



NDOT

**Metropolitan Beautification and
Environment Commission**

Nashville Department of Transportation
& Multimodal Infrastructure

750 South 5th Street • Nashville, TN 37206

Minutes from August 2023

Meeting was called to order by J.D. Lane – Beautification Executive Director

Present: *George Acklin-D3, Anthony Viglietti-D7, Tyrance Parmer-D8, Jane Schnelle-D11, Pam Swoner-D12, Michelle Mazzu-D15, Chris Saunders-D16, Lisa Haller-D19, Michelle Heil-D22, Patricia Knight-D23, Alisa Huntsman-D27, Greg Dunigan-D29, Joe Crowe-D31, Autumn Eggleston -D35, Jennifer Smith, Aisha Johnson, JD Lane, Jenn Harmon.*

Louise Bryant

President of the National Parks Foundation. Parks are vital to the neighborhoods; they bring wellness and value to our neighborhoods and create equal economic prosperity. There are 184 parks here in Nashville and only \$52 is being spent on the parks here to be maintained. There is 88 million dollars of deferred maintenance for parks, donors can contribute to the Nashville Park Foundation. There will be a fundraiser on September 16, 2023, in Watkins Park to help better our parks.

J.D. Lane

It's time to focus on next year's project, Tdot projects needs to be submitted by the end of October. The process is still the same as last year, projects need to be in the metro right away. We have partnered with Greater Nashville cleanup and the cleanup will take place on October 7, 2023. Once the election has been completed, if you have a new council person, I will reach out to your new council person on your behalf.

Jennifer Smith

Daffodil planting season is approaching, please make sure to plant the daffodils at schools, libraries, and parks. If you or someone you know plants a tree, please make sure that you report it on the Root Nashville website..

Jenn Harmon

The application for the food scrap pilot will go live on the Nashville.Gov website within a week. This pilot will target 750 households to help us learn how we can keep food scraps out of the trash, this will be a yearlong pilot. We will be celebrating with T-deck zero waste day which will be at the end of October.

Meeting adjourned until September 12, 2023 @ 4:30pm