

METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION

**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
JUNE 7, 2011**

A meeting of the Board of Parks and Recreation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee was held on Tuesday, June 7, 2011 at 12:00 pm in the Centennial Park Boardroom, 2565 Park Plaza, Nashville, TN. Board members present were: Ms. Ivanetta Davis Samuels, Mr. Stan Fossick, Mr. James Lawson, Mr. Charles McTorry, Mr. George Anderson, Ms. Tonya Jones and Ms. Kay Simmons.

Staff present were: Assistant Directors: Mr. Mike Bays, Consolidated Maintenance Mr. Tim Netsch, Planning/Facilities Management; Mr. Paul Widman, Recreation; Mr. Bob Parrish, Superintendent of Resource Management; Ms. Shain Dennison, Superintendent of Parks-Greenways; Ms. Monique Odom, Budget Analyst and **Ms. Nicki Eke, Metro Government Legal Counsel**. Ms. Jackie Jones, Superintendent of Parks-Public Information and Captain Chris Taylor, Park Police were not in attendance

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD May 3, 2011 APPROVED

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Fossick, the Board approved the minutes of the board meeting held Tuesday, May 3, 2011.

VI. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

VII. INTRODUCTION OF STAFF, NEW EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS

VIII. METRO COUNCIL REFERRALS

IX. OLD BUSINESS

07-09-35

**BOARD APPROVES LONG TERM PERMIT TO DR. GLENN McCOMBS
TO HOUSE A FLOATING ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE LAB
ON THE EAST BANK DOCK**

Dr. Glenn McCombs was present to request permission from the board to enter into a one year permit for use of the dock on the East Bank to house the Urban Explorer, a floating environmental science lab/education/research vessel that would provide educational experiences in environmental science by engaging Nashville youth and adults in a real world context.

Upon motion of Ms. Jones, seconded by Mr. Lawson and based upon acquisition committee recommendation, the board approved this request to enter a permit for use of the dock on the East Bank to house the Urban Explorer, a floating environmental science lab/education/research vessel contingent upon following recommendations.

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07-09-35 (con't.)

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1. Permit to begin at the completion of the Urban Explorer remodel phase and its launch (anticipated no earlier than August 1, 2011) with the understanding that schedule flexibility may be required as it pertains to Adventure Play Park and Nabrico completion at the discretion of Parks and/or MDHA. Renewal shall be subject to the mutual agreement of the Parks Department and Urban Explorer.
2. Permit is limited to docking space as well as the fenced area formerly occupied by the Naval Reserve Building (land only for 2-3 months) in Shelby Park. Naval Reserve area will serve as a dry-dock location to repair/remodel the Urban Explorer vessel and to provide a site for potential participation by local community center your.
3. Explorer shall be responsible for the cost and maintenance of any necessary improvements to support the vessel and/or program, including lighting, security fencing, electrical service, cleats, etc., subject to staff approval. The permittee shall not have exclusive use of the dock facility. The design and construction of the future docks to accommodate the vessel is subject to further review and consideration by MDHA, which is responsible for implementing the Riverfront Redevelopment Plan.
4. Access to and operation of the dock may be restricted or prohibited during special events and stadium event days or other times determined by Metro Parks. If determined necessary by Metro Parks, the permit should agree to remove the vessel from the premises. Metro Parks should provide as much notice as possible, subject to normal requests and event processing for downtown parks and docks. Vehicular access and parking shall be restricted during stadium event days and may be restricted or limited during other special events.
5. Urban Explorer must provide liability insurance as determined by the Metro Legal Department.
6. Urban Explorer must obtain all other agency approvals and permits necessary to operate the program on the Cumberland River (Coast Guard, Corps of Engineers, etc.) and within the designated "Stadium Site" prior to issuance of a permit.
7. Urban Explorer should report on a quarterly basis the number of participants and programs operated for the benefit of Metro schools, parks, or other agencies.

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8. Implementation of the Riverfront Redevelopment Plan may necessitate the termination or modification of the permit. While every attempt will be made to accommodate dock users, the permit holder will not be guaranteed a replacement facility nor reimbursed for any costs associated with the removal or closure of the docks. The permit holder should agree to remove the vessel from the premises as requested to accommodate construction activities associated with riverfront redevelopment implementation activities.

