## **METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION**

## MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING January 5, 2016

A meeting of the Board of Parks and Recreation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee was held on Tuesday, January 5, 2016 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. Christy Smith, Ms. Jenn Garcia, Mr. Charles Sueing, Dr. Jo Ann Brannon and Mr. Greg Adkins.

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

## MINUTES OF MEETING HELD DECEMBER 1, 2015 APPROVED

Upon motion of Mr. Fossick, seconded by Ms. Garcia, the Board approved the minutes of the board meeting held Tuesday, December 1, 2015 as presented.

## VI. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

## VII. INTRODUCTION OF STAFF, NEW EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS

#### **VIII. METRO COUNCIL REFERRALS**

#### IX. OLD BUSINESS

X. CONSENT AGENDA

#### 01-16-01

## **BOARD APPROVES JANUARY CONSENT AGENDA**

Upon motion of Dr. Brannon, seconded by Mr. Adkins, the board approved the January consent agenda as presented.

#### **AMPLIFICATION APPROVAL**

٠	Fit Company Institute	Rhodes Park-fitness challenge	April 15&16, 2016
٠	East Nashville Farmers Market	Wednesdays in Shelby Park	May 4 –Oct. 26, 2016
٠	Richland Park Farmers Market	Saturdays in Richland Park	May 7-Dec. 31, 2016
٠	Final Radio Broadcast for		
	Clarence Kilcrease	Watkins Park	Sat., May 14, 2016
٠	Jane McCaffrie –wedding	Centennial Sunken Garden	Fri., May 27, 2016

#### X. **CONSENT AGENDA (con't.)**

## 01-16-01

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## **FUNDRAISING APPROVAL**

•	TN Eating Disorders Coalition	Centennial Bandshell-walk	Sat., March 19, 2016
•	Crohns & Colitis Foundation	Centennial Bandshell-walk	Sat., June 4, 2016
•	Nashville Pittie-pit bull awarene	ess Centennial Event Shelter	Sun., Oct. 23, 2016

## FUNDRAISING AND AMPLIFICATION

- Alpha Delta Pi Alumnae Assc. •
- Nashville Bar Association
- Huntington's Disease Society
- Ellie's Run for Africa •
- Colon Cancer Alliance-run/walk •
- Lupus Foundation-walk
- D.P. Thomas Foundation for Obesity Two Rivers Shelters 1 & 2 walk
- Vanderbilt Hearing & Speech
- MADD-5K walk

Warner Park Shelter 3-egg hunt Sat., March 12 2016 Warner Park Shelter 11-walk Shelby Event Field-walk Warner Cross Country Trail Shelby Park/Riverview Shelter Centennial Park Event Shelter Fannie Mae Dees- Chalk Fest

Sat., April 9, 2016 Sat., May 14, 2016 Sat., May 21, 2016 Sat., Aug. 6, 2016 Sun., Sept. 11, 2016 Sat., Sept. 17, 2016 Sept. 24 & 25, 2016 Sun., Oct. 30, 2016

Thurs, Oct. 20, 2016

Centennial Park Event Shelter

## AMPLIFICATION AND ALCOHOL

- Ragnar Events, LLC-Relay TN Walk of Fame Park Sat., May 14, 2016 Wed., Aug. 24,2016 • Wildhorse Saloon-company event Riverfront Park
  - SouthComm Firehouse Expo Walk of Fame Park-picnic

## AMPLIFICATION, ALCOHOL AND FUNDRAISING

Musicians Corner Centennial Park Fridays, May 13, 20, June 17, 24 Saturdays, May 14, 21, 28, June 4, 11, 18, 25, 2016

## X. CONSENT AGENDA (con't.)

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Upon motion of Dr. Brannon, seconded by Mr. Adkins, the board approved the January consent agenda as presented.

