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For the year

Two Thousand and Seventeen

Dedication



Representative Gailanne M. Cariddi

Born in North Adams on November 1, 1953, Gailanne M. Cariddi attended local schools and graduated from Drury High School. She earned her bachelor's degree in business management from Bentley University.

Gail served as a North Adams City Councilor for more than 20 years, including as City Council President. During her tenure on the Council, she served on and chaired virtually every committee to include Finance and General Government. While Gail was strong in so many ways as a City Councilor, she was best known by her colleagues as "that" person who could craft critical ordinance language. Her grasp of the City Charter and the role of the City Council was exemplary.

Gail was instrumental in moving forward the bike and pedestrian paths in North County as an active member for many years with the Berkshire Bike Path Council. She also served on the North Adams Public Library Building Committee, had been involved in numerous other local initiatives and was a frequent attendee and participant at local events and volunteer efforts.

Gail was elected in 2010 as Representative of the 1st Berkshire District. Gail was passionate about the communities and the people she served. She was a very vocal and visible voice for the arts, culture and the environment. In her capacity as Representative, she served as chairman of the Joint Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

Representative Cariddi was also was a longtime member of the North Adams Democratic City Committee. She was a very committed board member of Northern Berkshire Community Television and recorded many shows on political, social and environmental issues of the day.

State Representative Gailanne M. Cariddi passed away on June 17, 2017. Gail was an incredible public servant who served the City of North Adams and the 1st Berkshire District with distinction and honor. I am pleased to dedicate the FY2017 Annual Report to her memory with my most sincere thanks on behalf of the City and greater region.

CITY COUNCIL

Seat	Term Expires December
Lisa Blackmer, 74 Cleveland Avenue	2017
Keith Bona, 179 North Street	
Jennifer Breen, 31 Autumn Drive	
Nancy Bullett, 42 Maple Street	
Eric Buddington, 23 Warren Street	
Benjamin Lamb, 23 Marion Avenue	
Kate Hanley Merrigan, 674 Mohawk Trail	
Joshua Moran, 138 Catherine Street	
Wayne Wilkinson,	
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICIALS	
Mayor	Richard J. Alcombright
Administrative Assistant to Mayor	Rosemari Dickinson
City Solicitor	John DeRosa
City Treasurer & Tax Collector	Beverly Cooper
Assistant City Treasurer & Tax Collector	Doris Burdick
City Auditor	
Assistant City Auditor	Sheryl Chaput
City Clerk	Marilyn Gomeau
Assistant City Clerk	Nancy Canales
MIS Director	Kathleen Wall
Business Manager	Nancy Ziter
Finance/Purchasing Director	Laura Wood
Commissioner of Public Services	Timothy Lescarbeau
Assistant Commissioner of Public Services	Paul Markland
Director of Fire	Stephen Meranti
Director of Police	Michael Cozzaglio
Building Inspector	William Meranti
Director of Public Health	Valerie Bird
Veterans Service Officer	Stephen Roy
ASSESSORS	Term Expires January
Ross Vivori	2019
Gregory Betti	
Richard Taskin	

MUNICIPAL REGISTER

	Barbra Malkas
Attendance Officer	John Franzoni
Librarian	2
Lieutenant	
Sergeants-of-Police	William Baker
	James Burdick
Patrolmen-Detectives	John LeClair
	Kelly Wisniowski
	Mark Bailey
	Fran Maruco
Fire Lieutenants	1 5
	John S. Paciorek
Inspector of Wires	Michael Lescarbeau
Inspector of Animals	
Sealer of Weights & Measures	Mark Vadnais
CITIZEN BOARD MEMBER	RS
AIRPORT COMMISSION	Term Expires February
Jeffrey Naughton	2019
Armand Boillat	2018
Shaun Dougherty	2020
Trevor Gilman	2019
James Neville	2018
BOARD OF APPEALS	Term Expires January
Paul Dilego, Jr	
Ross Jacobs	2022
Peter Milanesi	
Peter Milanesi Chris Thomas Donald Pecor Greg Roach BOARD OF HEALTH	
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Peter Milanesi	

COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES	Term Expires December
William Meranti	2016
Randall Kemp	2017
Antionette Cariddi	
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	Term Expires August
Jason Moran	2018
James Moulton	2017
Jason Canales	2019
Timothy Lescarbeau	2018
Jeff Meehan	2017
Andrew Kawczak	2020
COUNCIL ON AGING	Term Expires January
Sandra Lamb, Director	
Norman Antonio	2018
Elizabeth Benz	2019
Margaret Christiansen	2022
Stephen Smachetti	2019
Nancy Canales	2022
Lisa Bassi	2022
HISTORIAL COMMISSION	Term Expires January
Justyna Carlson	2018
Christopher Wondolowski	2020
Wendy Champney	2018
Paul Marino	2020
Joanne Hurlbut	2019
Darrell English	2020
Alan Horbal	2020
HOUSING AUTHORITY	Term Expires July
Jennifer Hohn, Executive Director	
Christopher Tremblay	2019
James Neville	2019
James Ben Taylor	2018
Darrell Clairmont	2019

HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION	Term Expires February
Thomas Bernard	2018
Jennifer Flynn Bernard	2019
Jen Boland	
Suzy Helme	2019
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LICENSE BOARD COMMISSION	Term Expires June
Rosemari Dickinson	2019
Peter Breen	2021
Jeff Polucci	2021
MOBILE HOME RENT CONTROL BOARD	Term Expires September
James Morocco	1 1
Paul Senecal	
Wayne Wilkinson	
Lawrence Jones	
NORTHERN BERKSHIRE VOCATIONAL REGIONA	AL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Superintendent	James J. Brosnan
Chairman	Daniel Maloney
Vice-Chairman	Thomas Mahar
Secretary	James J. Brosnan
Treasurer	
Assistant Treasurer	Alice Houghtaling
PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION	Term Expires May
George Canales	
Robert LeClair	
Mark Vadnais	
Tim Koperek	
Kate Galli	
Richard Wood	
Kichard wood	
PLANNING BOARD	Term Expires February
Michael Leary	2019
Brian Miksic	2021
Robert Burdick	2020
Kyle Hanlon	2021
Paul Hopkins	
Lawrence K. Taft	
Lynette Bond	
Paul Senecal	
Jay Walch	2021

PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES	Term Expires January
Mindy Hackner, Library Director	
Nicole Gordon	2020
Hulda Hardman Jowett	2018
Harris Elder	2018
Richard Remsburg	2018
Donald Pecor	2018
Richard Taskin	2020
REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY	Term Expires June
Paul Hopkins	2019
Kyle Hanlon	
Michael Leary	
REGISTRAR OF VOTERS	Term Expires April
Mary Ann Caproni	
Elizabeth DiLego	
Marilyn DeRosa	
SCHOOL COMMITTEE	Term Expires December
Richard J. Alcombright, Chairperson	
Heather H. Boulger, Vice Chairperson	
John Hockridge	2017
John Hockridge	

WINDSOR LAKE RECREATION COMMISSION	Term Expires April
Brena Irrer	2017
Lawrence Jowett	2021
Arlen Cellana	2019
William St. Pierre	2018
Brittany Choquette	2019

It is with great confidence and pleasure that I issue this Annual Report covering budget cycle FY2017. I am happy to report that the City of North Adams is a strong and viable community, and is well on its way to continued development, growth and prosperity.

As I look out my windows at City Hall I see our downtown in the forefront and our beautiful Berkshire Hills to the rear. The sky is a vivid blue with two soft white puffs of clouds drifting over the windmills to the east. The colors on the mountains are reflective of a beautiful autumn day but the colors also signal the coming of winter. We are blessed to have such a panoramic backdrop in our City. While we live in this gorgeous valley....in the palm of God's hand as I like to say.... it is with a keen realization that I have come to accept just how urban this City truly is. Adding to our beauty, we have strong urban anchors, MASS MoCA, MCLA, BMC North Campus, our airport, and a very diverse economy to include education, health, art and culture, light manufacturing, restaurant, retail, hospitality and building trades. This unique combination of natural beauty and urbanism is truly defining as we move forward building a strong economy and community. FY 2017 has been an exceptional year for the City as we continue to see unprecedented public and private sector investment.

MASS MoCA's phase 3 came to completion with the opening of Building 6 which in effect doubled the size of the museum. With some \$50 million in investment MASS MoCA has become the largest museum of contemporary art in the country. Visitations to the museum have been off the charts and we are seeing many more tourists perusing the City as a result.

Construction at the former Redwood Motel and Blackinton Mill sites continues and when complete, "Tourists" a hotel and resort will open. With more than 40 rooms all orientated to the majestic Hoosic River, this venture will create a very eclectic hospitality experience that encourages recreational utilization of the river and some 60 acres of wooded land for passive recreation.

The Greylock Mill project continues with the completion of the weave shed events space as well as significant work on the grounds. Through a MassWorks grant, the developers were able to accomplish additional site remediation as well as significant infrastructure improvements to parking, lighting and landscaping.

The City was approached by B&B Precision Builders to begin production of "tiny houses" to satisfy contracts in existence to build some 200 of these units for campgrounds all over the United States. The City negotiated a lease for space in the Windsor Mill and to date they have hired some 30 employees.

The Extreme Model Rail and Contemporary Architecture Museum being developed by Tom Krens continues to gain momentum. They will be entering into an option with the North Adams Redevelopment Authority to purchase Heritage State Park and build what could be the most spectacular attraction of its kind in the world.

Hoosic River Revival continues to move forward with a comprehensive plan for the south branch of the river and through their architects they have begun to look at options for the north branch of the river in the area of the Eclipse Dam.

Berkshire Health Systems has breathed considerable life into the campus of the former North Adams Regional Hospital. Their investment and commitment to the health and well-being of the northern Berkshires is beyond words and this community is very thankful for our medical services at the BMC North Campus. We thank David Phelps, CEO as well as the Board and staff of the Health Systems.

With partnerships created between the Town of Williamstown, MA Department of Transportation and the City of North Adams, we are well on our way to having a bike path. Connecting to the pending bike path project in Williamstown, our "leg" would go from the former Spruces location to our airport proper. This is a wonderful social and recreational accomplishment for the City.

The "Hoosic Valley Service" has connected North Adams and Adams with scenic rail trips providing scenic rides to hundreds of visitors and locals alike. This collaborative effort between the City, Town of Adams, Berkshire Scenic Rail Museum, and the Commonwealth, holds significant economic, social and cultural promise and further enhances the excitement of the re-birth of Heritage State Park. We received the state funding to complete the rail project in 2017 with full connection to downtown Adams.

The City purchased the former Berkshire Anodizing Plant on Hodges Cross Road for the purpose of a new DPW location. This purchase will allow the City to combine all public services entities into one facility. With minimal building improvements we will locate DPW, Building Department, Parks & Recreation Department, Cemetery Department and Wire & Alarm all under one roof.

This year, the City was awarded \$200,000 for the building of a regional Animal Facility. This collaborative effort will provide workspace and shelter for our Animal Control Officer and will be utilized by the Towns of Adams and Williamstown.

In an effort to build reserves and move away from property ownership, the City determined it would sell the Windsor Mill, our old DPW, a parcel of land in Pownal, VT and our closed Sullivan School. Currently the Windsor Mill and the DPW are under contract.

Our long awaited skate park was built and opened to a grand crowd at a ribbon cutting ceremony. This facility has prompted considerable use by residents and visitors. The next phase of improvements in the Noel Field Complex is a splash park. We are currently awaiting grant funding.

It is with great pleasure that we welcomed Dr. James Birge as the new President of MCLA. Upon his arrival to the campus and the City, Dr. Birge immediately involved himself in the community and has continued with great fervor MCLA's commitment to our downtown, our schools, our agencies and our residents. We are blessed to have such leadership.

It was with great sadness that I received a call on June 17th telling me that our "sister in service" State Representative Gailanne Cariddi passed away. Gail was a longtime City Councilor, served numerous boards and commissions, was a champion for the underserved and disabled populations, and served this District well as a Massachusetts Legislator.

In the wake of continued pressure on our budget, rising expenses, shrinking revenues and exhausted reserves, I am pleased to say that this is our third fiscal year that is fully balanced without the use of reserves or one-time revenues. Additionally, we are beginning to see some growth in reserves. I am very happy to say that these years of fiscal discipline have paid off as our credit rating went from an "A- with a negative outlook" to "A with

a stable outlook". I am very proud of our TEAM for holding the line on spending and towing the line on collections. I am looking forward to another cycle of solid fiscal responsibility.

As I write this report, I am two months away from the end of my term and the end of my run. There is so much going on in and around the City and there are so many folks who are up for the task of leadership. It is clear to me that this is the right time to hand over the reins.

I have very much appreciated the support of the wonderful employees of our City and school system, the City Council, the School Committee, all of our boards and commissions, the guidance of my neighboring town leaders, our state delegation and I am very thankful for the patience, support and confidence of the people of this great city. It has been an honor to serve as your mayor.

Richard J. Alcombright Mayor

North Adams Public Schools

Organization of the School Committee

Mayor Richard Alcombright, Chairperson

Heather H. Boulger, Vice Chairperson

John Hockridge

Mark P. Moulton

Karen Bond

Tara Jacobs

Nicholas Fahey

Dr. Barbara Malkas, Superintendent

To Our Friends

One of the more important reasons for preparing this report is the strong conviction that the public has a right to know what is happening in its schools. In this summation, for the citizens of our community, are documented examples of the many programs and events that occurred in the North Adams Public Schools during the past year. You are encouraged to visit our schools and experience first hand the activities in the North Adams Public Schools.

Superintendent's Award

A special certificate acknowledging academic excellence, awarded by the Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents (MASS), was presented by the Superintendent of Schools to Drury High School senior Alexandra Bernard, daughter of Thomas and Jennifer Bernard, at the November meeting of the North Adams School Committee. This honor goes to high school students who have distinguished themselves in the pursuit of excellence during their high school careers. The criteria are: three-year cumulative grade average, rank in class, and personal selection by the Superintendent. This award is given at the beginning of the senior year so that students selected may include this citation with their college applications.

Class of 2017

Of the eighty-three students who graduated from Drury High School in June, 2017, sixty (72%) went on to higher education. Of that number, twenty-eight (34%) will be attending four-year public colleges, seventeen (20%) will be attending four-year private colleges, seven (8%) will be attending two-year public colleges, and eight (10%) will be going on to vocational or technical schools. Three students (4%) will enter the military and nineteen students (23%) are entering the work force. One student (1%) has other plans.

Theatre Arts and Drury Stage Company

Our theatre department has taken a positive step forward in both production and collaboration during the school day and after school. Thanks to the support of the district administration the theatre component to the performing arts team has raised the bar once again this year in both skill development and production practice while culturally, expanding the theatre palate here in the North Adams community and beyond. All of the building administrators from all four North Adams schools embraced DSC and its opportunities; whether it is a field trip to a teaser assembly or experiencing a performance of comedy in their own school. Enabling that direct connection to the high school and what it offers helps to build a rapport with the students preparing for the move up while engaging the younger student in understanding the value of the performing arts in an educational setting.

This full year elective course, Honors Theatre course, accentuates the strengths and talents of individual, small group, and large group theatrical development as it relates to each area of the theatre. Students have the ability to focus on their specialty area, while having the exposure to all elements of theatre. The concepts explored include, but are not limited to, terminology, dramatic structure, history and timeline, self-image, improv acting, comedic timing, set design, directing, producing, script writing, and musical performances. This year, we were able to develop a comedy initiative while work with both honors theatre and CP Production students. C.A.S.T. (comedic arts service troupe) presented shows in February 2017, for our elementary school population as well as a service learning project/ dinner theatre fundraiser in March, for Habitat for Humanity entitled, "Trouble at the Tropicabana." The event was held at Bounti-Fare

to a sold out crowd. Students enrolled in these two courses develop group communication, problem-solving, and critical thinking skills by rehearsing and performing many theatrical offerings both in class and within the inclusive Stage Company initiative.

This after school theatre initiative, entitled, "The Drury Stage Company" (DSC) is a program dedicated to the development and fostering of interest in the craft of theatre among our youth. Also, through an outreach initiative, we seek the encouragement and appreciation of our community's participation. This program seeks to empower and motivate young artists with collaboration and performance skills taught by theatre educators in a supportive, rigorous and relevant educational environment. Our students learn how to perform on the professional stage while building self-worth strategies and developing the courage to stretch.

From September through December, our performing arts staff was busy and engaged in production for "Copacabana" which was executed as an inclusive department project, joining forces with Performing Arts Management (PAM), Band, Theatre, Art, Tech and Chorus along with some elementary talent from our three feeder schools. Included in the cast in cameo roles extras were a variety of administrators from our community. Extending the cast to include school and city administration created an essence of community that enhanced the production in its first scene. Over one hundred students participated in the design and development of the production. We hosted a teaser assembly in December which brought five schools to the Drury auditorium. With the support of the district administration, The Gateway Fund and Massachusetts Cultural Council grants, as well as many faculty, staff and community members, the show was a four performance success.

In the spring, Drury students with members of the design team presented another homegrown production entitled, "Broadway Bound, A Church Street Cabaret." Twenty high school performers and fifteen chorus and tech students joined the Stage Company after school, in music and dance rehearsals in providing our community with an evening of musical theatre. The show's theme centered on the aspects of aspiration. New Drury students were invited to an afternoon matinee and we hosted a free evening performance for the public which was very well received.

In May, twenty of our cast members and two of our pit band musicians participated in an expeditionary performance in Pittsfield. The Berkshire Theatre Group, as in the past, produced their "Encore Showcase for High School Musicals", and DSC was again invited and represented at The Colonial Theatre in Pittsfield. The cast and staff were required to attend a dress rehearsal a few days before the Friday performance. We were pleased to once again work with Josh Baker, who was our teaching assistant from MCLA in 2014, as he was hired to stage manage the show. The Drury Stage Company was one of eleven schools represented and their performance of four songs from "Copacabana" were enthusiastically received by both the audience and the director of the show.

In June, sixty of the students involved in the performing arts department, inclusive of the Drury Stage Company, participated in the Media and Performing Arts Banquet hosted at DPAC in which Media, Chorus and PAM students were represented. Awards were given out to The Stage Company, actors, and the comedy C.A.S.T. Every participating senior involved in this after

school initiative received graduation medallions. Mr. Davis was given a Lifetime Achievement Award for his decades of servicing the theatre program at Drury.

By the first week in May, we had secured a Massachusetts Cultural Council grant for the upcoming year to use for The Stage Company initiative. With a collaborative and supporting design team, along with an increased interest of eager and engaged students, it is our vision as a department to continue to expand and explore more educationally valuable and noteworthy theatrical experiences both in school and after school for our performing arts students here in North Adams. Drury Stage Company is one-of a kind; nowhere in the Northern Berkshires is there a theatre arts program of this magnitude.

Drury Athletics

Drury High School and its athletics programs continued to stress the importance of academic integrity and positive decision making and Drury programs and student athletes received several accolades which brought a great deal of pride to the school and city of North Adams. In August 2016 David Racette was named Athletic Director and John Moore was hired as the Athletic Coordinator.

Our fall season continued with the use of Family ID, the online registration system which easily organizes and tracks required documents and contracts. Health Administrator Maris Owczarski, took over as the nurse overseeing any health related issues, including concussions, and she has done a tremendous job taking responsibility and making sure all health issues are addressed.

This year Drury student athletes participated in golf, boys' and girls' soccer, football (co-op), cross country, boys' and girls' basketball, cheerleading, hockey co-op with Wahconah, baseball, softball, track and boys' and girls' lacrosse co-op with Hoosac as well as swimming co-op with St. Joe and wrestling co-op with Mt. Greylock. The football co-op has been dissolved with St. Joe and Drury will now compete in the Intercounty South League. Drury and McCann entered into a 2-year co-op involving track and Cross Country. Drury will be the host school for track and McCann will host for Cross Country starting in 2017.

Our various sports teams performed well and some of the noteworthy accomplishments included: boys' soccer won the Southern Division Championship with a 13-2-3 record. Hunter Harpin received the Berkshire County Sportsmanship Award for Berkshire County Boys' Soccer. This award is voted on by the Berkshire County Soccer Officials. Connor Meehan was named Co MVP for Cross Country and also won the Berkshire County Invitational meet and qualified for Western Mass.

In basketball, the boys' basketball team earned the number two seed for Western Mass tournament and finished with a 21-3 record. Drury boys won the annual Gene Wein Tournament. Hayden Bird had an outstanding season and was named to the All Western Mass and All Berkshire and All North team. Hayden also was the male athlete of the year in Berkshire County. Hayden eclipsed the 1000-point mark and finished his career with 1153, moving into second place all time in boys' basketball. Connor Meehan was named the Sportsmanship Award winner for boys' basketball in Berkshire County, as voted on by the Basketball Officials. In cheerleading with participation numbers steady, the girls were able to win their second Western

Mass cheer title. In track, Connor Meehan had a record setting first place finish at Western Mass and qualified for the New England Regionals. Connor was named the WBEC male track athlete of the year for the second consecutive year.

Looking forward we are excited to welcome seventh grade to Drury High School and hope that they participate in the many sports offerings at Drury High School.

Our booster clubs remain strong and supply much needed financial support to our athletic teams. Terri Bird was awarded this year's PASS (Positive Attitude and School Spirit) Award for her outstanding support of Drury Athletics. Terri has been instrumental to our football, baseball and basketball Booster Clubs for many years and is one of the biggest boosters of all Drury High School athletics and extra-curricular activities.

Overall, this year's events were well attended by students, staff and the North Adams Community. School pride continues to be a strength of Drury and our athletes are continuing to have a presence with our local youth sports leagues, including assisting with instructional youth basketball on Saturday mornings, running a youth football clinic and coaching and refereeing youth soccer games.

Food Services

The Food Services Department continues to participate in the USDA National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs, USDA Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program, USDA After School Snack Program, USDA Summer Feeding Program, USDA Commodity Distribution Program, and Department of Defense Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program. In addition, we continue to provide breakfast, lunch, and snack to the Head Start Program at Johnson School year round and Lunch to the YMCA child care program.

New in FY17 are breakfast in the classroom programs at Colegrove Park Elementary School and Greylock Elementary School. As a result of these new programs, Colegrove Park breakfast participation has increased 68% and Greylock has increased 60%. In an attempt to further reduce food insecurity in North Adams and increase students' access to nutritious foods a new after school supper feeding program began in October 2016 at Brayton Elementary School. Funded through the USDA Child and Adult Care Feeding Program this program allows any child under the age of 18 to receive one free supper daily while the program is in session. We are currently averaging 90 meals served per day for the supper program.

In addition, Brayton Elementary School and Colegrove Park Elementary School applied for and were awarded a Healthy Start Award from the Eos Foundation. "The Healthy Start Award recognizes Massachusetts school-based leaders who contribute to the educational success of the whole child by addressing their nutritional needs". The requirement for receiving this award is reaching and maintaining a breakfast in the classroom participation rate of 80% or higher. Brayton surpassed the minimum by reaching 88% participation while Colegrove Park reached 86% participation. Both schools were recognized at an awards ceremony located at the Massachusetts State Capitol and received a \$500 award.

Participation in the National Breakfast Program increased 29% in FY 17 while participation in the Nation School Lunch Program increased 4%. This increase in participation continues to far exceed national averages and is the direct result of a dedicated staff committed to improving day-to-day operations and providing our student customers the best meal possible in accordance with all USDA nutritional requirements.

School Safety Committee

The Safety Committee is comprised of the Superintendent, principals, school counselors, the health administrator, the school resource officer as well as representatives from the North Adams Police and Fire Departments, North Adams Ambulance, Massachusetts State Police, and Berkshire Medical Center. The mission of this committee is to ensure a safe, caring environment for staff, students and parents. The committee holds quarterly meetings and additional meetings are scheduled as needed. Each school has established an emergency response team and has developed emergency response procedures.

