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Parks Commission

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Approved

Parks Commission Meeting Minutes
Adams Town Hall*, 8 Park Street, Adams MA

1st Floor Mahogany Room

Monday, May 8, 2023 5:00pm

Members Present: Interim Co-Chair Jake Schutz, Interim Co-Chair Jim Fassell, Member Aimee Sinopoli, Member

Mary Ciuk, Member Sarah Pansecchi

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Michelle DeRose-Administrative Assistant, Joe Nowak-Select Board Member, Sonia DiSanti -

Youth Center Tennis

Call Meeting to Order: Mr. Schutz called the meeting to order at 5:01pm and stated that the meeting is being recorded.

Approval of Minutes: April 10, 2023; Ms. Ciuk motioned to approve the minutes as written, Mr. Schutz seconded, 4 voted Yes and 1 abstention.

Public Comment: None

Old Business: None

New Business:

• In-House Election for Chairman and Vice Chair

Mr. Schutz and Mrs. Sinopoli were re-elected for the Parks Commission last week. Mr. Schutz nominated Mrs. Sinopoli for Chairperson. She accepted the nomination for Vice Chair instead. Ms. Ciuk nor Ms. Pansecchi had any interest in the Chair position mainly based on the experience the others have had and were not quite ready. Mr. Fassell nominated and motioned for Mr. Schutz as Chair. Mr. Schutz felt that he is not as involved as he should be as the Chair and as long as the Board is okay with that based on time commitments and there are no other interested parties, he seconded and will accept the position. All voted Yes unanimously. Mr. Schutz motioned for Mrs. Sinopoli as Vice-Chair, Ms. Ciuk seconded, all voted Yes unanimously.

• Field Use Application: Youth Center- Sonia DeSanti- Russell Field tennis court-June 27 – Aug 3, Tue & Thu 8:30-11:30am for youth tennis program

Ms. DeSanti would like to propose starting up the tennis program again with John Clarno. There is a \$50 charge to join the program. Age groups are 5-7 (9am hour) and 8+(10am hour). They've requested 8:30-11am to allow time for set up and clean up. There are an unorganized group of women that play on the court consistently on Mondays, Wednesdays and sometimes Fridays. The Youth Center would only use on Tuesday and Thursdays. Ms. Ciuk asked if they would be putting up a notification that they will be playing on the courts during these time frames. Ms. DeSanti said they would. Ms. Pansecchi motioned to approve the application, Mrs. Sinopoli seconded. All voted Yes unanimously. Mrs. DeRose said this will go through the final approval process with the Town Administrator and DPW and she will inform Ms. DeSanti when it is completed.

For the Good of the Order:

- Mrs. Sinopoli said that the Beautification Committee, Northern Berkshire Events Committee, some Town
 employees, community members along with herself did a town clean up the other day. Approximately, 50
 folks throughout the day. They worked on the front of the Train Depot and Sales Park.
- Mr. Fassell said he would like to add to the next agenda regarding the use of herbicides around the activities around our fields and to reaffirm our stance. He feels we should not have it. Mr. Schutz clarified what he meant as herbicides. Mr. Fassell said Weed and Feed around the fence area. Mr. Schutz reminded the commission that the last conversation with Tim Cota (DPW), it was said that the product used was organic. Ms. Ciuk mentioned that she remembers it was state approved product. Mr. Schutz agreed it should be added to the agenda to confirm. Mr. Fassell feels it should be done manually around the fence on the Rail Trail, Reid and Russell fields as opposed to using weed and feed. It will be added to the agenda to discuss.

Schedule next meeting date: June 12, 2023 5:00pm (Ms. Ciuk cannot attend)

Adjournment: Mr. Schutz requested motioned to adjourn. Mrs. Sinopoli seconded. All voted Yes unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 5:15pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle DeRose

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Administrative Assistant

6/13/2023

Date