

**METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION**

**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING  
AUGUST 1, 2006**

A meeting of the Board of Parks and Recreation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee was held on Tuesday, August 1, 2006 at 1:30 pm in the Centennial Park Boardroom, 2565 Park Plaza, Nashville, TN. Board members present were: Ms. Susan Jones, Mr. Lamont Carter, Ms. Jenny Hannon Justice A. A. Birch, Jr., and Mr. James Lawson. Mr. Stan Fossick and Mr. Ed Kindall were not in attendance.

Staff present were: Assistant Directors: Mr. James Gray/Finance and Administration; Mr. Mike Bays/Consolidated Maintenance; Mr. Tommy Lynch/Special Services; Mr. Curt Garrigan/Facilities Development; Mr. Paul Widman/Recreation; Ms. Jackie Jones, Superintendent of Community Affairs; Mr. Bob Parrish, Resource Management and Sgt. George Mitchell, Park Police.

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD JULY 11, 2006 APPROVED**

Upon motion of Mr. Carter, seconded by Mr. Lawson, the Board approved the minutes of the board meeting held Tuesday, July 11, 2006.

**V. OLD BUSINESS:**

**04-06-21**

**BOARD DEFERS REQUEST OF COUNCILMEMBER TYGARD TO PLACE A  
“WELCOME TO BELLEVUE” SIGN ON PARK PROPERTY**

The Board deferred request of Councilman Tygard to place a “Welcome to Bellevue” sign on Warner Park property because members of the committee were out of town and unable to meet at a time convenient to all. The committee will bring full recommendation to the Board at their September 12, 2006 meeting with regard to this request.

**07-06-16**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF COUNCILMEMBER CHARLIE TYGARD  
TO INSTALL SECURITY SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS AT BELLEVUE PARK**

Upon motion of Mr. Carter, seconded by Mr. Lawson, the Board approved this request contingent upon the complete policy with regard to surveillance cameras in Metro Parks being established and approved by the Board and Councilmember Tygard securing necessary funding for the installation of the cameras. The Board is currently working on this policy, as well as existing policies in need of amending, and the creation of other needed policies within the Metro Park System.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA:

08-06-01

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING AN  
EMPLOYEE PICNIC SPONSORED BY GAYLORD OPRYLAND RESORT AND  
CONVENTION CENTER ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 2006, 10:30 AM - 5:00 PM  
IN TWO RIVERS PARK**

An application submitted by Ms. Cheri Tidwell, representing Gaylord Opryland Resort and Convention Center, requesting permission for amplification during an employee picnic on Thursday, August 10, 2006, 10:30 am - 5:00 pm, in Two Rivers Park at picnic shelters 2 - 5 was presented to the Board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

08-06-02

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING AN  
EVENT SPONSORED BY GRANDMA'S CAMP ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16,  
2006, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM AT THE CENTENNIAL PARK EVENT SHELTER**

An application submitted by Ms. Marti Stratton, representing Grandma's Camp, requesting permission for amplification during an event on Saturday, September 16, 2006, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm at the Centennial Park Event Shelter was presented to the Board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

08-06-03

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A  
MOTORCYCLE EVENT SPONSORED BY THE FORESTERS ON  
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2006, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM, IN RICHLAND PARK**

An application submitted by Ms. Linda Holland, representing the Foresters, requesting permission for amplification during a motorcycle event on Sunday, September 10, 2006, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm in Richland Park was presented to the Board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA:

08-06-04

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A FAMILY AND FRIENDS DAY SPONSORED BY ST. MATTHEW MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2006 IN CLINTON B. FISK PARK**

An application submitted by Mr. Sheril W. Perrin, representing St. Matthew Missionary Baptist Church, requesting permission for amplification during a family and friends day on Sunday, September 3, 2006 in Clinton B. Fisk Park was presented to the Board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

08-06-05

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A RELIGIOUS SERVICE SPONSORED BY WEST END SYNAGOGUE ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2006, 4:00 – 8:00 PM, AT THE CENTENNIAL PARK EVENT SHELTER**

An application submitted by Ms. Marcia Steward, representing West End Synagogue, requesting permission for amplification during a religious service on Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, 4:00 – 8:00 pm, at the Centennial Park Event Shelter was presented to the Board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