Emergency Operations Plans were rewritten for each school and for the district that align with the model recommended by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the US Department of Education.

A major activity during this year was the training and development of protocols related to emergency evacuation and family reunification. Troopers from the School Safety Unit of the Massachusetts State Police trained all faculty members in the procedures. All schools completed an ambitious schedule of safety drills that included enhanced lockdown drills, and an offsite evacuation drill with parent reunification. Primary and secondary evacuation sites were secured for all schools.

Safety Liaison Anne French conducted School Emergency Response Team training on March 9 for new members of the school teams. Thirty-three staff members participated.

A grant was procured that enabled the district to purchase COPsync911, real-time threat-alert service that is used to inform and maintain communication with 1st responders and school staff if the school building is threatened or under attack. North Adams Police completed training. Staff received introductory training and will receive a practice session in the fall before the application goes live.

School Safety Patrol Program

The School Safety Patrol Program had a very successful year with over 40 students from grades 5-7 taking the program. Students were from Brayton, Colegrove Park and Greylock Elementary Schools.

All students were transported via bus after school to the North Adams Ambulance Service located on Harris Street in North Adams for a five-day training that included First Responder, C.P.R. and Safety training. At the end of the five-day training each student became certified for 2 years in C.P.R., learned how to stop a bus in case of an emergency and how to evacuate it. Students were also given a lesson on safety at the bus stop. At the end of the training students

created a video from a mock motor vehicle accident that they were all involved in. Each student was issued a patrol belt, badge and ID card that are provided by AAA.

Instructors for the training included: Amalio Jusino and MaryAnn King. Mr. Dave Sookey from DuFour Bus Company came and gave the students a talk about bus safety.

In June, all safety patrols were treated to field trip to Mt. Greylock Bowl where they bowled had pizza and a Chinese Auction. After lunch they received certificates and lapel pins from Superintendent Malkas. Also present, Mayor Alcombright, Director Cozzaglio, Lt. Jason Wood and Sgt. Burdick who each gave words of wisdom to the students.

North Adams Public Schools Volunteer Program

The 2016-2017 North Adams Volunteer Program experienced another fantastic year in meeting the mission and goals of the program. The program registers volunteers and makes sure all volunteers have current CORI/SORI checks. To date, over 470 volunteers are registered with the program. These volunteers have given their time in after school programs, PTGs and PTAs, sporting events, tutoring and mentoring programs, The Foster Grandparent Program, Read Across America and special events with parent and community volunteers. Over the last few years, faculty, staff and parents have continued to show an increased awareness of the need for volunteers to become registered and approved. This continues to help ensure the safety of our students as well as increase the integrity of the program.

The program continues to see an increase in volunteers from the local colleges, MCLA and Williams College. Through a partnership with Williams' Center for Learning in Action, the following programs worked with elementary students this year: Science Fellows, After School Tutoring, iTeam, First Grade Buddies, Middle School Mentors and the Assist Program. The Assist Program, run by Williams College student, Devon Caveney, with assistance from Brayton Dean of Students, Dan Sherman grew in numbers and participation this year. With a large number of Williams students expressing interest, the program was opened up to students at Greylock Elementary, with Greylock Dean of Students, Sue Candiloro assisting with the placements as well. Over 50 elementary students were placed with a Williams College athlete mentor. The fifth year of the Williams College tutoring program saw over 100 Williams College students working with students from all three elementary schools during after school programs. The Williams College volunteers were able to continue using the BRTA to travel to Brayton Elementary where they worked with students five days a week.

Many MCLA students volunteered their time in our schools through the college's Center for Service. Volunteers were involved in after school programs such as, The Write Stuff and Half Times. MCLA students also participated in a Science program called, Teach to Learn, which brought science lessons to the students of Colegrove Park Elementary. New this year, MCLA started their own version of an athlete mentoring program and worked with students at Colegrove Park Elementary.

Williams College and MCLA students worked together as volunteers with Dr. Citrin at the Carver Family Dentistry Office to bring dental health awareness to our PreK and elementary students.

All three elementary schools continued to benefit from the volunteers in the Foster Grandparent Program. A total of six volunteers worked in the program.

In the upcoming school year, the program looks forward to continued growth in volunteers, tracked volunteer hours, and new projects, which enhance the educational excellence in the North Adams Public Schools.

English Learner Education (ELE) Services

The ELE program in the North Adams Public Schools is based in the model of Sheltered English Instruction, which specifies that identified English Language Learners receive content instruction in regular classrooms as well as direct instruction in English language development. The language of instruction is English, with clarification when necessary in the native language using dictionaries or interpreters as needed. The key elements are scaffolding and modifying instruction in order to make the curriculum accessible to students for whom English is not the primary language. The WIDA Can-Do Descriptors are used in conjunction with Common Core State Standards in ESL lesson planning. Instruction and assessment modifications adhere to the WIDA guidelines. By using the SEI SMARTCARD observation protocol in classrooms, the ELE Coordinator supports content teachers.

This year the district went through the Coordinated Program Review. The biggest change in response to the CPR process was the progress monitoring system. Instead of issuing grades and comments on report cards, we are now issuing our own progress reports. These included detailed information about English language proficiency levels. Student will still be enrolled in an ELE class with a licensed ESL teacher in Powerschool but it will be a pass/fail class. The waiver process was also clarified during the CPR. Waivers only apply to other forms of ESL instruction such as two-way bilingual or transitional bilingual. Students enrolled in programs such as ES, Steeples or Castles will receive ESL services if needed.

Three Mandarin-speaking families require translation/interpretation services for three students at Greylock, one at Brayton and one at Drury. Interpreters were provided at parent-teacher conferences and various meetings throughout the year.

At the beginning of the school year, there were: one identified EL student at Johnson Pre-K; Seventeen identified EL students; 3 FEL students in their first year of monitoring; and one optout student at Greylock; one EL at Colegrove Park; One FEL in the first year of monitoring at Brayton; one FEL in the first year of monitoring at Drury. We currently serve: one EL at Johnson; thirteen EL students; 3 FEL students in their first year of monitoring, and one optout student at Greylock; three EL students at Colegrove Park; one FEL in the first year of monitoring at Brayton and one FEL in the first year of monitoring at Drury. One student was already in the system but was not identified as EL due to inconsistent administration of the Home Language Survey in the past. Several others moved in or out of the district later in the year. Students who moved to the district later in the year were immediately identified via the PHLS, screened, and began receiving services, if necessary. Home language surveys were checked against a master list of transfer students. Missing surveys were located.

At the request of the new administration, students will no longer be given the option to attend Greylock Elementary if identified as EL. EL students already in the system were given the option to return to their home schools or stay at Greylock. One student chose to move from Greylock to Brayton Elementary. Two students chose to remain at Greylock Elementary. Going forward, all EL students will receive ESL services and SEI instruction in their home school. ESL teachers will collaborate and provide SEI coaching services accordingly.

A full-time certified ESL coordinator, certified ESL teacher, and one TA provide instruction. The ELE team is based at Greylock Elementary, and travels to Johnson and Colegrove Park schools to provide instruction for four EL students. The coordinator and teacher are responsible for individualized learning plans that incorporate WIDA Can-Do Descriptors, standards, and social/instructional language. The coordinator and teacher also attend IEP reviews, IST meetings and have regularly scheduled collaboration time with SCI teachers. The teacher also regularly observes SCI teachers and offers SEI coaching and feedback. The ESL coordinator and teacher provide direct pull-out instruction to small groups of EL students at Greylock Elementary, Colegrove Park Elementary, and Johnson Pre-K. These groups are based on grade level and ELP level. A full-time ESL teacher's assistant also leads small groups to practice skills taught by the coordinator and teacher. The TA provides one-on-one instruction to one EL student at Colegrove Park Elementary five days per week and one EL student at Johnson Pre-K five days per week, under direct supervision of the ESL teacher. All assignments and student work are regularly reviewed by the ESL teacher. The ELE coordinator supervises and evaluates the ESL teacher, writes and reviews lesson plans, oversees intake procedures, tracks student data, plans professional development and supports teachers attaining the SEI endorsement.

Upon intake, the Home Language Survey is administered in person or over the phone to all new students at registration. The HLS can only be given by principals, guidance counselors and ESL teachers. The HLS can be accessed from the NAPS website where instructions and the HLS (in several languages) can be found. All students with significant exposure to another language are screened and placed accordingly. If another language is present in the home, the HLS administrator immediately calls the ELE coordinator or teacher at Greylock Elementary. If the student has had significant exposure to any other language, they are screened using the W-APT, KW-APT or Pre-IPT. This year, one high-school student was screened and qualified for services. He left the district before receiving services. Eighteen elementary students were screened, with eleven qualifying for services. One pre-k student was screened using the Pre-IP and identified as EL. Pre-K students are rescreened for placement at the beginning of kindergarten begins using the Kindergarten W-APT.

In January, the ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 test was administered, which is primarily a computer-based test. The Kindergarten ACCESS remained paper-based. Seven students took the Kindergarten ACCESS test. Twelve students took the ACCESS test. Most EL students taking the MCAS test received accommodations such as extended time, separate setting and read-aloud for the math and STE sections. Despite major flaws with the Massachusetts ACCESS score reporting, most students made significant progress.

Two students exited the program. They will be monitored for four years. Three EL students outside the Greylock school boundary attended Greylock by van and two others walked to a Greylock bus stop.

The ELE Coordinator assisted 10 teachers in all three elementary schools who were getting the SEI endorsement by holding meetings, supplying data, interviewing an EL student and answering questions. The district provided a 15-hour PDP series on the topic of Sheltered English Immersion. It was carried out over two days after the end of the school year. This series met the re-licensure requirements that each teacher must earn 15 PDPs in an SEI-related area. Formal PD was supplemented at Greylock Elementary by the SEI coaching program suggested by the DESE. The SEI SMARTCARD observation protocol is used to give specific feedback regarding the use and effectiveness of SEI techniques. Three teachers with ELs participated this year with the ESL teacher. Each class was observed three times throughout the year. These teachers and the ELE team had 30 minutes of collaboration time scheduled weekly. The ELE also observed teachers at Brayton Elementary and Drury High School using the SMARTCARD at their request.

Teachers communicated with parents through phone calls, email and parent-teacher conferences. Two Mandarin interpreters and one Spanish interpreter were employed to translate school notices and were present at parent-teacher conferences throughout the year. Attendance at school events was encouraged via email and face-to-face meetings.

The following informational meetings were attended by either the ELE coordinator, ESL teacher or both: 10/18/16 ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Test Coordinator Training Session, 11/1/16 Low Incidence Districts and Charter Schools,11/4/16 WIDA Screener Online Training Session,2/3/17 BELT (Berkshire English Language Teachers) group,3/28/17 BELT (Berkshire English Language Teachers) group,5/11/17 Low-Incidence Districts and Charter Schools, 6/2/17 BELT (Berkshire English Language Teachers) group, 6/6/17 & 6/7/17 WIDA Workshop: Purposeful Lesson Planning for ELs

Pull out services were scheduled in 45 minute periods and students were seen for pull out services each day. Students are now either Foundational (ELP levels 1-3) or Transitional (ELP levels 3-5). Students at the foundational level received 2-3 periods of instruction a day, and students at the transitional level were seen for one period per day. Students were grouped by grade level and ELD level. One period per day is reserved for planning and collaboration between the ESL teacher, tutor, and TA.

The increased scrutiny of the Coordinated review this year has helped to reinforce successful practices and clarify expectations for services. The new progress monitoring system was our most significant change. Going forward with an increasing presence at all schools in the district, we hope to build on our successes and expand the program.

Community Service Learning

Service-Learning is a method of teaching that helps students learn and develop through active participation in community service as a direct application of the content area. Research indicates

that quality service-learning increases student engagement, achievement and aspirations and is an effective strategy for preventing drop out, teen pregnancy, violence and other risk behaviors.

We continue to offer a mini-grant program for North Adams teachers to support ongoing and new projects. Fifty teachers led 840 students (58% of district enrollment) in 78 service-learning projects during the 2016-17 school year. Projects incorporated all content areas, and addressed themes such as local art and history, hunger and homelessness, support to people with illness, community beautification, school and community gardens, elders, holiday cheer and mentoring. Descriptions of all projects are posted on the Service-Learning page of the NAPS website.

A district Service Learning Advisory Committee meets on a regular basis to advance program goals, review mini-grant applications and provide networking. Members include representative teachers and staff from NAPS as well as from MCLA, Northern Berkshire Community Coalition and the Growing Healthy Community Garden Program.

School garden projects continue to expand across the district in partnership with the Growing Healthy Gardening Program. This is a long-term commitment to engage as many educators and students as possible in collaborative projects across the curriculum that empower the local community to be involved in solutions around hunger, poverty, nutrition and environmental and health impacts of locally sourced food. Brayton, Greylock, Drury and E3 Academy now all have raised-bed, organic gardens on campus. Students created raised bed and container gardens onsite at the Berkshire Food Project. The produce from all of the gardens, except Greylock and E3, is harvested and donated to the Berkshire Food Project for their free community meals. The produce from the Greylock garden is shared with neighborhood residents. The produce from the E3 garden is shared with building residents at the Windsor Mill. Some of the gardens also involve composting and the re-use of rainwater and recyclable materials. Multiple classrooms prepare and serve meals at the Berkshire Food Project. Drury construction students built a sign for the beds at the River Street Community Garden where they had previously designed and installed beds for Hoosic River Revival.

All seniors participated in a service-learning capstone project through their English course. Students identified needs and selected community organizations to partner with based on career interests or personal passions. Working individually or in small groups, seniors developed independent service-learning projects. Senior projects this year included supporting children with cancer, troop support, mentoring younger students in leading community-building circles, a book drive for local children, building a dirt box to store soil for the school gardens, fundraising and onsite volunteering for Habitat for Humanity, volunteering at the Friendship Center Food Pantry, producing the Drury Lip Dub, and supporting local animal shelters.

Service-Learning is a primary and highly effective teaching strategy at E3 Academy. E3 students studied food insecurity and food systems and built a little free food pantry onsite at the Vietnam Veterans Association. Anyone is welcome to give to or take from the food box. Students compiled a directory of food relief programs in North Adams and made a brochure that is available in multiple sites. E3 students also designed and built corn hole sets to donate to the new Roots Youth Center and to be used for fundraising on their behalf. That activity sparked a request from a city councilor to build corn hole sets for the downtown indoor playground. E3

students built and planted a garden in the courtyard at the Windsor Mill to foster community relations with fellow mill tenants.

Parent Involvement

In order to reach their potential, parents and schools must be partners. In the North Adams Public Schools, we have developed a comprehensive parent program. Parents of students in grades prekindergarten through twelve are provided with a variety of opportunities to participate in their child's schooling.

Parent orientation programs are held every September at all the schools in the form of Open Houses. An Annual Title I meeting is held each year to disseminate information to families on school wide Title I services and to build communication with parents. For the last two years, this was held at Open House. LINCS and Title 1 staff were on hand to answer parent questions as well as give out information and take home activities. Staff continues to feel we are able to connect with many more parents and families this way. Parent/Teacher conferences are held in November where parents, children and school faculty sign a Parent/School Compact. Parent Teacher Groups continue to provide supports for both the schools and parents.

Our LINCS Parent Center is active in building communication regarding parent involvement throughout the district. The mission is to develop a firm collaborative partnership through which schools, families, and communities share the responsibility for the education and well-being of our children. The Center provides many resources such as family programs, monthly newsletters, and a lending library of parent and family items.

During the 2016-2017 school year, a continued effort was made to think about how we engage with families. Due to changes in daily family lives and busy schedules, it is becoming even more important to connect with parents in ways that are convenient and accessible. A continued emphasis was placed on providing information through our printed and digital newsletters. Through the creation of the NAPS Facebook page, we were also able to post notices and flyers digitally and connect with parents in a new way. LINCS provides a variety of opportunities for parents to participate in parenting groups and parent workshops, either through the schools or in collaboration with community agencies such as Child Care of the Berkshires, Family Resource Center or The Family Place.

This year, LINCS collaborated with the Youth Services Department of the North Adams Public Library to bring more awareness of library programs and resources to families. The North Adams Public Library also gave monthly book recommendations based on grade levels that were published in our monthly newsletters. All of the recommended books were available at the library. LINCS looks forward to finding even more ways to collaborate with NAPL in the next school year.

Our schools have been working on enhancing the Transition to Kindergarten program and focusing on the transitions for families as well as students. This year, the registration and screening process for incoming kindergarteners was separated. Ten different dates and sites around the city were used as open registration times which helped us to connect with more families, especially families who do not have access to transportation. Registration times were

held at the Mohawk Forest Community Center, Greylock Apartments Community Center, UNO Center, City Hall, Childcare of the Berkshires, Head Start, as well as at Johnson and the three elementary schools. The screenings for incoming kindergarten students were held at the schools the children will be attending in the fall, allowing the families to see the school and meet staff members from the very start. Each child was given a book about kindergarten that was published by Berkshire Museum.

Technology

During the 2016-17 school year the North Adams Public Schools has taken more steps to support technology use by teachers, students, and staff throughout the district. The year started with many trainings to solidify the use of a new version of PowerSchool (the online grading program used by all teachers). Great care was taken to be sure that all teachers new the program so it could be used effectively. Training was also provided to parents so they had access to their child's grades.

In order to match equally the technology at Colegrove Park Elementary School, Greylock and Brayton Elementary Schools, started the school year with new computer carts that were shared at each grade level (grades 2-7). Each grade level received a cart of 20 HP Probook 11g2 Education Edition laptops for sharing, along with 5 laptops that were assigned to their classroom for everyday class work. K-1 teachers were assigned 5 iPads in their classroom and a cart of 20 iPads to share between each level. Teachers from Greylock and Brayton were also equipped with new computers for their educational use.

All technologies that were no longer needed at the elementary school were reconditioned and repurposed to Drury High School for their use. It provided twelve (200 x 10" Asus netbooks and 100 x HP 15.6" laptops) carts to be shared by many teachers and allow them to be prepare their student for the MCAS 2.0 online testing.

We have completed Phase I of the implementation and use of the Inventory Management System to help track every piece of our technology equipment. Phase two will be to expand and use the system to track curriculum related materials that will be purchased this year. With the extended use of a Mobile Device Management System AirWatch. We have been able to streamline the Apps needed by teachers to initiate or maintain engaged learning.

North Adams teachers have been progressing in the integration technology skills with their everyday curriculum. They continue to diligently look for ways to use technology as a tool that will build skills that are stressed in the Massachusetts Technology Literacy Standards and Expectations and needed to be an effective citizen in the 21st century. We will continue to stay the course with the plan to introduce the new instructional technology options so teachers can present ways to make technology skills a part of their everyday curriculum. All students in grades 4-7 have been given their own log-in. The plan is to create these log-ins for everyone K-12. These log-ins will follow them for the remainder of their schooling in NAPS. In addition to educational Apps and programs, we will continue to make better use google applications (Google Doc, Sheets, Slides, Forms, ClassRoom etc.) and help create a paperless environment where students will be able to work seamlessly with their teachers and Google productivity tools at school at home and in the community. We will continue our work with teachers and students

to prepare every student for the world of higher education, career opportunities, and lifelong learning using multiple technology tools.

A great deal of computer skills practice was done to help prepare all students who were scheduled to take the MCAS 2.0 tests online this year. Practice was made available to these students so they could learn the format of the test as well as the tools the test had available to them.

Coding was introduced last year to many groups of students in grades K-12 by using the program Hour of Code. The number of teachers and students engaging in the hour of code this year significantly increased. Our aim is for all elementary students to engage in the coming school year. Some teachers continued to offer Coding throughout the year. Coding was also offered as afterschool programs for upper elementary children. Brayton and Greylock elementary schools have continued to work with Williams College. The college sends student volunteers to teachers' classrooms to assist them in implement their lessons using iPad and computer technology. Coding was a focus for their work with upper elementary students.

The district continued to support the development of district and school wide websites as well as the crafting of teacher specific websites with Edlio Website Creator. These websites have been an effective and coordinated way to outreach to families and the community. At the three elementary schools, teachers were encouraged to continue the use of the school purchased, web programs to support the curriculum such as, Lexia, MobyMax and Math Expressions for online literacy and math interventions. Read 180 (a reading intervention program) was installed and successfully used on five computers at Brayton donated by Williams College. Some of these programs will be discontinued this coming school year and replaced with programs associated to the new curriculums purchased.

Some additional technology-related highlights from the 2015-2016 school year are listed below: Teachers across the district tried many new ways to engage their students with technology tools. They have been thoughtful and creative in the use to differentiate and make learning meet the needs within their classrooms.

Drury continued the use of *the College and Career Center* providing online access to career and college exploration, as well as online college application, which was available for all students. Drury also utilized the Naviance College and Career Readiness Platform for all students in grades 7-12. They continued their Learning Lab, where they provided various online opportunities, including skill boosters, credit recovery, and full credit high school courses which may not have been offered within the regular Drury course offerings.

Support was available for all teachers for using a Document Camera and using interactive projectors. Instructional technology support was tailored to meet the needs of teachers so they could make the most of the equipment they had. with the equipment. Many took part in one-to-one or small group tutorials to help them implement the technologies they needed.

We have presently begun work with Williams College and other Northern Berkshire School districts to provide technology integration workshops that will be offered to all teachers. The

collaboration is called *TechConnect*, which Williams College is generously hosting on its campus on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>August 24</u>, <u>2017</u>. For this first-year, pilot program, we hope that K-12 educators from throughout North Berkshire will participate as we seek to expand our community and deepen our conversations about topics in education technology. We have several teachers providing these technology workshops to share the knowledge they have with their colleagues.

The Off-Campus Program

The North Adams Public Schools' Off Campus Program located at 931 South Church Street, and provided a hands-on learning experience for approximately 40 students during the school year in a variety of programs.

The Adult Transition Program for 18-22-year-old young adults with disabilities is located at the Off Campus Program building, and provided transition services to 6 students this year, with 2 students moving on to work with community based adult service agencies in the fall of 2016. High school age students participated in a variety of pre-vocational and hands on learning experiences both on site, and in the community including swimming and exercise at the YMCA, travel training with the BRTA, and volunteer opportunities at various locations throughout the city. Students learned about horticulture, recreational art, plant maintenance, grounds maintenance assembly and customer service. Students assembled and created items for sale in the program's Greenhouse store and planted, cared for and transplanted seedlings for use along Main Street in North Adams. Through these lessons, students practiced social skills and functional living skills with their peers, staff and with many customers who attended two open houses held to showcase the work of the students this year.

Drury Summer Program

Drury High School continued its Massachusetts DESE grant funded summer STEPS (Summer Transition Excellence Program for Success) program in 2016. The program ran for four weeks and targeted students that were at risk of repeating 8th grade. In order to encourage attendance in the program transportation was provided as well as a free lunch.

The program's themes this year focused on problem solving, interdependence and communication. High school teachers developed curriculum that was designed to specifically address deficits in those areas. This was accomplished through a science unit on climate change and a social studies unit on the Civil Rights Movement during their academic blocks. The STEPS curriculum continued its use of the "Problem Solving Process" that is a hybrid of the Engineering Design Process and the Scientific Method. In order to fully engrain these skills, students were consistently asked to apply these themes throughout the program, not only during academic classes, but also during Service Learning projects, as well as during the "skill building" lessons during the program, when students were reflecting on academic and social/emotional strengths and weaknesses and receiving direct instruction in organization, active listening, behavior, public speaking, teamwork and collaboration.

