

# **METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION**

## **MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING DECEMBER 6, 2011**

A meeting of the Board of Parks and Recreation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee was held on Tuesday, December 6, 2011 at 12:00 pm in the Centennial Park Boardroom, 2565 Park Plaza, Nashville, TN. Board members present were: Mr. James Lawson, Mr. George Anderson, Mr. Charles McTorry, and Ms. Kay Simmons. Ms. Ivanetta Davis Samuels, Mr. Stan Fossick, and Mr. Phil Ponder were not in attendance.

Staff present were: Assistant Directors: Mr. Mike Bays, Consolidated Maintenance; Mr. Paul Widman, Recreation; Special Projects Managers: Ms. Shain Dennison, Greenways; Mr. Jim Hester, Special Events; Mr. Tim Netsch, Planning/Facilities; Superintendents: Ms. Jackie Jones, Parks-Public Information; Ms. Monique Odom, Administration and Finance; Mr. Bob Parrish, Resource Management; Captain Chris Taylor, Park Police; and **Ms. Nicki Eke, representing the Metro Legal Department.**

### **MINUTES OF MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 1, 2011 APPROVED**

Upon motion of Mr. McTorry, seconded by Mr. Anderson, the Board approved the minutes of the board meeting held Tuesday, November 1, 2011.

#### **VI. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS**

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

##### **HEATHER GALLAGHER RECOGNIZED AS 2011 TENNESSEE ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR**

Mr. Lynch introduced Heather Gallagher to the board and reported that she was awarded the 2011 Tennessee Environmental Educator of the Year on September 24, 2011 from the Tennessee Environmental Education Association (TEEA). TEEA is a non-profit organization dedicated to implementation of promoting environmental education programs throughout Tennessee. Heather received this award for her unique talent for sharing her knowledge and love of nature at Warner Park and across the state.

#### **VIII. METRO COUNCIL REFERRALS**

#### **IX. OLD BUSINESS - NONE**

**X. CONSENT AGENDA**

**12-11-01**

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS TO RENEW THEIR PERMIT FOR FACILITY USE FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2012**

Upon motion of Mr. Anderson seconded by Ms. Simmons, the Board granted approval to the following organizations to renew Permit for Facility Use for a period of one year if they are in compliance with requirements of the permit.

**Cane Ridge Community Club**-building in Cecil Rhea Crawford Park  
**Charles Davis Foundation**-former Ted Rhodes Clubhouse  
**Charlotte Park Little League**-Charlotte Park ballfields  
**Flatrock Vols Youth Football League**-Cane Ridge Park  
**Hadley Park Tennis Club**-Hadley Park Tennis Center  
**Hadley Park Junior Development Tennis Program**-Hadley Park Tennis Center  
**Harpeth Youth Soccer** – Harpeth River Park Soccer Complex  
**Inglewood Panthers** – South Inglewood Park  
**Jess Neely Junior Athletic League** – 3 youth athletic fields in Shelby Park  
**Joelton Community Club**-Joelton-McDowell Community Park  
**Lakewood Dixie Youth** – Lakewood Park  
**Metropolitan Action Commission**-Dudley Community Center  
**Music City BMX**--BMX Track-Hamilton Creek Park  
**Nashville Amateur Baseball Association**-Seven Oaks Baseball Field  
**Nashville Amateur Radio Club**-Corps of Engineers Bldg/Lock II Park  
**Nashville Aquatic Club**-Centennial Sportsplex Aquatic Center  
**Nashville Metros**-Ezell Park Soccer Field  
**Nashville Old Timers Baseball Association**-Shelby Park Baseball Field  
**Nashville Sports League** – Paragon Mills Softball Field  
**Nashville Youth Soccer League**-Heartland Park Soccer Complex  
**RBI Association**-3 youth ballfields-Seven Oaks Park  
**Southern Off Road Bicycle Association**- Mountain Bike Trails in Hamilton Creek Park  
**Stones River Woman's Club**-Two Rivers Mansion  
**Una Recreation Center, Inc.**-youth football fields-Una Park  
**West Nashville Little League**-3 youth ballfields-West Park  
**West Nashville Sports League** – baseball and softball fields - Warner Park

**12-11-02**

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO THE MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF MIDDLE TENNESSEE TO HOST A FUNDRAISING EVENT WITH AMPLIFICATION ON SATURDAY, MARCH 24, 2012 IN CENTENNIAL PARK**

An application submitted by Ms. Nadine Oglesby, representing the Mental Health Association of Middle Tennessee, requesting permission to host a fundraising walk, with amplification, in Centennial Park beginning at the Event Shelter, 6:30 am – 12:00 pm, on Saturday, March 24, 2012 was presented to the board for approval.

Upon motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Ms. Simmons, 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 and a financial report must be submitted no later than 30 days following event.

**X. CONSENT AGENDA**

12-11-03

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF NEW BELGIUM BREWERY TO HOST TOUR DE FAT, A FUNDRAISING EVENT, WITH AMPLIFICATION TO BE HELD ON THE FRONT LAWN OF CENTENNIAL PARK ON SATURDAY, JULY 9, 2011**

An application submitted by Mr. Paul Gruber, representing New Belgium Brewing company, requesting permission from the board for alcohol sales/consumption and amplification during the **Tour De Fat**, a fundraising event (bike parade/festival promoting sustainable transportation), on Saturday, June 2, 2012, 10:00 am – 5:00 pm, on green space on the Parthenon Lawn of Centennial Park.

