

METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

April 1, 2014

A meeting of the Board of Parks and Recreation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee was held on Tuesday, April 1, 2014 at 12:00 pm in the Centennial Park Boardroom, 2565 Park Plaza, Nashville, TN. Board members present were: Mr. George Anderson, Mr. Stan Fossick, Mr. Charles McTorry, Ms. Juliana Ospina-Cano, Dr. Jo Ann Brannon and Mr. Phil Ponder. Ms. Elizabeth Chase was not in attendance.

Staff present were: Assistant Director: Mr. Mike Bays, Consolidated Maintenance; Special Projects Managers: Ms. Monique Odom, Administration and Finance; Ms. Sally Davis, Community Recreation; Ms. Shain Dennison, Greenways; Mr. Tim Netsch, Planning and Facilities; Mr. John Holmes, Revenue Producing Facilities; and Mr. Jim Hester, Special Events; Ms. Jackie Jones, Superintendent/Public Information; Capt. Chris Taylor representing the Park Police and **Mr. Ted Morrissey, representing the Metro Legal Department**

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD MARCH 4, 2014 APPROVED

Upon motion of Mr. Ponder, seconded by Dr. Brannon, the Board approved the minutes of the board meeting held Tuesday, February 4, 2014 as submitted.

VI. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

FRIENDS OF SHELBY PARK PRESENT ANNUAL REPORT

Mr. John Glassmeyer, treasurer of Friends of Shelby Park, attended the board meeting to present their annual report to the board. He reported that this private, nonprofit organization was founded in 2008 and currently has a 16 member board and 100+ paid individual and household members.

Mr. Glassmeyer submitted a financial report (04/01/14-03/31/14) which listed a total income of \$12,645.87. The total expenses incurred during that same time period was \$20,724.77 and included the following park investments:

- \$ 3,374.90 – Frisbee Golf, Nature Center, Community Center
- \$13,498.03 – Picnic Shelter

Friends of Shelby Park 2013-14 community projects:

- Shelby Golf Course litter pickup & pond cleanup w/members and volunteers (completed)
- Shelby Golf Course brush clearing w/Belmont University students
- Shelby Community Center room painting w/Gordon Jewish Center Campers
- Cornelia Fort Hanger Cleanup w/members and Rosebank volunteers
- Old Timers Baseball Field painting w/members and volunteers (completed)
- Mission Lodge Picnic Shelter Restoration w/FOSP funds and local business partners (completed)

VII. INTRODUCTION OF STAFF, NEW EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS

VIII. METRO COUNCIL REFERRALS

IX. OLD BUSINESS

08-13-02

**OPTIMA TOWERS IV, LLC REQUEST TO ENTER INTO A
LEASE WITH METRO PARKS TO LOCATE A WIRELESS TOWER
IN EDWIN WARNER PARK IS DEFERRED INDEFINITELY**

Mr. James Murphy, representing Bradley Arant Boult Cummings, LLP and on behalf of Optima Towers IV, LLC, requests permission to enter into a lease to locate a 195 foot wireless tower on Old Hickory Blvd. in Edwin Warner Park at the ball field site.

Mr. Murphy has requested an indefinite deferral on this request.

02-14-09

**BOARD DEFERS STAFF REQUEST TO AMEND AND/OR MODIFY
THE PARKS POLICY MANUAL**

The board referred the following requests to the Parks Board's Policy Committee to be heard at an upcoming meeting not yet scheduled.

Staff requests board approval to amend the Parks Policy Manual with the elimination of the following policy:

3000.17 Golf Course Guidelines

and modification of the following policy:

3000.9 Jurisdiction and Duties of the Park Police

02-14-10

BOARD DEFERS STAFF REQUEST TO APPROVE SPONSORSHIP POLICY

The board referred the following request for consideration of a proposed sponsorship policy to be utilized by Metro Parks to the Parks Board's Policy Committee to be addressed at an upcoming meeting not yet scheduled.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

04-14-01

BOARD APPROVES APRIL CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion of Mr. Fossick, seconded by Dr. Brannon, the board approved the consent agenda as submitted.

AMPLIFICATION APPROVAL

- Brown Bag Lunch Centennial Event Shelter (11:30 am-1:30 pm)
 Concert Series 2nd & 4th Thursdays April-Sept., 2014
- HCA-employee picnic Centennial Event Shelter Thurs., April 10, 2014
- Ashley Holmes Cedar Hill #1-picnic Sat., April 12, 2014
- Hands On Nashville Mill Creek Park/Urban Farm Sat., April 12, 2014
- Mark Winslow Church St. Park-Early Vote Rally Wed., April 16, 2014
- Looking Absolutely Clean Parkwood Ctr.-Easter Egg Hunt Sat., April 19, 2014
- Donelson Fellowship Two Rivers Park-Easter Egg Hunt Sat., April 19, 2014
- Hispanic Family Fdn Paragon Mills Park-Easter Egg Hunt Sun., April 20, 2014
- Sarcooidosis Awareness Centennial Park-walk Sat., April 26, 2014
- Jazz on the Cumberland Cumberland Park Amphitheater 3rd Sunday May-Oct.2014
- The Door Christian Ctr. East Park-Concert Sat., May 3, 2014
- Timica Patterson Two Rivers #5-picnic Sat., May, 10, 2014
- Walk/Bike Nashville Public Square-bike celebration Fri., May 16, 2014
- Sandra Bryant Two Rivers #2-picnic Sat., May 24, 2014
- African American Hadley Park Sept. 19, 20, 21, 2014
 Cultural Alliance 32nd African Street Festival
- Church of the Redeemer Sevier Park-Fall Festival Sat., Sept. 27, 2014
- Lindsey Atkinson Percy Warner Park Allee-wedding Sat., Sept. 27, 2014
- Blue Moves Cumberland Park-concert Sat., Oct. 25, 2014