04-11-39

**AMENDMENT OF CURRENT CHARTER PROVISION 13.24.390 WITH REGARD
TO ADVERTISING IN METRO PARKS DEFERRED INDEFINITELY**

At the request of Mr. Lynch, Interim Director of Metro Parks, the Board deferred Indefinitely previous notice to direct the Metro Legal Department to compose legislation to amend current charter provision 13.24.390 which disallows advertising in Metro Parks.

05-11-24

**BOARD ACCEPTS DONATION OF PROPERTY CURRENTLY KNOWN
AS MADISON CIVIC PARK FROM MADISON CIVIC CLUB**

Correspondence from Mr. Howard Caruthers, representing the Madison Civic Club, requesting the Board to accept donated property known as the Madison Civic Park to Metro Parks with the request that the park be named for Fred Brake, former Metro Parks employee and caretaker of the park for over 30 years was presented to the board for approval.

Councilmember Jim Forkum and Mr. Bill Pridemore attended the Board's acquisition committee meeting to represent this request also. Councilmember Forkum stated that this 11 acre park located at 512, 514, and 516 Nawakwa Trail in Madison, Tennessee has been in the community for 70 years and utilized for youth baseball

Upon motion of Ms. Jones, seconded by Mr. Fossick, and based upon recommendation by the Board's acquisition committee, the board unanimously accepted this property and agreed that the name of the athletic field, Fred Brake Field, will be retained and at the appropriate time will be considered as the permanent name for the park.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

05-11-26

BOARD APPROVES ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT THOMPSON LANE AND OLD GLENROSE AVENUE FOR PARK AND GREENWAY PURPOSES

Upon motion of Ms. Jones, seconded by Mr. Anderson and based upon acquisition committee recommendation, the board unanimously approved acquisition of 4.09 acres located at Thompson Lane and Old Glenrose Avenue for park/greenway purposes and acceptance of a donation in the amount of \$25,000 to be used toward the acquisition from The Conservation Fund. The donation of \$25,000 is a pass through grant from Piedmont Natural Gas Company.

This property is the former Dairy King site on Mill Creek which suffered extensive damage in the May, 2010 flood. Metro was unable to permit renovations post flood, as the property is in the floodway. Because the property has commercial zoning (CS) it did not qualify for the buyout program. Therefore, the business was relocated, and owners, Jeffrey Jones and Thelma Jones, offered to sell the property to Metro for park land. The purchase price is \$105,000, of which \$80,000 will be from existing Mill Creek Greenway funds and \$25,000 will be donated by The Conservation Fund. (The property, two parcels combined, appraised for \$126,000).

Metro Parks has a greenway easement on the property, between Old Glenrose and the creek, which was donated previously for the greenway trailhead and canoe access just completed. Acquisition is consistent with the Parks and Greenways Master Plan toward meeting the area's park land deficit and is also consistent with the Open Space Plan for conservation of additional floodplain, green space and Nashville Crayfish habitat buffer area. Acquisition will enable establishment of a park between Thompson Lane and the I24 East overpass, including connection across the creek to the FEMA buyout properties at Wimpole Drive. In addition to trails, the site will be conducive to rugby and/or soccer uses.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

06-11-01

BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF OLIVE BRANCH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH TO HOST A FUNDRAISING EVENT WITH AMPLIFICATION AT CANE RIDGE PARK PICNIC SHELTER #1 ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2011

An application submitted by Tyrus and Rholanda Smartt, representing Olive Branch Missionary Baptist Church, requesting permission to host a fundraising event, **Stacy B. Windrow Annual 5K Fun Run and Walk**, with amplification in Cane Ridge Park Picnic Shelter #1, 8:00 am – 12:00 pm, on Saturday, September 10, 2011 was presented to the board for approval.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

06-11-01 (con't.)

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF OLIVE BRANCH MISSIONARY
BAPTIST CHURCH TO HOST A FUNDRAISING EVENT WITH AMPLIFICATION
AT CANE RIDGE PARK PICNIC SHELTER #1
ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2011**

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Anderson, 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 with a financial report to be submitted no later than 30 days following event.

