

MINUTES OF MEETING  
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD AND CENTER DIRECTORS  
August 21, 1972

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mr. James Vice, Jr., Chairman, Parks and Recreation Board. The following Board members were present: Mr. James Vice, Jr., Mr. James Hall, Mrs. Jean Campbell, Mr. Charles Stakely and Mr. Rufus Lewis.

Mr. Vice welcomed the center directors to the meeting. He said the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the summer programs and ways to improve them, and he asked that they submit recommendations in writing. He also said that they would like to hear any problems that the Board might be able to help solve.

FLOYD -- Mr. Garner said that he felt that Floyd had one of the best summer programs, due to the workshop. However, he felt that the centers should not have been closed for a week during the workshop, and recommended that they be kept open rather than everyone attending the workshop at the same time. Floyd will offer basically what was done during the summer. They need facilities for ceramics. He said they have had trouble with break-ins, and Mr. Andrews said that the hardware in the centers is to be replaced.

LOVELESS -- Mr. Davis said that their most urgent need is playground area. He said that it is difficult for his council to get out for night activities. They don't raise a lot of money, but have a small amount available. He felt that their greatest accomplishment this summer has been the acquisition of a piano. His plans for fall are centered around athletics, senior citizens and ceramics. The department is to check with the Police Department in regard to using the field at Hamner Hall.

GOODWYN -- Mrs. Poole reported that the summer program at Goodwyn went very well. Their only need at this time is for the gym floor to be refinished.

HIGHLAND GARDENS -- Mrs. Law said the summer program at Highland Gardens was pretty good, but they did not have as many children as last summer. She said that the children who came to Highland Gardens did not actually need the food. They enjoyed the sewing and cooking classes, and she plans to offer these

again in the fall, along with tumbling and arts and crafts. The boys will participate in athletics, and the aide at Highland Gardens is real good with young boys. They do not have a council yet, but hope to have a meeting and organize one soon.

CHISHOLM -- Mrs. Conner said that the summer program was good, and had a great deal of variety; in fact, they had more program than they could take care of. The crafts program was good. -- She hopes to continue the fall program basically the same as the summer program. They have a council, but it has not been very active during the summer because everyone has been so ball-minded. Their biggest need is a gymnasium. Some of the children benefited from the food program, and some took advantage. The food program took a lot of recreation time that should have been spent on the recreation program. She would not want the food program again. The fall program will be a continuance of what was done in the summer.

GOLDEN AGE CENTER -- Mrs. Holloway said that their greatest need is for a building. They do not have an assembly room, and they need a place for an outdoor program. She said that the programs that were best attended were the ones where a meal was served, and she would like to have a full lunch program. She gave a brief report on the trip to Gatlinburg taken by the Golden Age Club recently.

CAPITOL HEIGHTS -- Mr. Greene said that the summer program at Capitol Heights was better than it has been due to the attitude of the staff. The program was more varied. He felt that they lost a lot of people due to the fact that the center was closed during the workshop. It was suggested that the workshop be held before school is out, or else have it staggered so that the centers will not have to be closed. Some parts of the workshop were good; the best parts were activities where people got involved. The lecture type program was more or less a repetition of information. A large part of the fall program will center

around athletics. They need more transportation if the Board will find a bus which they can buy. Capitol Heights has an excellent council. They have an opening for a Leader I. His staff is doing an excellent job. The Montgomery County Junior High Athletic Association will send a copy of their by-laws to the Alabama High School Athletic Association.

GOODE STREET -- This area needs a building. They have a council but no place to meet, and have held their meetings in different homes. They sell candy and drinks to raise money. Mr. Webb said that the food program was excellent. He would like to have Peewee and Termite football teams if uniforms are available. They need lights on the basketball court, and it needs to be re-surfaced. Mr. Andrews said that Mr. Streeter Wiatt is working on plans for a building to be located at Goode Street.

HOUSTON HILL -- Mr. Richardson said that the ballet was very successful this summer. The food program was very much needed, and they would like to have it again next year. He would like to have the gym floor refinished during the football season. The council meets monthly and they have been able to purchase some equipment. They lost some football equipment because the boys put rocks in the door so they could come back in.

KING'S HILL -- Mr. Smith, the new director, said that he is reorganizing and cleaning up. He is organizing a community council. The OEO janitor cleans up the Headstart room and the men's bathroom, but will not do any outside work. He said that they had a real good summer program with the help of NYC and RSP, and he plans to organize a good winter program. The food program is needed in this area.

ARTS AND CRAFTS FAIR -- Mr. Garner suggested rotating the Arts and Crafts Fair which has been held at Bellingrath the past two years.

