

METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

May 5, 2009

A meeting of the Board of Parks and Recreation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee was held on Tuesday, May 5, 2009 at 1:30 pm in the Centennial Park Boardroom, 2565 Park Plaza, Nashville, TN. Board members present were: Mr. Stan Fossick, Justice A. A. Birch, Jr., Ms. Ivanetta Davis Samuels, Mr. James Lawson, and Ms Karen Johnson.

Staff present were: Assistant Directors: Mr. James Gray/Finance and Administration, Mr. Mike Bays/Consolidated Maintenance, Mr. Paul Widman/Recreation, Mr. Curt Garrigan/Planning and Facilities, Mr. Tommy Lynch/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 APRIL 7, 2009 APPROVED

Upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lawson, the Board approved the minutes of the board meeting held Tuesday, April 7, 2009.

VI. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

VII. INTRODUCTION OF STAFF, NEW EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS

VIII. METRO COUNCIL REFERRALS

IX. OLD BUSINESS:

11-08-03

BOARD GRANTS CONSIDERATION OF THE HOT AIR BALLOON LAUNCHING PROPOSAL AS A PILOT PROJECT FOR ONE YEAR

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, the board granted approval to a Hot Air Balloon Launching Proposal as presented by Mr. Michael Brent (Nashville Balloon Group) as a "pilot project" to be revisited and, if necessary, amended after one year. Please note that Harpeth Knoll will not be included as a substitute site for Madison Park. However, a location in Two Rivers Parks (open space between Two Rivers Mansion and Two Rivers Middle School) was identified and recommended to members of ballooning group to inspect for future use. The current parks agreed upon are:

Elmington Park –Central Davidson County
Cane Ridge – Southern Davidson County
Warner Park – Western Davidson County
Cedar Hill Park – Northern Davidson County
Site yet to be determined in eastern Davidson County

IX. OLD BUSINESS:

11-08-03 (con't.)

BOARD GRANTS CONSIDERATION OF THE HOT AIR BALLOON LAUNCHING PROPOSAL AS A PILOT PROJECT FOR ONE YEAR

The board did not agree to a blanket annual permit, but they did agree to review and approve requests on a case by case basis. Park staff members will discuss the permitting procedure in order to simplify the process for each party and will inform ballooning group of the method chosen to secure permits.

04-09-51

BOARD APPROVES DONATION OF NEW STARTING BLOCKS, SOUND SYSTEM FROM VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY FOR USE IN THE NATATORIUM OF THE THOMAS FRIST CENTENNIAL SPORTSPLEX

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

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson the board approved a donation of new starting blocks, sound system, etc. from Vanderbilt University for use at the Thomas Frist Centennial Sportsplex in exchange for the right to place signage stating *Home of the Vanderbilt Commodore Women's Swim Team* in the Natatorium. This request is consistent with board policy and the board requested that the Planning and Facilities Division of Metro Parks approve said signage before placement.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

05-09-01

BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MS. BETH WEATHERS FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A WEDDING CEREMONY/RECEPTION TO BE HELD IN THE SUNKEN GARDENS AND EVENT SHELTER OF CENTENNIAL PARK ON SUNDAY, MAY 10, 2009

An application submitted by Ms. Beth Weathers requesting permission for amplification during a wedding ceremony and reception on Sunday, May 10, 2009, 1:30 – 4:30 pm, in the Sunken Gardens and 8:00 am – 10:30 pm in the Event Shelter of Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, 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

05-09-02

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MS. SARAH BARNES
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A WEDDING CEREMONY/RECEPTION
TO BE HELD IN THE SUNKEN GARDENS AND EVENT SHELTER
OF CENTENNIAL PARK ON SUNDAY, MAY 31, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Sarah Barnes requesting permission for amplification during a wedding ceremony and reception on Sunday, May 31, 2009, 3:00 – 6:00 pm, in the Sunken Gardens and 6:00 – 10:30 pm in the Event Shelter of Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, 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.

05-09-03

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MS. JENNY HAYES AND MR. BLAKE HOWARD
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A WEDDING REHEARSAL DINNER
TO BE HELD IN THE EVENT SHELTER
OF CENTENNIAL PARK ON FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Jenny Hayes and Mr. Blake Howard requesting permission for amplification during a wedding rehearsal dinner on Friday, June 26, 2009, 7:00 – 11:00 pm, at the Event Shelter of Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, 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.

