

METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

January 9, 2018

A meeting of the Board of Parks and Recreation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee was held on Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at 12:00 pm in the Centennial Park Boardroom, 2565 Park Plaza, Nashville, TN. Board members present were: Ms. Jenn Garcia, Mr. Stan Fossick, Dr. Michelle Steele, Ms. Tari Hughes, Dr. Jo Ann Brannon and Mr. Jeff Haynes. Mr. George Anderson was not in attendance.

Staff present were: Mr. Rick Taylor, Consolidated Maintenance; Ms. Sherry Hipps and Mr. Stevon Neloms, Community Recreation; Mr. Tim Netsch, Planning and Facilities; Mr. John Holmes, Revenue Producing Facilities; Ms. Cindy Harrison, Greenways; Mr. Jim Hester, Cultural and Outdoor Recreation/Special Events; Ms. Jackie Jones, Superintendent/Public Information; Capt. Chris Taylor, Park Police and **Ms. Macy Amos, representing the Metro Legal Department.**

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD DECEMBER 5, 2017 APPROVED

Upon motion of Ms. Hughes, seconded by Dr. Brannon, the Board approved the minutes of the board meeting held Tuesday, December 5, 2017 as presented.

V. METRO COUNCIL REFERRALS

VI. OLD BUSINESS

09-17-03

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST FOR SPONSORSHIP
TO BE DISPLAYED ON THE NEW MCGAVOCK HIGH SCHOOL SCOREBOARD
TO BE PLACED IN TWO RIVERS PARK**

Staff requests approval to accept a donation of a new scoreboard and installation valued at \$14,240.00 to be placed on the baseball field in Two Rivers Park from the board. (This request was approved September 2017; however, donor of sign is now requesting specific sponsorship to be listed on scoreboard.)

Upon motion of Mr. Haynes, seconded by Ms. Hughes, the board granted permission to list sponsorship on the new scoreboard to be located in Two Rivers Park adjacent to the McGavock High School baseball field. This scoreboard was approved with the sponsorship panel of the US Community Credit Union and a panel displaying the Metro Parks logo.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

12-17-03

**BOARD APPROVES THE NAMING OF SHELBY PARK BASEBALL DIAMOND #2
IN HONOR OF MICKEY HITER**

A request was submitted by the Nashville Old Timers Baseball Association requesting board approval to name Shelby Park Baseball Diamond #2 in honor of native Nashvillian and baseball enthusiast Mickey Hiter.

The Old Timers Baseball Facility at Shelby Park is a special place. The baseball field was first built in 1914 and was known for many years simply as Shelby #1. Home plate is still within 6 feet of its original location. In 2014 a celebration was held to commemorate 100 years of baseball in Shelby Park.

There was an additional baseball field located at the site that was called Shelby #2. It was demolished in the sixties and was replaced with a softball complex that was utilized until 2010. The softball complex has since been replaced by a special events lawn and a second baseball field similar to the existing field. The second baseball field was completed in 2013.

The Nashville Old Timers Baseball Association took over operation of the field in 1990. Since that time many improvements were made to the field and facility by the Old Timers Association. The facility continues to improve. The clubhouse interior has been remodeled and refurnished. A full metal outfield wall, a windscreen for side fences, winged foul poles, and fence cap have been added. Additional lights, in-ground water sprinklers, two batting cages, double mounded bull pens, a new PA system and scoreboard have been installed. New dugouts have been constructed along with a garage and storage barn for field equipment. Centurian Stone was added to all the structures to improve the appearance of the park. Mickey Hiter has overseen all the above listed improvements and continues to work meticulously on a daily basis to maintain this baseball complex far and above the rest. It seems only fitting that baseball field #2 be named for Mickey as he has worked fervently logging many hours to enhance this facility.