#### 01-16-02

Mr. Mark Weller, Executive Director of Friends of Warner Parks, requests the Board to accept a package of grants in the amount of \$124,404.00 to continue funding staff positions, supplies, equipment and training:

	AMOUNT	<b>EXPIRATION</b>
Naturalist I – PT (12 months)	\$ 13,053.00	12/31/2016
Naturalist I - PT (12 months)	\$ 13,474.00	12/31/2016
Naturalist I – PT (6 months)	\$ 6,501.00	12/31/2016
Office Support Specialist II -FT	\$ 49,308.00	12/31/2016
Seasonal Worker V (Nature Ctr)	\$ 4,431.00	12/31/2016
Seasonal Worker V (PEN Pals)	\$ 4,431.00	12/31/2016
Seasonal Worker (Tree Waterer)	\$ 10,473.00	12/31/2016
S.W.E.A.T Staff	<u>\$ 22,733.00</u>	12/31/2016
TOTAL	\$124,404.00	

#### 01-16-03

Mr. Mark Weller, Executive Director of the Friends of Warner Parks, requests permission to host the following fundraising events in Warner Park with waiver of usage fees, alcohol consumption (if applicable) and to remain in park after 11:00 pm for evening events:

Charles Brindley Art Show	March 6 - 13, 2016
Full Moon Pickin' Parties	Friday, May 20, 2016 Friday, June 17, 2016 Friday, July 22, 2016 Friday, August 19, 2016 Friday, September 16, 2016 Friday, October 14, 2016
Rock & Road Races	Saturday, October 22, 2016
Sunday in the Park	TBD mid-October or early-November

#### XI. NEW BUSINESS

#### 01-16-04

## **BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO THE HILLSBORO-WEST END NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION TO BE RAISE FUNDS FOR THE** "SEA SERPENT" SCULPTURE IN FANNIE MAE DEES PARK

Ms. Jan Bushing, representing the Hillsboro West End Neighborhood Association, was present to request permission to raise funds on behalf of Metro Parks for the repair, stabilization and conservation of the "Sea Serpent" sculpture (AKA the Dragon) in Fannie Mae Dees Park.

"Sea Serpent", originally constructed in 1981, with restoration in 2000, is in need of significant repairs and preservation maintenance and this proposal will result in funding that will allow this critical work to be completed. Mr. Netsch reported that although there is no fixed amount, the cost is estimated at approximately \$100,000.00. Therefore upon motion of Mr. Adkins, seconded by Ms. Garcia, the board approved this request and thanked Ms. Bushing for her.

#### 01-16-05

## BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO THE METRO PARKS DISABILITIES PROGRAM TO RE-ESTABLISH THEIR 501c3 AS "FRIENDS OF METRO PARKS DISABILITIES AND MAGIC PROGRAM"

Ms. Janet Carpenter, representing the Metro Parks Disabilities Program, was present along with Glen Adkins, Dana Allen and Kenny Carpenter to request permission from the board to re-establish their former 501c3 as "Friends of Metro Parks DisABILITIES and Magic Program".

Upon motion of Mr. Adkins, seconded by Mr. Sueing, the board approved the reestablishment of the former 501c3 established by Tom Stone (former Metro Parks employee) that supported the Metro Parks Disabilities Program contingent upon receipt of the necessary legal documents to support the renaming.

## 01-16-06

# BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO PLAY REC SPORTS TO SELL AND CONSUME BEER DURING SOFTBALL LEAGUE PLAY AND TOURNAMENTS IN CANE RIDGE PARK

Mr. Philip Steen, representing Play Rec Sports, was present to request permission to sell and consume beer during softball league play (March 15 – May 24, 2016) and tournaments (March 11 – August 28, 2016) in Cane Ridge Park.

#### XI. NEW BUSINESS

## 01-16-06

## BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO PLAY REC SPORTS TO SELL AND CONSUME BEER DURING SOFTBALL LEAGUE PLAY AND TOURNAMENTS IN CANE RIDGE PARK

Upon motion of Mr. Sueing, seconded by Mr. Fossick, the board approved this request for alcohol consumption/sales during special event tournaments to be held at the Cane Ridge Softball Complex on the following dates:

March 11-13; March 18-20; April 1-3; April 8-10; April 29-May 1; May 13-15; May 27-30; July 22-24; August 5-7; August 26-28, 2016 with permission also granted for special event leagues on the following Tuesdays: March 15, 22, 29; April 5, 12, 19, 26; May 3, 10, 17 and 24, 2016 contingent upon applicant acquiring all appropriate permits from the Metropolitan Beer Board and/or the Alcoholic Beverage Commission if required and subject to compliance of board policy as listed below:

- 1) All consumption of alcohol must take place in an enclosed tent which must be located at least 100 feet from the general public with a temporary fence surrounding the designated area.
- 2) Substantial food must be served in the designated area and all beverages served including alcohol must be in unmarked containers.
- 3) An admission fee for food and drink, including alcohol, will be charged to enter the area.
- 4) No on-site signage advertising the consumption of alcoholic beverages is allowed.
- 5) A minimum of one off-duty Park Police Officer and/or Metro Police Officer must be hired to control and secure the area.
- 6) A specific site plan for the event delineating where the hospitality tent will be located is required and must be approved in advance by appropriate Parks' staff.
- 7) Additional insurance may be required by Metro's Risk Management Office for this privilege.

