

METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

April 7, 2009

A meeting of the Board of Parks and Recreation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee was held on Tuesday, April 7, 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, Mr. James Lawson, Ms Karen Johnson, and Ms. Tonya Jones

Staff present were: Assistant Directors: Mr. James Gray/Finance and Administration, Mr. Mike Bays/Consolidated Maintenance, Mr. Curt Garrigan/Planning and Facilities, 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**. Mr. Paul Widman, Assistant Director of Recreation was not in attendance.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 3, 2009 APPROVED

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

VI. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

Mr. Wilson introduced Margo Farnsworth, first Executive Director of the Cumberland River Compact and Gwyn Griffith, Director of Building Outside of the Box Program. He thanked Margo for leading the way in raising \$70-80,000 for Metro Park Nature Centers.

VII. INTRODUCTION OF STAFF, NEW EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS

VIII. METRO COUNCIL REFERRALS

04-09-00

BOARD DENIES REQUEST OF COUNCILMEMBER FRANK HARRISON TO ACQUIRE PROPERTY LOCATED BETWEEN BRICK CHURCH PIKE AND WHITES CREEK PIKE FOR USE AS A PUBLIC PARK

Councilmember Frank Harrison requested the Board, in partnership with Metro Public Property, to consider acquisition of the Park Preserve property located between Brick Church Pike and Whites Creek Pike for use as a public park.

VIII. METRO COUNCIL REFERRALS

04-09-00 (con't.)

**BOARD DENIES REQUEST OF COUNCILMEMBER FRANK HARRISON
TO ACQUIRE PROPERTY LOCATED BETWEEN BRICK CHURCH PIKE
AND WHITES CREEK PIKE FOR USE AS A PUBLIC PARK**

Upon motion by Mr. Carter, seconded by Justice Birch, the Board, based on committee recommendation, denied this request for the following reasons:

(Let the minutes reflect that Karen Johnson abstained from voting).

- Nashville Area Habitat for Humanity (NAHFH) has stated that they have invested over \$4.5 million in land, engineering, overhead, and infrastructure and has expressed no interest in selling the property.
- NAHFH has expressed interest in donating a portion of the property (approximately 58 acres) in the future to Metro for a park with a trail system.
- The Parks Board at its May 2000 meeting, declared surplus the former Trinity Hills Park (agenda item 05-00-09) because the property was difficult to develop as parkland and had limited access. This parcel is the part of the property NAHFH proposes as a future park.
- Currently there are no funds available for additional land acquisition.

IX. OLD BUSINESS:

10-08-10

**BOARD DENIES REQUEST OF BRENDA BLACK TO NAME
THE IROQUOIS SOCIETY PAVILION LOCATED IN PERCY WARNER PARK
THE BALFOUR BEATTY IROQUOIS SOCIETY PAVILION**

Ms. Brenda Black, Director of Community Development/Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt, requested permission from the board to name the Iroquois Society Pavilion located at the Steeplechase site in Percy Warner Park "The Balfour Beatty Iroquois Society Pavilion".

Upon motion of Mr. Carter, seconded by Justice Birch, the board, based on recommendation by the committee, denied this request because it was deemed an inappropriate application as park policy was not adhered to as this request was based on a promise by volunteers to Balfour Beatty for naming rights in exchange for a cash donation without prior board approval.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

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 MAY 2009 BOARD MEETING**

12-08-07

**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
DEFERRED INDEFINITELY**

04-09-01

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MS. JILL FISHER
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A WEDDING CEREMONY AND RECEPTION
TO BE HELD IN THE SUNKEN GARDENS OF CENTENNIAL PARK
ON SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Jill Fisher requesting permission for amplification during a wedding ceremony and reception on Saturday, May 9, 2009, 12:00 – 4:00 pm, in the Sunken Gardens and Event Shelter of Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, 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.

04-09-02

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MS. LATONYA HORTON AND
MR. ROBERT BOWERS FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A WEDDING CEREMONY
TO BE HELD IN THE SUNKEN GARDENS OF CENTENNIAL PARK
ON SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. LaTonya Horton and Mr. Robert Bowers requesting permission for amplification during a wedding ceremony on Saturday, May 16, 2009, 2:00 – 5:00 pm, in the Sunken Gardens of Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, 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

04-09-03

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MS. LARA THOMAS AND
MR. DERRICK WHITE FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A WEDDING CEREMONY
TO BE HELD IN THE SUNKEN GARDENS OF CENTENNIAL PARK
ON SATURDAY, MAY 23, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Lara Thomas and Mr. Derrick White requesting permission for amplification during a wedding ceremony on Saturday, May 23, 2009, 3:00 – 6:00 pm, in the Sunken Gardens of Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, 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.