05-09-04

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MS. SARAH PERRICONE
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A WEDDING CEREMONY/RECEPTION
TO BE HELD IN THE SUNKEN GARDENS AND EVENT SHELTER
OF CENTENNIAL PARK ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 1, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Sarah Perricone requesting permission for amplification during a wedding ceremony/reception on Wednesday, July 1, 2009, 6:00 – 9:00 pm, in the Sunken Gardens and Event Shelter of Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, 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

05-09-05

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MS. SARA ELIZABETH PARKER
AND MR. ROD ASSOUS FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A WEDDING CEREMONY
TO BE HELD IN THE SUNKEN GARDENS OF CENTENNIAL PARK
ON SATURDAY, JULY 18, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Sara Elizabeth Parker and Mr. Rod Assous requesting permission for amplification during a wedding ceremony on Saturday, July 18, 2009, 6:00 – 8:00 pm, in the Sunken Gardens of Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, 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.

05-09-06

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MS. SARAH HARMON
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A WEDDING CEREMONY
TO BE HELD IN THE SUNKEN GARDENS OF CENTENNIAL PARK
ON SUNDAY, JULY 5, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Sarah Harmon requesting permission for amplification during a wedding ceremony on Sunday, July 5, 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 Justice Birch, 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.

05-09-07

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

An application submitted by Ms. Kendra Brown requesting permission for amplification during a wedding ceremony on Saturday, June 27, 2009, 12:00 – 2:00 pm, in the Sunken Gardens of Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, 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

05-09-08

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MS. KENDRA BROWN
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A WEDDING CEREMONY
TO BE HELD IN THE EVENT SHELTER OF CENTENNIAL PARK
ON SUNDAY, MAY 24, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Christina Duncan requesting permission for amplification during a wedding ceremony on Sunday, May 24, 2009, 11:00 – 5:00 pm, in the Event Shelter of Centennial Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, 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.

05-09-09

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO THE FRIENDS OF SHELBY PARK, INC.
TO HOST THE HOT CHICKEN FESTIVAL IN EAST PARK
ON SATURDAY, JULY 4, 2009 WITH AMPLIFICATION
AND PERMISSION TO CONSUME ALCOHOL**

An application submitted by Vice Mayor Diane Neighbors, representing the Friends of Shelby Park, Inc., requesting permission for sound amplification and to serve beer during the 3rd Annual Hot Chicken Festival in East Park on Saturday, July 4, 2009 from the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, the Board unanimously approved this request for amplification and to consume alcohol contingent upon applicant acquiring all appropriate permits from the Metropolitan Beer board and/or the Alcoholic Beverage Commission and subject to compliance of the following board policy in this regard:

- 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 Officer must be hired to control and secure the area.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

05-09-09(con't.)

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO THE FRIENDS OF SHELBY PARK, INC.
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AND PERMISSION TO CONSUME ALCOHOL**

- 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.

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

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, the board approved request alcohol consumption contingent on meeting established guidelines and amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel.

05-09-10

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF GALAXY STAR DRUG AWARENESS
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A FAMILY PICNIC
TO BE HELD AT THE HADLEY PARK BANDSHELL ON SATURDAY, JULY 4, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Mary Horn, representing Galaxy Star Drug Awareness, requesting permission to host the ***"Come together 4th of July Against Violence"*** family picnic on Saturday, July 4, 2009, 2:00 – 8:00 pm, at the Hadley Park bandshell was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, 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.

05-09-11

**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 Mr. Jason Fletcher, representing OutCentral, Inc., requesting permission to host a fundraising walk/run on the Shelby Bottoms Greenway on Saturday, June 20, 2009, 7:00 – 10:00 am, in Shelby Park was presented to the board.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

05-09-11(con't.)

**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**

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, 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.

05-09-12

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MS. JENNIFER JOHNSON
TO HOST A GRADUATION PICNIC WITH AMPLIFICATION TO BE HELD IN THE
PARK SPACE ADJACENT TO ANTIOCH COMMUNITY CENTER
ON SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Jennifer Johnson requesting permission for amplification during a graduation picnic on Saturday, May 16, 2009, 1:00 – 7:00 pm, in the park space adjacent to Antioch Community Center was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, 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.

05-09-13

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF FINISH LINE RACE MANAGEMENT
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A JULY 4TH 5K RUN
TO BE HELD IN HALL OF FAME PARK ON SATURDAY, JULY 4, 2009**

An application submitted by Mr. Emmit Martin, representing Finish Line Race Management, requesting permission for amplification during a July 4th 5K Run on Saturday, July 4, 2009, 5:00 – 11:00 am, in Hall of Fame Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, 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

05-09-14

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MS. DANA ESKRIDGE
TO HOST A FAMILY REUNION PICNIC WITH AMPLIFICATION TO BE HELD
AT PICNIC AREA 5 IN TWO RIVERS PARK ON SATURDAY, JULY 4, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Dana Eskridge requesting permission for amplification during a family reunion on Saturday, July 4, 2009, 9:00 am – 6:00 pm, at picnic area 5 in Two Rivers Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, 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.