Upon motion of Mr. Fossick, seconded by Dr. Brannon, the board approved naming diamond #2 in Shelby Park in honor of Mickey Hiter.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

12-17-06

**BOARD DEFERS REQUEST TO APPROVE ACQUISITION OF 118 ACRES
ON THE CUMBERLAND RIVER, MAP 53, PARCELS 1, 21, 136 AND 137
AS PRESENTED BY THE CONSERVATION ASSISTANCE GRANT FUND**

At the request of Shain Dennison and upon motion of Ms. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Haynes, the board deferred the acquisition of 118 acres on the Cumberland River, map 53, parcels 1, 21, 136 and 137 one meeting.

12-17-07

**BOARD DEFERS REQUEST TO APPROVE ACQUISITION OF 4.6 ACRES
ON HIGHWAY 100, MAP 143, PARCEL 029
AT THE REQUEST OF THE CONSERVATION ASSISTANCE GRANT FUND**

At the request of Shain Dennison and upon motion of Ms. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Haynes, the board deferred the acquisition of 4.6 acres on Highway 100, map 143, parcel 029 for one meeting.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

01-18-01

BOARD APPROVES JANUARY 2018 CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion of Mr. Fossick, seconded by Ms. Hughes, the board approved the January 2018 consent agenda as presented.

AMPLIFICATION APPROVAL

- PCMA-Guinness World Record Attempt Walk of Fame Park Wed., Jan. 10, 2018
- All Community Events-St. Paddy's Day 8K Two Rivers Park Sat., March 17, 2018
- Jazzercise Nashville Walk of Fame Park Sat., May 5, 2018
- Lott Family Reunion Two Rivers Park Shelter #1 Fri., July 13, 2018
- All Community Events-Nashville Turkey Trot Two Rivers Park Thurs., Nov. 22, 2018

FUNDRAISING APPROVAL

- Shawn Groton-Disc Golf Tournament Shelby Park Disc Golf Course Jan., 19-20, 2018

X. CONSENT AGENDA (con't.)

01-18-01

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AMPLIFICATION AND FUNDRAISING APPROVAL

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| • Race Nashville-Jr. Achievement 4.01k | Two Rivers Park | Sat., April 7, 2018 |
| • Provision Lab-Epic Girl 5K | Warner Park Shelter 11 | Sat., April 14, 2018 |
| • TN Prison Outreach Ministry-walk | Centennial Park Event Shelter | Sun., April 15, 2018 |
| • Cameron K. Gallagher Foundation-5k | Warner Park Shelter 11 | Sat., April 21, 2018 |
| • Nashville Humane Association-Mutt Strutt | Shelby Park Event Field/5k | Sun., May 20, 2018 |
| • Steps of Success 5k | Shelby Park Event Field/5k | Sat., Sept. 8, 2018 |
| • American Liver Foundation-walk | Warner Park/Steeplechase | Sat., Sept. 8, 2018 |

AMPLIFICATION AND ALCOHOL APPROVAL

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| • Music City Jazz Festival | Public Square Park | May 25-26, 2018 |
| • Beyond Wings Circus | Cumberland Park | Sat., July 7, 2018 |
| • 2018 CMA Awards and Red Carpet | Walk of Fame Park | Wed., Nov. 14, 2018 |

AMPLIFICATION, ALCOHOL AND FUNDRAISING APPROVAL

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| • 2018 CMA Fest | Riverfront Park, Walk of Fame Park, Dock A,
West Riverfront Park, Cumberland Park, Green Space behind Ascend | June 7-10, 2018 |
| • Events Hatched Inc.-Pups & Pints | Richland Park | Sat., June 23, 2018 |

AMPLIFICATION AND POLITICAL RALLY APPROVAL

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| • Planned Parenthood
Women's March 2.0: Power Together TN | Public Square Park | Sat., Jan. 20, 2018 |
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01-18-02

Upon motion of Mr. Fossick, seconded by Ms. Hughes, the board approved request of Ms. Delana Owen, District Commissioner of the Middle Tennessee Pony Club, requesting permission for the 66th consecutive running of the MTPC Horse Trials held at the Equestrian Center of Percy Warner Park and the 2018 season with waiver of equestrian and park usage fees. Permission is also requested to serve/consume alcohol during the Competitor and Volunteer Receptions with competitors remaining in the park, in their trailers, overnight on October 6 and 7, 2018.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA (con't.)

