

**METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION**

**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING**

**March 3, 2009**

A meeting of the Board of Parks and Recreation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee was held on Tuesday, March 3, 2009 at 1:30 pm in the Centennial Park Boardroom, 2565 Park Plaza, Nashville, TN. Board members present were: Mr. Stan Fossick, Mr. Lamont Carter, Justice A. A. Birch, Jr., Ms. Ivanetta Davis Samuels, Ms Karen Johnson, and Ms. Tonya Jones. Mr. James Lawson was not in attendance.

Staff present were: Assistant Directors: Mr. James Gray/Finance and Administration, Mr. Mike Bays/Consolidated Maintenance, Mr. Curt Garrigan/Planning and Facilities, Mr. Paul Widman/Recreation, Mr. Tommy Lynch, Assistant Director of Parks/Special Services; Ms. Jackie Jones, Superintendent of Community Affairs; Mr. Bob Parrish, Superintendent of Resource Management; Ms. Shain Dennison, Superintendent of Greenways Development; Captain Rich Foley, Park Police and **Ms. Theresa Costonis, Metro Government Legal Counsel.**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 3, 2009 APPROVED**

Upon motion of Mr. Carter, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the Board approved the minutes of the board meeting held Tuesday, February 3, 2009.

**VI. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS**

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

**VIII. METRO COUNCIL REFERRALS**

**03-09-00**

**AT COUNCILMEMBER STANLEY'S REQUEST THE BOARD DESIGNATED  
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AS REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND MEETINGS WITH CONGRESSMAN COOPER  
REGARDING GREENWAY SCHOOLS**

Councilmember James Bruce Stanley was present to ask endorsement of the board of Resolution No. RS2009-629 and designation by the board of a representative to attend upcoming meetings with Congressman Cooper with regard to this topic.

Resolution 2009-629 requests the Tennessee Delegation to the United States Congress to introduce and enact legislation that would allow the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers to lease property to state and local governments for primary grade public education facilities. The primary area in the J. Percy Priest Master Plan would allow municipalities to lease reservoir land on which primary grade and public education facilities (K-8) with a focus on environmental education and greenways. This area is contiguous with the community of Donelson, Hermitage, Antioch, LaVergne and Smyrna.

**VIII. METRO COUNCIL REFERRALS**

**03-09-00 (con't)**

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Mr. Fossick named the following representatives to attend meetings with Congressman Cooper regarding this resolution: Karen Johnson, board member, Shain Dennison, Superintendent of Greenways and Curt Garrigan, Assistant Director of Parks.

**IX. OLD BUSINESS:**

**10-08-10**

**REQUEST TO NAME THE IROQUOIS SOCIETY PAVILION LOCATED AT THE  
STEEPLECHASE SITE IN PERCY WARNER PARK THE BALFOUR BEATTY  
IROQUOIS SOCIETY PAVILION DEFERRED TO APRIL 2009 MEETING**

**11-08-03**

**PROPOSAL TO CREATE AN ANNUAL PERMIT WITH TERMS AND  
CONDITIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF HOT AIR BALLOONS  
IN METRO PARKS DEFERRED  
UNTIL THE APRIL 2009 BOARD MEETING**

**12-08-07**

**BOARD DEFERS REQUEST OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE REAL PROPERTY  
SERVICES TO UTILIZE THE PARKING AREA NEAR THE WESTERN END OF THE  
CUMBERLAND MUNICIPAL PARK FOR OVERFLOW PARKING**

**01-09-08**

**BOARD GRANTS CONDITIONAL APPROVAL TO THE METRO LEGAL  
DEPARTMENT AND REAL PROPERTY SERVICES REGARDING EASEMENT  
REQUEST OF THE BLAKEMORE PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH**

Upon motion of Mr. Carter, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board granted conditional authority to the Legal Department and Real Property Services of the Metropolitan Government to proceed with an easement purchase on the present driveway of Blakemore Primitive Baptist Church, adjacent to Fannie Mae Dees Park, solely for ingress and egress to the church as previously requested by Mr. Alan Saturn on behalf of the church. Ms. Teri Costonis, representing the Legal Department and Ms. Tammy Sturges of Real Property Services were present to advise the board that this was in actuality an easement exchange between parties and will prove beneficial to both.

**X. CONSENT AGENDA**

**03-09-01**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MS. CHRISTIAN MALONEY  
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A WEDDING RECEPTION  
TO BE HELD IN THE EVENT SHELTER OF CENTENNIAL PARK  
ON SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Christian Maloney requesting permission for amplification during a wedding reception on Saturday, March 14, 2009, 5:00 – 10:00 pm, at the Event Shelter of Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board approved 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.

