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2017. The request was tabled at the July 7, 2017 meeting by Member Blanchard. Chairman Duval requested this item be re-tabled until the July 5, 2017 meeting to allow time to receive an updated insurance coverage, due to expire shortly. Move by Member Blanchard to table the One Day Liquor License application, second by Member Nowak. Vote: unanimous. Motion carried.

New Business

Development Project, Howland Avenue: Pierre Kareh, representative of the Howland Avenue Development Project was not in attendance.

Approval of Reduced Fee for Town Wide Tag Sale: Town Administrator Mazzucco requests the Board waive the fee for the Town Wide Tag Sale which is normally \$1. Member Nowak requests citizens take down tag sale advertisements after their sale is over. Move by Member Blanchard to waive the fee for the Town Wide Tag Sale, second by Member Hoyt. Vote: unanimous. Motion carried.

Ratification of Council on Aging Van Driver: Town Administrator Mazzucco advised the Board of the appointment of Chet Cyrulik to the Part Time Council on Aging Van Driver position, pending their ratification. Move by Member Nowak to approve the ratification of the appointment of Chet Cyrulik to the Part Time Council on Aging Van Driver position, second by Member Blanchard. Vote: unanimous. Motion carried.

Facility Use Request – Visitors Center, April Varellas: A facility use request was submitted by April Varellas to use the Visitors Center for *Movies Under the Stars*. Move by Member Blanchard to approve the use of the Visitors Center on July 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th and August 4th, second by Member Hoyt. Vote: unanimous. Motion carried.

Facility Use Request – Reid Field, Adams Lassie League: Chairman Duval noted the Facility Use Request for Reid Field by the Adams Lassie League had been approved by the Parks Commission and forwarded to the Board. Parks Commission Chairman Scott Cernik gave a brief history of ACS League and Adams Lassie League fighting over field space. There was only one application in hand and it was voted on by the Parks Commission. Lou Mosier of the ACS League explained the field use request was an estimated time frame and due to weather and a late start the program will now run into August. The extension request has not gone before the Parks Commission yet. Bowe Field has been used as a practice field but there is no diamond for games. He requested an extension on his field use to accommodate the tournament and travel programs. Corey Bishop of the Adams Lassie League explained they had their paperwork in through the correct process and time frame. He questioned the ACS League insurance provider. Clarification was made on the dates and times of the field requests by both Leagues as it was listed until the end of December. The Parks Commission was asked to work with the ACS League and the Lassie League to coordinate field usage. It was noted that the Town needs more fields. Use of the Cheshire Elementary School grounds was suggested. Different options were presented and the Parks Commission was asked to put a deadline on receiving applications. Parks Commission Chairman Cernik noted there would not be a blanket coverage going forward and would get a detailed schedule from both teams to work together in joint usage and sharing of facilities. Move by Member Nowak to approve each

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League to use their current respective fields until August 31, 2017 and submit a fall schedule to the Parks Commission for decision, second by Member Blanchard. Vote: unanimous. Motion carried.

Facility Use Request – Renfrew, Russell, Quality Street Fields, Adams Cheshire Hurricane Youth Football and Cheerleading: A request was submitted for use of Renfrew, Russell, and Quality Street fields from June 19, 2017 to November 19, 2017 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Move by Member Nowak to approve use of Renfrew, Russell and Quality Street fields for ACHYF&C from June 19, 2017 to November 19, 2017 from 5pm to 8pm, second by Member Blanchard. Vote: unanimous. Motion carried.

Facility Use Requests – Russell Field, Youth Center, Inc.: Sonia DiSanti requested use of Russell Field by the Youth Center, Inc. from June 27, 2017 to August 3, 2017 on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for tennis lessons. Move by Member Nowak to approve use of Russell Field by the Youth Center, Inc. on Tuesdays and Thursdays from June 27, 2017 to August 3, 2017 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for tennis lessons, second by Member Blanchard. Vote: unanimous. Motion carried.