Another goal of the program is to increase engagement among the students, not only in school, but also within their community. For this reason, the program used the KIDS Consortium's "Kids as Planners" model to investigate, develop and carry out two different service learning projects. Students worked with the Berkshire United Way on the Humans of the Berkshires

project. In order to celebrate the accomplishments of local youth, students conducted and compiled interviews to be published on the internet. Another group worked with the Northern Berkshire Community Coalition and the Family Place on the Back Packed for Success project. Students raised funds and collected school supplies to provide stocked backpacks to low income families for the beginning of the school year.

Eighteen grade eight students successfully completed the program. They recovered content credits, "banked" 2 elective credits and were able to move on to the next grade without having to repeat courses. Students and staff celebrated their success with a pizza party at the pizza oven and Community Garden on River Street.

The program also continued offering credit recovery through the web-based Edgenuity program. All grade eight students in the STEPS program that failed a math class were required to recover those credits online with Edgenuity. These math courses were grade specific and Mass Common Core aligned. The program was able to diagnose the areas of weaknesses for students, assessed their abilities and provided remediation where necessary. Four students successfully completed this aspect of the STEPS program and recovered math credit. An additional 55 students from Drury and other area high schools used this program to recover credits from areas including English, History, Math, Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Spanish, with a 98% completion rate.

Mary Jezyk Sunshine Camp

The Mary Jezyk Sunshine Camp is a summer recreational camp that provided services for approximately forty special needs students from pre-kindergarten through grade twelve at no cost to the families. The camp services students with mild to severe needs providing much needed programming for this population to develop social skills and prevent regression of skills. The four week, five days per week program is held at Historic Valley Park on Windsor Lake and offers students a variety of activities including swimming, arts and crafts, games, and field trips. The students participate in themed activities for recreational arts and have opportunities to work on developing and maintaining critical positive social skills in a slightly more relaxed setting than the classroom allowing them to generalize those skills. Lunches, nutritious snacks and transportation are all provided at no cost to students or their families.

McKinney-Vento Homeless Education

The McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Office has continued to serve our students in a varied capacity. We are serving an increasing number of families and unaccompanied youth as a result of the concerted effort to identify our homeless students as early as possible. Hard work to identify those students struggling with insecure housing has increased our identification of homeless students by 30% this year. This has enabled us to provide support services to M-V students and student's parents alike. The North Adams Public Schools McKinney-Vento office has successfully helped dozens of North Adams students improve their housing situation by accessing local, state, and federal funds and agency services. We have provided gift cards, toiletries, emotional support, and financial aid advocacy directly to our M-V families. We have also worked diligently to further strengthen our ties with the community, participating in the formation of the Northern Berkshire Housing and Homelessness Collaborative, successfully petitioning The Regional Housing Authority to provide a Youth Advocate from Pittsfield for our

local unaccompanied youth, and continue to work together with MCLA and many community agencies to improve the housing instability affecting our students community-wide.

Pathways to High School Graduation and College and Career Readiness

Drury High School has continued to work diligently to provide multiple pathways to high school graduation and improve college and career readiness skills for all students. Drury's online learning lab, graduation coaching and the competency-based E3 Academy were started via grant funding to support on-time graduation for all students. Since the conclusion of the MassGrad grant, the North Adams Public Schools now supports these programs via the regular budget. Drury improved our four-year on-time graduation rates from 72% in 2009 to 81% in 2016, while on-time graduation rates for students with disabilities improved from 50% in 2009 to 59% in 2016 and graduation rates for low income students improved from 60% to 74%. This improvement has been a result of our three-pronged approach supporting pathways to graduation. Preliminary end of year data approximates the number of students served in these programs (given some students transferred out of and/or were involved with multiple approaches) during the 2016-2017 school year:

Drury Online Learning Lab: 160 students
 Graduation Coaching: 45 students
 E3 Academy 18 students

The Learning Lab completed its second year using Edgenuity, an online platform for credit recovery and "full run" content courses and electives for students in grades 8-12. Many students served via in the Learning Lab completed more than one online course, including eighth grade students who were previously not served by PLATO online courses. Students were scheduled into online courses for a variety of reasons, including but not limited to: credit recovery, scheduling conflicts, medical leaves, and credit acceleration. The expanded programming and increase in licenses from 12 to 20 saw an increase from ninety-eight (98) students during FY15 to one hundred and sixty (160) students in FY16. Added benefits of the Edgenuity platform include increased alignment with Common Core Standards and a variety of accommodation and modification features to provide additional academic support for students, especially students with disabilities.

Our Graduation Coach served approximately sixty-one (61) students during the school year. The level of student needs helped categorize the caseload via the Drury Building Early Support Team by identifying students into the three categories of monitor, active and intensive to guide the oversight and action steps in promoting staying on track for on time graduation. The graduation coach monitored student progress, actively intervened with academic and behavioral support, and provided intensive (daily) interventions for students with the highest need, as evidenced by behavioral and academic data.

The E3 competency-based program supported eighteen (18) students in the areas of essential skills and knowledge, effort and employability. Fifteen of the students graduated in 2017, and three will be returning in the fall of 2017, joined by an additional 10 students who will work to complete their competencies so they may graduate in 2018. While supporting high school graduation for at-risk students, E3 also engaged in several community and service-learning

activities in North Adams in an effort to break down barriers and support the community, while learning and demonstrating academic skills and knowledge.

In 2016-2017 E3 students learned about food insecurity from community agencies such as the Girl Scouts and the Friendship Food Pantry as well as local farms and constructed a "food box" in downtown North Adams which provides non-perishable food items for anyone who needs it, accessible any time of day. As part of the project, the students also created a resource packet outlining agencies and resources for accessing free meals and benefits. Students continued their efforts in this area throughout the year, baking at the UNO Center to provide baked goods to the Friendship Food Pantry and helping to prepare and serve free lunch at the First Congregational Church.

Additionally, E3 students partnered with UNITY to design and construct game equipment for use at the ROOTS Teen Center and as a fundraiser for the community youth programming. The students in the E3 program were also nominated for a Neighborly Award and continued their work on the community garden project during the year.

MASS MoCA

In FY17, the North Adams Public Schools celebrated its seventeenth year collaborating with Kidspace and MASS MoCA. Kidspace launched Year two of Art 4 Change (A4C) with the exhibitions Here Comes the Sun and Kaleidoscopic Playground, which were targeted to students in grades Pre-K through 7, and featured works from the artists Federico Uribe and Nick Cave. Art 4 Change is a four-year collaborative project between Kidspace at MASS MoCA and its seven partner schools in the North Adams Public Schools and North Berkshire School Union which focuses on the issue of problem-solving and how to better prepare students for a world that needs effective solutions to ever-growing problems. All students in Pre-K through seventh grade participated in two tours at MASS MoCA, one of Kidspace and one of the main galleries, each with thematic art-making and mindful practice as well. The Kidspace tour explored the theme of optimism and asked students to think and build awareness of how optimism is an active choice and can be practiced through changing perspectives. For example, Uribe's animal sculptures made out of bullets challenged negative associations and Cave's mirrored figures with prompts such as 'special' and 'other' inspired visitors to think about how they see themselves and others. The Kidspace visits included discussions about changing perspectives, context in relationships, and self-awareness. Art projects for grades 3 - 8 involved creating positive interpretations of mosquitos with wire, feathers, and pompoms; Pre-K - 2 did a similar project with tempera paint, allowing students to practice color combinations using the primary colors. The mindfulness activity was a storytelling meditation aimed at encouraging students to make optimistic and hopeful choices in their lives.

Highlights from the visits to the main galleries include: discussing the use of unusual and everyday materials to create narratives in *Alex DaCorte: Free Roses*; uniting disparate objects through color and scale in *Explode Everyday: An Inquiry into the Phenomena of Wonder*; composition in installation art in *Nick Cave: Until*; bonding different mediums to create a whole work in *Sarah Crowner: Beetle in the Leaves*; and creating balance between different elements in *Sol LeWitt: A Wall Drawing* Retrospective. Teachers were also provided with additional

resources and information on *Here Comes the Sun* as a supplement to include in their Art 4 Change teacher guides, given to them last year for Year 1 of the exhibition project.

As part of the Kidspace Artist Residency Program, local artist Huckleberry Elling conducted artist residencies at the museum with Brayton and Colegrove Park Elementary Schools. She worked with 4th graders to create a child-sized crocheted butterfly that served as a symbol for optimism and hope. Students created the wings of the butterfly by shaving and melting wax crayons. They also made their own butterflies to take home. Another local artist, David Lane, worked with Greylock Elementary School 4th graders; he helped the students construct their own battery-powered lanterns made from reed, wood glue, and muslin. Each lantern was inscribed with the students' optimistic wishes for their community, ranging from North Adams to the world. These residencies were funded by grants from the Massachusetts Cultural Council and the Institute for Museum and Library Services.

NAPS received a \$20,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Arts, which helped support museum admission, buses, performances, and artist residencies.

Additionally, MASS MoCA received a second grant from the Institute for Museums and Library Services for the project titled A Responsive Museum, a two-year framework for community engagement with social justice issues and the arts. As part of this project, Drury High School students participated in social justice tours and two artist residencies surrounding the themes of racism and violence found within *Nick Cave: Until* exhibition. Pittsfield-based poet Ted Thomas led a 6-week poetry workshop with ten 9th grade students, culminating in a poetry reading for the students' families and friends at MASS MoCA. Brooklyn-based artist Shaun Leonardo worked with twenty-four 12th grade students in a workshop/performance about self-preservation shaped as a self-defense class. Finally, eighty-one Drury students participated in the 7th Annual Teen Invitational high school art show at MASS MoCA; fourteen of these students won awards at the ceremony in April.

21st Century Community Learning Centers Program

Our focus for this funding period in the 21st Century After School and Summer programs has been one of meeting the individual needs of our students and the families we service. As our experience with extended day and out of school programs broadens, it strengthens our ability to address the specific needs of our population. Recognizing areas for focus in literacy, math, and science with our students, as well as the need to build a strong sense of citizenship among our population, led to the fine-tuning of our programs at the two sites.

Brayton Elementary School 21st Century 2016 K-5 Summer Science Camp

The theme of Brayton Elementary School's 21st Century Summer Science Camp was "Kid Commotion to Save the Ocean". The length of the camp was 4 weeks, Monday thru Friday, from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. In preparation for camp there were 3 professional development (PD) sessions for staff. The initial PD was presented by Molly Polk from Williams College on the use of technology within the theme. The second PD was a presentation of techniques to overcome behaviors and using lite-tech assistive technology strategies in support of the work. The final PD session covered the logistics, goals and professional expectations of staff.

In addition to hands on, project-based science activities there was a performing arts component offered by our after school program's dance and drama leader. The musical drama was "Social Skills" the theme of which was how to interact with peers. The campers who were enrolled in Kids 4 Harmony after school program were provided with a continuation of lessons throughout the camp, Monday thru Thursday, with an hour lesson each day.

There were a number of guest presenters who enhanced the experience for our summer participants. MIT visited Brayton Elementary School and members of their outreach staff provided campers with a variety of hands-on experiments aligned with the theme. Students visited the North Adams Library weekly for presentations, technology work, and book checkouts. As a group, we visited Williams College where the students were treated to a presentation on waves. The Brayton program's celebration of learning was a trip to Castle Island Beach and the New England Aquarium.

Through a partnership with the YMCA and a private funder the camp was able to send 50 students to the Y for extended care and a swim/gym program. This provided our students with 40 hours of additional skill building and team work.

Added student support was made possible through a partnership with Berkshire County Regional Employment Board. Four high school students were funded by local banks to work in summer camp where they provided general and targeted support to our younger students.

Brayton's Leader in Me Initiative was integrated throughout the summer program with full integration of the "seven habits of happy kids" in all camp activities.

The Summer Science Camp provided four additional enriching weeks of literacy, math and science with emphasis on supporting social/emotional well-being.

Colegrove Park Elementary School 21st Century 2016 6-7 College & Career Readiness Summer Camp

With our brand new College and Career Readiness summer camp we focused on preparing our students to be successful after middle school with our "Camp Optimism". Our camp ran for five weeks from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. To prepare our teachers for the summer we provided two professional development (PD) opportunities. Our first PD was meeting with local fire and police staff, as our building was brand new and we wanted staff to know what to do in case of an emergency. Staff were able to explore our new building and to see how our emergency staff would work and to learn about the procedures for our new school. Our second PD was multi-pronged. Knowing our population, we had behavior specialist, Austen Richter come in to talk to staff about the unique middle school population that we work with. He gave tips and suggestions on how to work with troubled youths and extended his expertise for the duration of our camp. We then focused on the goals of our camp of literacy, math, science, and social emotional learning. Teachers were able to learn about how to design student driven, project based, hands on lessons. Finally, teachers were given information about the day to day logistics of Camp Optimism and given time to plan in groups.

During the five weeks of camp we organized it around an approach reflective of a high school feel, which gave the students a sense of independence. Students were assigned to homerooms but

then were able to choose four classes that they would be able to take with various teachers. These classes ranged from literacy classes in reading exploration, writing, and remedial literacy skills to math remediation, various engineering programs, and art programs. Students took two classes a day, where they were able to participate in student driven, hands on lessons, and they were able to learn through doing. During the afternoons students participated in a number of educational, physical, and team building field trips each day.

Through a partnership with MASS MoCA we were able to further explore the concept of optimism. The theme of being optimistic in our future was a central core idea we built upon throughout the five weeks of camp. Students were able to form lasting friendships, build upon their skills, and have confidence knowing that there are a wide range of opportunities after middle school and that they can be incredibly successful exploring them.

Brayton Elementary School 21st Century 2016-2017 K-4 After School Program

The 21st Century After School program based at Brayton is a district-wide program servicing students in grades Kindergarten to 4. The program runs five days per week from 3:00 – 5:30 p.m. Students at Brayton School transition from the day program to the school cafeteria at dismissal, where they are checked in by an after school assistant who facilitates the snack process and leads them to their after school classroom. At 3:30 PM Greylock and Colegrove students arrive at Brayton and are met by after school staff to join their friends.

Monday thru Friday students are engaged in approximately eight to ten programs that provide academic enhancement, social and emotional learning and support, as well as a full menu of performing and visual arts. 21^{st} Century also has a number of community partners all of whom provide programming free of charge, helping to build sustainability of the after school program. Included in the list of partners are MCLA, Williams College, YMCA, Berkshire Christian Church, All Saints Church, Hoosic River Revival, Berkshire Children & Families, Kids 4 Harmony and North Adams Public Library.

In addition to enriching programs we have found the need to infuse into the program a leadership initiative to better prepare our students for goal setting which we feel is a prerequisite to success academically, socially and emotionally. We want our students to be prepared as adults to become productive members of their community. We have chosen a goal setting program, Leader in Me, which teaches students the seven habits of successful kids. As recipients of the Williams College Olmsted Award, we have provided training for our after school staff and have purchased the Leader in Me Curriculum.

As we work toward becoming a full service community school, the "Be Our Guest" dinner program was added to after school. Students transitioned at 4:45 PM to the cafeteria for a nutritious hot meal before boarding buses for home. In 2nd session through an extension grant we were able to support a dinner program with students' families, resulting in personal engagement and relationship building with parents.

Colegrove Park Elementary School 21st Century 2016-2017 5-7 After School Program

During the 2016/2017 school year we expanded the Colegrove Park College and Career Readiness Academy's after school program to include 5th grade at the school. The grant also

supported 8th grade programming focused on science and engineering along with peer: peer and peer: adult relationship building. Our programs ran five days a week from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. with four to five programs running each day. Colegrove Park Elementary students were able to pick up their snack and transition to their individual classrooms. Teachers and assistants met students in their rooms, had a snack and worked on homework and team building. Students from Brayton and Greylock Elementary were able to have their snack at their home schools and they were bused over to Colegrove Park Elementary to begin their sessions.

Students participated in a number of programs off campus such as writing, science, and arts programs with our partners at MCLA, youth boxing at Miner Combat, and an engineering program at Drury High School. Other programs held at Colegrove Park Elementary focused on literacy, with poetry and fairy tales, math and engineering, with math games and Lego engineering, the arts, with dance, jewelry making, photography, and painting, and physical fitness with open mixed gym.

Additionally, our programs were supported through partnerships with Drury High School, who provided us with three high school interns through a grant and Williams College who provided us with three college students to assist in classes.

Our main goal with our College and Career Readiness Academy remains to boost not only student skills but their feeling of self-worth. We want them to believe in themselves as much as we do. They are brilliant and we want them to continually be reminded of that fact!

The Gateway Fund

The Gateway Fund is an endowment fund administered through the Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation. The purpose of the fund is to nurture educational excellence by providing grants to students and staff of our schools. In the spring of 2017 our fourteenth round of grant awards was completed.

Retirements

Retiring in FY17 were Mary Rose Calnan, Craig Corrigan, Keith Davis, Anne French, Claire Grogan, James Holmes and Deborah Sala. We extend to them our thanks for their many years of dedicated service.

North Adams Public Schools School Calendar 2016-2017

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The Committee's policy of nondiscrimination will extend to students, staff, the general public, and individuals with whom it does business; No person shall be excluded from or discriminated against in admission to a public school of any town or in obtaining the advantages, privileges, and courses of study of such public school on account of age, race, color, sex, gender identity, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, disability or homelessness.

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environment.

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During the last twenty years we have witnessed a dramatic transformation in vocational technical education especially in our application of technology and STEM subjects. We are very proud of the academic and technical achievement of our students and as each succeeding class raises the bar of accomplishment, the next class seeks to surpass it. The integration of our technical and academic curriculum has prepared our graduates well for their future and we appreciate you, our member communities, for your support in making it happen.

The accomplishments of our students reflect the McCann culture of learning:

The Class of 2016 became the thirteenth class in a row to attain 100 percent competency determination on the MCAS tests.

Twenty-eight of the Class of 2015 earned the prestigious John and Abigail Adams Scholarship awarded through the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education for their academic record and MCAS achievement.

Our 119 2016 graduates saw 61% continue their education in a variety of colleges and universities, 34% enter the workforce and 5% proudly enter into military service.

The results of the spring 2016 MCAS test once again echoed the continuous progress of our students through their dedication and that of our terrific faculty. Once again McCann posted solid scores highlighted below.

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PERFORMANCE LEVEL	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	
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PROFICIENT	67%	76%	77%	68.9%	72.6%	
NEEDS IMPROVEMENT	11%	8%	6%	4.5%	2.6%	
FAILING	0%	1%	1%	.7%	0%	

GRADE 10 - MATHEMATICS							
PERFORMANCE LEVEL	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016		
ADVANCED	33%	35%	44%	32.35%	34.5%		
PROFICIENT	42%	39%	29%	46.25%	45.7%		
NEEDS IMPROVEMENT	23%	17%	24%	19.2%	17.2%		
FAILING	3%	9%	3%	2.3%	2.5%		

GRADE 10 - SCIENCE AND TECH/ENG						
PERFORMANCE LEVEL	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	
ADVANCED	9%	13%	19%	11.3%	24.5%	
PROFICIENT	54%	53%	52%	63.7%	61.8%	
NEEDS IMPROVEMENT	30%	24%	27%	23.4%	10.9%	
FAILING	7%	9%	2%	1.6%	2.7%	

The McCann Athletics program continues to enjoy success in the Pioneer Valley Interscholastic Athletic Association. Our programs enjoy healthy participation numbers and our student athletes continue to represent our school admirably. The 2015-2016 year saw our baseball team advance to the Western Massachusetts Championship game for the first time since 1987. The game was held at Wahconah Park in Pittsfield and capped a fantastic season for the team that also included a league championship. A boys' lacrosse team was created in the spring of 2016 and played an independent schedule in its inaugural campaign. The team played hard and looks forward to continuing its growth as it will enter official league play this year in the PVIAC.

Our continuous facility improvement plan allowed us to renovate 5 classrooms replacing 3 rooms of 1960's era furniture with new desks and chairs, install energy efficient lighting and replace white boards for greater visibility and cleanliness. We installed a new computer proxy card internal and external lock

system providing enhanced building security and access control. We replaced over 100 computer systems throughout the building and made improvements to our athletic fields including the installation of new portable bleachers to provide a safer venue for both spectators and teams.

The integration of new educational technology continues to be our priority. We received a Massachusetts Skills Capital Grant for \$121,128.00 which allowed us to update 4 of our welders and add two virtual welding machines which combine the latest trends in metal joining technology with greater accuracy and outcomes. We added two Tormach 3-axis milling machines that allow our machine technology students to improve their automated manufacturing practice. We replaced our wheel alignment machine with a new system that incorporates the latest technology available thereby enhancing our automotive technology students' application of wheel alignment procedures.

Community service projects continue to provide our students with excellent opportunities to display their technical skills while exhibiting the passion and commitment to support their community. Our computer-aided design and carpentry students completed the rehabilitation of the porch and exterior stairways at the Louison House and our culinary arts students continue to support a number of community events including the Relay for Life. Our BPA students collected items for the homeless veteran's shelter, placed flags on the graves of veterans on Memorial Day, participated in the Habitat for Humanity Christmas Tree Showcase and assisted with the set-up of the Relay for Life event. Our National Honor Society students collected donations for the Friendship Center Food Pantry in North Adams, participated in the "Campground Clean-up Day" at Historic Valley Campground, helped rebuild the C.T. Plunkett playground and provided holiday cards and packages for veterans and deployed military personnel. Our Skills USA students' community service included the "Buddy Walk of the Berkshires", placing flags on veterans' graves, the Habitat for Humanity Christmas Showcase, Relay for Life, a series of Louison House fundraisers including food drives and Christmas gifts for the children.

McCann continued its ongoing participation in SkillsUSA, a national organization of more than 300,000 members working to ensure America has a skilled work force. McCann is a 100% member of SkillsUSA which has provided the opportunity for our students to earn scholarships, tools for their trade, opportunities for employment and awards in recognition of their accomplishments. At the 2016

SkillsUSA state competition McCann students earned gold medals in automated manufacturing technology, customer service, and technical computer applications at the high school level and dental assisting and job interview at the postsecondary level. Silver medals were awarded in automated manufacturing technology, carpentry, architectural drafting, community service, industrial motor control, web design, welding at the high school level and cosmetology and dental assisting at the postsecondary level. Bronze medals were earned in 3-D visualization & animation, automotive service technology, CNC turning specialist, customer service, technical computer applications at the high school level and dental assisting at the postsecondary level. Additionally, a McCann student earned a gold medal for the president's volunteer service award. All gold medal winners were able to attend the national competition in Louisville, KY where more than 15,000 people participate in the weeklong event. Competitions included 96 different handson trades, technical and leadership fields. Our Automated Manufacturing Technology team of Charlie Bohl III, Tanner Parrino, and Noah Curran won a national silver medal. McCann is extremely proud to have had Samantha Dorwin, a machine technology student, serve as a SkillsUSA national officer this past year. In her role as Region I Vice President, Samantha helped advocate for women in career and technical education as well as for vocational education in general. Awarded the Presidential Scholar medal, Samantha had numerous speaking engagements highlighted by her keynote speech at the Massachusetts SkillsUSA state conference, speaking at the United States Department of Education, and meeting with Senator Elizabeth Warren. Samantha also accompanied McCann metal fabrication student Spenser Tanner, along with a delegation of competitors, to Québec to compete in Canada's SkillsUSA equivalent, Compétences Québec. Spenser competed in the welding competitions placing fourth and receiving the Medal of Excellence. Both students represented McCann and the U.S. admirably serving as ambassadors for the American vocational education system.

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Our continuous facility improvement program allowed us to upgrade our electrical service in several areas of the building, install new heating and ventilation systems in several classrooms and install new ceiling mounted LCD projectors in several additional classrooms.