AMPLIFICATION AND FUNDRAISING APPROVAL

- Nashville Middle TN Hartman Park bb court/greenspace Sat., April 26, 2014
- Chapter-Teamsters Nat'l Black Caucus-3on3 bb and voter awareness
- Nashville Dolphins Riverfront A Dock-open water swim Sat., July 26, 2014
- Colon Cancer Alliance Walk of Fame Park-5k run/walk Sat., Aug. 16, 2014
- Millarrich-Elaine's Walk Centennial Event Shelter Fri., Sept.12, 2014
- DP Thomas Fdn for Obesity Shelby Event Field-walk Sat., Sept. 13, 2014
- Women's Half Marathon/5K Walk of Fame Park Sat., Sept. 27, 2014
- Nat'l. Brain Tumor Society Shelby Park Sat., Oct. 11, 2014
- Nashville Pagan Pride Day Two Rivers Park-shelters 1-4 Sat., Oct. 11, 2014
- Pancreatic Cancer Network Walk of Fame Park-walk Sat., Oct. 11, 2014
- Safe Haven Family Shelter Warner Park Areas 9 & 11 Sat., Nov., 1, 2014
- LUNGeivity Foundation Shelby Park/Bottoms-Walk Sat., Nov. 22, 2014

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FUNDRAISING APPROVAL

- Re-Generation Ministries Centennial Bandshell-concert Sun., July 13, 2014
- Friends/Bellevue Library Bellevue Park-Taste of Bellevue Sat., Sept. 27, 2014
- Ride for Refuge(walk/bike) Shelby/Stones River Greenway Sat., Oct. 4, 2014
- TN Voices for Victims Warner Equestrian Ctr-trail ride Sat., Oct. 25, 2014

ALCOHOL APPROVAL

- 12th & Broad-food festival Centennial Event Shelter Sun., April 27, 2014
- Market Street Solutions Centennial Park lawn-reception Thurs., June 12, 2014

ALCOHOL AND FUNDRAISING APPROVAL

- Community Foundation Sevier Park-summer festival Sat., July 12, 2014

ALCOHOL AND AMPLIFICATION APPROVAL

- Human Movement Centennial Park - movie/live music Wed., May 14, 2014
- Nashville Dancin' Riverfront Park June 21 & 22, 2014
- Marquita Moore Cumberland Park-wedding Sat., Sept. 6, 2014
- Southern Racing Riverfront Park-run/walk Sat., Oct. 4, 2014
- Nashville Sports Council Walk of Fame Park-SEC Tourney March 12 - 14, 2015

ALCOHOL, AMPLIFICATION AND FUNDRAISING APPROVAL

- CMA Music Festival Walk of Fame, Riverfront and June 4-8, 2014
Cumberland Parks
- Rattler - Fashion Show Public Square Park July 25-26, 2014
- Rattler-Father/Daughter Ball Public Square Park Thurs., Aug. 7, 2014
- Rattler-Food Festival Public Square Park Aug. 29-30, 2014
- Sound Harvest Music Festival Centennial Park Lawn Sat., Oct. 18, 2014
- Ragnar Events, LLC Walk of Fame Park-run/walk Sat., Oct. 25, 2014

X. CONSENT AGENDA

04-14-02

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO
THE NASHVILLE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC.
TO USE LOCK TWO PARK, OVERNIGHT, SATURDAY, JUNE 28
THROUGH SUNDAY, JUNE 29, 2014 WITH USAGE FEE WAIVER**

An application submitted by Mr. Ed Nutter, representing the Nashville Amateur Radio Club, Inc., in conjunction with Metro Emergency Management Services, requesting permission to remain in Lock Two Park overnight during their annual amateur radio field day from 12:00 pm Saturday, June 28 through 12:00 pm Sunday, June 29, 2014 with waiver of usage fees was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Fossick, seconded by Dr. Brannon, the board approved this request and because of this group's affiliation with the Metro Emergency Management Division the request for park usage fee waiver was also granted.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

04-14-03

**BOARD DEFERS REQUEST OF AT&T TO ENTER INTO A
LEASE TO LOCATE A STEALTH CELL TOWER IN WARNER PARK**

A request submitted by Mr. Don Jarvis, representing AT&T, requesting permission to make a presentation with regard to leasing space in Warner Park for placement of a Stealth Cell Tower was presented to the board.