04-09-04

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MS. JENNIFER SIMMONS
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A WEDDING CEREMONY
TO BE HELD IN THE ROSE ARBOR OF CENTENNIAL PARK
ON SATURDAY, MAY 23, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Jennifer Simmons requesting permission for amplification during a wedding ceremony on Saturday, May 23, 2009, 12:00 – 3:00 pm, in the Rose Arbor of Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, 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.

04-09-05

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MS. MINDIE BENNETT
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A WEDDING CEREMONY/RECEPTION
TO BE HELD IN THE SUNKEN GARDENS AND EVENT SHELTER
OF CENTENNIAL PARK ON FRIDAY, MAY 29, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Mindie Bennett requesting permission for amplification during a wedding ceremony on Friday, May 29, 2009, 3:00 – 6:00 pm, in the Sunken Gardens and Event Shelter of Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, 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.

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04-09-06

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MS. DEBRA HIX
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A WEDDING CEREMONY/RECEPTION
TO BE HELD IN THE SUNKEN GARDENS AND EVENT SHELTER
OF CENTENNIAL PARK ON SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Debra Hix requesting permission for amplification during a wedding ceremony and reception on Saturday, June 6, 2009, 2:00 – 5:00 pm, in the Sunken Gardens and Event Shelter of Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, 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.

04-09-07

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MS. DEBRA HIX
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A WEDDING CEREMONY/RECEPTION
TO BE HELD IN THE SUNKEN GARDENS OF CENTENNIAL PARK
ON SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2009**

An application submitted by Cleopatra and Nicklas Booker requesting permission for amplification during a wedding ceremony on Saturday, June 27, 2009, 3:00 – 7:00 pm, in the Sunken Gardens of Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, 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.

04-09-08

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE VELVET ARMY
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING “JOGGIN FOR JESUS” A 5K WALK
TO BE HELD IN CENTENNIAL PARK ON SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Deborah Sullivan, representing The Velvet Army, requesting permission for amplification during a 5K run “**Joggin for Jesus**” on Saturday, April 11, 2009, 9:00 – 2:00 pm, in Centennial Park at the event shelter was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, 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

04-09-09

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE NEILL CORPORATION
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING AN EARTH DAY FUNDRAISING WALK
TO BE HELD IN CENTENNIAL PARK ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Patti Bankston, representing Neill Corporation, requesting permission to host an Earth Day fundraising walk on Wednesday, April 22, 2009, 7:00 am – 4:00 pm, at the event shelter in Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, 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.

04-09-10

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF SANDRA BELL FOR AMPLIFICATION
DURING A GRADUATION BARBEQUE TO BE HELD IN THE EVENT SHELTER
OF CENTENNIAL PARK ON SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Sandra Bell requesting permission for amplification during a graduation barbeque on Saturday, April 25, 2009, 4:00 – 8:00 pm, at the event shelter in Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, 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.

04-09-11

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE VICTIM INTERVENTION PROGRAM OF
THE METRO POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR AMPLIFICATION
DURING AN EVENT RECOGNIZING NATIONAL CRIME VICTIM'S RIGHTS WEEK
TO BE HELD IN THE CHILDREN'S GARDEN OF CENTENNIAL PARK
ON SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Amy Taylor, representing the Victim Intervention Program of the Metro Police Department, requesting permission for amplification during an event recognizing National Crime Victim's Rights Week on Sunday, April 26, 2009, 2:00 – 4:00 pm, adjacent to the Children's Garden in Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, 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.

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04-09-12

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE NASHVILLE RESCUE MISSION
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A FUNDRAISING 5K RUN
TO BE HELD IN CENTENNIAL PARK ON SATURDAY, MAY 9, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Lee Ann Dichtel, representing the Nashville Rescue Mission, requesting permission to host a fundraising 5K run on Saturday, May 9, 2009, 6:00 am – 1:00 pm, at the event shelter in Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, 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.

04-09-13

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE NEW HOPE FOUNDATION
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING THE BLUES SPRING FESTIVAL
TO BE HELD AT THE CENTENNIAL PARK BANDSHELL
ON MONDAY, MAY 25, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Carol Jenkins, representing the New Hope Foundation, requesting permission to host a fundraising event, **Blues Spring Festival**, on Monday, May 25, 2009, 10:00 am – 6:00 pm, at the Centennial Park Bandshell was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, 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.