The integration of new educational technology continues to be our priority. We received a

Massachusetts Skills Capital Grant for \$131,976.00 which allowed us purchase 6 new CNC lathes to provide our machine technology students with state of the art machining practice in combination with our CNC milling and CNC manufacturing center equipment. We also utilized the Perkins grant funds to purchase a new automotive tire mounting and balancing machine consistent with industry technology requirements and upgraded laptops throughout the school and a MLSC grant to complete equipment requirements for our Robotics program.

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Project Lead the Way is the leading provider of rigorous and innovative Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) education programs in schools across the U.S. Students enrolled in the program take as many as four courses above and beyond their graduation requirements. Since its inception, over 60% of participating students - over one hundred - have become eligible for college credits through Rochester Institute of Technology or New Hampshire Technical Institute as a result of their performance on the national engineering examination. In last year's PLTW cohort, 6 students achieved this eligibility. Additionally, 10 of our PLTW students enrolled in our new Computer Science Principles course, an advanced placement (AP) PLTW course. 8 of these students achieved scores on the related AP exam that were high enough to earn college credit.

FY17 Budgeted Revenues

The success of our student body continues to be measured by our 100% competency determination, high career placement, high college matriculation rate and technical expertise in national skills competitions.

The district continues to operate on sound financial management principals and incorporates technology in this process to ensure maximum benefit for all of our programming. At the end of the fiscal year we returned \$48,291.00 of unused transportation monies to our communities. The district continues to search out grants to support our educational funding to improve instructional services and vocational equipment.

City & To	own Assessments			
Capital Transpor	ll Minimum tation ll Assessment	\$2,766,47 \$98,43 \$161,97 \$353,51	8.00 8.00	\$2,766,472.00 \$98,438.00 \$161,978.00 \$353,510.00
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REAP			\$41,5	02.00
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(Compet	itive/Private)			
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	TOTAL	GRANTS	\$525,4	187.62

Budget

Actual

09-20-2017

CITY OF NORTH ADAMS BALANCE SHEET SUMMARY BY FUND 6/30/2017 UNAUDITED

GENERAL FUND

OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE

FUND TOTAL

GENERAL FUND	TOTAL ASSETS TOTAL LIABILITIES FUND BALANCE (NET ASSETS)	8,600,897.38 (7,406,336.18) (1,194,561.20)
FUND TOTAL	001 GENERAL	
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	TOTAL ASSETS TOTAL LIABILITIES FUND BALANCE (NET ASSETS)	66,839.69 (59,422.50) (7,417.19)
FOND TOTAL	007 CDC/MSCP	
HOUSING AND COMMUNITY FUND TOTAL	TOTAL ASSETS TOTAL LIABILITIES FUND BALANCE (NET ASSETS) 008 HOUSING & COMMUNITY	(871.54) (2,507.77) 3,379.31
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FUND TOTAL	TOTAL ASSETS FUND BALANCE (NET ASSETS) 009 PROGRAM INCOME ACCOUNT	1,047.30 (1,047.30)
HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES INC.	TOTAL ASSETS	702.03
FUND TOTAL	FUND BALANCE (NET ASSETS) 010 RECAPTURED FUNDS FROM HOI	(702.03)
SCHOOL LUNCH		
FUND TOTAL	TOTAL ASSETS TOTAL LIABILITIES FUND BALANCE (NET ASSETS) 012 SCHOOL LUNCH REVOLVING	318,653.01 (6,638.44) (312,014.57)
FEDERAL GRANTS		
FUND TOTAL	TOTAL ASSETS TOTAL LIABILITIES FUND BALANCE (NET ASSETS) 016 FEDERAL GRANTS	113,804.77 (157,378.66) 43,573.89
FOND TOTAL	OTD LEDEKAT GKAN12	
STATE GRANTS	TOTAL ASSETS TOTAL LIABILITIES FUND BALANCE (NET ASSETS)	137,533.63 (604,643.61) 467,109.98
FUND TOTAL	017 STATE GRANTS	407,100.00

FUND BALANCE (NET ASSETS)

018 OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE

97,713.97

(13,532.71)

(84,181.26)

TOTAL ASSETS

TOTAL LIABILITIES

GIFT ACCOUNTS		
	TOTAL ASSETS TOTAL LIABILITIES	197,214.53 (42,613.48)
FUND TOTAL	FUND BALANCE (NET ASSETS) 020 GIFT ACCOUNTS	(154,601.05)
REVOLVING ACCOUNTS		
	TOTAL ASSETS TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,339,600.11 (21,656.90)
	FUND BALANCE (NET ASSETS)	(1,317,943.21)
FUND TOTAL	021 OTHER REVOLVING FUNDS	
RESERVED FOR APPROPRIATION	TOTAL ASSETS	910 222 65
	TOTAL ASSETS TOTAL LIABILITIES	810,232.65 (360.00)
FUND TOTAL	FUND BALANCE (NET ASSETS) 022 RESERVE FOR APPROPRIATION	(809,872.65)
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WINDSOR MILL	TOTAL ASSETS	22,635.06
	TOTAL LIABILITIES	(32,389.57)
FUND TOTAL	FUND BALANCE (NET ASSETS) 023 WINDSOR MILL	9,754.51
OFF CAMPUS GREENHOUSE		
	TOTAL ASSETS	48,240.34
	TOTAL LIABILITIES	(6,015.41)
FUND TOTAL	FUND BALANCE (NET ASSETS) 024 OFF CAMPUS GREENHOUSE	(42,224.93)
NORTH ADAMS FARMERS MARKET		
	TOTAL ASSETS	10,575.82
FUND TOTAL	TOTAL LIABILITIES 025 NORTH ADAMS FARMERS MARKET	(10,575.82)
OTHER AGENCY FUNDS		
	TOTAL ASSETS	0.90
FUND TOTAL	TOTAL LIABILITIES 026 OTHER AGENCY FUNDS	(0.90)
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE		
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE	TOTAL ASSETS	98,024.42
FUND TOTAL	FUND BALANCE (NET ASSETS) 029 OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE	(98,024.42)
FOND TOTAL	029 OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE	
DRURY STUDENT ACTIVITY	TOTAL ASSETS	55,676.63
	TOTAL LIABILITIES	(55,676.63)
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GREYLOCK STUDENT ACTIVITY	TOTAL ACCETS	W 045 55
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BRAYTON STUDENT ACTIVITY	TOTAL ASSETS	4,665.00
FUND TOTAL	TOTAL LIABILITIES 033 BRAYTON STUDENT ACTIVITY	(4,665.00)
SULLIVAN STUDENT ACTIVITY		
FUND TOTAL	TOTAL ASSETS TOTAL LIABILITIES 034 SULLIVAN STUDENT ACTIVITY	10,027.68 (10,027.68)
21ST CENTURY ACTIVITY		
FUND TOTAL	TOTAL ASSETS FUND BALANCE (NET ASSETS) 035 21ST CENTURY ACTIVITIES	53,657.58 (53,657.58)
21ST CENTURY COLEGROVE		
FUND TOTAL	TOTAL ASSETS FUND BALANCE (NET ASSETS) 036 21ST CENTURY COLEGROVE	10,711.74 (10,711.74)
CAPITAL PROJECT		
FUND TOTAL	TOTAL ASSETS TOTAL LIABILITIES FUND BALANCE (NET ASSETS) 040 CAPITAL PROJECT	525,568.14 (3,615,720.46) 3,090,152.32
DEDELIES CONTENTS AND THE PROPERTY		
REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY	TOTAL ASSETS TOTAL LIABILITIES	9,483.96 (116,188.85)
FUND TOTAL	FUND BALANCE (NET ASSETS) 080 REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY	106,704.89
NONEXPENDABLE TRUST		
FUND TOTAL	TOTAL ASSETS FUND BALANCE (NET ASSETS) 082 NONEXPENDABLE TRUST	485,357.88 (485,357.88)
EXPENDABLE TRUST		
EXPENDABLE (NOS)	TOTAL ASSETS	355,143.61
FUND TOTAL	TOTAL LIABILITIES FUND BALANCE (NET ASSETS) 084 EXPENDABLE TRUST	(6,096.65) (349,046.96)
STABILIZATION		
FUND TOTAL	TOTAL ASSETS FUND BALANCE (NET ASSETS) 085 STABILIZATION	971,378.17 (971,378.17)
STEEPLE CATS AGENCY		
FUND TOTAL	TOTAL ASSETS FUND BALANCE (NET ASSETS) 088 STEEPLE CATS/AGENCY	60.00 (60.00)
AGENCY FUNDS		
FUND TOTAL	TOTAL ASSETS TOTAL LIABILITIES FUND BALANCE (NET ASSETS) 089 AGENCY FUNDS	1,495,484.96 (1,538,467.35) 42,982.39
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June 30, 2017

	June 30, 2017		
GENERAL FUND		REVENUES	EXPENSES
DEPARTMENT	1 TRANSFER TO OTHER FUND		1,920.00
DEPARTMENT	1090 LITIGATION ACCOUNT		3,675.04
DEPARTMENT	1100 AUDIT		39,000.00
DEPARTMENT	1110 CITY COUNCIL		39,318.74
DEPARTMENT	1190 ORDINANCE REVISION		280.82
DEPARTMENT	1210 MAYOR		224,510.63
DEPARTMENT	1230 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER		67,052.84
DEPARTMENT	1330 FINANCE DIRECTOR		48,296.45
DEPARTMENT	1350 AUDITOR		183,646.92
DEPARTMENT	1410 ASSESSOR		95,815.20
DEPARTMENT	1450 TREASURER & COLLECTOR	36,651,333.24	224,545.57
DEPARTMENT	1460 CERTIFICATION OF NOTES & BONDS		855.25
DEPARTMENT	1470 FORECLOSURE COST		13,748.40
DEPARTMENT	1480 SERVICE CHARGES & FEES		1,500.00
DEPARTMENT	1510 LAW DEPARTMENT		44,700.00
DEPARTMENT	1520 LABOR NEGOTIATIONS		11,200.00
DEPARTMENT	1550 MIS (COMPUTER MAINTENANCE)		209,279.47
DEPARTMENT	1610 CITY CLERK	42,058.50	107,233.21
DEPARTMENT	1630 ELECTION & REGISTRATION		10,677.95
DEPARTMENT	1640 VITAL STATISTICS		805.03
DEPARTMENT	1650 LICENSE COMMISSION	67,975.00	3,286.20
DEPARTMENT	1750 PLANNING BOARD	3,475.00	4,452.09
DEPARTMENT	1760 BOARD OF APPEALS		1,070.66
DEPARTMENT	1790 PLANNING COMMISSION		10,142.27
DEPARTMENT	1900 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE	20,000.00	51,775.02
DEPARTMENT	1920 BUILDING & PROPERTY		151,961.87
DEPARTMENT	1950 ANNUAL REPORT		2,711.50
DEPARTMENT	2000 PUBLIC SAFETY		74,555.66
DEPARTMENT	2100 POLICE	29,449.50	1,901,488.24
DEPARTMENT	2200 FIRE	3,825.83	1,642,694.68
DEPARTMENT	2410 BUILDING INSPECTOR	182,458.31	247,570.09
DEPARTMENT	2440 WEIGHTS/MEASURES INSPECTOR	7,661.00	12,656.61
DEPARTMENT	2450 WIRE & ALARM	11,000.00	77,512.95
DEPARTMENT DEPARTMENT	2920 ANIMAL CONTROL		37,637.58
	2930 TRAFFIC & PARKING CONTROL	564.044.22	17,083.32
DEPARTMENT	3000 SCHOOLS	561,814.23	16,156,989.30
DEPARTMENT	3200 VOCATIONAL ASSESSMENT	25.055.00	986,729.00
DEPARTMENT	4000 PUBLIC SERVICES	25,865.00	276,955.61
DEPARTMENT	4110 ENGINEERING		20,305.85
DEPARTMENT DEPARTMENT	4200 HIGHWAYS		904,127.42
DEPARTMENT	4210 SNOW & ICE	446.267.24	361,435.48
	4310 TRANSFER STATION	416,267.31	C 472 44
DEPARTMENT	4250 TRAFFIC LIGHTS	4.500.044.43	6,172.41
DEPARTMENT DEPARTMENT	4510 WATER WORKS DIVISION	1,580,014.12	227,233.80
DEPARTMENT	4511 WATER FILTRATION PLANT	40.047.24	185,201.85
	4820 AIRPORT COMMISSION	19,847.34	18,192.92
DEPARTMENT	4910 CEMETERY	57,640.00	133,844.98
DEPARTMENT DEPARTMENT	5000 SEWER DISPOSAL	1,040,433.96	1,158,090.74
	5100 HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICES	83,459.00	156,713.11
DEPARTMENT	5104 SAFE WATER DRINKING ACT		18,200.02
DEPARTMENT	5105 VISITING NURSES		6,517.50
DEPARTMENT	5106 TRANSFER STATION		408,133.84
DEPARTMENT	5410 COUNCIL ON AGING	62,615.85	129,569.26
DEPARTMENT	5430 VETERAN'S SERVICES		77,875.20
DEPARTMENT	5434 VETERANS' BENEFITS		557,230.55

DEPARTMENT	5470 EMPLOYEE TRAINING		5,000.00
DEPARTMENT	5700 OTHER MISCELLANEOUS	564,442.26	2,625.93
DEPARTMENT	5710 FINES AND FORFEITURES	74,865.27	
DEPARTMENT	6100 LIBRARY	13,554.50	313,299.36
DEPARTMENT	6300 PARKS & RECREATION	201,930.10	110,773.86
DEPARTMENT	6310 WINDSOR LAKE		40,888.80
DEPARTMENT	6920 MEMORIAL DAY		3,500.00
DEPARTMENT	6940 TOURISM		55,994.02
DEPARTMENT	7100 RETIRE, OF DEBT		2,048,092.21
DEPARTMENT	7510 LONG TERM INTEREST		155,892.52
DEPARTMENT	7520 SHORT TERM DEBT		1,727.16
DEPARTMENT	8400 STATE ASSESSMENTS		2,402,427.00
DEPARTMENT	9000 HEALTH INSURANCE	205,000.00	4,817,039.07
DEPARTMENT	9110 PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS		2,572,081.00
DEPARTMENT	9120 WORKERS COMPENSATION		124,983.21
DEPARTMENT	9121 FICA CITY SHARE		90,152.71
DEPARTMENT	9130 UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION		1,413.73
DEPARTMENT	9150 LIFE INSURANCE		19,000.00
DEPARTMENT	9300 CAPITAL ITEMS		777,680.76
DEPARTMENT	9411 RESERVE ACCOUNT		49,370.59
DEPARTMENT	9450 GENERAL INSURANCE		316,323.75
FUND TOTAL	1 GENERAL	41,926,985.32	41,262,444.78
PRIOR YEAR CARRYOVER			
DEPARTMENT	1410 ASSESSOR		6,500.00
DEPARTMENT	1450 TREASURER & COLLECTOR		4,000.00
DEPARTMENT	3000 SCHOOLS		688,316.50
DEPARTMENT	4910 CEMETERY		6,725.00
FUND TOTAL	2 PRIOR YEAR		705,541.50
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT			
DEPARTMENT	7 CDC/MSCP	1,306.66	-
FUND TOTAL	7 CDC/MSCP	1,306.66	-
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT			
DEPARTMENT	8 CDC/ H & C ACTS OF 1974	1,315,500.00	1,304,231.62
DEPARTMENT	1450 TREASURER & COLLECTOR	24.05	
FUND TOTAL	8 HOUSING & COMMUNITY	1,315,524.05	1,304,231.62
PROGRAM INCOME			
DEPARTMENT	9 TREASURER & COLLECTOR	1.90	
FUND TOTAL	9 PROGRAM INCOME	1.90	
RECAPTURED FUNDS COMMU	NITY DEVELOPMENT		
DEPARTMENT	10 AUDITOR	39,914.00	
FUND TOTAL	10 AUDITOR	39,914.00	
SCHOOL LUNCH			
DEPARTMENT	1450 TREASURER & COLLECTOR	262.07	
DEPARTMENT	3000 SCHOOLS	1,113,055.56	1,113,974.03
FUND TOTAL	12 SCHOOL LUNCH REVOLVING	1,113,317.63	1,113,974.03
FEDERAL GRANTS			
DEPARTMENT	1920 BUILDING & PROPERTY	98,900.00	89,520.89
DEPARTMENT	2100 POLICE	29,838.92	6,258.44
DEPARTMENT	2200 FIRE	26,478.76	171,730.28
DEPARTMENT	3000 SCHOOLS	2,051,841.07	2,125,828.13
DEPARTMENT	4820 AIRPORT COMMISSION	1,719,909.71	1,692,511.13
FUND TOTAL	16 FEDERAL GRANTS	3,926,968.46	4,085,848.87
STATE GRANTS		3,320,300.40	4,005,040.07
DEPARTMENT	1210 MAYOR		116,600.57
DEPARTMENT	1230 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER	48,813.97	98,227.66
DEPARTMENT	1350 AUDITOR	205,000.00	2,359.75
DEPARTMENT	1450 TREASURER & COLLECTOR	169.56	4,333.13
DEPARTMENT	1630 ELECTION & REGISTRATION	3,424.00	14 002 25
DEPARTMENT	1900 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE		14,993.35
DEPARTMENT		659,713.18	925,246.47
	1920 BUILDING & PROPERTY	241,371.57	398,453.53
DEPARTMENT	2000 PUBLIC SAFETY	358,057.18	

DEPARTMENT	2100 POLICE	23,127.43	361,257.35
DEPARTMENT	2200 FIRE	37,793.46	76,233.22
DEPARTMENT	3000 SCHOOLS	532,085.65	349,038.80
DEPARTMENT DEPARTMENT	4820 AIRPORT COMMISSION 5410 COUNCIL ON AGING	73,592.27	102,311.31
DEPARTMENT	6100 LIBRARY	44,114.36	40,242.28 31,743.65
DEPARTMENT	6400 N BERKSHIRE COUNCIL OF THE ART	12,080.28 59,100.00	58,175.94
FUND TOTAL	17 STATE GRANTS	2,298,442.91	2,574,883.88
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE	17 STATE GRANTS	2,230,442.31	2,374,863.88
DEPARTMENT	1350 AUDITOR	48,687.75	50,210.79
DEPARTMENT	1900 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE	10,001.11	240.00
DEPARTMENT	2100 POLICE	27,491.57	3,285.46
DEPARTMENT	2200 FIRE	40.00	-,
DEPARTMENT	3000 SCHOOLS	23,475.39	18,457.11
DEPARTMENT	5100 HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICES	•	4,075.99
DEPARTMENT	5410 COUNCIL ON AGING		1,382.06
DEPARTMENT	6940 TOURISM	39,847.44	24,940.11
FUND TOTAL	18 OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE	139,542.15	102,591.52
GIFT ACCOUNTS			
DEPARTMENT	1210 MAYOR	8,665.38	11,745.54
DEPARTMENT	1450 TREASURER & COLLECTOR	89.07	
DEPARTMENT	1900 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE	29,644.48	28,167.36
DEPARTMENT	1920 BUILDING & PROPERTY	-	18,183.64
DEPARTMENT	2100 POLICE	13,236.82	28,830.20
DEPARTMENT	2200 FIRE	1,629.00	1,929.00
DEPARTMENT	3000 SCHOOLS	2,548.06	34,544.43
DEPARTMENT	5410 COUNCIL ON AGING	385.00	
DEPARTMENT	5430 VETERAN'S SERVICES	475.00	4,111.16
DEPARTMENT	6100 LIBRARY	8,056.33	5,226.40
DEPARTMENT	6300 PARKS & RECREATION	3,750.00	5,330.22
DEPARTMENT	6940 TOURISM	24,208.12	19,647.86
FUND TOTAL	20 GIFT ACCOUNTS	92,687.26	157,715.81
OTHER REVOLVING FUNDS			
DEPARTMENT	1210 MAYOR	1,200.00	16,939.90
DEPARTMENT	1710 CONSERVATION COMMISSION	5,577.50	1,550.18
DEPARTMENT	1900 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE	24,122.12	25,322.12
DEPARTMENT	1920 BUILDING & PROPERTY	14,759.82	
DEPARTMENT	2100 POLICE	29,100.00	
DEPARTMENT	2450 WIRE & ALARM	716.50	1,716.50
DEPARTMENT	3000 SCHOOLS	314,675.82	161,684.91
DEPARTMENT	4000 PUBLIC SERVICES	40,319.04	40,319.04
DEPARTMENT	4200 HIGHWAYS		1,655.03
DEPARTMENT	4820 AIRPORT COMMISSION	69,875.28	57,353.24
DEPARTMENT	5700 OTHER MISCELLANEOUS	4,021.71	41,545.00
FUND TOTAL RESERVE FOR APPROPRIATIO	21 OTHER REVOLVING FUNDS	504,367.79	348,085.92
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DEPARTMENT DEPARTMENT	1210 MAYOR 1550 MIS (COMPUTER MAINTENANCE)	58,543.79	
DEPARTMENT	2100 POLICE	36,421.97	
DEPARTMENT		77,138.12	
FUND TOTAL	4310 CEMETERY 22 RESERVE FOR APPROPRIATION	100,204.34	
WINDSOR MILL	22 RESERVE FOR AFFROPRIATION	272,308.22	
DEPARTMENT	23 WINDSOR MILL	482,602.05	485,880.61
DEPARTMENT	1450 TREASURER & COLLECTOR	94.30	465,660.01
FUND TOTAL	23 WINDSOR MILL	482,696.35	485,880.61
OFF CAMPUS GREENHOUSE	23 WINDSON WILL	402,030.33	463,880.01
DEPARTMENT	3000 SCHOOLS	50,990.37	40,319.11
FUND TOTAL	24 OFF CAMPUS GREENHOUSE	50,990.37	40,319.11
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE	24 OLI CAMIFOS GREENHOUSE	30,350.37	40,319.11
DEPARTMENT	4910 CEMETERY	13,100.00	
FUND TOTAL	29 OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE	13,100.00	
10110 10174	25 OTHER STEGINE REVERSE	13,100.00	

3000 SCHOOLS	13,246.00	18,340.20
35 21ST CENTURY ACTIVITIES	13,246.00	18,340.20
3000 SCHOOLS	9,231.00	(405.74)
36 21ST CENTURY COLEGROVE	9,231.00	(405.74)
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1450 TREASURER & COLLECTOR	133,533.00	
1920 BUILDING & PROPERTY	1,699.18	1,699.18
3000 SCHOOLS	-	112,766.27
4200 HIGHWAYS	-	1,319,349.48
4820 AIRPORT COMMISSION	-	246,381.34
40 CAPITAL PROJECT	135,232.18	1,680,196.27
1900 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE	26,284.16	45,607.13
80 REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY	26,284.16	45,607.13
1450 TREASURER & COLLECTOR	2,829.60	
3000 SCHOOLS	-	928.00
4910 CEMETERY	15,973.80	
5700 OTHER MISCELLANEOUS	230.79	
82 NONEXPENDABLE TRUST	19,034.19	928.00
840 SKATING RINK	177,418.26	183,251.31
1900 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE	-	10,539.48
3000 SCHOOLS	(1,000.00)	250.00
4910 CEMETERY	11,996.60	
5700 OTHER MISCELLANEOUS	1,176.88	
84 EXPENDABLE TRUST	189,591.74	194,040.79
1210 MAYOR	88,000.00	
2410 BUILDING INSPECTOR		50,000.00
5700 OTHER MISCELLANEOUS	3,898.10	,
85 STABILIZATION	91,898.10	50,000.00
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1920 BUILDING & PROPERTY	1,475.98	
2100 POLICE		258,768.00
6700 MUSEUM	14,443,706.69	14,443,706.69
89 AGENCY FUNDS		14,702,474.69
	35 21ST CENTURY ACTIVITIES 3000 SCHOOLS 36 21ST CENTURY COLEGROVE 1450 TREASURER & COLLECTOR 1920 BUILDING & PROPERTY 3000 SCHOOLS 4200 HIGHWAYS 4820 AIRPORT COMMISSION 40 CAPITAL PROJECT 1900 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE 80 REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY 1450 TREASURER & COLLECTOR 3000 SCHOOLS 4910 CEMETERY 5700 OTHER MISCELLANEOUS 82 NONEXPENDABLE TRUST 840 SKATING RINK 1900 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE 3000 SCHOOLS 4910 CEMETERY 5700 OTHER MISCELLANEOUS 84 EXPENDABLE TRUST 1210 MAYOR 2410 BUILDING INSPECTOR 5700 OTHER MISCELLANEOUS 85 STABILIZATION 1920 BUILDING & PROPERTY 2100 POLICE 6700 MUSEUM	35 21ST CENTURY ACTIVITIES 13,246.00