**03-09-02**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MEGAN O'ROARK AND MARCUS GARZA  
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A WEDDING RECEPTION  
TO BE HELD IN THE PLAZA AREA OF THE PARTHENON IN CENTENNIAL PARK  
ON SATURDAY, MAY 30, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Megan O'Roark and Mr. Marcus Garza requesting permission for amplification during a wedding reception on Saturday, May 30, 2009, 7:00 – 11:00 pm, in the plaza area (tented) of the Parthenon in Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board approved 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.

**03-09-03**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF JENNY RICHTER FOR AMPLIFICATION  
DURING A WEDDING CEREMONY/RECEPTION TO BE HELD IN THE PLAZA  
AREA OF THE PARTHENON IN CENTENNIAL PARK  
ON SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Jenny Richter requesting permission for amplification during a wedding ceremony and reception on Saturday, June 6, 2009, 6:30 – 11:00 pm, in the plaza area (tented) of the Parthenon in Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board approved 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.

**X. CONSENT AGENDA**

**03-09-04**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF BRIAN COLEMAN FOR AMPLIFICATION  
DURING A PICNIC TO BE HELD IN THE EVENT SHELTER OF CENTENNIAL  
PARK  
ON SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2009**

An application submitted by Mr. Brian Coleman requesting permission for amplification during a picnic on Saturday, March 7, 2009, 10:00 am – 7:00 pm, at the Event Shelter of Centennial Park.

Upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board approved 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.

**03-09-05**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF DESTINIE BURRUS FOR AMPLIFICATION  
DURING A PICNIC TO BE HELD IN THE EVENT SHELTER OF CENTENNIAL  
PARK  
ON SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Destinie Burrus requesting permission for amplification during a picnic on Sunday, March 29, 2009, 3:00 – 8:00 pm, at the Picnic Shelter of Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board approved 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.

**03-09-06**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE CHURCH WORLD SERVICE  
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING THE CROP HUNGER WALK  
TO BE HELD IN CENTENNIAL PARK ON SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2009**

An application submitted by Mr. Christopher Kupetz, representing Church World Service, requesting permission for amplification during the CROP Hunger Walk in Centennial Park, 12:30 – 5:00 pm on Sunday, April 5, 2009 was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board approved 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.

**X. CONSENT AGENDA**

**03-09-07**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF BELMONT CHURCH FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING AN EDGEHILL COMMUNITY DAY TO BE HELD IN E. S. ROSE PARK ON SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Pam Cavala, representing Belmont Church, requesting permission for amplification during an Edgehill Community Day (free to the public) in E. S. Rose Park, 11:00 – 3:00 pm on Saturday, April 18, 2009 was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board approved 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.

**03-09-08**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF PHILLIP GREER FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING AN AWARD CEREMONY TO BE HELD AT THE EVENT SHELTER OF CENTENNIAL PARK ON SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2009**

An application submitted by Mr. Phillip Greer requesting permission for amplification during an Award Ceremony on Sunday, April 26, 2009, 12:00 – 4:00 pm, at the Event Shelter of Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board approved 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.

**03-09-09**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF ADVENTURE FIT INC. FOR ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION AT HALL OF FAME PARK AND APPROVAL FOR AMPLIFICATION AT PICNIC SHELTERS IN SHELBY AND FANNIE MAE DEES PARKS DURING A BICYCLE SCAVENGER HUNT ON SUNDAY APRIL 26, 2009**

An application submitted by Mr. Jackie Kravetz, representing Adventure Fit, Inc., requesting permission for amplification during a bicycle scavenger hunt at picnic shelters in Shelby and Fannie Mae Dees Park, 8:00 am – 2:00 pm, on Sunday, April 26, 2009 was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board approved request contingent upon applicant acquiring all appropriate permits from the Metropolitan Beer Board and/or the Alcoholic Beverage Commission and with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area of designated vicinity of Shelby and Fannie Mae Dees Parks and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

**X. CONSENT AGENDA**

**03-09-10**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE MIDDLE TENNESSEE PONY CLUB  
FOR USAGE FEE WAIVER FOR THE  
57TH RUNNING OF THE MTPC HORSE TRIALS AND 2009 USAGE FEES**

Correspondence from Mr. Thomas Moore, District Commissioner of the Middle Tennessee Pony Club, requesting waiver of fees for the 57th running of the MTPC Horse Trials held at the Equestrian Center of Percy Warner Park and 2009 usage fees was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Carter and accordance with park policy **3000.28 Fee Waivers and Reductions**, the Board approved this request because of the improvements and ongoing maintenance provided the Warner Park Equestrian Area by the Middle Tennessee Pony Club.

**03-09-11**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING  
ELLIE'S RUN FOR AFRICA TO BE HELD IN PERCY WARNER PARK  
ON SATURDAY, JUNE 13, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Lauren Fulton, Coordination Chair of ERFA 2009, requests permission for amplification during *Ellie's Run for Africa* on Saturday, June 13, 2009, 7:00 – 9:00 am, in Percy Warner Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board approved 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.