04-09-14

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MURRELL MINISTRIES, INC.
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A COMMUNITY CONFERENCE
TO BE HELD IN THE PICNIC SHELTER
OF CENTENNIAL PARK ON FRIDAY, MAY 29, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Amy Ritenour, Evangelist of Murrell Ministries, Inc., requesting permission for amplification during a community conference on Friday, May 29, 2009, 3:00 – 6:00 pm, at the Centennial Park Picnic Shelter was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, 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

04-09-15

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF BETHANY CHRISTIAN SERVICES
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A FUNDRAISING WALK/RUN
TO BE HELD IN CENTENNIAL PARK ON SATURDAY, MAY 30, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Lisa Lancaster-Williams, representing Bethany Christian Services, requesting permission to host a fundraising walk/run on Saturday, May 30, 2009, 8:30 am – 12:00 pm, at the Centennial Park Picnic Shelter was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, 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.

04-09-16

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE TENNESSEE CHAPTER
OF CROHNS AND COLITIS FOUNDATION FOR AMPLIFICATION
DURING A FUNDRAISING WALK AND CELEBRATION TO BE HELD
AT THE CENTENNIAL PARK BANDSHELL ON SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Nicole Boisvert, representing the Tennessee Chapter of Crohns and Colitis Foundation, requesting permission to host a fundraising walk and celebration on Saturday, June 6, 2009, 12:00 – 8:00 pm, at the Centennial Park Bandshell was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, 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.

04-09-17

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE VANDERBILT CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
TO HOST A FUNDRAISING YOUTH TRIATHLON WITH AMPLIFICATION TO BE
HELD ON THE CENTENNIAL PARK ONE MILE RUNNING PATH
AND ADJACENT ROAD ON SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Rachel Biber, representing Vanderbilt Children's Hospital, requesting permission to host a fundraising youth triathlon on Sunday, June 7, 2009, 8:00 – 10:00 am, on the Centennial Park 1 mile running path and adjacent road was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, 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.

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04-09-18

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE U.S. COMMUNITY CREDIT UNION
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING AN EMPLOYEE PICNIC
TO BE HELD IN THE PICNIC SHELTER
OF CENTENNIAL PARK ON SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Deanne Hillebrand, representing U.S. Community Credit Union, requests permission for amplification during an employee picnic on Sunday, June 7, 2009, 10:00 am – 5:00 pm, at the Centennial Park Picnic Shelter was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, 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.

04-09-19

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE TENNESSEE CHAPTER
OF THE SCLERODERMA FOUNDATION FOR AMPLIFICATION
DURING A FUNDRAISING WALK TO BE HELD
AT THE CENTENNIAL PARK EVENT SHELTER ON SATURDAY, JUNE 13, 2009**

An application submitted by Mr. Doug Blaise, representing the Scleroderma Foundation/Tennessee Chapter, requesting permission for amplification at the Centennial Park Event Shelter during a fundraising walk ***Stepping Out to Cure Scleroderma*** on Saturday, June 13, 2009, 8:30 – 11:00 am in Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, 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.

04-09-20

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF WOMEN ON MAINTAINING EDUCATION AND
NUTRITION TO HOST A FUNDRAISING WALK TO BE HELD
AT THE CENTENNIAL PARK BANDSHELL ON SATURDAY, JUNE 13, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Catherine Wyatt-Morley, representing Women on Maintaining Education and Nutrition, requesting permission to host a fundraising walk on Saturday, June 13, 2009, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm, at the Centennial Park Bandshell from the board.

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

04-09-21

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE NASHVILLE CHAPTER
OF THE UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING AN ALUMNI PICNIC
TO BE HELD IN THE PICNIC SHELTER
OF CENTENNIAL PARK ON SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 2009**

An application submitted by Dr. Brad Bradshaw, representing the Nashville Chapter of the University of Kentucky Alumni Association, requesting permission for amplification during a picnic on Saturday, June 20, 2009, 10:00 am – 5:00 pm, at the Centennial Park Picnic Shelter from the board.

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

04-09-22

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF TANGO NASHVILLE
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING WEEKLY DANCES
TO BE HELD AT THE CENTENNIAL PARK EVENT SHELTER
MAY 29 THROUGH AUGUST 28, 2009**

An application submitted by Mr. Scott Hallgren, representing Tango Nashville, requesting permission for amplification during weekly dances in 2009 on the following Fridays: May 29, June 12 and 26, July 10 and 24, August 14 and 28, 7:00 – 10:30 pm, at the Centennial Park Event Shelter from the board.

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

04-09-23

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO THE DONELSON FELLOWSHIP
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING AN EGG HUNT
IN TWO RIVERS PARK ON SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 2009**

An application submitted by Mr. Steve Greenwood, representing The Donelson Fellowship, requesting permission for amplification during a children's egg hunt in Two Rivers Park, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm on Saturday, April 11, 2009 from the board.