TREASURER'S RE	EPORT	
To Mayor Alcombright and the City Council:		
I respectfully submit herewith the annual report, as Treasu		
the City of North Adams for the Fiscal Year ending June 3	0, 2017.	
Respectfully submitted,		
Beverly Cooper		
Treasurer		
TREASURER'S BALANCES		
Balance July 1, 2016	\$ 6,162,024.63	
Receipts FY2017	\$ 69,151,871.71	
Disbursements FY2017	\$ 67,400,811.57	
Balance June 30, 2017	\$ 7,913,084.77	7,913,084.77
RECONCILIATION		
TD Bank		
Office of Community Development/Program Income	\$ 1,047.30	
Savings and Checking	\$ 2,763,527.59	
NARA	\$ 8,829.11	\$ 2,773,404.00
Berkshire Bank		
Savings & Checking	\$ (243,271.03)	
School Activity Accounts	\$ 50,186.53	
Skating Rink	\$ 3,996.13	
Office Of Community Development/Small Business Loan	\$ 22,492.82	
Windsor Mill	\$ 22,324.94	
School Lunch	\$ 318,653.01	
Nax	\$ 28,695.44	
Farmers Market	\$ 10,608.20	\$ 213,686.04
Mountain One Bank		
Savings	\$ 41,213.97	
Arts Lottery Council	\$ 66,115.53	
Noel Field Grandstand	\$ 5,665.95	
Vets Memorial	\$ 4,034.87	
Mass Moca	\$ 45.15	\$ 117,075.47
UniBank		

Savings	\$ 3,178,825.79	3,178,825.79
Working Cash in Office	\$ 600.00	600.00
TRUST FUNDS		
Phoebe Burlingame Charity Fund		
Balance July 1, 2016	\$ 3,155.19	
Income Received	\$ 45.56	
Balance June 30, 2017	\$ 3,200.75	
Bravakis Fund		
Balance July 1, 2016	\$ 870.00	
Income Received	\$ 12.57	
Balance June 30, 2017	\$ 882.57	
Pizzi Scholarship Fund		
Balance July 1, 2016	\$ 5,795.01	
Income Received	\$ 83.69	
Balance June 30, 2017	\$ 5,878.70	
Laliberte Trust/Library Fund		
Balance July 1, 2016	\$ 1,957.41	
Income Received	\$ 28.26	
Balance June 30, 2017	\$ 1,985.67	
Margaret Chisholm Fund		
Balance July 1, 2016	\$ 1,188.51	
Income Received	\$ 17.15	
Balance June 30, 2017	\$ 1,205.66	
Stabilization Fund		
Balance July 1, 2016	\$ 929,480.07	
Income Received	\$ 3,898.10	
Transfer to general	\$ (50,000.00)	
Added to fund	\$ 88,000.00	
Balance June 30, 2017	\$ 971,378.17	
Bianco Scholarship Fund		
Balance July 1, 2016	\$ 41,984.87	
Income Received	\$ 109.90	
Polongo luno 20, 2017	¢ 40.004.77	
Balance June 30, 2017	\$ 42,094.77	
Bontempi Scholarship Fund		

TOTAL CASH & EQUIVALENTS			7,913,084.77
Balance June 30, 2017	\$	362,336.14	\$ 1,629,493.47
Cemetery Perpetual Care			
Balance June 30, 2017	\$	23,567.50	
	\$ \$	(250.00)	
Added to Fund Disbursed	\$	787.52	
	\$	30.72	
Balance July 1, 2016 Income Received	\$	22,999.26	
Dollars for Scholars	•	00.000.00	
Balance June 30, 2017	\$	377.82	
Income Received	\$	5.38	
Balance July 1, 2016	\$	372.44	
Bashevkin High School Scholarship Fund			
Balance June 30, 2017	\$	17,539.52	
Income Received	\$	249.72	
Balance July 1, 2016	\$	17,289.80	
Conte Middle School Scholarship Fund			
2010/10/00/10/00/2017		10,002.21	
Balance June 30, 2017	\$	10,332.21	
income received	\$	147.10	
Balance July 1, 2016 Income Received	\$	10,185.11	
Goldie Sabin Scholarship Fund	•	40 405 44	
Balance June 30, 2017	\$	188,713.99	
Disbursed	\$	(928.00)	
Income Received	\$	2,719.70	
Balance July 1, 2016	\$	186,922.29	

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

To Mayor Alcombright and the City Council:

I respectfully submit herewith the annual report, as Assistant Tax Collector on Tax Collections for the City of North Adams for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly A. Cooper Tax Collector

	Real Estate Taxes FY2011		
Balance July 1,2016		\$	28,839.33
Balance June 30, 2017		\$	28,839.33
	Real Estate Taxes FY2012		
Balance July 1,2016 Abated		\$	1,419.50
Balance June 30, 2017		\$ \$	(439.82) 979.68
	Real Estate Taxes FY2013		
Balance July 1,2016		\$	1,858.39
Abated Balance June 30, 2017		\$ \$	(1,802.37) 56.02
	Real Estate Taxes FY2014		
Balance July 1,2016 Abated			12,100.37 (1,889.34)
Balance June 30, 2017			10,211.03
Delever Into 4 0040	Real Estate Taxes FY2015		0.000.04
Balance July 1,2016 Collected			8,686.84 1,766.29
Abated			(1,830.32)
Balance June 30, 2017			5,090.23
	Real Estate Taxes FY2016		
Balance July 1,2016		\$	380,142.33
Collected Abated/Exemptions		\$	284,111.51 (2,085.98)
Balance June 30, 2017		\$	93,944.84

Real Estate Taxes FY2017

Committed Collected Abated/Exemptions Transfer to Tax Title Balance June 30, 2017	Real Estate Taxes FY2017	\$ \$	14,935,409.74 14,152,748.20 (149,179.87) (155,427.69) 478,053.98
Balance July 1, 2016 Committed Transfer to Tax Title Collected Balance June 30, 2017	Water Liens	\$ \$ \$ \$	24,694.39 135,956.09 11,972.39 119,241.82 29,436.27
Balance July 1, 2016 Committed Transfer to Tax Title Collected Balance June 30, 2017	Sewer Liens	\$ \$ \$ \$	12,343.87 69,077.56 6,030.31 60,378.04 15,013.08
Balance July 1, 2016 Committed Abated/Adjustments To Water Liens To Sewer Liens Collected Balance June 30, 2017	Water/Sewer	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	430,138.08 2,666,287.15 115,204.99 135,956.09 69,077.56 2,235,965.54 540,221.05
Balance July 1, 2016 Balance June 30, 2017	Personal Property FY2009	\$	58.54 58.54
Balance July 1, 2016 Balance June 30,2017	Personal Property FY2010	\$ \$	698.24 698.24
Balance July 1, 2016 Balance June 30,2017	Personal Property FY2011	\$ \$	1,097.42 1,097.42

Balance July 1, 2016	Personal Property 2012	\$	1,349.37
Abated Balance June 30,2017		\$ \$	22.86 1,326.51
	Personal Property 2013		
Balance July 1, 2016		\$	3,441.11
Abated Balance June 30,2017		\$ \$	89.62 3,351.49
Dalario 00,2017		Ψ	0,001140
	Personal Property 2014		
Balance July 1, 2016		\$	7,704.92
Collected		\$	247.64
Abated Balance June 30,2017		\$ \$	187.80 7,269.48
		•	1,200110
	Personal Property 2015		
Balance July 1, 2016	reisonari roperty 2013	\$	10,042.16
Collected		\$	234.53
Abate Balance June 30,2017		\$ \$	92.27 9,715.36
Dalance June 30,2017		φ	9,713.30
	Personal Property 2016		
Balance July 1, 2016		\$	46,623.68
Collected Abated		\$ \$	16,622.64 93.31
Balance June 30,2017		\$	29,907.73
	Personal Property 2017		
Committed	reisonari roperty 2017	\$	1,218,095.18
Collected		\$	1,169,314.20
Abated		\$ \$	1,068.66
Balance June 30,2017	Motor Vehicle Excise 2003	φ	47,712.32
Balance July 1, 2016		\$	5,774.24
Balance June 30, 2017		\$	5,774.24
	Motor Vehicle Excise 2004		
Balance July 1, 2016		\$	8,910.16
Balance June 30, 2017			
		\$	8,910.16
Balance July 1, 2016	Motor Vehicle Excise 2005		
•		\$	8,104.33
Balance June 30, 2017		\$	8,104.33

	Motor Vehicle Excise 2006		
Balance July 1, 2016 Collected		\$	7,756.84
Balance June 30, 2017		\$	31.25
		\$	7,725.59
	Motor Vehicle Excise 2007		
Balance July 1, 2016 Collected		\$	5,520.65
Balance June 30, 2017		\$	124.38
		\$	5,396.27
Deleges July 4, 0040	Motor Vehicle Excise 2008		
Balance July 1, 2016 Collected		\$	7,228.79
Balance June 30, 2017		\$	72.50
		\$	7,156.29
	Motor Vehicle Excise 2009		
Balance July 1, 2016	Motor Verileic Exerse 2003	\$	8,695.44
Collected		\$	13.54
Balance June 30, 2017		\$	8,681.90
	Motor Vehicle Excise 2010		
Balance July 1, 2016	motor romoto Exolog 2010	\$	8,884.81
Collected		\$	168.75
Balance June 30, 2017		\$	8,716.06
	Motor Vehicle Excise 2011		
Balance July 1, 2016		\$	9,179.68
Collected		\$	795.00
Balance June 30, 2017		\$	8,384.68
	Motor Vehicle Excise 2012		
Balance July 1, 2016		\$	10,513.45
Collected		\$	771.36
Balance June 30, 2017		\$	9,742.09
	Motor Vehicle Excise 2013		
Balance July 1, 2016		\$	11,694.33
Collected Balance June 30, 2017		\$ \$	1,625.63 10,068.70
Balance June 30, 2017		4	10,000.70
5	Motor Vehicle Excise 2014		
Balance July 1, 2016 Collected		\$ \$	19,286.24 3,957.61
Abated		\$	646.36
Balance June 30, 2017		\$	14,682.27
	Motor Vehicle Excise 2015		
5		•	
Balance July 1, 2016 Committed		\$ \$	39,119.22 538.75
Collected		\$	17,133.24
Abated		\$	1,415.42
Balance June 30, 2017		\$	21,109.31

Motor Vehicle Excise 2016

Balance July 1, 2016	\$ 131,410.85
Committed	\$ 135,049.58
Collected	\$ 202,632.11
Abated	\$ 17,555.65
Balance June 30, 2017	\$ 46,272.67

Motor Vehicle Excise 2017

Committed	\$ 1,045,843.81
Collected	\$ 879,656.38
Abated	\$ 31,241.17
Balance June 30, 2017	\$ 134,946.26

Tax Title

FY2016 Subsequents added June 2017	\$ 254,879.90
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Balance June 30, 2017	\$ 2,493,205.43

Tax Possessions

Balance July 1, 2016	\$ 197,855.39
Balance June 30, 2017	\$ 197,855.39

CITY OF NORTH ADAMS ANALYSIS OF LONG TERM DEBT ACTIVITY June 30, 2017

	(1) = Offset by Receivable from MASS MoCA (Fund 89) (2) = Bonds Issued by MWPAT - Loan & Interest subsidized by Trust earnings	^= Agrees to prior years w/p and audit report A = Traced to WIP J-5 ^= Reconciles		14,017,283.12		MASS McCA - HUD (1) Middle School Renovation-MPL 14 Alroot Improvements-MPL 14	Inflow/Outflow Sewer (2) Landfill Closing (2) Water Infiltration (2)	Outside Debt:	Computer System Handisap Access impovements Hurtisare Irene Storm Damages Sub-MR-2014 Heritage Park Settlement Loan	Sub-MPL2011 MPL2014 Feasibility Study Windsor Camparound Windsor Camparound	MPL 2011: Athletic Fleds Streets Sidewalks Streets Sidewalks Stating Rink Mohaw Reatler	Inside Debt: Streets & Sidewalks - <i>REFI</i> Greylock & Sullivan Roof	Amounts to be Provided for Payment of Bonds 14,017,283.12
	dized by Trustear		>	14,017,283.12	11,059,015.48	1,464,000.00 6,340,500.00 474,700.00	189,710.48 428,100.00 2,130,000.00 32,005.00	2,958,267.64	135,000.00 225,000.00 399,000.00 1,004,800.00 153,467.64	1,255,000.00 135,000.00 110,800.00	75,000.00 408,500.00 192,500.00 187,000.00	415,000.00 130,000.00	
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Per Statement of Indebtedness WP J-3a Adj . MWPAT Adj		Per General Ledger Per General Ledger RA - To adjust for FY 17 activity RA - Variance to Heritage Park Loan		1,886,460.01									1,886,460.01
-3a			>	12,130,823.11									12,130,823.11
12,130,823.11	12,130,823.11	13,863,815.48 115,334.00 (1,866,300.69) 17,974.32	>	12,130,823.11	9,728,614.79	1,254,000.00 6,173,400.00 387,700.00	169,014.79 289,500.00 1,455,000.00	2,402,208.32	110,000.00 200,000.00 332,500.00 858,900.00 133,308.32	1,065,000.00 125,000.00 91,400.00	60,000.00 348,000.00 165,000.00 160,000.00	280,000.00 65,000.00	

The Board of Assessors is comprised of three members, Ross A. Vivori, Principal Assessor and Chairman, Gregory D. Betti and Richard S. Taskin who are classified as part-time assessors. The Assessor's Office is staffed by Karen Briggs, principal clerk-office manager.

In accordance with the Department of Revenue's Bureau of Local Assessment guidelines the Assessors conducted an annual assessment of all taxable real and personal property values within the City of North Adams for fiscal year 2017. The purpose of the annual assessment is to ensure all categories of taxable property are assessed at their full fair cash value and that assessments are equitable and consistent within and between all classes of property. Full fair cash value is the basis for determining the tax rates for residential, commercial, industrial and personal property.

Residential values for FY 2017 increased \$6,091,837.00, from \$543,776,097 in FY 2016 to \$549,867,934.00 however, the residential tax rate increased \$0.28 from \$17.39 to \$17.67 per \$1,000 of valuation. The commercial sector experienced an increase in valuation of \$2,001,236.00. The FY 2016 value was \$110,504,423.00 while FY 2017 values increased to \$110,504,423.00. Industrial property values increased \$560,000.00, from \$21,608,722.00, in FY 2016 to \$22,168,722.00, in FY 2017. Personal property values decreased \$1,833,155.00, from \$33,344,021.00 to \$31,510,866.00. The tax rate for commercial, industrial and personal property increased \$.72 in FY 2017 from \$37.93 to \$38.65 per \$1,000 of valuation. In FY 2017 the combined assessed value of all taxable real and personal property in the City of North Adams increased \$6,819,918.00, from \$709,233,263.00 to \$716,053,181.00 an increase of .01 %.

Overall, valuation changes to a class of property can be attributed to two factors; new growth and value adjustments. New growth in real property consists of value gained from new construction or remodeling while value adjustments come about as a result of statistical analysis of market conditions and property value trends.

Respectfully submitted, City of North Adams Board of Assessors Ross A. Vivori, Chairman

August 2, 2017

To the Mayor and City Council

The Annual Report of the Assessors' Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017.is herewith submitted.

Board of Assessors

Ross A. Vivori, Chairman Gregory D. Betti Richard S. Taskin

Total Amount to be Raised	\$ 43,083,373.19
Total Estimated Receipts and other Revenue	\$ 26,944,147.00
Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation	\$ 16,139,226.19
Residential Property Valuation	\$549,867,934.00
Open Space Property Valuation	0.00
Commercial Property Valuation	\$112,505,659.00
Industrial Property Valuation	\$ 22,168,722.08
Personal Property Valuation	\$ 31,510,866.00
Residential Tax Rate	\$ 17.67
Open Space Tax Rate	0.00
Commercial Tax Rate	\$ 38.65
Industrial Tax Rate	\$ 38.65
Personal Property Tax Rate	\$ 38.65
Residential Levy	\$ 9,716,166.39
Open Space Levy	0.00
Commercial Levy	\$ 4,348,343.72
Industrial Levy	\$ 856,821.11
Personal Property Levy	\$ 1,217,894.92
Total Taxes Levied on Property	\$ 16,139,226.19
Real Property Tax	\$ 14,921,331.22
Personal Property Tax	\$ 1,217,897.97

Appropriations	\$4	0,133,137.00
Overlay Deficits of Prior Years		0.00
Total Offsets		0.00
Hoosac Water Quality Districts		0.00
Snow & Ice Deficit and Amount not provided for		0.00
State & County Charge	\$	2,448,741.00
Overlay	\$	151,916.19
Total Estimated Receipts from State	\$	19,054,737.00
Local Estimated Receipts		6,838,658.00
Free Cash	\$	992.757.00
Revenue Sharing		0.00
Other Available Funds	\$	58,000.00
Other Revenue Sources to Reduce Tax Rate		0.00
Water Liens added to Taxes - 442	\$	135,956.09
Sewer Liens added to Taxes - 435	\$	69,077.56
Demolition Liens added to Taxes - 1	\$	64,800.00
I&E Penalties added to Taxes – 64	\$	16,000.00
Tax Rate Approved on 12-19-2016		,
••		
<u>EXEMPTIONS</u>		
Number of Clause 22 Exemptions – 46		
Amount of monies abated under Clause 22	\$	18,400.00
Number of Clause 22E Exemptions 24		
Amount of monies abated under Clause 22E	\$	24,000.00
Amount of momes acated didde Clause 222	Ψ	21,000.00
Number of Clause 17D Exemptions 64		
Amount of monies abated under Clause 17D	\$	11,200.00
Number of Clause 41C Exemptions 46		
Amount of monies abated under Clause 41C	\$	23,000.00
Number of Clause 27 Engage 22		
Number of Clause 37 Exemptions 22 Amount of monies abated under Clause 37	\$	9,625.00
Timount of momes acated and Clause 57	Ψ	7,025.00
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Total dollar amount of exemptions granted	9	86,225.00

ABATEMENTS

Real Property

Number of Abatements Granted for Real Property Overvaluation – 42 Number of Abatements Denied for Real Property Overvaluation -- 16

FY 2017 Real Property abated under Chapter 59/59 – 37	\$60,520.16
FY 2016 Real Property abated under Chapter 59/59 – 1	\$ 1,960.98
FY2015 Real Property abated under Chapter 59/59 – 1	\$ 1,830.32
FY2014 Real Property abated under Chapter 59/59 - 1	\$ 1,889.34
FY2013 Real Property abated under Chapter 59-59 - 1	\$ 1,802.37
FY2012 Real Property abated under Chapter 59/59 - 1	\$ 439.82
Total dollar amount abated for Real Property Overvaluations	\$68,442.99

Personal Property

Number of abatements granted for Personal Property Overvaluations – 14 Number of abatements denied for Personal Property Overvaluation – 2

FY2016 Fiscal Personal Property abated under Chapter 59/59 – 7	\$ 868.40
FY2010 – 2016 Fiscal Pers Property abated under Chapter 59/59 - 7	\$ 16,191.35
Total dollar amount abated for Personal Property Overvaluations	\$ 17,059.95

Excise

Total number of Auto Excise Abatements Granted – 561 Number of Excise Commitments through June 30, 2017 2017 - 5 2016 - 9 2015 - 1

2017 - 3 2010 - 9 2013 - 1	
Amount of money abated on 2017 Auto Excise	\$25,850.00
Amount of money abated on 2016 Auto Excise	\$16,888.82
Amount of money abated on 2015 Auto Excise	\$ 1,353.34
Amount of money abated on 2014 Auto Excise	\$ 912.93

Total Dollar amount of Auto Excise Abatements \$45,005.09

REPORT OF THE PARKING CLERK

To the Honorable Mayor Richard J. Alcombright and City Council; I respectfully submit the activities of the Parking Clerk for the year ending June 30, 2017.

COLLECTIONS

Parking / (Stickers)	\$44,394.00
Registry of Motor Vehicles	.\$17,310.00
Fines Parking Tickets.	.\$24,055.00
Total	\$85,759.00

TICKETS AND APPEALS

During the fiscal year over 1870 tickets were issued. Finally 121 appeals were heard and adjustments were made when justified. As in the past, I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks to the Mayor and the various department heads for their assistance in allowing the parking department to function smoothly and efficiently. I also want to thank my staff for their outstanding work in the Parking Department.

Respectfully submitted

Ross A. Vivori Parking Clerk Date: 9.30.16

OFFICE OF VETERAN'S SERVICES ANNUAL REPORT

19 September 2017

To: The Honorable Mayor Richard Alcombright and Members of the City Council.

The North Adams Office of Veteran Services is directly responsible for providing veterans' benefit assistance under Chapter 115 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and to provide assistance with claims and other matters pertaining to the United States Department of Veterans' Affairs. These important missions may deliver a measure of relief from poverty and difficult financial situations many of our veterans face. Any veteran (or their dependent) within our community who is permanently disabled, homeless, unemployed, underemployed or is suffering from the trauma of war and has nowhere else to turn should seek the Office of Veteran Services; many veterans and their families have been rescued from hunger and homelessness by the services provided by Veteran Service Officer Roy, who works closely with the Massachusetts Department of Veteran Services (DVS) in Boston to ensure the City is properly reimbursed for the expenses these amenities entail. Together with Administrative Assistant Tina Samson, Veteran Services provides an immeasurable level of support and professional guidance to those who visit the office.

Veteran Services assists veterans with filing federal claims through the United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) over a wide range of matters. From the acquisition of healthcare through filing service-connected claims for compensation, this intimidating process is extremely difficult to accomplish successfully; Veteran Services assists by acquiring the correct documentation, proper completion and works as a liaison between the veteran and the VA through DVS. Other services provided include - but are not limited to - educational/employment assistance, dependency and indemnity compensation, alcohol/drug rehabilitation, housing assistance, referrals, and close contact with funeral homes and cemeteries to ensure veterans' graves are properly honored. The Office of Veteran Services also serves as a depository for hundreds of thousands of documents and important records of historic value to the sons and daughters of The City of North Adams and surrounding communities.

VSO Roy maintains a very dynamic and flexible schedule, serving not only the City of North Adams but the Towns of Adams, Williamstown, Clarksburg, Florida and Savoy. The VSO often makes special appointments and house calls to the sick, bedridden, elderly, or those who cannot easily travel to City Hall. VSO Roy also makes frequent duty calls to hospitals and skilled nursing facilities in the area to help our most vulnerable veterans in their time of need.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen R. Roy Veteran Service Officer

Report of the City Clerk

To His Honor the Mayor and the City Council:

I respectfully submit herewith reports of the various activities of the office of the City Clerk for the year ending June 30, 2017.