**03-09-12**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING  
THE 2009 NATIONAL MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS NASHVILLE WALK  
TO BE HELD IN EDWIN WARNER PARK ON SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Carrie Tessier, representing the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, requesting permission for amplification during the annual 2009 Multiple Sclerosis Nashville Walk on Saturday, April 18, 2009, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm, in Edwin Warner Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board approved 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.

**X. CONSENT AGENDA**

**03-09-13**

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO THE PERCY PRIEST YACHT CLUB  
TO BASE ITS REGATTA/SAILING ACTIVITIES  
AT HAMILTON CREEK SAILBOAT MARINA DURING THE 2009 SEASON**

A letter submitted by the Percy Priest Yacht Club requesting permission to base its regatta and other sailing activities at Hamilton Creek Sailboat Marina and to serve,

not sell, alcoholic beverages for three hours after each event. PPYC also requests permission to isolate one parking lot and launching ramp at Hamilton Creek from 6:00 am - 12:00 noon for regatta dates March 28 - 29, May 2-3, October 3-4, October 24-25, November 7, and December 6, 2009 was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board granted unanimous approval to the Percy Priest Yacht Club for the 2009 season

**03-09-14**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF NASHVILLE PRIDE, INC. TO SELL ALCOHOL  
DURING PRIDEFEST IN RIVERFRONT PARK, 10:00 AM – 11:00 PM,  
ON SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 2009**

An application submitted Mr. Jack Davis, representing Nashville Pride, Inc., requesting permission to sell alcohol during PrideFest in Riverfront Park, 10:00 am – 11:00 pm, on Saturday, June 20, 2009 was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board approved this request contingent upon applicant acquiring all appropriate permits from the Metropolitan Beer Board and/or the Alcoholic Beverage Commission.

**XI. NEW BUSINESS:**

**03-09-15**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE NASHVILLE PEACE AND JUSTICE  
CENTER TO HOST A PROTEST OF THE WAR IN IRAQ ON SATURDAY,  
MARCH 14, 2009, 12:00 – 7:00 PM AT THE CENTENNIAL PARK BANDSHELL**

An application submitted by Ms. Leigh Ann Martin, representing the Nashville Peace and Justice Center, requesting permission to host a protest against the war in Iraq at the Centennial Park Bandshell, 12:00 – 7:00 pm, on Saturday, March 14, 2009 was presented to the Board.

Upon motion of Mr. Carter, seconded by Justice Birch, the board unanimously approved this request subject to monitoring by park personnel.

**XI. NEW BUSINESS:**

**03-09-16**

**BOARD DENIES REQUEST OF HUB THREE, LLC. TO HOST A CONCERT  
FOLLOWING EIGHT DISC GOLF TOURNAMENTS  
SCHEDULED IN 2009 IN TWO RIVERS PARK**

An application submitted by Mr. Whit Huber representing Hub Three, LLC, requesting permission to host a concert with amplification in Two Rivers Park following disc golf tournaments on the following Saturdays in 2009: March 14, April 11, May 9, June 6, July 4, August 8, September 5, and October 3 was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board denied this request as submitted to host concerts with amplification in Two Rivers Park following disc golf tournaments. Because of the close proximity of neighboring homes it is not conducive for hosting the disc golf tournament/concert venue as described. Parking during the summer months will also pose a problem because of picnic areas operating at 100% capacity, as well as available parking for patrons of the Wave Pool, Skate Park, and the Cumberland River Pedestrian Bridge and greenway. Ms. Karen Johnson, Parks' Board member, asked that the request be resubmitted to the board if still interested in only hosting the disc golf tournaments.

**XII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS FROM STAFF**

**Community Garden Update**

Paul Widman reported that Vera Vollbrecht has been contacted by the Mayor's Green Ribbon Committee and asked for an inventory of the community gardens in Nashville.

Vera has also received calls from groups seeking information on the community garden movement.

**Miracle League Update**

Curt Garrigan reported that the first Shelby Park Master Plan Meeting was held with 150-200 in attendance offering much community support. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 5, 6:30 pm, at East Literature High School.

**XIII. UPCOMING SPECIAL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS**

Jackie Jones thanked all of the board members who attended the special event at Looby Theater on Saturday, February 14, 2009.

**XIV. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR**

**Upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Davis Samuels, the board granted endorsement and support of the recommended budget for fiscal year 2010 as presented by staff.**

Mr. Wilson announced that he would forward a copy of the 2009 summer concert series to board members.

Ms. Eleanor Willis was present to report to the board that the contract has been signed by representatives of the FOWP and the Hill property for the land acquisition which includes the old growth forest. Ms. Willis stated that FOWP are still one million dollars short, but are working hard raise those funds. Tours (hikes) are being held March 8 – 15 in the afternoons.

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

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

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

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**Mr. Stan Fossick, Chairperson**