06-11-02

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MS. SARAH BENNIU FOR
AMPLIFICATION DURING A WEDDING CEREMONY IN THE SUNKEN GARDEN
AND RECEPTION TO BE HELD AT THE EVENT SHELTER
OF CENTENNIAL PARK ON SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 2011**

An application submitted by Ms. Sarah Benniu requesting permission for amplification during a wedding ceremony and reception on Sunday, June 12, 2011, 4:00 – 7:00 pm in the Centennial Park Sunken Garden and 4:00 – 9:00 pm in the Centennial Event Shelter was presented to the board for approval.

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

06-11-03

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES FOR
AMPLIFICATION DURING A SUMMER RETREAT TO BE HELD IN
THE CENTENNIAL PARK EVENT SHELTER ON FRIDAY, JULY 8, 2011**

An application submitted by Ms. Tricia Reinhard, representing Family and Children's Services, requesting permission for amplification during a summer retreat on Friday, July 8, 2011, 8:00 am – 3:00 pm, at the Centennial Park Event Shelter was presented to the board for approval.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Anderson, the Board approved 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

06-11-04

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MS. LAUREN GRIGGS FOR
AMPLIFICATION DURING A WEDDING CEREMONY TO BE HELD IN
THE CENTENNIAL PARK SUNKEN GARDEN ON SUNDAY, JUNE 10, 2011**

An application submitted by Ms. Lauren Griggs requesting permission for amplification during a wedding ceremony on Sunday, June 10, 2011, 3:30 – 8:30 pm, in the Centennial Park Sunken Garden was presented to the board for approval.

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

06-11-05

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF CALVARY BIBLE CHURCH YOUTH GROUP
TO HOST A FUNDRAISING EVENT WITH AMPLIFICATION
IN CENTENNIAL PARK ON MONDAY, JULY 18, 2011**

An application submitted by Mr. Joseph Kuhlar, representing Calvary Bible Church Youth Group, requesting permission to host a fundraising event, *Ultimate Frisbee Tournament*, with amplification on the Parthenon Lawn of Centennial Park, 9:00 am – 8:00 pm, on Monday, July 18, 2011 was presented to the board for approval.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Anderson, 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 with a financial report to be submitted no later than 30 days following event.

06-11-06

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MS. BRANDI LIVINGSTON FOR
AMPLIFICATION DURING A WEDDING CEREMONY IN THE SUNKEN GARDEN
AND RECEPTION TO BE HELD AT THE EVENT SHELTER
OF CENTENNIAL PARK ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, 2011**

An application submitted by Ms. Brandi Livingston requesting permission for amplification during a wedding ceremony and reception on Sunday, August 21, 2011, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm in the Centennial Park Sunken Garden and 12:00 – 4:00 pm at the Centennial Event Shelter 2011 was presented to the board for approval.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Anderson, the Board approved 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

06-11-07

BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF HOSPITAL CORPORATION OF AMERICA FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING HCA'S GIVING CAMPAIGN KICKOFF TO BE HELD ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 AND DURING THE GIVING CAMPAIGN THANK YOU ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2011 AT THE CENTENNIAL PARK EVENT SHELTER

An application submitted by Ms. Leigh Clark, representing HCA, requesting permission for amplification during HCA's Giving Campaign Kickoff on Thursday, September 1, 2011, 8:00 – 11:00 am and during the Giving Campaign Thank You event on Thursday, October 6, 2011, 1:00 – 3:00 pm at the Centennial Event Shelter was presented to the board for approval.

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

06-11-08

BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF MR. JOHN BROWNER FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A WEDDING CEREMONY TO BE HELD IN THE CENTENNIAL PARK SUNKEN GARDEN ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2011

An application submitted by Mr. John Browner requesting permission for amplification during a wedding ceremony on Saturday, September 3, 2011, 11:00 am – 2:00 pm in the Centennial Park Sunken Garden was presented to the board for approval.