RICHARDSON TERRACE -- Mrs. Henderson said they had no problems compared with the others. They plan to enlarge the ceramic and crafts programs. They

They take the senior citizens to the Mall every week and to the curb market. They visit and take things to nursing homes.

BELLINGRATH -- The council voted to air condition the two front club rooms, which has helped the program tremendously. The arts and crafts program was real good this summer. Mr. Bricken said they had two practice teachers from Huntingdon -- one arts and crafts and one physical education. The dramatics program was excellent, but production at the end was dropped. He is in favor of the workshop but recommends that someone be left in the center. The NYC workers were excellent. Incentive parties were held, with swimming and watermelon. Punch and cookie parties were held on Fridays. The council is being re-built. The fall program will include night football games, with YMCA teams playing in the morning. The field house needs painting, and they need storage and locker space, and the front doors do not work properly.

BALDWIN -- Mr. McKissick said that the summer program was excellent, and the food program went well. Children were bussed in from Chilton and Old Ship Church. He said that Lagoon Park is excellent, with unlimited possibilities. The staff at Baldwin is excellent. He felt that the food program should be limited to one hot meal. More people should have been involved in the tournaments -- hula hoop, frisbie, horseshoes and fishing. He said they had an excellent arts and crafts program. The fall program will include a girls' drill team and cheer leaders. The Baldwin council is excellent. Baldwin will have three teams for football, but need a field to practice on.

CARVER -- Mr. Varner said that he was very proud of the Dixie Youth program, and that he had spent a lot of time in the community to keep down trouble at Carver. He has no problems except administrative, and would like to clear up the relationship between the council and the school. Transportation is a problem. He felt that they had one of the best summer programs, including a supervised

program in the gym, bowling and tennis. He has a very good staff, but they are concerned about athletic programs rather than recreation programs. The council is operating well, and is making plans for raising money for athletic programs. The concession stand at Carver is being run by the coach until September 1. It was agreed that Mr. Hall, Mr. Stakely and Mr. Lewis will meet with Mr. Varner and the Carver council to work out some problems.

NEWTOWN -- The director said they had a great summer program, and the food program was a good thing for this area. They need the building completed, with lights, indoor rest rooms, and the building needs painting. He also needs an aide.

O'CONNOR TENNIS CENTER -- Mr. Charles Lane said that they had had no summer program as such, but have had tennis tournaments and clinics for women and children. The Blue-Gray Tennis Tournament was held there in June. The council is the Montgomery Tennis Club, and they have been very helpful in tournaments and clinics. For the fall program he will try to hold clinics for men, women and children. They need more lighted tennis courts and a Leader I. He suggested a tournament for community centers in the spring. The goal is to promote tennis in Montgomery through the community centers. Ventilation in the men's and women's locker rooms is needed badly.

BELLINGRATH -- The tennis court at Bellingrath needs re-surfacing.

CLOVERDALE -- The council at Cloverdale is very active, and they have raised \$18,000. They will meet with the PTO on Back to School Night and ask for pledges. The club rooms will be air conditioned with a central unit on the roof. Mr. Sellers said that next summer he will try to set up eight out of town trips. The baseball program was excellent this summer, and the swimming program went very well. The crafts program was real good, and the cooking program was well received. He plans to put in crafts such as cooper tooling and macrame in the fall program.

He also plans special activity nights for elementary children. Additional fans are needed in the gym.

After the center directors were dismissed, the Board took the following action:

The approved the employment of the following:

JoAnne Shaddix	Zoo Ed. Officer
Bernice Singleton	Baldwin - Leader I
Melissia Davis	King's Hill - Leader I
Willie Jones	Loveless - Leader I
Doris Palmer	Carver - Leader I
Carol Ann Stephenson	Floyd - Leader II (Temp. Appt.)
Ann Prescott	Floyd - Leader I (Temp. Appt.)
Frank Smith	King's Hill - Leader II (Temp. Appt.)
Beverly Sides	Zoo - Aide (Replacement)
McKinley Glyod	King's Hill - Aide
Farley Rudolph, Jr.	Loveless - Aide
David Lee Thomas	Loveless - Aide
Betty Jean Nelson	Goode St. - Aide
Elaine Harris	Zoo - Aide (Replacement)
Samuel Lee Jeter	Carver - Aide
Phillip Bentley	Lagoon Park - Aide (Replacement)
Otis Alexander Buford	Hayneville Rd. - Aide
Johnny Campbell	Capitol Heights - Aide
Willie Lee James	B. T. Washington - Aide
Jack P. Wise	Bruce Park - Aide

The Board also voted to ask Miss Evelyn Cooner to meet with the Board at the regular meeting scheduled for August 28.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Approved:

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**MONTGOMERY LOCAL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY**

**MINUTES:** The meeting of the Montgomery Local Development Company was held Wednesday night, March 14, 1973 at 7:25 P.M. at the Cleveland Avenue Center.