05-09-15

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MS. MARILYN ROBINSON TO HOST THE
3RD ANNUAL NAACP NASHVILLE BRANCH STONE SOUL PICNIC/RADIOTHON
WITH AMPLIFICATION TO BE HELD AT THE CENTENNIAL PARK EVENT
SHELTER AND ADJACENT GREENSPACE ON SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Marilyn Robinson, NAACP Nashville Branch, requesting permission to host the 3rd Annual NAACP Nashville Branch Stone Soul Picnic and Radio-thon on Sunday, June 28, 2009, 12:00 – 6:00 pm, at the Centennial Park Event Shelter and adjacent greenspace was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, 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.

05-09-16

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF ASSORTED CHOCOLATES MOTORCYCLE
CLUB FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A PICNIC TO BE HELD AT SEVEN OAKS
PARK PICNIC SHELTER ON SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Tonya Yokley, representing Assorted Chocolates Motorcycle Club, requesting permission for amplification during a picnic on Saturday, June 20, 2009, 12:00 – 3:00 pm, at the Seven Oaks Park Picnic Shelter was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, 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

05-09-17

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE FAMILY FOUNDATION FUND
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A FUNDRAISING 5K RUN TO BE HELD AT
THE SHELBY BOTTOMS GREENWAY ON SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Michel Jones, representing the Family Foundation Fund, requesting permission to host a fundraising 5K race on Saturday, June 27, 2009, 5:00 – 9:30 am, at the Shelby Bottoms Greenway was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, 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.

05-09-18

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE METRO WATER SERVICES
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING THE 2ND ANNUAL CUMBERLAND RIVER SWIM
TO BE HELD AT THE GEORGE W. REICHARDT DOCK AND
THE EAST BACK GREENWAY ON THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Sonia Harvat, representing Metro Water Services, requesting permission to host the 2nd annual Cumberland River Swim with amplification on Thursday, June 25, 2009, 4:00 – 6:30 pm, at the George W. Reichardt Dock and the East Bank Greenway was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, 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.

05-09-19

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MS. CAROLYN JACKSON
TO HOST A FAMILY REUNION PICNIC WITH AMPLIFICATION
ON SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2009 IN WATKINS PARK**

An application submitted by Ms. Carolyn Jackson, requesting permission for amplification during a family reunion on Saturday, June 27, 2009, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm, in Watkins Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, 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

05-09-20

BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF NIKKI THOMPSON MINISTRIES TO HOST YOUTH RALLIES WITH AMPLIFICATION IN PARKWOOD PARK ON SATURDAY, MAY 23 AND IN HARTMAN PARK ON SATURDAY, MAY 30, 2009

An application submitted by Ms. Nikki Thompson, representing Nikki Thompson Ministries, requesting permission for amplification during youth rallies to be held, 12:00 – 2:00 pm, on the greenspace of Parkwood Park on Saturday, May 23, and on the greenspace of Hartman Park on Saturday, May 30, 2009 was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, 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.

05-09-21

BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MARLON KNIGHT TO HOST AN ANTI-VIOLENCE YOUTH RALLY WITH AMPLIFICATION AT THE HADLEY PARK BANDSHELL ON SATURDAY, MAY 23, 2009

An application submitted by Mr. Marlon Knight, requesting permission for amplification at an anti-violence youth rally on Saturday, May 23, 2009, 12:00 – 5:00 pm at the bandshell in Hadley Park was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, 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.

05-09-22

BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MS. WANDA HOWARD FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A BABY SHOWER TO BE HELD IN THE SUNKEN GARDENS OF CENTENNIAL PARK ON FRIDAY, MAY 17, 2009

An application submitted by Ms. Wanda Howard requesting permission to host a baby shower with amplification on Friday, May 17, 2009, 3:00 – 8:00 pm, at the Centennial Park Event Shelter was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, 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

05-09-23

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF WALTER RODGERS, JR. TO HOST
A CHURCH EVENT WITH AMPLIFICATION
AT THE HADLEY PARK BANDSHELL ON SATURDAY, JUNE 25, 2009**

An application submitted by Mr. Walter Rodgers, Jr., representing New Life Ministries, requesting permission for amplification during a church event on Saturday, July 25, 2009, 10:00 am – 6:30 pm, at the Hadley Park Bandshell was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, 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.

