

#### 4. What is the land swap?

In 1970 the City of Red Bank applied for and received a federal grant totaling \$73,675.92 from the federal government, to develop Morrison Springs Park. This grant program requires *permanent* protection and maintenance of the park for public outdoor recreation.

When Hamilton County needed to replace the old Red Bank Middle School at 3715 Dayton Boulevard, the City of Red Bank chose to build the new school at the Morrison Springs Park. The City negotiated a *legally-binding* 2011 settlement with the National Park Service and its state-level partner agency, the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation.

Under the settlement agreement, Hamilton County and Red Bank would be allowed to convert 14.63 acres of Morrison Springs Park, *in exchange for* Red Bank creating equivalent publicly accessible outdoor recreation opportunity at two 5-acre tracts on Stringer's Ridge plus a 3-acre portion of the old middle school site. This land swap and replacement park had to be completed and developed by the City of Red Bank within three years, by 2014. It was not. Even in 2021, it still is not.