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

06-11-09

BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF EMMETT/ANITA PALMER FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A FAMILY REUNION TO BE HELD IN THE CENTENNIAL PARK EVENT SHELTER ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2011

An application submitted by Emmett and Anita Palmer requesting permission for amplification during a family reunion on Saturday, September 3, 2011, 10:00 am – 8:00 pm in the Centennial Park Event Shelter was presented to the board for approval.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Anderson, the Board approved 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

06-11-10

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF VETERANS SUPPORT ORG
TO HOST A FUNDRAISING EVENT WITH AMPLIFICATION AT THE
CENTENNIAL PARK EVENT SHELTER ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2011**

An application submitted by Mr. Fred Otey, representing Veterans Support Org, requesting permission to host a fundraising event, ***Tunnel to Towers Run***, with amplification, 7:00 – 11:00 am, on Sunday, September 11, 2011 at the Centennial Park Event Shelter was presented to the board for approval.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Anderson, 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 with a financial report to be submitted no later than 30 days following event.

06-11-11

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY MEDICAL
CENTER FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING AN EMPLOYEE PICNIC
TO BE HELD IN THE CENTENNIAL PARK EVENT SHELTER
ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2011**

An application submitted by Ms. Nanda Mineo, representing Vanderbilt University Medical Center – Informatics Center, requesting permission for amplification during an employee picnic on Friday, September 23, 2011, 7:00 am – 4:00 pm at the Centennial Park Event Shelter Shelter was presented for board approval.

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

06-11-12

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN
REVOLUTION FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A FLAG DAY CEREMONY
TO BE HELD IN THE NASHVILLE CITY CEMETERY
ON TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 2011**

An application submitted by Ms. Lattie Brown, representing Daughters of the American Revolution, requesting permission for amplification during a Flag Day Ceremony on Tuesday, June 14, 2011, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm adjacent to the grave of William Driver in the Nashville City Cemetery was presented to the board for approval.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Anderson, the Board approved 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

06-11-13

BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF VERNON, FOWLER AND FRANCIS TO HOST A FUNDRAISING EVENT WITH AMPLIFICATION AT THE FANNIE MAE DEES PICNIC SHELTER ON SATURDAY, JULY 23, 2011

An application submitted by Jaime Vernon, Andrea Fowler, and Hilary Francis requesting permission for amplification during a fundraising event, ***Three Cheers forEars: A Hearing Fun Fest*** on Saturday, July 23, 2011, 8:00 am – 2:30 pm at the picnic shelter in Fannie Mae Dees Park was presented to the board for approval.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Anderson, 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 with a financial report to be submitted no later than 30 days following event.

06-11-14

BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF FRIENDS OF FORT NEGLEY TO HOST A MEMBERSHIP DRIVE MEETING WITH THE CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL AND A FUNDRAISING EVENT WITH AMPLIFICATION AT FORT NEGLEY PARK

A request submitted by Mr. Larry Carter, representing Friends of Fort Negley, requesting permission to host the following events was presented to the board for approval.

- Permission to serve alcohol during a Membership Drive Meeting on Thursday, June 9, 5:00 – 7:00 pm, at the Fort Negley Visitor's Center.

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

- Permission to host a fundraising event, Civil War reenactment, with amplification on Saturday, September 24, 2011, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm at Fort Negley.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Anderson, 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 with a financial report to be submitted no later than 30 days following event.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

06-11-15

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO NEXT BIG NASHVILLE, LLC
TO HOST SOUNDLAND WITH ALCOHOL SALES/CONSUMPTION
TO BE HELD IN PUBLIC SQUARE PARK
ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 AND SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2011**

An application submitted by Mr. Jason Moon Wilkins, representing Next Big Nashville, LLC, requesting permission to host a music festival, **Soundland**, with amplification and alcohol consumption on Saturday, September 24 and Sunday, September 25, 2011, 12:00 – 10:30 pm, in Public Square Park was presented to the board for approval.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Anderson, the board approved this request contingent upon applicant acquiring all appropriate permits from the Metropolitan Beer Board and/or the Alcoholic Beverage Commission. The board also approved request to host a fundraiser with the understanding that a financial report must be submitted no later than 30 days following event.

06-11-16

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF TYWASKA DRIVER FOR
AMPLIFICATION DURING A PICNIC TO BE HELD IN SEVIER PARK
AT PICNIC SHELTER #1 ON SATURDAY, JULY 9, 2011**

An application submitted by Ms. Tywaska Driver requesting permission for amplification during a picnic on Saturday, July 9, 2011, 3:00 – 11:00 pm, at shelter #1 in Sevier Park was presented to the board for approval.