05-09-24

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF JAMES D. CLAY TO HOST
A WORSHIP AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH COOKOUT WITH AMPLIFICATION
AT THE HADLEY PARK BANDSHELL ON MONDAY, MAY 25, 2009**

An application submitted by Mr. James D. Clay, representing Saint James MBC, requests permission for amplification during a worship and community outreach cookout on Monday, May 25, 2009, 10:00 am – 6:00 pm, at the Hadley Park Bandshell.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, 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.

05-09-25

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MOTHERS AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A FUNDRAISING 5K WALK
TO BE HELD IN CENTENNIAL PARK ON SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Alexanderia Honeycutt, representing Mothers Against Drunk Driving, requesting permission for amplification during a fundraising 5K walk in Centennial Park, 8:30 – 11:30 am on Saturday, June 27, 2009 was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, 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

05-09-26

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A CONCERT TO BE HELD AT
THE CENTENNIAL PARK BANDSHELL ON FRIDAY, MAY 29, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Lisa Williams, representing Mt. Zion Baptist Church, requesting permission for amplification during a concert on Friday, May 29, 2009, 7:00 – 10:00 pm, at the Centennial Park Bandshell was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, 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.

05-09-27

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF DIMPLES SIMPSON FOR AMPLIFICATION
DURING A GRADUATION PICNIC TO BE HELD
AT THE CENTENNIAL PARK PICNIC PAVILION ON SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2009**

An application submitted by Ms. Dimples Simpson requesting permission for amplification during a graduation picnic on Sunday, May 17, 2009, 3:00 – 9:00 pm, at the Centennial Park Picnic Pavilion was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, 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.

05-09-28

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO THE AMERICAN ARTISAN, INC. TO HOST
THE 39TH ANNUAL AMERICAN ARTISAN FESTIVAL IN CENTENNIAL PARK
ON FRIDAY, JUNE 19, SATURDAY, JUNE 20, AND SUNDAY, JUNE 21, 2009
WITH AMPLIFICATION**

An application submitted by Ms. Nancy Saturn, representing The American Artisan, Inc. requesting permission for amplification during the 39th Annual American Artisan Festival in Centennial Park, 9:00 am – 7:30 pm, Friday, June 19, Saturday, June 20 and Sunday, June 21, 2009 was presented to the board.

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

XI. NEW BUSINESS:

05-09-29

**BOARD DEFERS REQUEST TO NAME THE TOWERS OVERLOOKING
PUBLIC SQUARE PARK FOR THOMAS SHRIVER TO THE
BOARD'S NAMING COMMITTEE**

Judge Walter Kurtz and District Attorney Torry Johnson were present to request permission to name the tower overlooking Public Square Park for Thomas Shriver from the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Justice Birch, the board deferred this request to the board's naming committee and will be presented to said committee at 12:30 pm preceding the June 2nd board meeting. This committee will make recommendation to the full board at the June meeting.

05-09-30

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO CHATMAN AND THOMAS PROMOTIONS TO
HOST THE BROWN BAG LUNCH SPECIAL CONCERT SERIES BIWEEKLY WITH
AMPLIFICATION AT THE CENTENNIAL PARK BANDSHELL ON FRIDAYS
BEGINNING AT THE END OF MAY AND ENDING IN AUGUST 2009**

Ms. Pam Thomas, representing Chatman and Thomas Promotions, was present to request permission for use of the Centennial Park Bandshell to host the **Brown Bag Lunch Special** Concert Series biweekly on Fridays, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm, during the Spring, Summer and Fall months.

Upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Lawson, the board unanimously approved request to host the **Brown Bag Lunch Special** Concert Series biweekly on Fridays, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm, May through August, at the Centennial Park Bandshell. 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.

05-09-31

**BOARD DEFERS REQUEST TO LOCATE A SMALL OCTAGONAL MEMORIAL
GAZEBO ADJACENT TO THE MARGARET LINDSLEY WARDEN PONY RING IN
THE EQUESTRIAN AREA OF PERCY WARNER PARK**

Ms. Mary Ella Burke and Ms. May Dean Eberling were present to request permission to locate a small octagonal memorial gazebo adjacent to the Margaret Lindsley Warden Pony Ring in the equestrian area of Percy Warner Park for use as a shaded public viewing area for the ring from the board.

Upon motion of Justice Birch, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board deferred this request to the board's acquisition committee and will be presented to said committee at 1:00 pm preceding the June 2nd board meeting. This committee will make recommendation to the full board at the June meeting.