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

04-09-24

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF TIFFANY GLENN FOR AMPLIFICATION
DURING A BIRTHDAY PARTY TO BE HELD IN PICNIC SHELTER 3
OF CEDAR HILL PARK ON SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Tiffany Glenn requesting permission for amplification during a birthday party on Saturday, April 11, 2009, 12:00 – 7:00 pm, at picnic shelter 3 in Cedar Hill Park from the board.

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

04-09-25

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE EIGHTEENTH AVENUE FAMILY
ENRICHMENT CENTER FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING AN EVENT TO BE HELD
IN HADLEY PARK ON SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Shantrelle Edmondson, representing The Eighteenth Avenue Family Enrichment Center, requesting permission for amplification during an event in Hadley Park (including the track and bandshell areas), 7:00 am – 2:30 pm on Saturday, May 16, 2009 from the board.

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

04-09-26

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF COUNCILMEMBER ERIC CRAFTON TO HOST
THE 32ND ANNUAL BELLEVUE COMMUNITY PICNIC IN BELLEVUE PARK
WITH AMPLIFICATION ON SATURDAY, MAY 15, 2009**

An application submitted by Councilmember Eric Crafton requesting permission for use of Bellevue Park (including the community center parking lot) with amplification and to fundraise during the 32nd Annual Bellevue Community Picnic on Saturday, May 15, 2009 was presented to the board.

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

04-09-27

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE BELLEVUE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
TO HOST AN ON-SITE KICKOFF OF
THE 32ND ANNUAL BELLEVUE COMMUNITY PICNIC IN BELLEVUE PARK
WITH AMPLIFICATION ON THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2009**

An application submitted by Mr. Martin Pyle, representing of the Bellevue Chamber of Commerce, requesting permission for use of Bellevue Park with amplification during an on-site kickoff of the 32nd Annual Bellevue Community Picnic, 8:00 am – 2:30 pm, on Thursday, May 14, 2009 was presented to the board.

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

04-09-28

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF PURITY DAIRIES, INC. TO HOST A
FUNDRAISING 5K/10K RUN-WALK WITH AMPLIFICATION TO BE HELD
ON THE METRO CENTER GREENWAY ON SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 2009**

An application submitted by Mr. Frank Schmidt, representing Purity Dairies Inc., requesting permission to host a fundraising 5K/10K run-walk with amplification on Saturday, April 11, 2009, 8:15 – 10:30 am on the Metro Center Greenway was presented to the board.

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

04-09-29

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO
THE NASHVILLE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC.
TO USE LOCK TWO PARK, OVERNIGHT, SATURDAY, JUNE 27
THROUGH SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2009 WITH USAGE FEE WAIVER**

An application submitted by Mr. Ed Nutter, representing the Nashville Amateur Radio Club, Inc., in conjunction with Metro Emergency Management Services, requesting permission to remain in Lock Two Park overnight during their annual amateur radio field day from 8:00 am Saturday, June 27 through 5:00 pm Sunday, June 28, 2009 with waiver of usage fees was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board unanimously approved this request to remain in Lock Two Park overnight and because of this group's affiliation with the Metro Emergency Management Division the request for park usage fee waiver was also granted.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

04-09-30

BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE RECORDING ACADEMY FOR AMPLIFICATION AND THE SERVING OF ALCOHOL IN A TENTED AREA DURING A PRIVATE EVENT ON TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2009 IN OWEN BRADLEY PARK

An application submitted by Ms. Lori Hodge, representing The Recording Academy, requesting permission for amplification and alcohol to be served in a tented area during a private event on Tuesday, May 12, 2009, 8:00 am – 9:30 pm, in Owen Bradley Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the Board unanimously approved this request with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel. Permission was also granted request to serve alcohol with the following guidelines adopted by the Board in August 2002:

- 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 Ranger and/or Metro Police Office 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.

04-09-31

BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF ALSAC AND ST. JUDE TO HOST A FUNDRAISING RUN-WALK AND POST RACE CONCERT WITH AMPLIFICATION TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2009 IN HALL OF FAME PARK

An application submitted by Ms. Sandy Obodzinski, representing ALSAC and St. Jude, requesting permission to host a post race concert with amplification following a fundraising run/walk on Saturday, May 16, 2009, 7:30 am – 12:00 pm in Hall of Fame Park was presented to the board.

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

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04-09-32

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO CLEAR CHANNEL NASHVILLE
FOR AMPLIFICATION AND ALCOHOL SALES/CONSUMPTION DURING
THE MUSIC CITY BREWER'S FESTIVAL
ON SATURDAY, JULY 25, 2009, 12:00 – 10:00 PM IN HALL OF FAME PARK**

An application submitted by Ms. Candace Price, representing Clear Channel Radio, requesting permission for amplification and alcohol sales/consumption during the ***Music City Brewer's Festival*** on Saturday, July 25, 2009, 12:00 – 10:00 pm in Hall of Fame Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the Board granted permission for the consumption and sale of alcoholic beverages, as per Metro Ordinance, and contingent upon applicant acquiring all appropriate permits from the Metropolitan Beer Board and/or the Alcoholic Beverage Commission.