Upon motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Ms. Simmons, the Board approved this event subject to compliance of the following board policy by the event promoter. The Board also approved 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.

- 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.

**X. CONSENT AGENDA**

**12-11-04**

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO THE RALLY FOUNDATION TO HOST  
EVENT WITH AMPLIFICATION ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2012  
IN CENTENNIAL PARK**

An application submitted by Ms. Gillian Peabody, representing the Rally Foundation, requesting permission to host **Joe P. Rally Run**, with amplification, on Saturday, September 1, 2012, 6:30 – 11:30 am, at the Centennial Park Event Shelter was presented to the board for approval.

Upon motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Ms. Simmons, 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.

**12-11-05**

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO THE LUPUS FOUNDATION OF AMERICA  
MID SOUTH CHAPTER TO HOST A FUNDRAISING WALK WITH AMPLIFICATION  
ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2012 IN CENTENNIAL PARK**

An application submitted by Ms. Liz Zinke and Ms. Sherry Hammond, representing the Lupus Foundation of America-Mid South Chapter, requesting permission to host a fundraising walk, with amplification, in Centennial Park beginning at the Event Shelter, 3:00 – 7:00 pm, on Saturday, September 8, 2012 was presented to the board for approval.

Upon motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Ms. Simmons, 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 and a financial report must be submitted no later than 30 days following event.

**12-11-06**

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO THE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM  
FOR VETERANS TO HOST A FUNDRAISING EVENT WITH AMPLIFICATION  
ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2012 IN CENTENNIAL**

An application submitted by Ms. Laurel Beaman, representing the Community Partnership Program for Veterans, requesting permission to host a fundraising event, **“We Honor Veterans Fair 2012”**, with amplification in Centennial Park on the Parthenon Lawn, 10:00 am – 9:00 pm, on Saturday, September 8, 2012 was presented to the board for approval.

Upon motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Ms. Simmons, 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 and a financial report must be submitted no later than 30 days following event.

**X. CONSENT AGENDA**

**12-11-07**

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF VICKI JORDAN FOR AMPLIFICATION DURING A WEDDING CEREMONY TO BE HELD IN THE SUNKEN GARDEN OF CENTENNIAL PARK ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2012**

An application submitted by Ms. Vicki Jordan requesting permission for amplification during a wedding ceremony on Saturday, October 13, 2011, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm, in the Centennial Park Sunken Garden was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Anderson, by Mr. Simmons, 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.

**12-11-08**

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO RIDE FOR READING TO HOST THE EAST NASHVILLE BEER FESTIVAL ON THE EASTBANK GREENWAY ON SATURDAY, MARCH 31, 2012**

An application submitted by Mr. Matthew Portell, representing Ride for Reading, requesting permission for alcohol sales/consumption during the ***East Nashville Beer Festival***, a fundraising event, on Saturday, March 31, 2012, 12:00 – 5:00 pm, on the East Bank Greenway was presented to the board.

Upon motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Ms. Simmons, 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.

**12-11-09**

**BOARD GRANTS PERMISSION TO THE CUMBERLAND RIVER COMPACT TO HOST THE DRAGON BOAT RACE AND RIVER FESTIVAL, A FUNDRAISER WITH ALCOHOL SALES/CONSUMPTION, TO BE HELD IN RIVERFRONT PARK ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2012**

An application submitted by Ms. Janet Regen, representing the Cumberland River Compact, requesting permission to host the ***Dragon Boat Race and River Festival***, a fundraising event with alcohol sales and consumption, on Saturday, September 29, 2012, 7:00 am – 5:00 pm, in Riverfront Park was presented to the board for approval.

Upon motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Ms. Simmons, 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.

**X. CONSENT AGENDA**

12-11-10

**BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF NAMI TO HOST A FUNDRAISING EVENT  
WITH AMPLIFICATION TO BE HELD IN THE SHELBY PARK  
ON SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 2012**

An application submitted by Ms. Laurel Davis, representing the National Alliance on Mental Illness, requesting permission for amplification during a fundraising event, **NAMI Walks**, on Saturday, April 14, 2012, 7:00 am – 2:00 pm, in Shelby Park was presented to the board for approval.

Upon motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Ms. Simmons, 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.

**XI. NEW BUSINESS - NONE**

**XII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS FROM STAFF**

**XIII. UPCOMING SPECIAL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS**

Jackie Jones advised the board of the following upcoming events:

Winter Song	December 9 – 11	Two Rivers Mansion
Bash on Broadway	December 31	Riverfront Park

**XIV. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR**

Mr. Lynch reported to the board on the establishment of the following committees formed:

- **Logo Launch**-Jackie Jones, Tim Netsch, Bob Benson, Shain Dennison, Lauren Bufferd, John Holmes
- **Park Policy Review**-Sally Davis, Janet Frazier, Gordon Richard, Jim Hester, Paul Widman, Jackie Jones, Bob Benson, Bob Parrish, Mike Bays
- **Best Practices**-Jim Hester, Jackie Jones, Bob Benson, Bill Troup, Monique Odom, Jerry Terfinko, Tim Netsch
- **Communications**-Jackie Jones, Sandy Bivens, Bob Benson, Stevon Neloms, John Holmes, Wesley Pain

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

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

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**Thomas M. Lynch, Interim Director**

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**Ivanetta Davis Samuels, Chairperson**