#### XI. NEW BUSINESS

#### 01-16-07

## BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF FRIENDS OF WARNER PARKS TO COLLECT RENTAL REVENUE FOR HODGE HOUSE IN PERCY WARNER PARK

Mr. Mark Weller, Executive Director of the Friends of Warner Parks, was present to request approval from the board to collect rental revenue for the historic Hodge House located in Percy Warner Park. (This request is similar to those approved by the board submitted by The Conservancy and The Friends of Two Rivers Mansion.)

Upon motion of Mr. Adkins, seconded by Ms. Smith, the board approved the request of Friends of Warner Parks to collect rental revenue for the Hodge House. Friends of Warner Parks working in collaboration with Metro Parks to restore and preserve historical structures in the Warner Parks has proven successful and is a great compliment to our joint effort in preservation.

#### 01-16-08

# BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MR. BILL ROSEN TO REPLACE THE NOW DEFUNCT "ARTS IN THE PARK" FRIENDS GROUP WITH NASHVILLE MUSIC ARTS DRAMA EDUCATION, INC. ("NASHVILLE MADE")

Mr. Bill Rosen, Board President of Nashville MADE, was present to request permission to address the board regarding replacing "Arts in the Park" friends group with Nashville Music Arts Drama Education, Inc. ("Nashville MADE").

Upon motion of Mr. Adkins, seconded by Ms. Smith, the board approved the establishment of Nashville Music Arts Drama Education, Inc. ("Nashville MADE") to replace the former support group "Arts in the Park" contingent upon receipt of all necessary approved legal documents to support this 501c3.

## 01-16-09

## BOARD APPROVES ACCEPTANCE OF A DONATION UP TO \$37,000 FROM GREENWAYS FOR NASHVILLE TO FUND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE RICHLAND CREEK GREENWAY

Upon motion of Mr. Fossick, seconded by Ms. Garcia, the board approved request of staff to accept a donation up to \$37,000 from Greenways for Nashville for funding of a par course addition to the Richland Creek Greenway.

Metro Parks staff will oversee procurement and installation of the par course with Metro Parks being reimbursed the cost of the project by Greenways for Nashville.

## XII. CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE

Tim Netsch reported:

Construction of 4 new parking lots in Percy Warner Park scheduled for completion Spring 2016.

Dog Park at the Percy Priest trailhead on the Stones River Greenway will be under construction in Spring 2016 along with restrooms and storage facility.

Fort Negley structural repairs are out for bid.

Nashville Park Plan awaiting signature

Two Rivers Mansion Master Plan's letter of intent awarded to Encore.

Bid for the tunnel in the Burch Reserve to go out in 2 weeks.

Currently review bid for the horse barn at the Steeplechase.

Currently in the design phase of:

Hadley Park Tennis Structure Una Sports Field Madison Recreation Center Smith Springs Recreation Center

## XIII. UPCOMING SPECIAL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS – Public Information Staff

Jackie Jones announced:

Dec. 12-Jan 31Outdoor Ice RinkWalk of Fame ParkJan. 28-31NHL All Star events/gameBridgestone ArenaJan. 8-27patchwork quilts/knitted blankets exhibitCentennial Art Center

## XIV. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Lynch reported:

The new administration has a new way of conducting business starting with departments presenting a 3 year plan at the annual budget presentation and we are awaiting clarification.

Mayor Barry is interested in who and how Parks will work with Metro Council and how the Mayor's Office will be notified of all requests. Mr. Anderson, board chair, suggested an outside facilitator assist Parks with the new administrative practices.

# XIV. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR (con't.)

Metro Parks' budget status is currently in good shape and ahead of last year at this time.

Mr. Lynch introduced Councilmember Robert Swope to the board.

Councilmember Angie Henderson, chair of the Parks, Library, Recreation Council Committee has requested an orientation of the department for said committee and it has been scheduled for 9:00 – 11:00 am on Saturday, January 23, 2016 (this meeting is similar to what staff presented to the board last year).

# XV. ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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

Thomas M. Lynch, Director

George Anderson, Chairperson