08-06-06

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A BACK TO SCHOOL PROGRAM/COMMUNITY DAY SPONSORED BY OLIVE BRANCH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH, 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM, ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 26, 2006 ON THE GROUNDS OF ANTIOCH CENTER**

An application submitted by Ms. Tonya Osborne-Varnell, representing Olive Branch Missionary Baptist Church, requesting permission for amplification during a Back to School Program/Community Day on Saturday, August 26, 2006, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm, on the outside grounds of Antioch Community Center was presented to the Board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA:

08-06-07

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A  
FAMILY REUNION ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 12, 2006, 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM,  
IN SEVIER PARK**

An application submitted by Ms. Deborah Franco, representing the Coffee-Collins Family Reunion, requesting permission for amplification during their reunion on Saturday, August 12, 2006, 10:00 am - 7:00 pm in Sevier Park was presented to the Board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

08-06-08

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A  
BACK TO SCHOOL BASH SPONSORED BY FAMILY AFFAIR MINISTRIES, INC.,  
12:00 - 3:00 PM, ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 5, 2006  
IN SOUTH INGLEWOOD PARK**

An application submitted by Ms. Vera Davis, representing Family Affair Ministries, Inc., requesting permission for amplification during a Back to School Bash on Saturday, August 5, 2006, 12:00 - 3:00 pm, in South Inglewood Park was presented to the Board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

08-06-09

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A  
FAMILY REUNION ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 11, 4:00 - 10:00 PM, AND SATURDAY,  
AUGUST 12, 2006, 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM, IN TWO RIVERS PARK**

An application submitted by Ms. Theresa T. Khayyam requesting permission for amplification during a family reunion on Friday, August 11, 4:00 - 10:00 pm and Saturday, August 12, 9:00 am - 8:00 pm, 2006 at picnic areas 2 and 4 in Two Rivers Park was presented to the Board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA:

08-06-10

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A  
CONCERT AND WORSHIP SERVICE SPONSORED BY  
CROSS TIMBERS FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH, 6:00 – 10:00 PM,  
ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 26, 2006 AND 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM ON SUNDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 10, 2006 AT BELLEVUE PARK (STAGE AREA)**

An application submitted by Mr. Jack Ketteman, representing Cross Timbers Freewill Baptist Church, requesting permission for amplification during a concert and worship service on Saturday, September 9, 6:00 – 10:00 pm and Sunday, September 10, 8:00 am – 12:00 pm, 2006 at Bellevue Park (stage area) was presented to the Board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board unanimously approved this request for amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

NEW BUSINESS:

08-06-11

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF TOMKATS, INC. TO HOST THE  
MINI TAKES THE STATES ROAD RALLY OF MINI COOPER OWNERS IN  
CENTENNIAL PARK ON MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2006 WITH  
AMPLIFICATION AND ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION**

Mr. Adam Fleming, representing TomKats, Inc. was present to request from the Board permission to host the *MINI Takes the States*-road rally of MINI Cooper owners, in Centennial Park adjacent to the Parthenon on Monday, August 28, 2006, 5:00 – 10:00 pm, with amplification, consumption of alcohol, and a 3-5 minute fireworks display.

Upon motion of Ms. Hannon, seconded by Justice Birch, the Board approved (let the record reflect Lamont Carter voted in opposition) this request subject to your compliance of the following board policy in this regard:

- 1) All consumption of alcohol must take place in an enclosed tent, **no exception or waiver from this policy**, 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.

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08-06-11

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- 4) No on-site signage advertising the consumption of alcoholic beverages is allowed.
- 5) A minimum of one off-duty Park Ranger 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.

Parks reserves the right to close this hospitality area at any time if all of the above is not adhered to.