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

06-11-17

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF DONELSON HERMITAGE CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE TO HOST A FUNDRAISING RUN WITH AMPLIFICATION
BEGINNING AT MCGAVOCK HIGH SCHOOL AND CONTINUING ON
THE STONES RIVER GREENWAY ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2011**

An application submitted by Ms. Melynda Bounds, representing Donelson Hermitage Chamber of Commerce, requesting permission to host a fundraising 10K/5K run, **Donelson-Hermitage Dash**, with amplification on Saturday, November 5, 2011, 6:00 am – 1:00 pm, on the Stones River Greenway beginning at McGavock High School was presented to the board for approval.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

06-11-17 (con't.)

BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF DONELSON HERMITAGE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO HOST A FUNDRAISING RUN WITH AMPLIFICATION BEGINNING AT MCGAVOCK HIGH SCHOOL AND CONTINUING ON THE STONES RIVER GREENWAY ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2011

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Anderson, the board approved request to host a fundraiser with amplification with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and subject to monitoring by park personnel and a financial report must be submitted no later than 30 days following event.

06-11-18

BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF HAKEEM HASAN FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A WEDDING TO BE HELD IN WARNER PARK AT PICNIC SHELTERS #10 AND #11 ON SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 2011

An application submitted by Mr. Hakeem Hasan requesting permission to host a wedding with amplification at picnic shelters 10 and 11 in Warner Park, 4 on Sunday, June 12, 2011 was presented to the board for approval.

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

XI. NEW BUSINESS

06-11-19

BOARD APPROVES THE BELLS BEND PARK SHOREBIRD POND FEASIBILITY STUDY AS PRESENTED BY LITTLEJOHN ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES

Mr. Jack Parker, representing Littlejohn Engineering Associates, and on behalf of The Friends of Bells Bend Park presented the Bells Bend Park Shorebird Pond Feasibility Study for approval of the board.

Mr. Parker stated that an 18 acre pond area utilizing existing topography as well as a 30 acre pond expanding to create more shorebird area will be considered. Mr. Bill Coble, representing The Friends of Bells Bend Park, was also in attendance and reported to the board that the estate of Mr. Ray Bell had funded the feasibility study.

Upon motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Lawson, the Board unanimously accepted and approved the Feasibility Study for the Bells Bend Park Shorebird Pond as presented.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

06-11-20

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF STAFF AND FRIENDS OF BELLS BEND PARK
TO PREPARE PROPOSAL FOR A WETLAND MITIGATION PROJECT
IN BELLS BEND PARK**

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Anderson, the Board unanimously granted permission to staff and The Friends of Bells Bend Park to prepare a proposal for an additional 10 acre wetland mitigation project in Bells Bend Park to be funded by the Tennessee Department of Transportation.

06-11-21

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE FRIENDS OF FORT NEGLEY TO
OBTAIN AT NO COST TO METRO TWO 30 LB. ORIGINAL PARROT CANNONS
TO BE DISPLAYED AT FORT NEGLEY**

Mr. Larry Carter, representing the Friends of Fort Negley, was present to request permission from the Board to obtain at no cost to Metro two (2) 30 lb. original Parrot Cannons for display purposes at Fort Negley.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Anderson, the board granted unanimous permission to the Friends of Fort Negley to obtain two (2) original 30 lb. Parrot Cannons and to display the guns (guns are 10'6" long and weigh 4250 pounds each) as they were in 1864 at Fort Negley.

Mr. Carter, on behalf of the Friends of Fort Negley, assured the board of the following :

- FOFN are prepared to raise money necessary to build the carriages and for the present day to have suitable mounting of the guns for display.
- transportation for the guns has already been arranged and donated by an individual who has the equipment required to handle the weight.
- Storage and security for the Guns has been arranged at no cost.