The following is a list of the licenses issued through this office:

Licenses

Dog Licenses

Male	85
Female	33
Spayed Female	432
Neutered Male	360
4 Dog Kennel	0
10 Dog Kennel	0
Transfer	0
Late Fees	8
Duplicate Dog Tags	1
	919

Taxicab Licenses

Drivers	33
Owner Operators	3
Taxi Amendments	0
Temporary Taxi	5
	41

Gasoline and Inflammable Fluid Licenses

Renewals	35
New	0
	35

Junk Licenses

Shop	0
Collector	1
Second Hand Dealers	6
	7

Miscellaneous Licenses and Permits

Billiard License	0
Bowling Alley License	2
Raffle and Bazaar Permit	1
Transient Vendor	0
Hawkers & Peddlers	22
	25
Mayor's Licenses	
Carnival License	0
Circus License	0
Sunday Licenses	4
Theatre License	0
	4
Total number of licenses issued:	1031

The following papers were recorded or filed:

Attachments (Bulky)	0
Burial Lot Deeds	8
Certified Copy of Burial Deeds	2
Business Certificates	68
Certified Copy of a Business Certificates	70
Discontinuance of Business Certificates	5
Physician's Certificates	0

The total of FORTY-ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED THIRTY EIGHT AND FIFTY CENTS (\$41,938.50) was taken in during the year and disbursed to the City Treasurer's Office.

TOTAL \$41,938.50

VITAL STATISTICS

Marriage Intentions filed	71
Marriages	67
Births	98
Deaths, Residents	171
Deaths, Non Residents	19

Certified copies of all records were sent to the Department of Public Health in Boston and copies of records of non-residents were sent to their respective resident City or Town Clerk.

MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS ISSUED

The following records were issued to the general public, organizations and government agencies during the year.

Annual Reports	1
Birth Abstracts	163
Certified Births	1498
Certified Deaths	639
Marriage Abstracts	19
Certified Marriages	199
Affidavit & Corrections	0
Voter Certificates	3
Misc. Certified Copies	0
Board of Appeals Certification	0
Planning Board Certification	9
Misc. Copies of Records (Maps, Ordinance Books/Supplements, Zoning Books etc.)	21
Genealogical research	1
Homestead Act, recording	0
Non Criminal Fines Paid	5
Certified Copy of Pole Location	0
Mobilehome Rent Fee	0
CD	0

CITY COUNCIL

The records of the City Council were attested, recorded and filed as required by law. The City Council held the following meetings in the 2016-2017 fiscal year:

24 Regular 1 Special 1 Joint Public Hearing

Papers were prepared for all meetings, copies of papers pertaining to various committees were distributed to all City Councillors. The City Council acted on 156 papers in addition to 16 licenses in the various categories during the year.

BOARD OF REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

The Board of Registrars of Voters assisted the City Clerk in conducting the Election, State Primary Election September 8, 2016 and the Presidential Election, November 8, 2016. The Board conducted the required voter registration before each election.

Currently there are 8567 persons registered to vote in the City, 2892 are registered with the Democratic Party, 598 with the Republican Party, 23 with the Green Rainbow, 4943 with no party affiliation, and 31 in the Libertarian Party.

The members of the Board of Registrars are Chairman Elizabeth DiLego, Marilyn DeRosa, Mary Ann Caproni and Marilyn Gomeau, the Board's Clerk.

The Board, through the Office of the City Clerk, conducted the annual street listing of residents residing in the City as of January 1, 2017. The official population for the year was determined to be 12,580 representing an decrease of 387 persons over the prior year's figure. The on-campus student population for the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts, was reported to be 638 students, a decrease of 28 over the prior year.

This concludes the report of the City Clerk for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017 and the One Hundred and Ninety-fourth annual report of the City Clerk's Office since the City's incorporation in 1895.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Gomeau City Clerk

REPORT OF THE CITY SOLICITOR

September 6, 2017

REPORT OF THE CITY SOLICITOR

The office of City Solicitor, rich in tradition, this past year continued to play an important and unique role in our City's governance structure. The City Solicitor is the City's lawyer, and the office's tasks are well enumerated under our Commonwealth's statutes and the City's ordinances. Our mission is simple and single-minded: to provide the highest quality of legal services to the City of North Adams.

First, I want to express my sincere appreciation to Mayor Alcombright for his service to our city. It has been a privilege to work with him the past eight years. Also, I want to thank the department heads and staff members, the City Council, the City Clerk and the Mayor's Executive Assistant for their assistance and cooperation in helping me carry out my responsibilities. North Adams is fortunate to have leaders and employees dedicated to public service who perform their duties with personal honor and a high level of professionalism. I acknowledge the cooperation of these fine public servants who, throughout the year, have made my job easier and my work, more productive. In North Adams, it's a team effort, and I could not effectively do my job without their input and help.

Second, and in summary, during the past year I have again issued legal opinions to the Mayor, City Council, Department Heads and Chairpersons of Boards and, in concert with the Mayor, participated in drafting City Council Orders, reviewed City Council papers, and otherwise worked with City Council Committees, including attendance at their meetings when requested, and informally consulted with the Mayor and Department Heads on a variety of issues. I have been an advisor to the Mayor and Department Heads as issues were presented in the course of their work. I have provided legal services to the Airport Commission in a variety of matters, drafted leases for the Windsor Mill and routinely reviewed all City contracts from matters pertaining to community development to matters before the School Committee, including collective bargaining agreements. This past year, in the context of MASS MoCA opening Building Six and a new and positive business climate, I have been tasked with assisting the Mayor in addressing a variety of municipal, tax and planning, legal issues arising out of private economic development enterprises, including the development to the Greylock Mill and the redevelopment of the Redwood Motel into the "Tourists" resort. In addition, Mayor Alcombright has imitated a policy of divesting the city of excess real estate; and in furtherance of this policy, I have worked with him on procurement, title and transfer issues in connection with the disposition of municipally owned real estate.

Third, during the past year, we continued to favorably resolve pending court matters and the number of pending litigation matters has again been greatly reduced.

I have been honored and privileged to serve as the City of North Adams' lawyer.

Very truly yours, John B. DeRosa

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES REPORT

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES

To His Honor the Mayor and Members of the City Council:

I hereby submit the FY17 Annual Report of the Department of Public Services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017

WATER DEPARTMENT

During the fiscal year the Water Department responded to 29 water main breaks, 32 water service repairs, 6 new hydrants installed, and 5 hydrants repaired also 40 water meters were repaired or replaced. Installed new water main to the new Skate Park and future Splash Park and comfort stations. The annual hydrant flushing was performed along with the daily maintenance of the reservoirs and water tanks.

WATER TREATMENT FACILITY

The treatment facility produced 692 million gallons of drinking water and was in compliance during the FY17.

The treatment facility had several improvements during the year including, replacing and cleaning sand filters, a chlorine analyzer, floor painting, and other small projects.

I would like to thank the staff from the Water dept. and Water Treatment Facility for their dedication of keeping our drinking water safe for everyone.

PARKS AND RECREATION DIVISION

The Parks department maintained all athletic fields and public parks. A new backstop screen was installed at the Joe Wolfe Complex along with annual fertilizing. There were many improvements to the infield and outfield warning track, along with the cutting and trimming of the 13 other complexes that we maintain.

TRANSFER STATION

MSW 11855 tons GLASS 146 tons PAPER 228 tons

4,500 cubic yards of brush and trees were ground down to mulch.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES REPORT

HIGHWAY DIVISION

- 1. Supervised all line painting.
- 2. Erected and replaced street signage
- 3. Streets swept during the season.
- 4. Maintained all four sewer pumping stations
- 5. Maintained storm drains and ditches.
- 6. Kept all flood control areas well groomed and cleaned.
- 7. Preserved streets as needed with bituminous concrete.
- 8. Installed sewer laterals as needed.
- Installed new sewer pumps system at Hardman Park and West Shaft road pump stations.
- Removal of approximately 4500 Cu. yds. of brush and trees at the city Transfer Station.
- 11. Assisted with the blacktoping of North Eagle, Millard, Walnut, Dean, Gunther, Old State Streets, approximately 1,550 tons of blacktop and milling were performed.
- 12. New curbs were done on Liberty St.
- 13. Snow storm callouts 29.
- 14. Plowed and sanded all city streets as needed. Approximately 2500+ tons of salt and 1500 tons of sand were used.
- 15. Unclogged 29 sewer mains.
- 16. Assisted with City road and athletic projects during this time frame.
- 17. Repaired 35 manholes and catch basins.
- 18. Continuing Maintenance of Historic Valley Camp ground.
- 19. Purchased new street sweeper.
- 20. Purchased 1 ton Plow Truck.

I would like to thank Paul Markland and the employees of the Public Services departments for their hard work and dedication to the citizens of the City of North Adams.

Respectfully Submitted:

Timothy H. Lescarbeau Commissioner of Public Services

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT REPORT

Report of the Cemetery Department

His Honor Mayor Alcombright & Members of the City Council

We are submitting herewith the Annual Report of the Cemetery Department from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

Burials at Southview and Hillside Cemeteries

Adults	Southview		92
Adults	Hillside		0
Infants	Southview		0
Cremains	Southview		80
Cremains	Hillside		
		Total	172

Lots sold in Southview Cemetery

Single Graves	10
2-Grave Lots	4
3-Grave Lots	
4-Grave Lots	4
8-Grave Lots	
6-Grave Lots	
12-Grave Lots	

Total

Respectfully submitted,
Paul Markland, Director Public Services

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Honorable Mayor Richard J. Alcombright

I hereby submit the annual report of the Fire Division for Fiscal Year 2017 for your approval.

Year in Review:

The Fire Department continues to provide a dedicated and professional service to the citizens of North Adams.

One of our major accomplishments this year was that we were able to lower the ISO rating from a 5/9 to a 4/4X. This was through several years of upgrading the maintenance and pumping capacity of our apparatus as well as improvements in operations. Through the Public Protection Classification (PPC) program, Insurance Services Office (ISO) evaluates municipal fire-protection efforts in communities throughout the United States. A community's investment in fire mitigation is a proven and reliable predictor of future fire losses. Insurance companies use PPC information to help establish fair premiums for fire insurance — generally offering lower premiums in communities with better protection. Many communities use the PPC as a benchmark for measuring the effectiveness of their fire-protection services. The PPC program is also a tool that helps communities plan for, budget, and justify improvements.

The Fire Department responded to one thousand one hundred and fifty- six calls for service throughout the year. Calls for service range from building fires to fire alarm activations to water calls.

Major Incidents:

8/4/16	Rescue	Natural Bridge
8/4/16	Building Fire	43 Liberty St.
9/1/16	Building Fire	75 West Main St.
9/23/16	Building Fire	1 State Rd.
10/11/16	Building Fire	72 Farview Hgts. Clarksburg
11/23/16	Building Fire	8 Crossey Pl
1/21/17	Building Fire	17 Goodrich St.
1/25/17	Building Fire	6 Whitcomb Hill Rd. Florida
2/18/17	Building Fire	335 Old Columbia St. Adams
3/26/17	Building Fire	489 Barbour St.
4/15/17	Building Fire	243 Eagle St.
5/5/17	Building Fire	Sullivan School
5/14/17	Building Fire	75 Greylock Ave.
5/28/17	Hiker Rescue	Mt. Grelyock

Large Loss Fires:

On May 5, 2017 Engine 1 and 3 under the command of Lieutenant John Paciorek responded to the former Sullivan School for report of smoke coming from roof. There was moderate smoke showing from above windows on arrival. B Group was called in to back fill the station. Engine 3 crew set up water supply line while Engine 1 made entry through the main door and found a stack of pallets burning in the cafeteria. Director Meranti arrived on scene and assumed command. B group was directed to the scene and an all call was requested for man power and city coverage. While engine 1 and 3 were extinguishing the fire in the cafeteria Ladder 2 staffed by firefighters from B group were assigned to search the building. Five other separate small fires were discovered and extinguished. Clarksburg Fire was called for the air truck. North Adams Ambulance was on scene assisting with rehab as well as North Adams Police and Wire and Alarm Division. Due to the number of individual fires it was determined that they were intentionally set. An extensive investigation led by NAPD Officer Brad Vivori and a Massachusetts State Trooper assigned to the State Fire Marshal's Office found that two juveniles had set the fires.

The second large loss fire occurred on April 15, 2017. North Adams Dispatch received several calls for a building fire at 243 Eagle St. Engine 1 and 3 under the direction of Lieutenant Michael Sherman responded and found heavy fire and smoke showing from the second floor windows. D group was called in while in route and an All Call sounded when Sherman arrived on the scene. Engine 1 conducted a search of the first floor for the occupant but was told that she was accounted for outside. They then advanced a line to the second floor and began extinguishment. Engine 3 set up a water supply and then assisted Engine 1. Ladder 2 was assigned ventilation and engine 2 assigned to look for extension. Command was transferred to Lt., John Paciorek. Adams Fire was called for the air truck and for an engine to cover the City. North Adams Ambulance set up rehab and Wire and Alarm disconnected power. Investigation conducted by Lt. Paciorek determined the fire to be accidental.

A third fire was reported as a porch fire at 75 Greylock Ave. Engine 1 and 3 responded with Lieutenant John Paciorek in command. B group was called in to cover the City. While in route NAPD Officer Anthony Beverly reported that the house was well involved in fire. Lt. Paciorek called for an all call. On scene he found fire had extended from the front porch into the kitchen and up the outside of the building to the eaves. The fire was knocked down on the exterior and the lines advanced to the interior. All occupants were out of the building on arrival. Director Meranti arrived on scene and assumed command. Ladder 2 was assigned ventilation and extinguishment of the fire in the eaves. Engine 2 was sent to the attic to check for extension. The air truck from Clarksburg was sent to the scene and an engine from Adams covered the station. North Adams Ambulance on scene as well as Wire and Alarm. The investigation was conducted by Director Meranti and revealed that the most probable cause of the fire was an improperly discarded cigarette.

Grants:

We have been very fortunate this year to receive several large regional grants. This success was the result of the great work of our grant writing team including Amalio Jusino of Emergency Response Consulting.

In August of 2016 we were awarded a \$191,810 Regional Grant from the Department of Homeland Security, Assistance to Firefighters Grant program for the purchase of new NFPA complaint hose, nozzles and water supply equipment for the City of North Adams and the towns of Adams, Cheshire, Clarksburg, Florida, Stamford Vt., and Williamstown. This grant will allow us to replace hose that is over 20 years old.

The second regional grant came through the efforts of the Northern Berkshire Regional Emergency Planning Committee. This group through the work of ERC, applied for and was awarded a very competitive grant from the Commonwealth Security Trust Fund Grant. The grant is for \$50,000 and was used to support the ongoing training around the first responder role in Active Shooter response. We were able to purchase 10 Ballistic vests and helmets for our firefighters as well as medical training equipment and supplies such as tourniquets, trauma dressings, and rapid response kits for our regional partners. The last part of the grant is the purchase of a 4x4 Utility Vehicle (UTV) to be used for all types of emergency incidents where access is limited. This vehicle is assigned to the fire department but may be used by North Adams Police or Ambulance and may also be called for by any of our Northern Berkshire REPC members.

In February we received a grant from the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency for \$3,220 for the purchase of a trailer to transport the new UTV.

The largest grant that we have received came in May of 2017. This grant of \$498,190 came from the Department of Homeland Security Assistance to Firefighters grant program for the purchase of new self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) for North Adams, Adams, Cheshire, Clarksburg, Florida, Stamford Vt. and Williamstown. This grant has allowed us to upgrade our most precious piece of firefighter equipment, the breathing apparatus. Our SCBA are over ten years old and 2 cycles of NFPA updates. Even though they are well maintained they are in need of upgrade. We were able to purchase 22 SCBA worth \$144,774 at a cost to the City of \$14,477. This is a great savings to the citizens of North Adams as well as our neighboring departments. Without this grant funding purchases such as these would not be possible. Congressman Neal visited the station to congratulate us on this award.

Training:

All firefighters were trained on the operation of the new equipment to meet the AFG grant requirements.

A considerable amount of time was spent on training in the area of Active Shooter incidents and the role of Fire and EMS. We worked closely with North Adams Ambulance and North Adams Police and conducted joint training at the former Sullivan school. The training began in the

classroom and continued with hands on training at the school and ended with a large scale exercise in the fall at Sullivan school with all agencies participating. All firefighters were trained on rescue task force operations at an active shooter incident. This requires firefighters, law enforcement and EMS to work closely and support each other. This training will now be part of our annual training.

Daily training continues on such topics as pump operations, search and rescue, medical incidents, hose operations, LP gas emergencies, etc.

The Western Mass Regional Technical Rescue team training continues. We have four firefighters assigned to this team.

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Smoke Detectors and Carbon	188
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Sprinkler Systems[SP]	3
Storage Tank Removal and	17
Transportation to Disposal Yard	
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Tank Truck (FP 44)[TT]	7

Fire Prevention and Education:

As part of the S.A.F.E. Student Awareness of Fire Education Grant, Firefighter/Educator John Marlowe visited all elementary schools to provide fire safety education to the students. The Berkshire County Fire Chiefs Association Fire Safe Trailer was used to demonstrate how to exit through a smoke filled room.

Throughout the year we provided fire extinguisher training and prevention to businesses as well as students at McCann Technical High School.

We have also attended safety events at Big Y, National night out, Carr Hardware as well as our annual open house during fire prevention week in October.

Firefighters also donated turkeys to the Salvation Army and the Food Pantry on Eagle St. for distribution to families in need around Thanksgiving. They worked with police officers and EMT's on a toy drive and gave out the toys during a Christmas party held at the YMCA. Also for the first time, during the National Night Out event held in one location at Noel Field, firefighters set up games such as the Midnight Alarm and Bucket Brigade and interacted with the neighborhood families. All of these events were staffed by firefighters off duty on their own time.

Recommendations:

Again I would like to see a firefighter assigned to Fire Prevention. Every year more fire prevention regulations are created increasing the workload on local fire departments. Assigning a firefighter for this duty would allow the department to provide a better more efficient service to the community. One of the areas that we were lacking during the ISO review was inspections. I would also like to increase the permit fees to a \$25.00 minimum. I believe that we are the lowest in the state. A permit for an oil burner installation is only \$5.00.

We must start thinking of replacing the ladder truck. This vehicle is a 1999 and is getting close to the end of its life expectancy. The replacement of this vehicle will cost approximately \$1,000,000.00.

The Public Safety building is also in needed of major repairs or replacement. The roof leaks in many locations. The windows are in need of replacement. The boilers continually go out and

must be reset. The electrical system should be upgraded. The water piping in the building is galvanized piping that is breaking down. Finally the building is not ADA compliant.

Conclusion:

In conclusion I would like to thank Mayor Richard J. Alcombright and his administration for their support throughout the year.

I would also like to thank the girls in the office, Ann Perry and Stacy Abuisi. I would be lost without their assistance. In March Stacy left the for the Assistant Treasurer position. We wish her the best of luck and know that she will be greatly missed. We welcome Terry Saunders-Boucher to fill the open position in the office.

We continue to work very closely with the members of the North Adams Police Department and North Adams Ambulance Service. We thank both organizations for their support and assistance throughout the year. I also appreciate the help given to us throughout the year by the Building and Health Departments and Department of Public Services.

The Wire and Alarm Division under the direction of Michael Lescarbeau continues to be an asset to this department. He is always there when you need him.

Finally I would like to thank the officers and members of the North Adams Fire Department. These men are a group of dedicated and professional firefighters that serve this community with dignity and pride. I am extremely proud to be their leader.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephen A. Meranti Fire Director ANRPRT17nafddoc

ROSTER OF THE FIRE DIVISION July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017

Director of Fire Division	Stephen A. Meranti
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Lieutenant	Joseph Beverly
Lieutenant	John S. Paciorek
Lieutenant	Michael Sherman

Firefighter	Peter Robare
Firefighter	Scott A. Barbeau
Firefighter	Alan Richer
Firefighter	Michael Goodson
Firefighter	David Boucher
Firefighter	Jason Garner
Firefighter	Gregory Lancto
Firefighter	Matthew LaBonte
Firefighter	Jeffrey Bleu
Firefighter	Raymond King
Firefighter	Juan Bolte
Firefighter	Stefan Lamarre
Firefighter	Robert J. Patenaude
Firefighter	John P. Marlowe
Firefighter	Travys C. Rivers
Firefighter	Michael P. Sherman
Firefighter	John L. Lancto
Firefighter	Brent M. Lefebvre
Firefighter	Matthew R. Davis
Firefighter	Shaun F. Hayden
Firefighter	Kevin Alicia
Firefighter	Colin B. Boucher

Senior Clerk and Stenographer Ann S. Perry

Senior Clerk Terry Saunders-Boucher

Permanent Reserve Firefighters

Tyler H. Bolte	Appointed July 24, 2012
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Casey C. Cooke Appointed July 24, 2012

Brad A. Sacco Appointed July 24, 2012



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Michael P. Cozzaglio Director - Police Services

October 9, 2017

To: Richard Alcombright Mayor-City of North Adams

From: Director Michael Cozzaglio North Adams Police Department

I hereby submit the annual report for the North Adams Police Department for fiscal year July 01, 2016 through June 30, 2017 for your approval.

Over the course of this fiscal year the North Adams Police Department experienced several retirements this year: Lieutenant William Baker on March 16, 2017 after 32 years of distinguished service. Also, Detective Francis Maruco June 26, 2017 after 32 years of distinguished service. Also, Detective John LeClair May 23, 2017 after 27 years of distinguished service. The department also accepted the resignation of Officer David Lemieux on May 4, 2017, transferring to an out of state Police Department. The department also appointed three permanent full time police officers, they are: Preston Kelly on October 2, 2016, Stephanie Mirante on May 5, 2017 and Kevin Fitzpatrick on June 25, 2017.

The Department continues to utilize our emergency communication network "Code Red" system. This greatly enhances the department's ability to send out notifications in emergency and non-emergency situations within minutes. We have also made great strides in the use of on-line social media, specifically Facebook. The departments Facebook page has been very informational and successful in sharing information and keeping the public informed.

The Department, with grant funds from the Bureau of Justice Programs continues to provide a full time school resource officer (SRO), Officer Jonathan Beaudreau on October 28, 2016. The connection that the North Adams Police Department has in the public schools has been well received by everyone. We will strive to maintain this great relationship between the North Adams Police Department, the North Adams Public Schools and the school children within our community.

The Police Department through the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security has been able to continue to provide a valuable addition to the Department, a K-9 Unit, which is staffed by Acting Sergeant Albert Zoito and his partner K-9 Chuck. The K-9 Unit currently is trained to search and locate specific types of drugs or persons. The K-9 unit is on patrol on a daily basis and has been utilized many times searching for hidden drugs, lost or fleeing persons along with being a great community policing tool.

Through cooperative efforts between the North Adams Police Department and the community we have also been able to continue offering two-one week summer ROPES camps for our area children. Each summer camp has had over 100 kids attending and continues to be a great success. Including the summer 2016 ROPES camp we have put through over 3000 campers who have successfully complete this important program. The North Adams Police Department continues to reach out to our community and its children in the hopes this will pay big dividends in the future.

The Patrol division has been very busy in the day to day activities in our attempt to maintain high visibility in the various neighborhoods throughout the community. The officers in the police department continue to aggressively pursue and arrest the felons who are providing deadly drugs to our citizens. We have made over a two dozen major drug arrests within the past year. This resulted in the seizure of a significant amount of heroin, cocaine, pills, along with thousands of dollars in cash and other assets. We have increased our visibility in traffic enforcement. This is done through directed speed patrols and the use of our speed board, which is informational as well as educational. We continue to promote our community speed watch program, asking our residents to call any time to report speeding or erratic operation of motor vehicles.