**"It is to be understood that the Metropolitan Government will assume no liability for the actions of individuals as result of issuance of a permit to allow consumption of alcoholic beverages on park property. The holder of the permit must be responsible for monitoring the behavior of individuals attending the event for which the permit covers."**

**Further, this approval is contingent upon applicant acquiring all appropriate permits from the Metropolitan Beer Board and/or the Alcoholic Beverage Commission.**

**ALSO, AS EXPLAINED TO MR. FLEMING AT THE BOARD MEETING, NO FIREWORKS WILL BE PERMITTED.**

**BECAUSE OF THE UNDERGROUND IRRIGATION SYSTEM IN CENTENNIAL PARK STAKING IN NO LONGER PERMITTED.**

The one-way loop system with regard to through traffic in Centennial Park and parking (limited to 400 vehicles) of the Mini Coopers will be utilized. **PLEASE REMEMBER PARKING ON THE GRASS IS PROHIBITED IN CENTENNIAL PARK.** As event organizer all extra expenses incurred to provide public access to the park will be the responsibility of TomKats, as well, as the hiring of additional security personnel to monitor the event.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**08-06-12**

**REQUEST OF REV. JEWELL GRANBERRY, REPRESENTING WALKING  
IN FAITH SPIRITUAL CHURCH REQUESTING PERMISSION  
TO HOST A CITYWIDE YOUTH RALLY WITH YOUTH CHOIRS  
AND PRESENTATIONS REGARDING YOUTH, VIOLENCE, GANG ACTIVITY AND  
HOW TO RESIST AT THE HADLEY PARK BANDSHELL,  
10:00 AM – 5:00 PM ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 12, 2006 WITHDRAWN**

**VIII. CITIZEN PRESENTATIONS**

Ms. Arlene Lane, representing Organized Neighbors of Edgehill, Inc., was present to address the Board with regard to the proposed partnership between Metro Parks and Belmont University for the use of E.S. Rose Park athletic facilities. She stated that the public meetings have been held and she would like to review the fact finding information in order for ONE, Inc. to schedule a meeting with area constituents. After the meeting has been held ONE will submit community recommendation to the Park Board. Ms. Lane then asked for the Board/Leadership Staff to tour Rose Park to see limited availability in this 6-8 mile dense populated area.

Justice Birch asked Ms. Lane to submit all information to Mr. Wilson on behalf of ONE and Mr. Wilson will distribute to the Board.

**IX. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS**

Matthew Stevenson representing Napier Community Center was present to read his poem submitted to the "Say Yes to Clean Air" Poetry. Matthew won a \$100 gift card for his creativity.

**X. INTRODUCTION OF STAFF, NEW EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS**

**XI. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS FROM STAFF**

**Budget Update – James Gray**

**Budget Change and Result Highlights FY 2007**

**FISCAL YEAR 2006 BUDGET**

**30,732,600**

**Program Changes**

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| <b>Parks and Facilities Maintenance Program</b> | (235,900)<br>(7.00 FTEs) | The reduction represents changes in cleaning schedules, mowing schedules, landscaping priorities, tree maintenance, and grounds maintenance at selected Community Centers.  |
|   | 361,000<br>9.93 FTEs     | Additional funding to allow for coverage of new facilities, greenways, and parks  |
| <b>Park Usage Permits Program</b>               | (53,100)<br>(1.00 FTEs)  | This reduction will result in changes in staffing levels will allow the Parks Department to maintain current tee time levels.   |
| <b>Golf Course Turf Management Program</b>      | (165,400)<br>(4.00 FTEs) | This reduction will result in the closing of Warner Golf Course, Shelby Golf Course, and VinnyLinks Golf Course during the winter months of December, January and February.   |
| <b>Facility Admissions Program</b>              | (447,400)<br>(8.90 FTEs) | This reduction represents the reorganization of resources (personnel and facility).   |
|   | 118,800<br>7.59 FTEs     | Additional funding to allow for personnel resources in aquatics and fitness programming and the expansion of programming at Wave Country. Both of these areas will experience additional fee-based admissions through this change |
| <b>Retail Program</b>                           | (117,900)                | This reduction will result in no retail sales during the winter months of December, January and February due to the closures of Warner Golf Course, Shelby Golf Course, and VinnyLinks Golf Courses.                              |
| <b>Recreation Center Program</b>                | (74,900)<br>(2.00 FTEs)  | This reduction represents reorganization of selected Community Centers and relocation of Metro Parks Disabilities program   |
|   | 185,200<br>3.17 FTEs     | Additional funding to allow for coverage of new and renovated community centers.  |
| <b>Special Events Program</b>                   | (170,000)                | The reduction would eliminate Departmental funding for the annual 4th of July event.  |
| <b>Arts and History Program</b>                 | (85,400)<br>(2.00 FTEs)  | This reduction would require changes be made to some of the products offered in the Centennial Arts Center and that customer service adjustments be made in the Parthenon.  |
| <b>Finance and Accounting Program</b>           | (45,000)<br>(1.00)       | Reduction in funding will result in the elimination of one payment processing position.   |
| <b>Park Police</b>                              | 206,900<br>4.00 FTEs     | Additional funding to hire new staff to provide better patrol coverage of our ever expanding park system.   |