01-18-03

Upon motion of Mr. Fossick, seconded by Ms. Hughes, the board approved request of Mr. Mark Weller, Executive Director of Friends of Warner Parks, requesting the board to accept a package of grants in the amount of \$132,748.00 to continue funding staff positions, supplies, equipment and training:

	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>INVOICED BY</u>
Naturalist I – PT (12 months)	\$ 13,482.00	12/15/2018
Naturalist I - PT (12 months)	\$ 15,344.00	12/15/2018
Naturalist I – PT (12 months)	\$ 14,850.00	12/15/2018
Office Support Specialist II -FT	\$ 51,938.00	12/15/2018
Seasonal Worker IV (Nature Ctr)	\$ 2,850.00	12/15/2018
Seasonal Worker IV (Nature Ctr)	\$ 2,850.00	12/15/2018
Seasonal Worker IV (PEN Pals)	\$ 3,240.00	12/15/2018
S.W.E.A.T Staff	\$ 26,294.00	12/15/2018
Copier at Warner Parks Headquarters	\$ <u>1,900.00</u>	12/15/2018
TOTAL	\$132,748.00	

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

01-18-04

**BOARD DEFERS REQUEST TO APPROVE DONATION OF 51.0 ACRES
LOCATED AT 0 MORTON MILL ROAD
AS OFFERED BY THE DOROTHY CATE AND THOMAS F. FRIST FOUNDATION**

Upon motion of Dr. Steele, seconded by Ms. Hughes, the board deferred action on the donation of 51 acres located at 0 Morton Mill Road as offered by the Dorothy Cate and Thomas F. Frist Foundation as per Park Policy 3000.25 Acquisition and Disposition of Park Property.

01-18-05

**BOARD GRANTS APPROVAL TO THE NASHVILLE PREDATORS ALUMNI
ASSOCIATION TO PROVIDE BEER IN THE LOCKER ROOM OF THE
CENTENNIAL SPORTSPLEX DURING AN ADULT FANTASY HOCKEY CAMP**

Mr. Chris Mason, President of the Nashville Predators Alumni Association, was present to request approval for consumption of alcohol (beer) in the locker room in the Centennial Sportsplex, January 26-28, 2018, during an adult fantasy hockey camp from the board.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

01-18-05 (con't.)

BOARD GRANTS APPROVAL TO THE NASHVILLE PREDATORS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION TO PROVIDE BEER IN THE LOCKER ROOM OF THE CENTENNIAL SPORTSPLEX DURING AN ADULT FANTASY HOCKEY CAMP

Upon motion of Mr. Fossick, seconded by Ms. Hughes, the board granted approval to the Nashville Predators Alumni Association to provide beer in the locker room of the Centennial Sportsplex during an Adult Fantasy Hockey Camp. This is a special event and there will be no public skating. In addition, the request limits beer to the locker rooms where only persons over 21 will be allowed. They will be required to have a Park Police officer assigned outside the locker rooms on both rinks to insure that no beer leaves the locker room. Please note that Mr. Haynes, board member, requested staff to review the consent form provided to camp attendees before this event.

01-18-06

BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE DIVISION OF COMMUNITY PROGRAMS TO ACCEPT A DONATION OF TEACHING KITCHEN EXPANSION PROGRAM SUPPLIES AND STAFF TRAINING VALUED AT \$10,000 FROM DR. SHARI BARKIN OF THE MONROE CARROLL JR. CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

Upon motion of Mr. Fossick, seconded by Ms. Hughes, the board approved the request of the Division of Community Programs to accept a donation of teaching kitchen expansion program supplies and staff training valued at \$10,000. This was made possible from a philanthropic gift made to Dr. Shari Barkin at the Monroe Carroll Jr. Children's Hospital Department of General Pediatrics to enrich the Nashville Collaborative's efforts around teaching kitchens and improved child health.