The Department continues to participate and foster our Community Policing program and Neighborhood Watch. We work closely with the Northern Berkshire Community Coalition and neighborhood groups such as, Mohawk Forest, UNO neighborhoods, Brayton Apartments, Greylock Valley Neighborhood, Blackinton Neighborhood, Autumn Heights and North Street just to name a few.

The police sponsored TRIAD program continues to be very successful. This allows us to work closely with our senior citizens to assist with their needs. We do this in conjunction with the District Attorney's office and the Berkshire County Sheriff's Department. We continue to work closely with the staff at the Mary Spitzer Center, Ashland Street High-rise, Holy Family Terrace and St. Joseph Court to reach out to our elderly citizens of the city.

The North Adams Police Department strives to maintain excellence, professionalism and courtesy at all times.

At this time, I would like to extend my appreciation to Mayor Richard J. Alcombright, the City Council and the various departments for their cooperation throughout this fiscal year. I would also like to thank all of our devoted members of the North Adams Police Department for their services that they provide to the citizens of North Adams.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael P. Cozzaglio Director of Police Services

North Adams Police Department



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Michael P. Cozzaglio Director - Police Services

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY Police Division

TO HIS HONOR, THE MAYOR, AND THE MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

Gentlemen:

I hereby respectfully submit the organizational chart for the Police Division for the fiscal year July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

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Lieutenant	William D. Baker
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	Appointed Acting Lieutenant
	March 19, 2017
Sergeant of Police	James M. Burdick
Sergeant of Police	Jason R. Wood
	Appointed Acting Lieutenant
Acting Consent of Delice	March 19, 2017
Acting Sergeant of Police	Toby E. Randall
	Appointed Acting Sergeant Albert Zoito
	Appointed Acting Sergeant
	May 7, 2017
Police Officer Investigator	Kelly Wisniowski
Police Officer Investigator	Francis Maruco
	Retired June 26, 2017
	Jonathan Beaudreau
	Appointed School Resource Officer and
	Police Officer Investigator
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Police Officer Investiga	ttor John LeClair Retired May 23, 2017
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and Acting Detective	livian Dalley
Sergeant	

POLICE OFFICERS

Albert J. Zoito

Appointed Acting Sergeant

May 7, 2017 Erik Thomas Ivan Cardeno

Anthony Beverly Christopher W, Gelinas

Benjamin D. Austin Brad Vivori Trevor Manning Joshua Zustra

Appointed Court Officer

April 17, 2016

Jonathan Beaudreau

Appointed School Resource Officer

And Detective October 28, 2016 Nicholas Kaiser

David Lemieux

Resigned May 4, 2017 Kyle Cahoon

David Sherman Nicholas Penna Joshua Tracy Preston Kelly

Appointed Permanent October 2, 2016

Stephanie Mirante

Appointed Permanent May 5, 2017

Kevin Fitzpatrick

Appointed Permanent June 25, 2017

911 DISPATCHERS

Arthur E. Barbeau Mary Ann King Melissa Wilkinson Barbara Brucato Aaron Goodell

Appointed October 2, 2016

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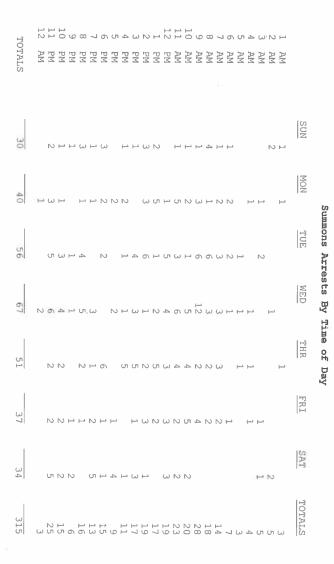
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Drugs Attached To An Offense With IBR Code 35A

Class	Case Instances	Dollar Value	
Crack Cocaine	12	5,079.00	
Cocaine	10	1,879.00	
Heroin	33	12,646.00	
Marijuana	89	386.00	
Morphine	2	61.00	
Opium	ب	200,00	
Other Narcotics	11	544.00	
Other Stimulants	ш	130,00	
Barbiturates	 	25.00	
Other Depressants	فسا	5.00	
Other Drugs	11	498 + 56	
Unknown Drug Type	₽-	3.00	

Code AVR CWR LOI NML

Description
At Victim's Request
Complaint / Warrant Requested
Lack Of Interest (Victim)

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of Incidents

Incident Reason Closed Code

No More Leads

Reason For Status (Incident) Statistics

Grand Total: 806

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NMI	No More Leads	0
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Solvability (Incident) Statistics
Summary Statistics

Total Crime Incidents:

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Solvability (Incident) Statistics
Officer Breakdown

To his Honor the Mayor and the members of the City Council:

I am herewith submitting the Annual Report from the Building Department for the fiscal year 2016 through 2017.

Gas and Plumbing Inspections:

A total of 67 plumbing permits and 107 gas-fitting permits were issued this fiscal year. Several plumbing and gas-fitting inspections were conducted to ensure that all the work performed complies with the Massachusetts State Plumbing and Gas Fitting Codes.

Building Department:

The City had several projects within the year. We, the city purchased 59 Hodges Cross Road (formerly Modern Aluminizing) and began the interior renovations to create the DPW along with other city departments that will be using that location. In April 2017, work began to create the UNO Park on River Street. Building #2, second floor at Heritage State Park continues with renovations for a tenant buildout, EMRCA (Extreme Model Railroad and Contemporary Architecture Museum)

After a fire destroyed the interior of All Saints Episcopal Church in 2014, renovations were completed in November, therefore issuing a Certificate of Use and Occupancy.

Greylock Works, formerly the Cariddi Mill, continues with renovations on the interior and exterior of the building and property.

Mass Moca began the year in July with work continuing at Building #10 with the construction of a ramp. Installation of a roofing system in March to the Security Gate House. In July a Certificate of Use and Occupancy was issued for Bright Ideas Brewery. After renovations to Buildings #6 that include galleries and museum space & Building #8 that include repairs and renovations, Certificates of Use and Occupancy were issued April 2017.

Scarafoni Associates / David Carver had projects this year that included interior renovations to create Ramunto's at 67 Main Street which opened with a Certificate of Use and Occupancy in December of 2016. In the spring of 2017, Empire Café opened at 57 Main Street, in April and Met Life opened at 33 Main Street in June.

Berkshire Medical Center, formerly North Adams Regional Hospital continues with renovations and improvements. Phase X began in July 2016 for accessibility improvements. Certificates of Use and Occupancy were issued for the Medical Doctor Clinic, Orthopedic Department, Community Health Program, Williamstown Medical Center and the onsite pharmacy. Permits were issued for roof work to be conducted on the main room (section of roof) and the Clark House.

The Beyond Place, LLC formerly the Redwood Motel continues with the construction of 38 motels rooms, interior and exterior renovations and in March began the construction of a 212 ft suspension bridge over the Hoosic River.

VSH Realty Inc. (Cumberland Farms) on Mohawk Trail was issued a Certificate of Use and Occupancy in September for the construction of the new building.

Several blighted dwellings were demolished this year including a property at 154 Protection Avenue.

During the past year, we have been quite busy with all the inspections throughout the city. Along with issuing Building Permits, performing periodical inspections, issuing Certificates of Use and Occupancy and Certificates of Inspection, I oversee the building maintenance of city properties. These properties include City Hall, Windsor Mill, Heritage State Park, Peter Foote Skating Rink, Mary Spitzer Center, Mohawk Theater, Public Library, Armory, Historic Valley Campground. Windsor Lake, the former Notre Dame Church and the former Sullivan School. I would like to thank our hard working maintenance team, Michael Cirullo, Rick O'Rell, Nicholas Berasi, Michael Sullivan, Foster Lewis and Norman Rolnick (Plumbing & Gas Inspector). We have developed a good and successful Maintenance Department within the Inspection Services Department.

Inspection Services strives to make the community a better place.

Melissa Martin, Administrative Assistant James O'Brien (resigned Sept 2016) Valerie Bird, Director of Health (Dec 2016 to present)

William E. Meranti, Director of Inspection Services / Building Inspector

Building Department generated an estimated income of \$134,013.00 as outlined:

BUILDING & MISC. PERMITS	\$118,698.00
GAS PERMITS	\$4,180.00
PLUMBING PERMITS	\$3,605.00
CERTIFICATES OF INSPECTION / 304 INSPECTIONS	\$5,050.00
CERTIFICATES OF USE & OCCUPANCY	\$925.00
DEMOLITION	\$650.00
WOOD STOVES / PELLET STOVES / COAL	\$160.00
VACANT / FORECLOSED PROPERTIES	\$ 375.00

The Office of the Inspector of Buildings issued 348 permits with an estimated value of \$23,186,372 with permit fees estimated at \$ 127,638.00 as outlined:

ADDITIONS	6	\$ 310,350
AIRPORT	1	\$168,366.00
BUILDING (Misc)	2	\$ 8,500
CHIMNEY	4	\$ 23,575
CHURCH	1	\$7,500
CITY	5	\$ 334,021
CONVERSION (Residential)	4	\$ 100
DECKS	10	\$ 100,700
DEMO	10	N/A
FOUNDATION	1	\$ 25,000
GARAGE	4	\$ 80,500
HANDICAP	1	\$2,000
INSULATION	28	\$ 110,311
MECHANICAL	12	\$ 1,019,665
MCLA	1	\$91,000
MASS MOCA	8	\$ 458,295
NEW CONSTRUCTION RESIDENTIAL 1		\$241,000
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POOLS	4	\$ 56,925
PORCHES	7	\$ 46,550
RENOVATION INDUSTRIAL	5	\$ 5,319,325
RESIDENTIAL RENOVATION	22	\$ 883,125
REPLACEMENT SIDING	6	\$ 84,822
REPLACEMENT WINDOWS	19	\$ 91,078
ROOFS	65	\$ 606,996
REPAIR / REPLACE COMMERCIAL	16	\$ 1,554,900
REPAIR / REPLACE RESIDENTIAL	26	\$ 177,807
SIGNS	10	\$ 21,974
SHEDS	13	N/A
SHEET METAL	13	N/A
SOLAR	25	\$ 8,998,351
SUNROOM	2	\$ 43,500
TELECOMMUNICATIONS	1	\$8,500
TEMPORARY	7	N/A
TRENCH	4	N/A
URBAN RENEWAL	1	\$ 7,636
(Certificates of Inspections)		27
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(Certificates of Use and Occupancy)		37
(Vacant or Foreclosed Properties)		25

Respectfully submitted,

William E. Meranti Inspector of Buildings

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES REPORT

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES REPORT

Scales (Sealed)	97	(Unsealed)	9	\$1590.00
Apothecary Weights	62			\$124.00
Scanners	68			\$250.00
Gasoline Pumps	84			\$1680.00
Reverse Vending Machines	12			\$300.00
Hawkers & Peddlers	32			\$960.00
Total	355		9	
Total Fees				\$4904.00

Respectfully Submitted, Mark Vadnais Sealer of Weights & Measures

To the Honorable Mayor Richard J. Alcombright and the Honorable Members of the City Council:

The Office of Community Development (OCD) continues to be the lead agency in the planning and development on a myriad of community-based projects. The OCD saw the initiation of many new projects, along with the completion of others during the 2016-2017 fiscal period. All initiatives and projects continue to be formidably linked to the city's comprehensive master plan, North Adams-Vision-2030.

The OCD was awarded another \$825,000 in grant funds from the CDBG Mini-Entitlement Program of the Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD) for its 2017 grant term. Featured projects will be another phase of masonry work at the armory facility as the project continues to be transformed into a new community youth center. A second major capital improvement project will be undertaken at the Spitzer Senior Center featuring new roofing, HVAC and electrical work. Another modest social service's campaign is also on tap in which to award funds to five area agencies, which will be the sixth consecutive year on this endeavor with assistance given by the Human Services Commission. These new grant funds will also help the YMCA building on its roof replacement project. A final yet small planning project is also on tap for a fourth phase of updating work to the local historical inventory that is being coupled with a matching grant from the Mass Historical Commission.

The OCD continued to implement its \$825,000 FY'16 CDBG Mini Entitlement grant with DHCD. Featured projects there were an eleventh phase of work at the armory facility on its second leg of parking lot and landscaping work, another modest round for participating social service agencies, the removal of slum and blighting buildings through demolition efforts, along with a third phase of updating work to the local historical inventory as areas that were once not eligible are now eligible for review. Lastly, the most significant project completed was the installation of the Unity Skateboard & BMX Park, city's first-ever skateboard park that saw it grand opening this summer down a the Noel Field Athletic Complex. This new park also infused \$400,000 worth of grant funds from the State FY'16 PARC program (Parkland Acquisitions & Renovations for Communities Program), whereby the OCD closed out this respective PARC grant year as well.

In order to supplement the new skateboard park installation as aforementioned, the city submitted a new grant application for the FY'18 PARC program. This \$400,000 grant will be the follow up phase for the hopeful spray park installation along with the rejuvenation of the existing basketball courts and

other amenities. This will hopefully be awarded in late 2017 and in which also desires new FY'18 CDBG grant funds as its match.

This year the OCD continued to implement two projects that were funded by the State's FY'16 MassWorks Infrastructure Grant Program. One is centered upon substantial parking lot improvements to the Greylock Work's adaptive reuse mill project on State Road that was awarded for \$2.72 M that also leveraged brownfield remediation work. This project is slated for closure by the end of 2017. The other is was a small \$250,000 seed-grant in order to do pre-market demand analysis along with preliminary architectural planning for the Heritage State Park for a potential railroad museum project. This project too is slated for closure by the end of 2017. In follow up to both of these projects, the City submitted new grant applications to the FY'17 MassWorks' grant round for each projects next phase of work. Applications in the amounts of \$1.72 M and \$5.38 M were submitted respectively.

In addition to the FY'17 MassWorks' grant round, the City submitted a third grant application in the amount of \$717,500 in which to conduct needed capital improvements to the Haskins Facility building in an effort to supplement the great work being done by the city's long-term tenant, Child Care of the Berkshires.

In order to help assist with the future long term governance and oversight of the Heritage State Park, the City took advantage of the State's new "Community Compact" (CC) program. A \$20,000 grant was awarded that will allow the in-depth review and updating of the local Urban Renewal Plan. A "SWOT" approach will be undertaken (strengths, weakness, opportunities and threats) as the main focus is to try to help improve the Urban Renewal Zones as well as providing for improved long term maintenance and operation of park. The completed work provides commendations that can be effectively implemented later on.

The city continued to work upon its \$20,000 grant from the Attorney General's "Distressed Properties Inventory Program" that is about local and state governmental sectors working together to help get bank-foreclosed residential properties resold to the private sector. The first two years was a joint campaign worked upon with the Town of Adams with support provided by the BRPC; however, the city signed on for a sole two-year extension that will bring the efforts through 2017. Thus far, sixty five of eighty properties have been returned to new private sector residential use.

This year the city was also awarded a \$300,000 grant from the federal Environmental Protection Agency in order to conduct site assessment work on strategic contaminated parcels that once remediated can lead to new redevelopment uses thereby becoming an economic generator. The Berkshire Regional Planning Commission (BRPC) will provide the grant level management and the administering of this new effort in conjunction with the city.

Continued work with the BRPC was also sustained in key areas. The city continues to be a formal member of their Brownfields Committee, as the rejuvenation of county-wide contaminated sites for future economic development and growth continue to be a high priority. The BRPC continues to work with the federal Environmental Protection Agency and the state Department of Environmental Protection on potential sources of funding for brownfield assessment work as well as remediation efforts. The city also continues to have formal representation on the BRPC's Comprehensive Economic Development Study (CEDS), which has been approved by the federal Economic Development Administration (EDA). Work upon the study's annual update report continued throughout this past year. Keeping an updated plan allows continued access to new federal grant funds in which to build economic development projects throughout the county. The OCD also provides assistance to the Office of the Mayor with representation on the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) group, a major transportation board as overseen by the BRPC. Major roadway construction projects, as well as regional public transit and bike path planning and expansion, are typically borne out of the MPO.

The OCD continued their work with the BRPC through their "District Local Training Assistance" (DLTA) grants. One project is centered upon the overview and updating of the local zoning ordinances, as it is important that the city's new comprehensive master plan work in tandem with modern-day zoning regulations. The first wave of changes addressed antiquated zoning definitions along with the updating of its use table. Continued work focused upon the review of the Site Plan Review, Special Permit and Right-of-Use processes. Other new work and continuing work centers itself around the more modern-day challenges such as solar array installations, windmills, medical marijuana use and assemblage, and adult entertainment. The other DLTA project continues upon the creation of a regional "Economic Development District" as the communities within Berkshire County seek to solidify its economic prowess to gain access for economic development funding from the federal Economic Development Administration.

The OCD continued to administer the Purchase & Rehab Program and the Get The Lead Out Program with funding provided by MassHousing, and continued

to act as a conduit for their Home Improvement Loan and Septic Repair Programs. Within the vast array of MassHousing programs, lead abatement work continues to be the most widely utilized. The OCD has also acted as a referral service with the USDA's Rural Housing, in an effort to recruit eligible elder homeowners to their various home improvement programs.

The OCD has continued to work upon the expansion of the Ashuwillticook Bike Path. The Town of Adams has now completed its next leg of the trail from their new terminus on Hoosac Street to Lime Street, and both municipalities have continued to work with its consultant that would bring it from Lime Street northerly with a hopeful connection to Hodges Cross Road on or near the McCann Technical High School. The city has also continued to work with the Town of Williamstown on their piece that will run southerly to the former Spruces Village on Route 2, with a continuation planned for getting into North Adams to and through the municipal airport. All bike path planning continues to be strongly supported by the Federal Highway Administration, MassDOT and the BRPC.

The OCD, in conjunction with the Assessor, Building and Administrative Officer departments, have rekindled efforts in the areas of energy and transportation. This has led the city in becoming a designated "Green Community" along with the adoption in having a "Complete Street's" policy and approval by the Commonwealth for such initiatives.

The OCD has also continued to remain as the lead contact agency with the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination (MCAD). The city's Fair Housing Commission has continued to implement and monitor the city's Fair Housing Plan in concert with MCAD, and has attended their annual Fair Housing & Civil Rights' Conference held annually each spring in Springfield, MA.

The OCD continues to serve as the municipal consultant to the Community & Economic Development Advisory Board, Historical Commission, Redevelopment Authority, Planning and Zoning Boards. It has also continued to manage and market the Windsor Mill and the Heritage State Park.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael F. Nuvallie, Director Office of Community Development

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

To The Honorable Richard Alcombright:

The North Adams Planning Board conducted twenty four Public Hearings and twelve regular meetings during the July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017 fiscal year. The Board reviewed a total of 26 applications as follows:

23 applications for Site Plan Approval/special permits

The 23 applications for special permits were reviewed and disposed of as follows:

- Twelve applications for a change of use were granted with conditions
- Two applications for new construction were granted with conditions
- Four applications for a change of ownership were granted with conditions
- Five applications for a change of tenancy were granted with conditions

Three Form A applications were reviewed and approved.

This year the Planning Board reviewed the applications for new restaurants as well as new retail businesses and new construction projects in the City. Work continues to move forward on the former Redwood Motel site in the west end of the City and the board is updated regularly by the developer on the progress of this important project. At the November 14, 2016 meeting the Planning Board working with the Office of Community Development Director, Michael Nuvallie, the Building Inspector, William Meranti and Administrative Officer, Michael Canales the Board approved a new ordinance governing solar energy systems. As always the Planning Board continues to give a great deal of attention to improving signage throughout the City as well as improving landscaping and entrance corridors.

Annual elections were held at the February 13, 2017 meeting. Michael Leary was elected Chairman of the Board and Paul Hopkins was elected Vice-Chairman. Kyle Hanlon was elected as the representative to the Berkshire Regional Planning Committee.

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board remains in contact with other City Boards and City Offices that have been very helpful with their knowledge regarding many of the cases which appear before the Planning Board.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the

North Adams Planning Board

Michael Leary, Chairman

BOARD MEMBERS – 2017 Michael Leary, Paul Hopkins Kyle Hanlon, Paul Senecal Brian Miksic, Allyson Holmes Lynette Bond, Robert Burdick Lawrence Taft

REPORT OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

To The Honorable Richard Alcombright:

The North Adams Zoning Board of Appeals conducted two Public Hearings and two Regular Meetings during the July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017 fiscal year for variances and special permits as follows:

- One special permit was granted for a home occupation
- One parking variance was granted

The Zoning Board held its annual elections at the March 20, 2017 meeting and voted to elect Donald Pecor, Jr., as Chairperson, Ross Jacobs as Vice-Chairperson and Peter Milanesi as Clerk.

The Zoning Board is available to review any issues or concerns of other Boards or department heads and is available to share information that may be helpful in that regard.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the North Adams Zoning Board of Appeals

Peter Milanesi, Clerk

BOARD MEMBERS – 2015
Donald Pecor, Jr.
Peter Milanesi
Paul DiLego, Jr.
Ross Jacobs
Gregory Roach
Christopher Thomas (Alternate)

REPORT OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

To The Honorable Richard Alcombright and Honorable Members of the City Council:

The North Adams Redevelopment Authority (NARA) exists to facilitate economic development in the City of North Adams' Urban Renewal Areas (URA), while living up to the existing zoning requirements for the City's other development projects.

The NARA works to ensure that for its projects, integration takes place between the Mayor's Office and all City Departments, Boards and Commissions.

During the past year, July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017 the NARA reviewed and approved plans for various signs and businesses located in the L-Shape Mall on Main Street, American Legion Drive and Ashland Street as well as involvement in future plans and development for the Western Gateway Heritage State Park. The proposed train museum being created by Thomas Krens is moving forward and will be an integral part of the economic development of the downtown. We look forward to the completion of this important project.