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### XI. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS FROM STAFF

#### Budget Update – James Gray

#### Budget Change and Result Highlights FY 2007

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| <b>FISCAL YEAR 2006 BUDGET</b>              | <b>30,732,600</b>     |   |
| <b>Community Recreation Program</b>         | 610,400<br>12.40 FTEs | Additional funding to staff and operate new and renovated community centers who will either begin initial operations or will conduct a full-year of operations during this fiscal year. |
| <b>Increase in General Fund</b>             | <b>87,300</b>         |   |
| <b>Nonallocated Financial Transactions</b>  |                       |   |
| Safety & Risk Management Premiums           | <b>861,100</b>        | Coverage of safety and risk management premiums and activities  |
| <b>Internal Service Charges</b>             |                       |   |
| Finance Charge                              | 12,800                | Delivery of core financial functions including accounting, payroll, budgeting, and internal audit   |
| Human Resources Charge                      | (33,400)              | Delivery of core human resource functions including hiring, training, and evaluation/management   |
| Information Systems Charge                  | 270,000               | Delivery of core information technology functions including desktop support, help desk, network support & maintenance, application support, and voice connectivity                      |
| Shared Business Office Charge               | (5,100)               | Delivery of administrative support functions  |
| Shared Services Charge                      | 111,100               | Delivery of centralized payment services  |
| Customer Call Center Charge                 | 1,200                 | Telephone access to information for Metro employees, the residents of Nashville, and other callers  |
| Fleet Management Charge                     | (38,300)              | Delivery of fleet management, fuel services, and maintenance functions  |
| Postal Service Charge                       | (14,600)              | Delivery of mail across the Metropolitan Government   |
| Radio Service Charge                        | (15,500)              | Delivery of radio infrastructure support and radio installation and maintenance   |
| Surplus Property Charge                     | 9,600                 | Handling and disposition of surplus property  |
| <b>Increase in Internal Service Charges</b> | <b>1,158,900</b>      |   |
| <b>Total Change to General Fund Budget</b>  | <b>1,246,200</b>      | Represents an increase of 4% of operating budget  |
| <b>Pay Plan Adjustment</b>                  | <b>600,800</b>        | Represents an increase of 2.6% personal services budget of \$22,766,200   |
|   | <b>1,847,000</b>      |   |
| <b>APPROVED FISCAL YEAR 2007 BUDGET</b>     | <b>32,579,600</b>     |   |

**XI. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS FROM STAFF**

**Capital Budget Update – Curt Garrigan**

Mr. Garrigan reported that the Metro Council is considering the Capital Budget tonight, August 1, and hopefully will pass the 28.9 million dollar capital plan for Metro Parks to continue Master Plan enhancements and deferred maintenance. Mr. Garrigan will provide the Board a complete overview of the plan at the September Board meeting.

**Community Garden Update – Randall Lantz**

Mr. Lantz reported that community gardens are progressing and that he and Vera Vollbrecht will be attending a conference in California next week to learn more about new and innovative ways of gardening. A grant has been applied for and we hope to received a reply soon.

**Miracle League Update – Dottie Hale**

Shelby Park has been established as the location of the field for the Miracle League and we will extend length of the field so that it may be utilized as an adult wheelchair league location also.

**Volunteer Ranger Program – Lt. George Mitchell**

This program is basically running itself, however, it is being monitored by the Sgt. Irvin and Lt. Mitchell.

**XII. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR**

Mr. Wilson reported that Shelby Golf Course will reopen Friday, August 4<sup>th</sup>.

Because of the Labor Day holiday, Mr. Wilson asked the Board if they would like to reschedule the September board meeting for the following Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup>? It was determined that the meeting would be held on September 12.

**XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Ms. Hannon asked that the Board consider changing the time of the monthly Park Board meetings from 1:30 pm to 1:00 pm at the September meeting.

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

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**Mr. Roy E. Wilson, Director**

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**Susan Short Jones, Chairperson**