04-09-33

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF GIRLS ON THE RUN NASHVILLE TO HOST A
FUNDRAISING 5K RACE AND WALK WITH AMPLIFICATION TO BE HELD
IN SHELBY PARK, SHELBY BOTTOMS AND THE 1 MILE GREENWAY LOOP
ON SATURDAY, MAY 9, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Melissa Berrier, representing Girls on the Run Nashville, requesting permission to host a fundraising 5K race and walk on Saturday, May 9, 2009, 6:30 – 9:30 am, in Shelby Park, Shelby Bottoms and the 1 mile greenway loop was presented to the board.

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

04-09-34

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE NEPHCURE FOUNDATION TO HOST A
FUNDRAISING WALK WITH AMPLIFICATION TO BE HELD
IN SHELBY PARK ON SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Christina Hicks-Goldston, representing The NephCure Foundation, requesting permission to host a fundraising walk on Saturday, May 16, 2009, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm, in Shelby Park was presented to the board.

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

04-09-35

BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE GRACE PLACE/HERMITAGE CHURCH OF GOD TO HOST A FUNDRAISING BIKE RIDE WITH AMPLIFICATION TO BE HELD ON THE STONES RIVER GREENWAY ON SATURDAY, MAY 23, 2009

An application submitted by Mr. Tommy Dove, representing The Grace Place – Hermitage Church of God, requesting permission to host a fundraising bike ride on Saturday, May 23, 2009, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm, on the Stones River Greenway (Percy Priest trailhead to Shelby Park) was presented to the board.

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

04-09-36

BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE CUMBERLAND RIVER COMPACT TO HOST A FREE FISHING AND EDUCATIONAL FIELD DAY WITH AMPLIFICATION TO BE HELD IN SHELBY PARK (LAKE SEVIER) AND THE NATURE CENTER ON SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 2009

An application submitted by Ms. Laura Alex, representing the Cumberland River Compact, requesting permission for amplification during a free fishing and educational field day in Shelby Park (Lake Sevier) and the Shelby Bottoms Nature Center, 7:00 am – 3:00 pm, on Saturday, June 6, 2009 was presented to the board.

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

04-09-37

BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF ELITE RACING/COUNTRY MUSIC MARATHON TO HOST THE COUNTRY MUSIC MARATHON AND HALF MARATHON WITH AMPLIFICATION ON SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2009 IN CENTENNIAL AND SHELBY PARKS

An application submitted by Mr. Adam Zocks, representing Elite Racing/Country Music Marathon, requesting permission for amplification during the marathon and half marathon on Saturday, April 25, 2009, 3:00 am – 4:00 pm, in Centennial and Shelby Parks was presented to the board.

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

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04-09-38

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE GIRL SCOUTS OF MIDDLE TENNESSEE
TO HOST A TREE FOUNDATION WITH AMPLIFICATION TO BE HELD
ON THE EAST BANK GREENWAY AT THE FOOT OF THE SHELBY STREET
PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE ON SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Megan Davis, representing Girl Scouts of Middle Tennessee, requesting permission for amplification during a tree celebration on the East Bank Greenway at the foot of the Shelby Street Pedestrian Bridge, 2:00 – 5:00 pm on Saturday, May 16, 2009 was presented to the board.

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

04-09-39

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF WALK BIKE NASHVILLE TO HOST
THE TOUR DE NASH WITH AMPLIFICATION ON SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2009
ON THE EAST BANK GREENWAY**

An application submitted by Ms. Shannon Hornsby, representing Walk/Bike Nashville, requesting permission for amplification during *Tour de Nash* (a fundraising walk/bike ride) on Saturday, May 16, 2009, 7:00 am – 4:00 pm, on the East Bank Greenway was presented to the board.

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

04-09-40

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO THE COUNTRY MUSIC ASSOCIATION
TO SELL ALCOHOL DURING CMA MUSIC FEST 2009
JUNE 10 – 14, 2009 IN RIVERFRONT PARK, HALL OF FAME PARK
AND AREA UNDER THE SHELBY STREET BRIDGE**

An application submitted Ms. Bobette Dudley, representing the Country Music Association, requesting permission to sell alcohol during the CMA Music Fest 2009, June 10-14, 2009, in Riverfront Park, Hall of Fame Park, and area under the Shelby Street Bridge was presented to the Board. Amplification is also requested for Hall of Fame Park and Under the Bridge Mall.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

04-09-40 (con't.)