XI. NEW BUSINESS:

05-09-32

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO THE PARMER SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
TO HOST AN ALL SCHOOL REUNION IN PARMER PARK
ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2009 WITH AMPLIFICATION
AND PERMISSION TO CONSUME ALCOHOL**

Ms. Beth O'Shea, representing the Parmer School Alumni Association, was present to requests permission to host an all school reunion with amplification and consumption of alcoholic beverages on Saturday, September 12, 2009, 5:00 – 11:00 pm, in Parmer Park from the board.

Upon motion of Ms. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Davis-Samuels, the board unanimously approved request for amplification and to serve alcohol during an all school reunion on Saturday, September 12, 2009 in Parmer Park subject to compliance of the following board policy in this regard:

- 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 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.

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

XI. NEW BUSINESS:

05-09-33

BOARD APPROVES APPLICATION AND ULTIMATE ACCEPTANCE OF FUNIDING OF A GRANT CONTRACT FOR ONE MILLION DOLLARS FOR THE CUMBERLAND RIVER GREENWAY SYSTEM/TSU CONNECTOR

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Davis-Samuels, the board approved application and ultimate acceptance of funding of a grant contract submitted by Shain Dennison for \$1 million in federal transportation funds through the Metropolitan Planning Organization and Tennessee Department of Transportation for the Cumberland River Greenway System/TSU Connector. Please note that this request is contingent on the Metro Legal and Finance

05-09-34

BOARD APPROVES APPLICATION AND ULTIMATE ACCEPTANCE OF FUNIDING FROM THE NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE EMERGENCY WATERSHED PROTECTION FLOODPLAIN EASEMENT PROGRAM FOR CONSERVATION EASEMENTS

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Ms. Johnson, the board approved application and ultimate acceptance of funding from the Natural Resources Conservation Service Emergency Watershed Protection Floodplain Easement Program for Conservation Easements.

This program is aimed primarily at private sector landowners and farmers, but consideration will potentially be given to government projects with no local match required. There will be no obligations on Metro Parks until notification of eligibility from the NRCS is received and a contract offered.

If funds are provided by NRSC, Metro Parks will have to develop a management plan for the floodplain, which would permit trail development, passive recreation and natural revegetation.

XII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS FROM STAFF

Community Garden Update

Paul Widman reported that this summer we have one person assigned to coordinate all hands on assistance with regard to community gardening.

Shelby Park Master Plan/Miracle League Update

Curt Garrigan reported that the 3rd public meeting with regard to the Shelby Park Master Plan was held on April 23 and all meetings have proven to be very positive with the next meeting scheduled for June 11. Curt Garrigan will present the complete Shelby Park Master Plan to the board at their June meeting.

XIII. UPCOMING SPECIAL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS—Public Information Staff—no report

XIV. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

Update on E. S. Rose Park/Belmont University Collaborative Project

Mr. Jason Rogers representing Belmont University and ClayCo representatives James Kelly and Mark Spruill were present to report to the board and answer any questions the board might have with reference to this proposed athletic facility. Mr. Fossick stated that no board action was necessary as this was an update on the project.

Mr. Kelly reported that the design is very similar in nature to what was approved. The fields (baseball, soccer and softball) are of division 1 specifications with the softball field being all natural with minor surface field changes. The back of the baseball infield is synthetic and the outfield is a natural surface. There will be a small concession facility which will house restrooms and locker rooms. Two basketball courts will be constructed new (courts are now asphalt and new courts will also be asphalt). The existing pavilions will remain. A greater number of trees than in the original plan will be saved because stormwater initiated reconfiguration of the area. There will be two weeks of blasting in 3 sequences and this will occur when school is not in session.

Mr. Rogers reported that approximately 250 parking spaces will be available. There will be no permanent signage referencing Belmont on park property; it will be game day only. The area principals are very supportive of the project. The board expressed their appreciation to Mr. Rogers, Mr. Kelly and Mr. Spruill.

Mr. Wilson reported:

- The Summer Enrichment Program at Coleman Regional Center reached maximum enrollment within one hour. It was reported that parents camped in the parking area of the center in order to insure that their children would be enrolled.
- An event supporting National Tourism Week has been scheduled for Public Square Park on Tuesday, May 19 beginning at 4:30 pm and Mayor Dean will speak at 5:30 pm.
- A listing of all summer concerts in the park will be distributed to board members.
- Encouraged all board members to visit Beaman Nature Center.
- The Convention and Visitors Bureau has been approached with regard to filming of the intro to ESPN's Monday Night Football. More details will be brought to the board in June.

XIV. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Fossick reminded all board members of Parks' budget presentation before Metro Council scheduled for Thursday, May 28 at 5:30 pm.

XV. ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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

Mr. Roy E. Wilson, Director

Mr. Stan Fossick, Chairperson