In 2010 an advisory committee of experts (historians, archeologists, etc.) was formed to help guide decision-making regarding planning and programming at Fort Negley; therefore, Parks requested that Friends of Fort Negley work with staff and the Fort Negley Advisory Committee regarding the placement of the cannons. Ms. Sandy Bivens, Metro Parks' staff member, will be the contact person with regard to this project.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

06-11-22

BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF SORBA TO HOST THE 9TH ANNUAL FAT TIRE FESTIVAL AND RACE WITH AMPLIFICATION, ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION AND PERMISSION TO REMAIN IN HAMILTON CREEK PARK OVERNIGHT SATURDAY, JUNE 25 THROUGH SUNDAY, JUNE 26, 2011

An application submitted by Mr. Tim Spencer, representing SORBA Middle Tennessee, requesting permission to host the **9th Annual Fat Tire Festival and Race** on Saturday, June 25 and Sunday, June 26, 2011 with amplification, alcohol consumption and permission to remain in Hamilton Creek Park overnight on Saturday, June 25, 2011 was presented to the board for approval.

Upon motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Ms. Simmons, the board unanimously approved this request to host the 9th Annual Hamilton Creek Fat Tire Festival with amplification, alcohol consumption (subject to following alcohol guidelines) and permission to remain in the park overnight on Saturday, June 25, 2011 at the Ned Shelton Trailhead in Hamilton Creek Park. Amplification has been approved with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and is subject to monitoring by park personnel. As per Board Policy we now ask that a financial statement be made available to us within 30 days following the event.

The following guidelines regarding consumption of alcohol adopted by the Board in August 2002 must be adhered to:

- 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.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

06-11-22 (con't.)

BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF SORBA TO HOST THE 9TH ANNUAL FAT TIRE FESTIVAL AND RACE WITH AMPLIFICATION, ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION AND PERMISSION TO REMAIN IN HAMILTON CREEK PARK OVERNIGHT SATURDAY, JUNE 25 THROUGH SUNDAY, JUNE 26, 2011

This approval is also contingent upon applicant acquiring all appropriate permits from the Metropolitan Beer Board and/or the Alcoholic Beverage Commission.

Because of the improvements and ongoing maintenance this group provides the mountain bike trails located in Hamilton Creek Park and the bicycle and trail safety education offered the Nashville community, SORBA's request to waive park usage fees for 2011 was granted.

06-11-23

BOARD ACCEPTS DONATED FUNDS OF \$60,000 FROM GREENWAYS FOR NASHVILLE

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Fossick, the board unanimously accepted up to \$60,000 in donated funds from Greenways for Nashville to be utilized for a boardwalk and associated amenities in Peeler Park.

06-11-24

BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF DOGS DESERVE BETTER FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING CHAIN OFF 2011 TO BE HELD IN WALK OF FAME PARK ON SATURDAY, JUNE 18, 2011

An application submitted by Ms. Rebecca Helwig, representing Dogs Deserve Better, Inc., requesting permission to host **Chain-Off 2011** with amplification on Saturday, June 18, 2011, 6:00 am to 6:00 pm, in Walk of Fame Park was presented to the board for approval.

Upon motion of Mr. Lawson, seconded by Mr. Fossick, the board unanimously approved request to host **Chain Off 2011** with amplification on Saturday, June 18, 2011, 6:00 am – 6:00 pm, in Walk of Fame Park. Amplification has been approved with the understanding that the sound not be disruptive to those in the surrounding area and is subject to monitoring by park personnel. Also, while the board appreciates efforts to promote awareness with regard to the issues and cruelty of chaining and/or penning a dog 24/7; however, if participants are actually being chained to doghouses board requests that they be willing and not openly being mistreated so as to not seem questionable to park patrons, especially children.

