

METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

June 3, 2014

A meeting of the Board of Parks and Recreation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee was held on Tuesday, June 3, 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, Ms. Jenn Garcia and Dr. Jo Ann Brannon. Mr. Charles McTorry 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; Mr. Tim Netsch, Planning and Facilities; Ms. Shain Dennison, Greenways; 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 MAY 13, 2014 APPROVED

Upon motion of Mr. Fossick, seconded by Ms. Garcia, the Board approved the minutes of the board meeting held Tuesday, May 13, 2014 as submitted.

VI. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

VII. INTRODUCTION OF STAFF, NEW EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS

VIII. METRO COUNCIL REFERRALS

IX. OLD BUSINESS

05-14-00

BOARD DEFERS REQUEST OF COUNCILMEMBER TONY TENPENNY TO RECONSIDER THE NAMING OF WHITSETT PARK

Councilmember Tony Tenpenny was present to request the reconsideration of the naming of Whitsitt Park from the naming committee of the board. In Councilmember Tenpenny's request to the board he referenced the Dairy King sign at the site of the former eating establishment and its possible return to the family of the original owners by Metro Parks

Upon motion of Mr. Fossick, seconded by Dr. Brannon, the board deferred request of the naming of Whitsett Park as per recommendation of the Naming Committee of the Board for reconsideration while staff and board revisit the naming policy. Please note that the board did determine that the original Dairy King sign be returned to the Jones family at their expense. Mr. Lynch asked that when removal of the sign is scheduled that the Jones family notify Mike Bays, Assistant Director of Parks.

05-14-03

**BOARD REFERS REQUEST OF MR. RONNIE GREER
TO RENAME THE SEVIER PARK COMMUNITY CENTER
IN HONOR OF MR. EDWARD M. MULLINS, JR. TO THE NAMING COMMITTEE**

Correspondence submitted by Mr. Ronnie Greer requesting the Board to rename the Sevier Park Community Center in honor of former park employee, Mr. Edward M. Mullins, Jr., was presented to the Naming Committee of the Board for consideration.

Upon motion of Dr. Brannon, seconded by Ms. Garcia, the Board, at the recommendation of the Naming Committee, deferred this request so that staff and board can revisit the naming policy.

05-14-07

**BOARD APPROVES ACQUISITION OF A 3.77 ACRE TRACT
LOCATED AT 402 HATHAWAY COURT FOR
ESTABLISHMENT OF WEST MEADE WATERFALL PARK**

Correspondence submitted by staff requesting board to approve acquisition of a 3.77 acre tract located at 402 Hathaway Court for establishment of West Meade Waterfall Park was presented to the board.

With recommendation from the board's acquisition committee, upon motion of Mr. Fossick, and seconded by Ms. Garcia, the Board accepted this acquisition. Acquisition of this 3.77 acre tract located at 402 Hathaway Court, map 129-05-5, from the Tennessee Parks & Greenways Foundation for establishment of West Meade Waterfall Park using \$50,000 in existing funds. The purchase will be at half its acquisition cost and more than half below its appraised value. The Tennessee Parks and Greenways Foundation purchased the property for \$100,000, and the property appraised for \$210,000 in October 2012. Conservation of the property is consistent with the Open Space Plan which recommends preservation of lands in the arc of remaining green space in the southwest quadrant of Davidson County including the West Meade forests and hilltops. Metro Park's participation in the project will provide public access to the property for creation of a mini park.

05-14-08

**BOARD ACCEPTS DONATION OF 33,000 SQUARE FEET,
MAP 174, PARCEL 4 FOR THE MILL CREEK GREENWAY SYSTEM**

With recommendation from the board's acquisition committee, upon motion of Dr. Brannon, and seconded by Ms. Garcia, the Board accepted donation of 33,000 square feet of creek frontage at Map 174, Parcel 4 from William Ernest Jones and Steven Michael Jones for the Mill Creek Greenway system. This greenway bridge is to connect the recently donated greenway easement at the Rivendell subdivision to the recently acquired Taylor acquisition for expansion of the Mill Creek Greenway.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

06-14-01

BOARD APPROVES JUNE CONSENT AGENDA

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

AMPLIFICATION APPROVAL

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| • Metro Ready Mix | Warner Park area 3-picnic | Sat., June 7, 2014 |
| • Kalisha Moore | Cane Ridge area 1-picnic | Sat., June 21, 2014 |
| • New Hope Baptist Church | Two Rivers area 5-picnic | Sat., June 21, 2014 |
| • Brett Perkins | Centennial Pavilion-picnic | Sun., June 22, 2014 |
| • Michael Davis | Cedar Hill area 3-picnic | Sat., July 5, 2014 |
| • The Love Table | Fisk Park-3 on 3 basketball | Sat., July 12, 2014 |
| • Sunday Assembly Nashville | Cumberland Park-meeting | Sun., July 13, 2014 |
| • Bonita Williams | Two Rivers area 5-picnic | Sat., Aug. 9, 2014 |
| • Connect Movement | Cumberland Park-festival | Sun., Aug. 24, 2014 |
| • Kappa Alpha Theta | Centennial Event Shelter-picnic | Mon., Sept. 1, 2014 |
| • Provision International | Cumberland Park-worship festival | Sat., Nov. 8, 2014 |