As per park policy 3000.25, Acquisition and Disposition of Park Property, the board deferred this request to the Acquisition/Disposition Committee of the Board to be considered at their May 2014 meeting. **NOTE: The policy committee of the board is meeting on policies prior to their May meeting; therefore, action may be pending on this request because of development of policy regarding cell towers in Metro Parks.**

04-14-04

**ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS FOR
EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2014 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2015**

Upon motion of Mr. Phil Ponder, seconded by Dr. Brannon, the Board elected:

Mr. George Anderson as Chairperson for one year

Mr. Stan Fossick as Vice-chairperson for one year

Mr. Tommy Lynch as Secretary for one year

Park Board Officers to assume office May 1, 2014, as per section 1000.4 of the Metro Parks Policy Manual.

XII. CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE

Monthly capital project updates were presented by Shain Dennison and Tim Netsch as requested by Mr. Anderson.

XIII. UPCOMING SPECIAL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS

Ms. Jackie Jones distributed the following listing of events:

SONGS OF SIGN

Metro Parks Disabilities group will sign songs of the 60's on Friday, April 4 at 7:45 pm at the Looby Theater. There is an admission fee of \$30.00 which includes a silent auction and heavy hors d'oeuvres.

RED CABOOSE CONCERT SERIES

Come enjoy a FREE family friendly night of live music at Red Caboose Park in Bellevue. The Red Caboose Concert series is held on Friday nights in June from 7:00 – 9:00 pm.

TALES AT TWILIGHT

Tales at Twilight is an event for kids! This FREE series will take place at the Cumberland Park stage on July 11th, 18th, and 25th, 7:00 – 8:00 pm and will feature live entertainment for young children.

NASHVILLE COMMUNITY CONCERT BAND

On Sunday June 15th the Nashville Community Concert Band will perform their annual Father's Day performance at the Centennial Park Bandshell from 7:00- 8:30 pm and is a free performance.

METRO PARKS' BIG BAND DANCES

Dance the night away! This popular event happens every Saturday, June through August (except Saturday July 5th) at the Centennial Park Event Shelter from 7:00-10:00 pm. You'll hear some of Nashville's finest musicians playing genuine big band era music. There are two free group dance lessons provided by Dance World at this event. The first dance lesson is from 7:00-7:30 pm and the second is from 8:30-8:50 pm. The remainder of the time it's live big band music!

MUSICIANS CORNER

The 2014 Season begins on Saturday May 3 and takes place every Saturday through June 28. The Artist Lineup for spring 2014 will be announced the first week of April.

XIV. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Lynch announced to the board the passing of Dr. George Reichardt, who chaired the Parks Board from 1963-1993.

Mr. Lynch informed the board of a community meeting held on Tuesday, March 25 at West Park Community Center regarding a potential partnership with Metro Water Services Department relating to West Park. Metro Water Services is looking for land to purchase to locate a "rain" tank on. In West Park at the end of a service road there is an existing tank; instead of Water Services purchasing new property they have proposed to allocate approximately 2 million dollars of improvements to West Park in exchange for use of the tank and service road. They have proposed a ½ mile walking trail, playground, relocation of ballfields and connect England, West and Richland Parks by trail. If proposal of partnership comes to fruition, it will be brought to the board for approval.

The 2014-15 budget hearing with Mayor Dean was held Monday, March 31 at 12:30 pm and Metro Parks presented budget with a 3% cut as required by the Finance Department. During the hearing potential additions to Parks were discussed and well received by Mayor Dean and the Finance Department.

XV. ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Fossick stated the he attended the budget hearing before Mayor Dean and that budget was well presented. He encouraged board members to talk with councilmembers regarding Parks' requests and asked that all board members try to attend Parks' budget hearing before Metro Council.

Because Tuesday, May 6 is Election Day in Nashville; Mr. Fossick made motion to move the May board meeting to Tuesday, May 13; Mr. Ponder seconded, and the board agreed to amend the date of the May meeting.

Also, a suggestion of hosting the May meeting at Shelby Bottoms Nature Center was considered.

Mr. Anderson asked if a follow-up email on dog signage in Councilmember Westerholm's district had been directed.

Mr. Anderson acknowledged Ms. Sally Davis, Assistant Director of Parks, for help in team building exercises and transporting children from Napier, Easley and Kirkpatrick centers to receive 50 bicycles. He extended "GREAT JOB" to her.

Ms. Juliana Ospina-Cano read her resignation letter to the board and reported that she has accepted a job in Washington, DC. The board wished her the very best and thanked her for serving on the board. Ms. Ospina-Cano stated that her official letter of resignation should be received by Metro Parks in the upcoming week.

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Mr. Anderson requested that a unified policy with regard to cell towers be added to the agenda for the yet to be determined meeting of the policy committee of the Parks Board.

With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Thomas M. Lynch, Director

George Anderson, Chairperson