The supplies will be purchased for Metro Parks Community Centers, and Parks' staff will be trained to lead and expand teaching kitchens for children in afterschool programs. This gift comes at the completion of the GROW (Growing Right On to Wellness) research grant which followed more than 600 families with children 3-5 years old over a period of 7 years and informed the development of parent-preschool child parks and recreation programming such as teaching kitchens and active parent-preschool classes. From this trial, data was collected and showed an increase in community center use. Dr. Barkin will present said data at a future Parks' Board Meeting.

IX. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

Mr. Brian Taylor, Director of the Nashville Parks Foundation, was unable to attend the January Parks Board Meeting; however, he will provide an update on the Nashville Parks Foundation to the board at their February meeting.

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**KEVIN FORTE RECEIVES GROWTH OF THE GAME AWARD
FROM THE TENNESSEE PROFESSIONAL GOLFERS ASSOCIATION**

Mr. Kevin Forte, Manager of Harpeth Hills Golf Course, received the ***Growth of the Game*** award presented by the Tennessee Professional Golfers Association. The "PGA Growth of the Game Award" bestows special recognition on a PGA Golf Professional who has displayed extraordinary and exemplary contribution and achievement in the area of player development. The award considers the PGA Professional's growth of the game, leadership, and commitment at the Section and National levels in the player development arena and the meaningful impact made at the facility.

Kevin received this award because of a program that he initiated with the West Nashville Sports League to offer PGA Junior League Golf to their participants. However, more important to Kevin was that it was the culmination of an idea that former Metro Parks Director, Jim Fyke, helped him turn into a reality and serves as an illustration for the vision Mr. Fyke and Kevin shared for the future of Percy Warner Golf Course.

X. CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE – Tim Netsch

- **Antioch Community Center Renovation** – Design is underway and should be complete summer 2018.
- **Bellevue Community Center Design/Build** – Contract team selection underway. Center will be park of Bellevue One and built adjacent to the ice rink.
- **Red Caboose Playground in Bellevue Park replacement** – Demolition should be complete in February with the first public design meeting scheduled for January 27th. This playground will be another community build.
- **Old Hickory Community Center Expansion/Renovation** – preliminary planning underway – funding available with intent of a design build process. Completion date is fall 2018.
- **Sevier Park – Sunnyside Mansion and Outbuildings Restoration** – Design underway and should be complete summer 2018. Annex of Mansion reconnected and carriage house to become a small eatery.
- **Shelby Stream Mitigation** – postponed until FY20 because of funding needs because cost is much more than anticipated.
- **Two Rivers Mansion Events Pavilion** – Currently have funding for design, anticipated completion is summer 2018.
- **Edwin Warner Burch Reserve Connector, Phase Two** – Substantially complete and looking to identify date for ribbon cutting.
- **Wharf Park Master Plan** – RFP development is underway for approximately 11 acres below Rolling Mill Hill.

XI. UPCOMING SPECIAL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS – Jackie Jones

Ms. Jackie Jones announced the following Metro Parks upcoming events:

- Public meeting for Aaittifama Archeological Park, January 9, 11:30 am, Metro Parks small board room
- Public meeting for Aaittifama Archeological Park, January 17, 5:00 pm, Forest Hills City Hall
- Community meeting regarding Red Caboose Playground in Bellevue Park, January 27, 9:00 am and 12:00 noon at the Bellevue Public Library
- “Day at the Fair”, a celebration of the Tennessee Centennial Exhibition including artifacts chosen from the David Ewing Collection. Exhibition is housed at the Parthenon and ends January 28th.

XII. DEPARTMENT UPDATES - none

XIII. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

Ms. Odom expressed her appreciation to all park employees involved in the opening of park facilities to house individuals who have no shelter during the extreme cold weather.

Ms. Odom thanked all employees who submitted information for “Metro Parks 2017 Year in Review” and Jackie Jones for gathering the data, pulling it all together and sharing it with employees, friends groups and other Metro Parks enthusiasts.

A reporting calendar has been created for the Metro Parks’ friends groups to appear before the board in 2018 in order to provide an overview of the past year and expectations in the current year.

XIV. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/OPEN ITEMS

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

Monique N. Odom, Director

**Jenn Garcia, Chairperson
(in Mr. Anderson’s absence)**