Sub-Committee Liaison Assignments: A review of sub-committees and liaisons took place. The Board of Health and Adams Arts Advisory Board do not have liaisons. Erica Girgenti volunteered to be the the BRTA liaison. Move by Member Nowak to take additional time to look at liaison and sub-committee assignments, second by Member Blanchard. Vote: unanimous. Motion carried.

Sub-Committee/Liaison Reports

Chairman Duval advised Berkshire Regional Planning Commission had no meeting in the last few weeks and the executive committee meeting has been cancelled. The Metropolitan Planning Organization meeting is next week. A sub-committee workshop took place with Director Cesan where the TIP for 2020 and Route 8 will be reconstructed. Funding was identified and preliminary ideas were reviewed with the Board that can change the corridor from North Adams. Plans were received from the engineer on the train platform. Director Cesan responded to their ideas and communicated with MassDOT regarding the ramp for handicap accessibility to get onto the train. The hope is for completion in October and to have the train running by the holiday season. He advised he attended the memorial service for Debbie Bruneau in Becket and noted that she was well loved by her community and church. He attended the Fairy Festival on Saturday and Magicon on Sunday.

Department Reports

Town Administrator's Report: Town Administrator Mazzucco reported that both the Berkshire Mountain Fairy Festival and Magicon were successful. Movies under the stars will be returning. The Town Wide Tag Sale is August 12, 2017. Hi-Jinx will go forward. There will be a CDBG hearing next week. The EPA Brownfields Assessment kicked off on Route 8. The contract was executed to follow up on remediation of environmental improvements for Russell field. The Parks Commission identified a Steering Committee and a decision team was identified. The funeral for Representative Cariddi is tomorrow. Town Counsel and DPW are meeting tomorrow regarding a construction company that did work on Route 8. There was a heavy storm on Monday and the DPW is doing significant repairs and a great job picking up after the storm. Some of the culverts had yard clippings thrown into the streams clogging culverts and causing road damage. He advised he will work with the Conservation Commission on that. Citizens were reminded not to dump things into streams. Citizen Corey Bishop of 32 Highland Avenue advised there are two storm drains across the street

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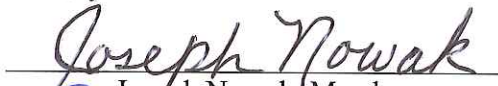
from each other that cannot handle the water being directed toward them. He advised the Board water topples over the curb and erodes his driveway toward the golf course. He advised he will send the Town Administrator the address for the DPW next week.

Town Counsel Report: Town Counsel reported that he prepared an emergency petition for a sanitary code issue. He reviewed and commented on a proposed contract, an item for the building commissioner and a warrant article. He attended town meeting and communicated with the adjuster and DPW for the Commercial Street and Route 8 issues for a meeting tomorrow.

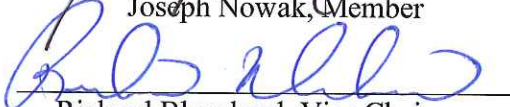
Announcements and Good of the Order: Chairman Duval reminded citizens that motorized vehicles are not allowed on the new trails at the Greylock Glen and there will be a meeting with State Officials, the Police Chief, Town Administrator and Director Cesan on this. Citizens were requested to get license plates and descriptions of vehicles if seen on the trails. Members Hoyt and Nowak remembered Representative Gailanne Cariddi who passed away on Saturday. She was noted as having a passion and cared a lot about; agriculture and the future of dairy farmers staying in business. She was an advocate for State Parks and avid hiker. She was a woman of conviction and woman of the Lord and will be missed. Member Nowak noted there isn't anything in either Courier vending machine and if they are not going to be filled they should take away the machines. Member Nowak acknowledged the Longest Day for Alzheimers today. Member Hoyt thanked Erica Girgenti and Donna Cesan for making sure the Visitors Center was staffed this past weekend for the duration of the shuttle. Chairman Duval read a list of the Agricultural Fair Committee events for the summer through the end of September.

Move to adjourn by Member Nowak, second by Member Blanchard. Vote: unanimous. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Deborah J. Dunlap,
Recording Secretary



Joseph Nowak, Member



Richard Blanchard, Vice Chairman



Christine Hoyt, Member



John Duval, Chairman