None.

*\* 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 comments*

Additions or Revisions to the agenda: None

AGENDA: Motion to approve agenda items 1 through 3 was made by Commissioner St. Leger and seconded by Commissioner Ruthenberg. On the Question: None. Roll call: Commissioner Zylman, Ruthenberg and St. Leger, all aye. Motion carries.

1. **Action** – Approval of the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting February 22, 2017 and Committee of the Whole Meeting March 8, 2017.
2. **Action** – Approval of payroll ending February 4, 2017 in the amount of \$24,398.30 and payroll ending February 18, 2017 in the amount of \$22,243.84.
3. **Action** – Approval of accounts payable in the amount of \$67,153.32
4. **Action** – Acceptance of JMJ Construction bid for retiling of Memorial Park. Motion to approve was made by Commissioner St. Leger and seconded by Commissioner Ruthenberg. On the Question: Director Wogan explained that JMJ Construction was the lowest qualifying bid at the quoted price of \$21,950, and able to work with the Park Districts window of availability. Roll call: Commissioners Zylman, Ruthenberg and St. Leger, all aye. Motion carries.
5. **Action** – Resolution 3-201-1, a resolution authorizing change in IMRF agent. Motion to approve was made by Commissioner Ruthenberg and seconded by Commissioner St. Leger. On the Question: This would be the removal of the former Directors name and replacing it with Executive Director Wogan and Mr. Carbajal. Roll call: Commissioners Zylman, Ruthenberg and St. Leger, all aye. Motion carries.
6. **Action** – Acceptance of Aqua Seal bid for replacing splash pad. Motion to approve was made by Commissioner Ruthenberg and seconded by Commissioner St. Leger. On the Question: Two types of material ranging from \$26,000 to \$30,985 are being considered. Commissioner St. Leger asked if there was a difference in warranty between the two samples. This will be looked into. Motion for Director Wogan to accept either bid and not to exceed \$30,985. Roll call: Commissioners Zylman, Ruthenberg and St. Leger, all aye. Motion passes.

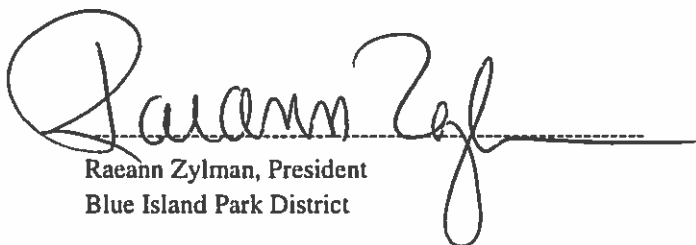
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7. **Discussion – Untouchables and 2017 fee adjustment.** Richard Fiske of the Untouchable's addressed the board asking to keep cost at the same price as the last year. Contract was for the cost of \$1,000 fee for the use of Memorial and Centennial Parks, and \$10 per hour for lights. Included in the contract was that Park Maintenance is to set up and break down field goals as well as marking the fields for their games. Four home games will be held this year. Schedule to follow.
8. **Discussion – Renovations to Perillo Park.** Director Wogan has started the process for a potential KaBOOM grant. Time frame would vary pending grant availability and approval. Possible spring or summer next year.
9. **Discussion – New Security vehicle.** Consulted Car fax and found six vehicles in the 30,000 miles range and under \$15,000. Vehicle would be multipurpose for maintenance and security.
10. **Directors Report:**
  - a. Meeting with SWSRA, they have some financial concerns as an association and are receiving the same amount of income as 1981 with less Park participation. By 2020 they may be dissolved. Park's levy was \$82,000 last year for special recreation, half goes to SWSRA. SWSRA may propose to increase that to three quarts of the levy. That would leave less in parks reserve for projects. Will have to weigh giving them addition money.
  - b. Draft of budget proposal for April will soon be available.
  - c. Bitty Basketball over 100 participants. Would like to acknowledge Joshua Edwards and his recreation team for a successful program and the time they have put into it. Expecting this program to grow for the summer season. Concessions seemed to be successful.
  - d. Proposing a reduction in security staff depending on season. Giving part time security that want to work year round the option of furloughing in the slow season. Time would be given off November or December. Eric Herrera is doing a good job.
  - e. Friends of the Park – Lunch with the Easter Bunny, April 1, 2017. Over 150 participants have signed up. The majority park staff will be at the John D. Rita Recreation Center to help out.
  - f. Kevin and Sarah Brown are asking if we have an update decision on the Dragon Boat Race. Park District will participate again in this year's Dragon Boat race.
  - g. John D. Rita Recreation Center is generally cleaned by Blue Cap. Blue Cap is asking for the Park District to donate one hour of Autism therapy. Cost would be \$100.

Motion to adjourn Regular Meeting of the board was made by Commissioner St. Leger and seconded by Commissioner Ruthenberg. Meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Approved



Raeann Zylman, President  
Blue Island Park District