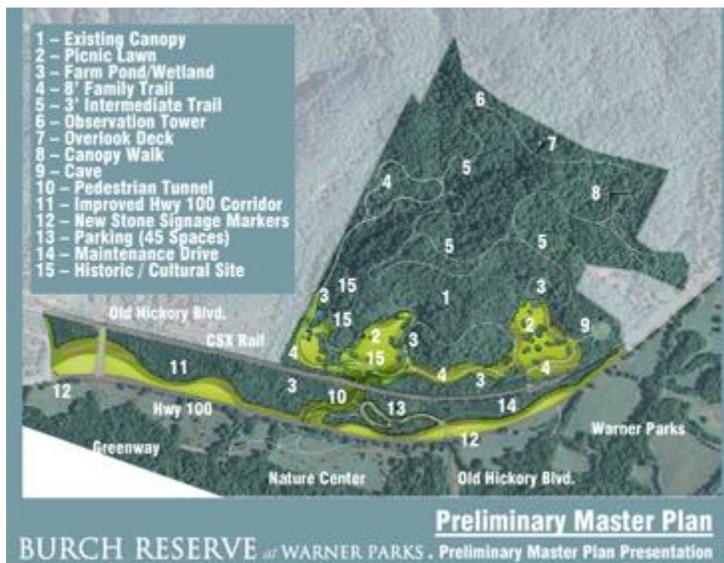
XI. NEW BUSINESS

06-11-25

**BOARD APPROVES MASTER PLAN FOR
THE BURCH RESERVE IN WARNER PARK**

Ms. Eleanor Willis, Executive Director of Friends of Warner Parks, and Jim Douglas, representing Hodgson and Douglas Landscape Architects were in attendance to present the Master Plan for the Burch Reserve to the board for their approval. (Consultants on the team include: Biohabitats, Inc., conservation planners; Barge Cauthen & Associates, Inc., civil engineers; and Professor Scott Torreano, Chair of the Department of Forestry and Geology at the University of the South.)

Friends of Warner Parks and the Metropolitan Board of Parks and Recreation named Hodgson & Douglas, LLC, as the lead firm to produce the Master Plan for the newly acquired 448-acre North Reserve Properties. The master plan was developed as a collaboration between FOWP and the Metropolitan Board of Parks and Recreation. Three public meeting were held during the planning process to solicit input from those interested in the project. The six-month planning process for the property concluded in May 2011. The plan will focus on how to connect the traditional Warner Park acreage with the North Reserve properties. Central to this master plan will be the conceptual placement of a pedestrian underpass that will ensure the safety of park visitors.



Features on the property include a 225-acre State Natural Area of old-growth forest, a year-round spring, multiple vernal creeks, four man-made spring fed ponds, a barn, a shed, a cave, and the highest point in the Warner Parks system. Mr. Douglas stated that the following planned amenities are a result of the three public meetings:

- Five miles of trails to connect Warner Park to the Burch Reserve.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

06-11-25 (con't.)

**BOARD APPROVES MASTER PLAN FOR
THE BURCH RESERVE IN WARNER PARK**

- Ponds to be restored for teaching tools, as well as a pond with an observation deck.
- Cave on the property will be utilized as a teaching means.
- Access from the Nature Center to the Burch Reserve.
- Trail through a wetland area
- Signage to advise of the historical and natural history of the park.
- Overlook tower with a 360° view.
- Canopy walk over a steep area of large trees to cause the feeling of being in the trees.

An underpass will be funded by an Enhancement Grant from the Tennessee Department of Transportation, with a 20% match from the city of Nashville. The grant of \$1,273,143 will be matched by \$318,286 from local funding, and will make possible the design and construction of a pedestrian underpass beneath Highway 100 and the CSX railroad track in Davidson County.

Upon motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. McTorry, the board unanimously approved the Master Plan for the Burch Reserve.

XII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS FROM STAFF

XIII. UPCOMING SPECIAL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS – Public Information Staff

Jackie Jones provided the following listing of upcoming park events:

The 3rd anniversary of the **Nashville Collaborative** is scheduled from noon – 2:00 p.m., Friday, June 10 at Coleman Community Center. Among other things, the event will feature dance performances, three internationally renowned chefs offering advice on healthy cooking, a luncheon and remarks from *Congressman Jim Cooper, Mayor Karl Dean, and Councilwoman Anna Page*. The Nashville Collaborative is a partnership between Metro Parks and the Department of Pediatrics at Vanderbilt University.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

XIII. UPCOMING SPECIAL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS (con't.)

Jackie Jones provided the following listing of upcoming park events:

The **Theater and Music Departments** and Arts in the Parks present *ROAR... a musical revue ...the flappers, the fringe, the jazz....The 20's!* The cast from our *Young Actors Program* dances and sings familiar favorites like *Button Up Your Overcoat*, *Ain't Misbehavin'*, and *Nobody Knows You When You're Down and Out*. Tickets are \$5 and available at the door or reservations can be made by calling 615-509-0247. The show plays at the Z. Alexander Looby Theater on June 17, 18, & 23, 24, 25 at 7:30 p.m. and on June 19 at 2:00 p.m.