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO THE COUNTRY MUSIC ASSOCIATION
TO SELL ALCOHOL DURING CMA MUSIC FEST 2009
JUNE 10 – 14, 2009 IN RIVERFRONT PARK, HALL OF FAME PARK
AND AREA UNDER THE SHELBY STREET BRIDGE**

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the Board granted approval to the Country Music Association to sell alcoholic beverages as per Metro Ordinance contingent upon applicant acquiring all appropriate permits from the Metropolitan Beer Board and/or the Alcoholic Beverage Commission. Also, amplification was approved for Hall of Fame Park and Under the Bridge Mall with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and is subject to monitoring by park personnel.

04-09-41

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF SAFE HAVEN FAMILY SHELTER
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING HIKE FOR THE HOMELESS
TO BE HELD IN EDWIN WARNER PARK ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Nicky Nash, representing Safe Haven Family Shelter, requesting permission for amplification during ***Hike for the Homeless***, a fundraising event, on Saturday, September 26, 2009, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm, in Edwin Warner Park at picnic shelters 9 and 11 was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. James Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the Board approved this request with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and is subject to monitoring by park personnel.

04-09-42

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO THE TSSAA TO USE THE
STEEPLECHASE COURSE IN WARNER PARK AND CHARGE ADMISSION DURING
THE 2009 STATE CROSS COUNTRY MEET,
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2009 WITH WAIVER OF ALL FEES**

A letter representing Mr. Bernard Childress of the TSSAA requesting permission to use the Steeplechase Course in Percy Warner Park and charge admission during the 2009 TSSAA State Cross Country Meet on Saturday, November 7, 2009 with waiver of all fees was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the Board unanimously approved this request as it meets the conditions of policy 3000. 28 with regard to ***Fee Waivers and Reductions***

X. CONSENT AGENDA

04-09-43

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO SORBA MIDDLE TENNESSEE
TO HOST A MOUNTAIN BIKE FESTIVAL AND CROSS COUNTRY RACE
IN HAMILTON CREEK PARK WITH WAIVER OF USAGE FEE**

An application submitted by Ms. Amy Walvoord, representing SORBA Middle Tennessee, requesting permission to host the 7th annual Hamilton Creek Fat Tire Festival with waiver of usage fee on Saturday, June 20, 2009 in Hamilton Creek Park at the Ned Shelton Trailhead was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board granted approval because of the improvements and ongoing maintenance SORBA provides the mountain bike trails located in Hamilton Creek Park along with the bicycle and trail safety education offered the Nashville community and request meets criteria established by the Board in May 2002 regarding fee waivers.

04-09-44

**BOARD APPROVES GRANT FROM THE CONSERVANCY OF THE PARTHENON AND
CENTENNIAL PARK TO CONTINUE FUNDING ONE FULL TIME POSITION
ON AN ON-GOING BASIS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY**

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson the board granted approval to the Conservancy of the Parthenon and Centennial Park of a total grant base amount for fiscal year 2009-10 of \$60,000 plus any amount required to pay off accrued leave should employee terminate at a point in time which would otherwise extend past the end of this grant period. This amount will increase to provide any funding necessary for pay plan adjustments or merit increases to which other similarly situated Parks employees would be entitled. In the event that the Conservancy of the Parthenon and Centennial Park decides to discontinue or modify funding for this position a notice of 30 days will be given Metro Parks. Metro Parks may discontinue this agreement or modify funding for this position with a 30 day notice to the Conservancy. **PLEASE NOTE THAT THE CONSERVANCY OF THE PARTHENON AND CENTENNIAL PARK DOES NOT PAY INDIRECT COST CHARGES ON ITS GRANT AWARDS.**

04-09-45

**BOARD ACCEPTS GRANT TO FUND ONE FULL TIME POSITION
FROM THE YOUTH LIFE LEARNING CENTERS**

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the Board accepted a grant from the Youth Life Learning Centers to fund one full time position as teacher and counselor working an average of 40 hours per week on an on-going basis with Metro Parks funding employee benefits while processing weekly timesheets and paychecks. Youth Life Learning Centers or Metro Parks may discontinue this agreement with a 30 day notice of either party.

XI. NEW BUSINESS:

04-09-46

**BOARD DENIES REQUEST TO PLACE A SCULPTURE HONORING
ELVIS PRESLEY IN HALL OF FAME PARK**

Mr. Moses Walter Fisher, Jr. was present to request approval to erect a sculpture and monument in honor of Elvis Presley in Hall of Fame Park from the board.