**INVOCATION:** Mr. E. H. Ligon

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** 11 Board Members Present

The meeting was called to order by the president. Reading of the last minutes was read by the secretary. The minutes were approved as read. The president asked for the report from the nominating committee in which the report were given by Mr. Robert Lewis. Nominations were as following: Joseph Dickerson, President; E. H. Ligon, Vice-President; Tom Wright, Treasurer; and T. M. Gardner Jr., Secretary. These nominations were accepted, voted on and approved by the body.

Mr. Pringle gave a report on the Incorporation Papers. He stated that Attorney Oliver who is preparing the papers will have them ready to be sign by all 15 Board Members by the next meeting. He also reported for Mr. John Alford in Mr. Alford absence on the feasibility study that is to be done for the location of a Shopping Plaza. It was stated that the study is to be done in the areas of Cleveland Avenue, Finley Avenue, Union and Jackson Street. Other areas were discussed for possible business locations. Feasibility study is to be done by the Business Development Center, Tuskegee, Alabama.

Mr. Cecil Bishop gave a Building and Property report. He stated that all areas we are considering for possible locations for business could be purchase. The Finley Avenue area for 350,000 dollars. Others owners did not quote prices. He also stated before he could work further on this he would need a buying committee.

Mr. Robert Lewis reported on zoning for the Cleveland Avenue area. He stated that the Board of Adjustment had approved a 48 parking space for the purposed Shopping Plaza. He stated that he has also sent information to Mr. H. L. Walker concerning the size of each lot on Cleveland Avenue that is to be platted into one lot.

Mr. Pringle talked on future plans which consist of officers for our organization namely: One Executive Director, Program Planner, An Accountant, An Economist, Secretary, and Clerk. He talked on preparing a proposal for funds for these officers.

Mr. McDuffie asked the organization permission to bring in someone with the expertise in the organizing of Development Company. He stated that it is his feeling that this could strengthen the organization foundation. Permission were granted by the president. Mr. McDuffie stated that our guest would be Mr. Lewis Anderson of Tuskegee, Alabama.

Mr. Rufus Lewis move that each Board Member receive a copy of the By-Laws by the next meeting. The president talked about writing different organization about what they would like to see come into our city in the line of business development. Every Board Member present paid 1.00 for the secretary's expenses. All officers will be installed at the next meeting which is March 21, 1973.

The meeting was adjourned by the president.

*T. M. Gardner Jr.*



MONTGOMERY LOCAL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY  
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MEMORANDUM:

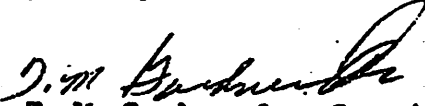
TO: Board Members

FROM: T. M. Gardner Jr., Secretary

SUBJECT: Montgomery Local Development Company  
Board Meeting Wednesday night, March 21, 1973 @ 7:00 P.M.

The Board Meeting of the Montgomery Local Development Company will be held at the Cleveland Avenue Center Wednesday night, March 21, 1973 at 7:00 P.M.

Business of importance will be discuss, therefore, I urge everyone to please plan to attend.

  
T. M. Gardner Jr., Secretary  
J. Dickerson, President

August 17, 1972

Dear Board Member;

Many weeks have passed since our last meeting and since then some new ideas have come forward about our co-op. One such idea which was voted on at the last membership meeting, is to start a buying club as a step towards developing our co-op.

In buying from a wholesaler we will need to apply for a

business license and a tax number. Mr. Wendell Mitchell, a Laverne

lawyer, said that he will help us with this and explain our legal rights. He is available to meet with us on Saturday, August 19th at 2:00 p.m.

in his office on Glenwood Ave. across from the Court House.

Besides this matter, there are other things that need to be

discussed before we move forward. Your ideas and suggestions are very

much needed and therefore hope that you can come.

See you on Saturday.

Cooperatively,

Conanda Brown

corresponding secretary

VERY IMPORTANT MEETING

## M E E T I N G S

THE REGULAR MEETINGS COVERS THE FOLLOWING FEATURES IN THE ORDER HERE GIVEN:

1. Call to order
2. Reading and approval of minutes
3. Statement of treasurer
4. Reading of communications
5. Reports and their disposal
  - a. Executive committee
  - b. Standing committees
  - c. Special committees
6. Unfinished business
7. New business
8. Announcements
9. Program
10. Adjournment