AMPLIFICATION AND FUNDRAISING APPROVAL

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| • Musicians Corner | Centennial Park near Parthenon | May 10-June 27, 2014 |
| • Free Music Fridays | 12:00 – 2:00 pm | |
| • HCA-Battle of the Bands | Centennial Event Shelter-benefit | Wed., July 16, 2014 |
| • Jennifer Buck Wallace | Shelby Riverview Shelter-political event | Sat., July 26, 2014 |
| • Nashville Striders | Warner Park area 9-5K run/walk | Sat., July 26, 2014 |
| • Root 53 Foundation | Parthenon Lawn-field day | Sat., Aug. 9, 2014 |
| • Sankofa Achievement Ctr. | Shelby Riverview Shelter-5K | Sat., Aug. 30, 2014 |
| • Nashville Cares | Public Square Park-5k walk/run | Sat., Oct. 4, 2014 |
| • Alzheimer's Association | Public Square Park-walk | Sat., Oct. 11, 2014 |
| • American Lung Assc. | Public Square Park-walk | Sat., May 16, 2015 |

FUNDRAISING APPROVAL

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| • Camp Warner Park | Percy/Edwin Park-day camp | June 4-July 22, 2014 |
| • You Have the Power | Church Street Park-walk | Sat., Sept. 27, 2014 |
| • ParkLife-homeless benefit | Centennial Bandshell | Sun., Oct. 12, 2014 |

ALCOHOL APPROVAL

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| • Michelle Clark | Cumberland Park-wedding picnic | Fri., Oct. 17, 2014 |
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ALCOHOL AND AMPLIFICATION APPROVAL

- Hootenanny Events Morgan Park-beer festival Sat., July 5, 2014
- Tylynn & Aaron Brick Centennial Art Center-reception Sat., Aug 16, 2014
- Baraka Martin Centennial Art Center-wedding Sat., Sept. 20, 2014
- C3 Presents-food/wine festival Walk of Fame Park Sat., Sept. 20, 2014
- C3 Presents-food/wine festival Public Square Park Sept. 20-21, 2014
- Tennessee Craft Centennial Art Center-art show Fri., Sept. 26, 2014

ALCOHOL, AMPLIFICATION AND FUNDRAISING APPROVAL

- Nashville Beer Festival East Park 1:00 – 5:00 pm Sat., Sept. 20, 2014

XI. NEW BUSINESS

06-14-02

**BOARD ACCEPTS RESIGNATION OF MS. BETH CHASE
AS A MEMBER OF THE PARKS BOARD**

Upon motion of Mr. Fossick, seconded by Dr. Brannon, the Board accepted correspondence submitted by Ms. Beth Chase as notification of her resignation, as a member of the Parks Board, effective May 21, 2014.

06-14-03

**BOARD AFFIRMS REAPPOINTMENT OF GEORGE ANDERSON
AS A MEMBER OF THE PARK BOARD**

Upon motion of Mr. Fossick, seconded by Ms. Garcia, the Board affirmed the reappointment of Mr. George Anderson as a member of the Park Board, effective May 20, 2014. (Mr. Anderson's term will expire April 30, 2019.)

XI. NEW BUSINESS

06-14-04

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE UNITED WAY OF METROPOLITAN
NASHVILLE TO ENTER INTO A PARTNERSHIP WITH METRO PARKS
TO IMPROVE WENTWORTH CALDWELL PARK**

Correspondence submitted by Ms. Rebecca Carter, representing United Way of Metropolitan Nashville (UWMN), requesting board approval to enter into a partnership with Metro Parks to improve amenities at Wentworth Caldwell Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Fossick, seconded by Ms. Garcia, the Board approved the request of UWMN to enter into a partnership with Metro Parks to improve Wentworth Caldwell Park by constructing a playground by KaBoom, and possibly a walking trail, shared bike program and a soccer field at now expense to Metro Parks. Please note that construction of approved proposed amenities is contingent upon meeting and adhering to specifications required by Metro Parks.

06-14-05

BOARD APPROVES STAFF REQUEST TO SURPLUS .18 ACRE IN OLD HICKORY

Approval to surplus .18 acre on University Avenue in Old Hickory (.09 acre on parcel 06308003100 and .09 acre on parcel 06308003200) was submitted by staff to the board for consideration.

Upon motion of Mr. Fossick, seconded by Dr. Brannon, the Board approved the surplus of .18 acre on University Avenue in Old Hickory (.09 acre on parcel 06308003100 and .09 acre on parcel 06308003200). This property was originally acquired by Metro as back tax property in 1978 and 1973 respectively, and recently Parks became aware that the properties are classified as belonging to Parks. Property has not been maintained by Parks and is not well situated for recreational use as a pocket park as the majority of the property is located behind homes in this neighborhood.

06-14-06

**BOARD APPROVES PERMANENT EASEMENT FOR NEW WATER LINE
AT THE PERCY WARNER GOLF COURSE**

Upon motion of Dr. Brannon, seconded by Ms. Garcia, the Board granted approval to Staff request for dedication of a permanent easement for a new water line at Percy Warner Golf Course.

XII. CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE

XIII. UPCOMING SPECIAL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS

Ms. Jackie Jones announced the following events:

- Two Rivers Dog Park Opening, June 7, 9:00 am
- Walk with the Mayor, June 7, immediately following dog park event
- Sevier Regional Center Opening, June 14, 11:30 am

XIV. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

- Metro Parks budget hearing before the Metro Council is scheduled for Thursday, June 5 @ 6:00 pm
- Summer Enrichment Program has 3,000 participants
- 2700 attendees at the Wave Pool on Memorial Day

Mr. Lynch reported that he sent a letter to officials of the New Life Learning Center in February to disengage established permits for use of Easley and Kirkpatrick Recreation Centers. Parks' Staff reported that they needed access to all of the center's space. New Life Learning Center did not respond to Metro Parks until the 3rd week of May and they did not notify program participants until May 27th. For the Board's information Channel 4 had been contacted by participant's parents and/or guardians regarding termination of the permits.

XV. ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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

Thomas M. Lynch, Director

George Anderson, Chairperson