The Centennial **Art Center Gallery** presents works by four area artists: paper sculptures by Dawn Hale; handmade paper 2-D works by Sharon Midgett; miniature art chairs and 3-D paper works by Lucian Nicholson, and mixed media with enamels on copper by Mimi Walsh. The exhibit runs June 3 through July 27. For more information log on to our website - www.nashville.gov/parks.

Currently at **The Parthenon** is an exhibit of large-scale color photography by nationally prominent nature photographer Byron Jorjorian. The exhibit, in cooperation with The Nature Conservancy, is running now August 20. Titled *Missing Nature*, the exhibit in the Parthenon's East Gallery will feature locations in Tennessee that have been protected by The Nature Conservancy.

Tomorrow's **Movies in the Park** features *Harry Potter*. The movie starts at sunset. **Movies in the Park** runs through June 29 at the Band Shell in Centennial Park. Other movies scheduled include: *Sherlock Holmes*, *Despicable Me*, and *Ferris Bueller's Day Off*.

Saturday, June 11th's **Musicians Corner** is a special CMA event with *Love and Theft*, *Sara Jean Kelly*, *the Henningsens*, *Heather Morgan*, *Andrew Combs*, and a special appearance by **Emmylou Harris**. Musician's Corner is free every Saturday in Centennial Park from 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., May 7th - July 2nd and Sept. 3rd - Nov. 5th.

Tales at Twilight is every Friday evening in June from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Red Caboose Amphitheater. The event features music, dance and magic. This Friday's featured entertainment is *Van Divas & Little Eagle Chinese Dancer*. The event is free.

Metro Parks' popular **Big Band Dances** continues this Saturday with the *J. Bradley Big Band*. The free dance/concerts are held every Saturday (except July 2) from June 4 to August 27 at the Event Shelter in Centennial Park. Free dance lessons sponsored by Dance World are taught at 7:00 and 8:30 p.m. The live music plays from 7:30 to 10:00 p.m.

XIII. UPCOMING SPECIAL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS (con't.)

Jackie Jones provided the following listing of upcoming park events:

International **FolkFest** performers will be visiting Middle Tennessee for a week this June. They will present a free evening concert at 7:00 p.m. in the Centennial Park Bandshell on Monday June 13. The audience will be treated to a colorful, high energy festival with musicians and dancers from the USA, Romania, Czech Republic and Puerto Rico.

Nashville Symphony performs at East Park on June 9th from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Fishing Rodeo at Shelby Park is scheduled on June 11th from 7 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The 41st Annual **American Artisan Festival** is scheduled for June 17 – 19 in Centennial Park

XIV. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Lynch reported on three (3) pertinent issues with regard to Metro Parks:

- Memorial Day event at Wave Country was the result of too many people trying to enter the facility at the one time and patrons becoming impatient with having to wait for admission. There will be more police presence and extra designated admission lines will be established to accommodate facility patrons throughout the summer.
- There has been a council request to reopen Hadley Park on Sunday afternoon to vehicular traffic; therefore, the gates will not be locked on Sunday, June 12th for assessment purposes (capacity of traffic and redesign of park).
- Incident at Movies in the Park has necessitated the following changes in Centennial Park on Wednesday nights during this event:
 - 1) Only vehicular entrance into park will be from 25th Avenue; all other entrances will be barricaded. One way traffic only in Centennial Park during event.
 - 2) Movie viewing area will be more defined.
 - 3) Park will be designated to Movies in the Park. Police will direct patrons into the park and park will be closed to visitors unless they are using walking trails or the dog park.

XIIV. ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Ms. Tonya Jones reported to the board that this is her final meeting as a parks board member. She announced that she is running for councilmember. Mr. Fossick thanked Ms. Jones for her hard work and expressed gratitude for her service on the board.

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

Thomas M. Lynch, Interim Director

Ivanetta Davis Samuels, Chairperson