Upon motion of Justice Birch, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board denied request to place a sculpture honoring Elvis Presley in Hall of Fame Park because the logistics of Hall of Fame Park do not adhere to a monument or any other type of statue within this small restricted park area (3.2 acres).

Mr. Fossick, board chair, advised Mr. Fisher of the **Music City Walk of Fame** located in this park honoring both living and non-living entertainers who have contributed greatly to the music industry of Nashville. Mr. Fossick also recommended that Mr. Fisher contact the Nashville Convention Bureau to gather more information with regard to the nominating process for the Walk of Fame.

04-09-47

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO MUSIC CITY INC.
FOR AMPLIFICATION AND ALCOHOL SALES/CONSUMPTION DURING
THE CMA MUSIC FEST 2009
JUNE 11-13, 2009 IN PUBLIC SQUARE PARK**

An application submitted by Mr. David Spencer, representing Music City, Inc., requesting permission for amplification and to sell alcohol during the CMA Music Fest 2009, June 11-13, 2009, in Public Square Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the Board granted approval to Music City Inc. to sell alcoholic beverages as per Metro Ordinance at the **Music City Zone** contingent upon applicant acquiring all appropriate permits from the Metropolitan Beer Board and/or the Alcoholic Beverage Commission. Amplification in Public Square Park was approved with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and is subject to monitoring by park personnel.

04-09-48

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO MUSIC CITY INC.
FOR ALCOHOL SALES/CONSUMPTION DURING A FUNDRAISING FESTIVAL
IN RIVERFRONT PARK ON SATURDAY, MAY 2, 2009**

An application submitted by Mr. John Naugher, representing Sound Relief, LLC, requests permission to sell alcohol during a fundraising festival/concert on Saturday, May 2, 2009, in Riverfront Park, Hall of Fame Park, and area under the Shelby Street Bridge. Amplification was also requested for Hall of Fame Park and Under the Bridge Mall.

XI. NEW BUSINESS:

04-09-48 (con't.)

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO MUSIC CITY INC.
FOR ALCOHOL SALES/CONSUMPTION DURING A FUNDRAISING FESTIVAL
IN RIVERFRONT PARK ON SATURDAY, MAY 2, 2009**

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the Board granted approval to Sound Relief, LLC. to sell alcoholic beverages as per Metro Ordinance in Riverfront Park on Saturday, May 2, 2009 during a concert festival contingent upon applicant acquiring all appropriate permits from the Metropolitan Beer Board and/or the Alcoholic Beverage Commission. **However, the request to use Hall of Fame Park and Under the Bridge Mall was denied so as not to be disruptive to those in the immediate area.**

04-09-49

**BOARD DENIES REQUEST OF DOGS DESERVE BETTER
TO HOST THEIR ANNUAL CHAIN OFF EVENT OVERNIGHT
IN CENTENNIAL PARK FROM SATURDAY, JULY 4 UNTIL SUNDAY, JULY 5,**

A representative from Dogs Deserve Better was present to request permission for amplification and to remain in the park overnight during their annual **"Chain Off"** fundraising event from 11:00 am on Saturday, July 4 until 11:00 am on Sunday, July 5, 2009 in Centennial Park from the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board denied request to host **Chain Off 2009** with amplification and to remain in the park overnight from 11:00 am on Saturday, July 4 until 11:00 am on Sunday, July 5, 2009 in Centennial Park.

The board expressed their appreciation for the group's efforts to promote awareness with regard to the issues and cruelty of chaining and/or penning a dog 24/7; however, there are concerns that people being chained to doghouses during a holiday weekend may seem questionable to park patrons, especially children. With regard to security, currently there is no funding within Parks' budget to allow for Park Police to remain in the park overnight.

04-09-50

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE MAPLEWOOD STUDENT LEADERSHIP
TO HOST A COMMUNITY BLOCK PARTY WITH AMPLIFICATION
IN CLEVELAND PARK ON SATURDAY, MAY 23, 2009**

Ms. Marcee Garner and 3 students from Maplewood High School, representing Maplewood Student Leadership, were present to request permission to host a community block party with amplification in Cleveland Park, 10:00 am – 6:00 pm. on Saturday, May 23, 2009 from the board.

XI. NEW BUSINESS:

04-09-50 (con't.)

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE MAPLEWOOD STUDENT LEADERSHIP
TO HOST A COMMUNITY BLOCK PARTY WITH AMPLIFICATION
IN CLEVELAND PARK ON SATURDAY, MAY 23, 2009**

Upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the board approved this request by the students, in conjunction with Alignment Nashville, as a service project for the community and school. This event is to provide an opportunity for area non-profits and churches to promote themselves. Amplification was approved with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and is subject to monitoring by park personnel. Justice Birch, a member of the Parks Board, amended the previous motion by requesting that a letter be submitted to Metro Parks prior to this event to indicate that this is a school sponsored event with faculty members scheduled to be in attendance.

Several board members expressed their appreciation to Ms. Garner and the students in attendance for their leadership and willingness to host this event for area residents.

04-09-51

**BOARD DEFERS REQUEST OF MS. DIANE MULLOY, ON BEHALF OF THE
NASHVILLE AQUATIC CLUB, REGARDING DONATIONS TO THE NATATORIUM
OF THE THOMAS H. FRIST CENTENNIAL SPORTSPLEX**

Ms. Diane Mulloy, representing the Nashville Aquatic Club, was present to request permission to petition the board with regard to a donation of new starting blocks, sound system, etc. from Vanderbilt University for use at the Thomas Frist Centennial Sportsplex from the board.

This request was deferred to the board's acquisition committee and will be presented to said committee at 12:30 pm preceding the May 5th board meeting. This committee will make recommendation to the full board at the May meeting.

04-09-52

**BOARD DENIES REQUEST TO PLACE RIBBONS ON TREES
IN CENTENNIAL PARK RECOGNIZING CHILD ABUSE AND
FOSTER CARE AWARENESS MONTH, APRIL 8 - MAY 30, 2009**

Ms. Elizabeth Collier, Tennessee Youth Advisory Council Coordinator, was present to request permission from the board to place a display of ribbons on some of the trees in Centennial Park in recognition of Child Abuse Awareness Month and Foster Care Awareness Month beginning on Wednesday, April 8, 2009 and continuing until May 30, 2009.

XI. NEW BUSINESS:

04-09-52(con't.)

**BOARD DENIES REQUEST TO PLACE RIBBONS ON TREES
IN CENTENNIAL PARK RECOGNIZING CHILD ABUSE AND
FOSTER CARE AWARENESS MONTH, APRIL 8 – MAY 30, 2009**

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, the board denied this request to place a display of ribbons on some of the trees in Centennial Park in recognition of Child Abuse Awareness Month and Foster Care Awareness Month beginning on Wednesday, April 8 and continuing until May 30, 2009.

Mr. Carter, board member, stated that he was very passionate toward these causes, but as a board a line has to be drawn when it comes to these types of requests.

04-09-53

**ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010
EFFECTIVE MAY 2009 THROUGH APRIL 2010**

Upon motion of Justice Birch, seconded by Ms. Johnson and Ms. Davis Samuels, the Board elected:

Mr. Stan Fossick as Chairperson for one year

Upon motion of Ms. Jones, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the Board elected:

Ms. Ivanetta Davis Samuels as Vice-chairperson for one year

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Carter, the Board elected:

Mr. Roy Wilson as Secretary for one year

Park Board Officers to assume office May 1, 2009, as per section 1000.4 of the Metro Parks Policy Manual.

Let the minutes reflect that Mr. Carter nominated Mr. Lawson as chairperson, however, motion died for lack of a second.

XII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS FROM STAFF

Community Garden Update – no report

Miracle League Update

Curt Garrigan reported that the third Shelby Park Master Plan Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 23, 6:30 pm, at East Literature High School. The meetings have been positive and seem to be moving in the right direction; however, in regard to an active use area, there is only a small section available; but it should work.

XIII. UPCOMING SPECIAL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS

Shain Dennison reported that on Wednesday, April 8 at 4:00 pm a celebration of the rehab of the old White Bridge will be held.

Jackie Jones reported:

On Thursday, April 9 a new ½ hour sitcom will air on NBC titled ***Parks and Recreation***. NRPA will pursue if employees are not portrayed in a favorable light.

An Earth Day Festival will be held in Centennial Park on Saturday, April 18.

The Country Music Marathon will be held on Saturday, April 25 with Centennial Park being used as the starting venue.

The Iroquois Steeplechase is scheduled for Saturday, May 9 in Warner Park.

XIV. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

The budget presentation before Mayor Dean was held today at 10:00 am and the presentation before Council is scheduled for Thursday, May 28 at 5:30 pm.

The Spring Induction Ceremony of the Walk of Fame will be held on Sunday, April 26 in Hall of Fame Park.

Paul Widman and Shari Barkin accepted an invitation from the NRPA to give a presentation on the partnership between Vanderbilt and Metro Parks at Coleman Regional Center at their National Conference in Salt Lake City.

XV. ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Fossick suggested that the Naming Policy be revisited and named Ivanetta Davis Samuels as the chair of this committee with Justice Birch and Tonya Jones assisting.

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

Mr. Roy E. Wilson, Director

Mr. Stan Fossick, Chairperson