Members of the North Adams Redevelopment Authority included Paul Hopkins, Chairperson, Michael Leary, Kyle Hanlon and David Bond

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Hopkins, Chairperson

REPORT OF THE LICENSE BOARD

Honorable Mayor Richard Alcombright:

The following is a report of the activities by the North Adams License Board covering the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

2	Administrative Fee
13	Entertainment Licenses
30	One Day Licenses
20	Common Victuallers
110	Amusement Licenses
4	All Alcohol GOP
15	All Alcohol Restaurant
5	All Alcohol Club
4	All Alcohol Package Store
3	Beer & Wine Restaurant
2	Beer & Wine Package
1	Pouring Permit
15	Automobile class 1-2-3

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey Polucci, Chairman Rosemari Dickinson Peter Breen

ORGANIZATION

REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH

Chairperson	Brendan Bullett
Board Member	John Meaney
Board Member	Kevin Lamb
Director of Health	James O'Brien
	Valerie Bird
Code Enforcement Officer	James O'Brien
	Valerie Bird
Secretary	Melissa Martin
Inspector of Animals	Carrie Laholdt

HEALTH DEPARTMENT REPORT OF THE CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

INSPECTIONS FOR MINIMUM STANDARDS OF FITNESS FOR HUMAN HABITATION

DWELLINGS INSPECTED	536
CERTIFICATES OF COMPLIANCE	472
CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE (Re-Inspections)	47
CONDEMNATIONS	17

HEALTH DEPARTMENT RECEIPTS

Certificates of Compliance \$ 15,250.00

Fines \$ 1,015.00

Licenses and Permits \$42,620.0

Trailer Fees \$ 26,010.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS \$84, 895.00

TRANSFER STATION ACCOUNT

Resident/Non-Resident/Temporary/Commercial Permits \$95,430.00

Transfer Station Bags \$35,958.75

TOTAL RECEIPTS \$ 131,388.75

HEALTH DEPARTMENT COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

REPORTED

Babesiosis 2 Confirmed, 2 Revoked

Brucellosis 1 Revoked

Calicivirus / Norovirus 8 Confirmed

Camblyobacteriosis 4 Probable

Cryptosporidiosis 1 Confirmed

Ehrlichiosis 1 Revoked

Giardiasis 1 Confirmed, 1 Probable

Group A Streptococcus 1 Confirmed, 2 Revoked

Group B Streptococcus 4 Confirmed

Haemophilus Influenza 2 Confirmed

Hepatitis B 2 Probable

Hepati	tis C	17 Confirmed, 16 F 5 Revoked	Probable
Humar	n Granulocytic Anaplasmosis	7 Confirmed, 2 Sus 1 Revoked	spect
Influen	nza	92 Confirmed	
Lyme 1	Disease	27 Suspect	
Pertuss	sis	1 Confirmed	
Salmo	nellosis	1 Confirmed	
Strepto	ococcus Pneumonia	3 Confirmed	
Varice	lla (Chicken Pox)	1 Probable	
Viral N	Meningitis (Aseptic)	1 Suspect	
Yersini	iosis	1 Confirmed	
HEAL	TH DEPARTMENT MORTA	LITY	
Deaths	s (212) Non-Residents (1) Reside	ents Who Died Elsev	where (87)
Reside	nt Deaths (124)		
CAUS	E OF DEATH		
I.	Infectious and Parasitic Disease	es	0
II.	Neoplasms		61
III.	Endocrine, Nutritional and Met	abolic Diseases	
	and Immunity Disorders		0
IV.	Diseases of the Blood and Blood	od-Forming Organs	0
V.	Mental Disorders		0
VI.	Diseases of the Central Nervou	s System	26
VII.	Diseases of the Circulatory Sys	tem	52
VIII.	Diseases of the Respiratory Sys	stem	46

IX.	Diseases of the Digestive System	5
X.	Diseases of the Genito-Urinary System	10
XI.	Diseases of the Skin and Subcutaneous Tissue	0
XII.	Diseases of the Musculoskeletal System	
	and Connective Tissue	0
XIV.	Conditions Originating in the Perinatal Period	0
XVI.	Symptoms, Signs and Ill Defined Conditions	0
XVII.	Injury and Poisoning	1
Undete	ermined	11
HEAL	TH DEPARTMENT LICENSES & PERM	ITS
Anima	1 & Hennery	25
Burial	& Removal	128
Caterir	ng	41
Collect	t & Transporting Waste	19
Day Ca	amps	3
Dispos	al Work Installers	2
Food S	ervice	96
Frozen	Dessert	5
Funera	l Directors	6
Ice Ska	nting Rink	1
Milk &	z Cream	69
Mobile		17

Pubic Campgrounds, Overnight Cabins, Motels & Mobile Home Parks	7
Remove and Transport Septic Tank Contents	6
Residential Kitchens	10
Restaurants	38
Retail Food	60
Swimming Pool	6
Tanning Salon	1
Tattoo	3
Temporary Dumpster (Roll-Off Containers)	31
Tobacco	14

AIRPORT COMMISSION REPORT

To the Honorable Richard J. Alcombright, Mayor, members of the City Council and to the Citizens of the City of North Adams, the Airport Commission submits this annual report for the Fiscal year July 1 2016 – June 30, 2017.

The Commission held 8 monthly public meetings, one special meeting, and a meeting at the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) office in Burlington Massachusetts with members of the Massachusetts Aeronautics Commission (MAC/DOT) in attendance.

The open projects for this year are:

- 1. Admistrative Building
- 2. Automation of Two Additional Gates
- 3. Shamrock Hanger Purchase
- 4. **Potential Art Museum; Land Parcel**
- 5. Reconstruct Main Apron (Phase II)
- 6. Mohawk Bike Path Construction
- 7. **Cell Tower Construction**

The following is an overview of the status of each project to date.

1. Administrative Building

The Commission has been working with MASS DOT Aeronautics to place an administrative building at the airport. The building would be used by local and visiting pilots and passengers with a flight planning area, a lounge, and passenger waiting area. It would provide bathroom facilities. In addition it would also have meeting room space for the commission's public meetings, and serve as a permanent base for the airport manager. Space will be reserved for a vendor to establish a restaurant. We have determined that the vacant doctors building would be ideal for this purpose. The building would need to be moved to the fence line. DOT Aeronautics is seeking budgetary approval. More to come.

2. Automation of Two Additional Gates

Through the course of the reconstruction of the airport infrastructure two access gates have been automated, and this project will automate two more. The automation of these two gates will enhance safety by reducing automotive traffic on the ramps, taxiways, and crossing the runway. Grant paper work has been signed and processed to FAA for the funding to automate the remaining two. We hope to complete this in fiscal year 2018.

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3. Shamrock Hanger purchase

The Commission has been in negotiation with Liam Shirley to purchase his hanger. The hanger would serve as an additional revenue source for the airport. The hanger is filled to capacity. Primary funding will be provided by FAA (90%). The airport's engineering firm, Stantec, per FAA requirements employed an independent appraiser to establish fair market value for the building. The Commission and Mr. Shirley agreed to a purchase price of \$103,000. As of this writing (August 16, 2017) the closing has taken place and the hanger is now the property of the airport.

4. Potential Art Museum; Land Parcel

In August 2015 Mr. Thomas Krens presented to the Commission a plan to situate a Museum/Art Storage facility on airport land. The parcel desired fronts Rt. 2 across from Stop & Shop. The Commission voted to proceed with Mr. Krens in his process and reserve the parcel for this use pending the signing a formal Option on the land. In addition the Commission has to go through the formal process with FAA to have the land parcel designated for non-aviation use. As of this writing we are in the final stage of this process with FAA.

5. Reconstruct the Main Apron, Phase II

Phase I of this project was completed in fiscal 2016. Phase two was completed in the summer 2017 of this year.

6. **Bike Path**

There has been a request by the Mohawk Bike Path group to run the proposed Williamstown leg of the bike path along the northern border of airport property to a terminus on the airport entrance road. This route is advantageous to the bike path group to be able to avoid running along a large section of RT 2, as well as encountering incredible airport views to the south. The Commission has granted approval to continue planning a route through airport property and is working with the engineers to make sure the path will meet all FAA and Mass DoT requirements as well as avoid future airport growth areas and otherwise potential conflicts. The airport will benefit greatly by having the path pass through its property because it will allow the community better access to the airport and will make it more of a community asset.

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7. Cell Tower

Verizon has approached the Airport Commission about establishing a new cell tower on airport property. Verizon determined that the airport location was ideal for addressing a wireless coverage deficiency in the area. The Commission and Airport Manager are currently working with Verizon to establish an appropriate location. The land will need to be released by FAA for "non-aviation use" as well as a public request for other proposals issued prior to entering into a long-term lease. The expected benefit for the airport is an additional revenue source to support the annual airport budget.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffery M. Naughton, Chairman Trevor Gilman, Vice-Chair Armand P. Boillat, Commissioner Shaun Dougherty, Commissioner James M. Neville, Commissioner

COUNCIL ON AGING REPORT

Honorable Mayor Alcombright and City Council:

The North Adams Council on Aging is a City Department created under the general laws which state that a city ordinance may establish a Council on Aging for the purpose of coordinating or carrying out programs designed to meet the needs of the aging in collaboration with the Executive Office of Elder Affairs.

The Council on Aging had six members: Georgette Mancuso, Chairperson, Pauline Cantone, Elizabeth Benz, Stephen Smachetti, Shirley Wolfe and Norman Antonio.

The Director of the North Adams Council on Aging served as the Chairperson of the Berkshire Regional Transit Authority. The Council also participates in the activities of the Western Massachusetts Association of Councils on Aging and the Massachusetts Council on Aging Association; these groups consider regional and statewide needs of the elderly

The Council on Aging office is located in the Mary Spitzer Center for the Elderly, located at 116 Ashland Street; the center is an information and referral center for the city's elderly. During the past year over one thousand elders were served through the center. The center is open 8:30-4:00 Monday through Friday.

The Council on Aging operates two handicap accessible vans providing transportation to City residents 60 and older or under 60 and BRTA certified disabled. Van drivers Jonna Blair and Kevin Hempstead operated the wheel chair accessible vans Monday through Friday. During the past year they provided 10,902 rides to the Adult Day Health Center, medical and dental appointments, grocery shopping, Mary Spitzer Center and various social activities.

The Council on Aging provides meals in conjunction with Elder Services of Berkshire County Nutrition Program. During the past year congregate meals were served at the center five days a week. All seniors are encouraged to attend the meal site; there is a suggested donation of \$2.00 a meal. Reservations are requested 24 hours in advance. The Spitzer Center housed Elder Services Meals on Wheels program 5 days a week where meals are packaged and distributed to home bound elders in Northern Berkshire County.

The Food Bank of Western Massachusetts sponsors the Brown Bag Program at the center once a month. They distributed monthly bags to income eligible elders. This program is done with the help of many volunteers; applications to obtain a brown bag are available at the center.

A variety of on and off site activities were held during the year, they have included holiday and birthday celebrations, cultural grant events, day trips, triad picnic, wellness events, monthly

reflexology sessions, educational speakers and workshops, foot care clinics, blood pressure clinic, weigh-in group, hearing clinic, eye care, walking club, flu shot clinic, socials, cooking classes, knitting group, participation in the Age Friendly Berkshires

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with the city adopting the age friendly resolution, skin cancer screenings done by Dr. Cavalli's staff.

Bridge was played on Monday afternoons with instructions as needed. Bingo was played two afternoons a week. Computers were available for public use Monday through Friday.

Ongoing exercise programs at the center include Tai Chi taught by You-Lin Shi, osteoporosis prevention exercise classes taught by Alva LaBonte and Peg Christiansen, video exercise class two days a week led by Pat Stanislawski, chair yoga taught by Lisa Bassi and Barbara Lampron, standing yoga and a walking group. An eight week session of Matter of Balance was facilitated by Bret Beattie and Amanda Chilson.

The Council on Aging received formula grant funds from the Executive Office of Elder Affairs, these funds partially pay for us to employ Brenda Zappone as Administrative Assistant and Helen Donega as part-time office receptionist.

Formula Grant money was also used to honor 50 volunteers with a catered dinner. Many of our activities would not have been possible without the help of volunteers.

A service incentive grant from the Executive Office of Elder Affairs paid for Patricia Lescarbeau as Outreach worker 12 hours a week. Many new contacts were made and new events were held thanks to Patricia.

The Council on Aging issued a monthly newsletter, the Spitzer Center Gazette to over 1500 elders. The newsletter tells of monthly activities at the center, and articles of special interest to the elders these can be picked up at various locations in town or mailed.

The SHINE (Serving Health Insurance Needs Of Everyone) program counseled many during the course of the year, assisting elders with their Medicare D plan and counseling individuals who are about to turn 65 with their insurance choices. Assistance was also given filling out Snap applications and Safelink Wireless phone applications.

The Council on Aging in conjunction with the Berkshire Regional Transit Authority sells chair car tickets to the elderly and disabled. We participated with other Northern Berkshire transportation providers to administer the HINT program providing onetime transportation where there were no other options available.

The Council on Aging along with four AARP counselors offered free income tax assistance to the elders of North Adams from February to April.

A Northern Berkshire Chapter of Triad met eight months during the year Triad is a public safety initiative designed to reduce victimization among seniors. This group is represented by the Sheriff's Office, Police Department, District Attorney's office, seniors and the Council on Aging.

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As this year ended two of our longtime board members Georgette Mancuso and Pauline Cantone moved away to be close to family. We would like to thank them for their many years of service and dedication to the council on aging they will be missed.

The Council on Aging continues to serve as an information and referral center and actively advocate for the needs and concerns of the city's elders. The council's goals for the future include expanding programming and outreach to meet the needs of our growing older population.

Respectfully Submitted, Sandra Lamb, Executive Director

HOUSING AUTHORITY REPORT



NORTH ADAMS HOUSING AUTHORITY

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JENNIFER HOHN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

August 30, 2017

Richard Alcombright, Mayor City of North Adams City Hall 10 Main Street North Adams, MA 01247

Dear Mayor Alcombright,

Enclosed is the report of the North Adams Housing Authority for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

The Commissioners of the Authority during this period were:

Colton Andrews James Neville Christopher Tremblay Patricia Wol Michelle Martinez Chairman

Resident Commissioner

Commissioner, Treasurer Vice-Chair Commissioner, Vice-Chair Commissioner (Governor Appointee) Treasurer

Sincerely

Jennifer Holin







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Programmatic Outline

Project MASS 34-1

Mass 34-1 consists of 126 units located at two separate sites. The first site known as Greylock Valley Apartments includes 96 units of family and elderly housing. Riverview Apartments is the second site; it includes 30 apartments of elderly housing and is located on Lincoln Street and Sperry Ave. It is NAHA's intention to maintain an elderly designation for the Riverview Apartments to maintain its' attractiveness to the elderly population. A unit at Greylock Valley has been approved for use by HUD as a non-dwelling unit for both community and after-school programs. It also houses the surveillance system for the site. NAHA would like to explore the possibility a police substation dependant on future funding of HUD security grants. Project Mass 34-1 was created in 1961, in conjunction with the City's first Urban Renewal Program.

Project MASS 34-2

This development known as Ashland Park Apartments is a high rise building containing 126 units in elderly and disabled housing. It was constructed as a relocation source in conjunction with the City's second Urban Renewal Program. Ashland Park continues to have HUD approval to keep one unit off line in order to create conference/storage space for NAHA staff with the possibly of a portion of the space to be occupied by a business to serve the tenants.

Project MASS 34-6

This development is known as Spring Park Apartments and consists of a five story high rise containing 53 apartments. This was also constructed in conjunction with the Urban Renewal Program. With the Ashland Park Apartments, it represents a mix of both elderly and disabled situated within walking distance of necessary facilities. NAHA continues to strive to serve the elderly/near elderly population to maintain its attractiveness to the elderly population.

Housing Choice Voucher Program

This program consists of 313 units ranging from one bedroom to five bedroom apartments. An application is certified to be eligible and placed on the waiting list according to the housing need. When issued a Voucher the applicant has 60 days to find an apartment. The applicant's share of the rent is 30% of adjusted income. If the rent exceeds the Applicable Payment Standard, the applicant must pay the difference, in addition to the 30% of income. Effective 2004 based on dollar amounts, Local preference, admin plan, HUD regulations. NAHA updates comparable utility allowances to adjust annually according to local market.

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Project Based Section 8 Program

NAHA currently administers 58 Project Based Section 8 vouchers at Brayton Hill Apartments, NAHA receives an administrative fee for managing the vouchers. This fee will not only assist NAHA in sustaining its Section 8 Program but will also provide additional revenue to Brayton Hill Apartments whose contract for subsidy with The Department of Housing and Urban Development will not be renewed.

Community Residence (C689-1 Program)

The Authority owned one property, the Flood House, which was previously used as a community residence for mentally handicapped adults. North Adams Housing Authority transferred ownership of the property to Family Life Support on April 25, 2017 with the contingency that it be used solely for the proposed use which is transitional supportive housing. The Department of Housing and Community Development granted the Louison House temporary permission last year to use the facility as an emergency shelter until the building that was previously occupied is repaired from severe fire damage.

Housing Opportunities Inc. (HOI)

The Authority established a non-profit corporation back in the 1980's, HOI, and in the past was engaged with the City in providing home ownership opportunities to families within certain income brackets. To date twelve properties have been acquired, three demolished and eight made available to "first-time" homebuyers. As a result of several factors that have affected the ability to manage the program by NAHA staff; The Board of Directors of HOI voted to approve of the transfer of all the assets to the City of North Adams, excluding two properties, one being the former "Sun Cleaners" which was acquired by HOI in 2008 and the other 111-113 Bracewell Ave. which has been rented for several years to Family Life Support for use as a permanent supportive housing program. NAHA transferred ownership of Bracewell Ave. on June 27, 2017 to the Louison House in an effort to preserve the program moving forward.

Comprehensive Grant Program

The Authority has been awarded \$2,249,500 over a five-year period which is an increase of approximately \$150,000 from the previous period as a result of NAHA's continued "high performer" status. These funds will be used for major renovations, interior and exterior, at all its federal developments. Over the next five years, NAHA plans on completing the following upgrades: Cabinets and countertops at Greylock Valley will be replaced in phases, extensive elevator modernization at Ashland Park to replace all mechanical components, copper piping

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will be replaced at Greylock Valley, Spring Park generator will be replaced and window and siding replacement at Greylock Valley will commence beginning in year three.

Ross Coordinator & FSS Grant

NAHA will continue to apply annually for this grant which if awarded will fund a service coordinator for three years for NAHA's Public Housing and a percentage of Housing Choice Voucher families to develop self sufficiency programs.

Agency Wide

North Adams Housing Authority (NAHA) achieved a "High Performer" status in February 2015. NAHA has maintained this status for the current FY with a total score of 96 out of 100 points, A 2 point increase from the previous FY. This score is based on four indicators which are Financial, Management, Physical Condition, and Capital Fund. NAHA has maintained ninety nine percent occupancy and unit turnover of an average 10 days for its fourth consecutive year. Additionally, NAHA received zero financial audit findings or questioned costs in its fiscal year 2016 audit. However, there was a finding relative to tenant files and rent calculation errors. NAHA is still in the process of seeking HUD approval to construct a new community center at Greylock Valley Apartments. A formal proposal has been submitted and plans are completed. This space would be located in the vacant field on Sullivan Street and would be used to bring resources and services to residents of Greylock Valley in addition to other residents of the outside community. In addition to resident services, NAHA would also like to go back to having a police substation in that location.

PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT

2017 Annual Report of the North Adams Public Library Submitted by Mindy M. Hackner, Library Director

Well, it's about time

After years of shuffling things around and changing the library every time you walk in, I think the 'new' director reached a limit. Thanks to the generous support of the Mayor and City Councilors, with guidance from all the crew at City Hall, and support from the Trustees and Friends, your public library is in great physical and financial shape. Major changes this year include: moving our technology needs from City IT to CWMARS support; accepting a gift of museum quality furniture from the LaPorte family; managing several memorial gifts, including a major gift from the Honorable State Representative, Gailanne Cariddi; renovating the Young Adult area with a gift in memory of Charlene Wiencek; and continuing to expand our adult and children's technology resources.

A look at our annual statistical report shows a slight decline in foot traffic at the library but a considerable jump in our program attendance and electronic resources. The Youth Services department held over 179 programs with attendance exceeding 4,000. The weekly story times routinely attract 20 or more children and parents are quick to praise Sara Russell-Scholl and Nancy Ritter for their well-planned and creative programs. They also pull together a wonderful Garden Club with help from Jen Munoz and the Friends of NAPL. Up in Reference, Kim DiLego and Lisa Harding continually supply us with the best in new books while serving as local history guides for visiting researchers and college interns. Both are becoming much better acquainted with our local history resources thanks to Ely Janis and his MCLA students who are busy digging into North Adams history and mapping our area with some cool digital tools.

We suspended our tours of the building since Robin Martin's retirement, but moving all new materials into the front room is compensating by encouraging patrons to walk through to the older part of the library, admiring things along the way. On any given day, at least one or two visitors want to know more about our library. Thanks to Friends support, we give out brochures to cover our historic building and to promote our modern services. Last year we added another on-line database for children, A to Z States, bringing our electronic databases up to eight, but these, in combination with the Mass. Library System's Gale databases, give students ample access to information 24/7. We launched the "Boopsie app" for

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instant access to the library and the "Libby app" for readers' advisory and current book reviews. Both apps are shortcuts to streamline the library experience, but a word of warning ---- they don't work well with flip or older cell phones.

The Friends continue to be major supporters of our library. Former Friends' President, Claire LeMaire retired to the South but stays in touch via Facebook. New Friends' President, Bonnie Rennell stepped in without a hitch and the group supports many wonderful initiatives at the library including new computer task chairs, a new disc polisher, our Youth Services programming, the museum passes, several adult programs, and appreciation gifts for our volunteers. We should mention here that Donna Mulcahy and Jonathan Swartz have each selflessly served the library for over a decade.

Our Board of Trustees including: Chairman, Harris Elder; Vice Chair, Rich Remsberg; and members Hulda Jowett, Donald Pecor, Richard Taskin, Robin Martin, and Nicole Gordon meet on the second Wednesday of every month at 3 p.m. in the third floor small conference room where they set policy and steer the direction of the library after hearing the director's report. The public is encouraged to attend. Here then is a snapshot of our year from the report submitted to the Board of Library Commissioners in the late summer and early fall.

FY 2017 Budget	\$322,353	FY 2016 Budget	\$307,510	FY 2015 Budge	\$297,510
Employees FT/PT	12	Employees FT/PT	11		11
Card Holders	9968	Card Holders	8064		8300
Tot open hours	2360	Tot. open hours	2119		2200
Holdings	115,039	Holdings	126,740		101,000
Circulation	90,802	Circulation	93,298		99,000
Inter Library Loans	25,023	Inter Library Loans	24,061		26,000
Door Count	58,547	Door count	63,369		66,000
Computer sessions	10,720	Computer sessions	8500		10,000
Reference questions	1,404	Reference questions	2,100		4,500
Tot. child prog	179	Tot. child prog	172		171
Tot. Child attend	4,126	Tot child attend	3173		3,900
Tot. adult prog	76	Tot. adult prog	16		30
Tot. adult	625	Tot. adult	375		800

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Our patron registration numbers increased by 10 percent to 9,968 registered users. We estimate our wireless usage at 10,720 but will have an exact count next year through the new configuration. In an increasingly wired world, these figures will become more important when positioning the library as a gateway for free and fair access to the world of information.

These are only some of the metrics we use to check on the health of your public library. More importantly, there are human stories from the past year; an elderly neighbor receiving emergency care at the main desk, a jubilant job seeker who gained employment through an on-line job application, an Appalachian Trail hiker unpacking his goody box in the café (then hopping on the lab computers to send e-mail thanks to family back home), visitors who came to see MASS MoCA but stumbled on our beautiful library by happy accident, neighbors getting together over a holiday concert, and bright-eyed children still discovering that their public library is a welcoming doorway into the world of imagination. We hope to see you here, soon.

COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES REPORT

To his Honor the Mayor and the members of the City Council:

I am herewith submitting the Annual Report for the fiscal year 2016 through 2017.

Commission members include at this time Randy Kemp (Chairperson), Brian McCarthy, Nancy Rumbolt, Mark Patenaude, Antoinette Cariddi, Carrie Crews and William Meranti (Mayor's Liaison).

The Commission is always concentrating on implementing the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Several ongoing and long-range projects are helping us meet our goals.

Respectfully Submitted,

William E. Meranti Commission on Disabilities

HISTORICAL COMMISSION REPORT

Report of The North Adams Historical Commission 2017

Survey updates continue to be a major positive portion of our work.

We were not awarded a MHC grant in this cycle; understandably they favored people who had not just been recipients. The proposed CDBG match was reserved for a Survey update so our City Hall liaison Michael Nuvallie made it possible for us to pursue a \$10,000 update concentrating upon Kempville as far as the Trudeau Farm and the City Yard buildings. The chair spent many hours proofing and adding to individual entries submitted by consultant Bonnie Parsons. The Chair, Secretary, Mike and Larysa Bernstein, new in the CD office, participated in a conference call with MHC regarding the final submission of the updated forms.

We again applied for the next cycle (submitting forms for the preliminary round and then the final round) suggesting that the emphasis be upon the west end since so much investment is being made at the Greylock Mill and the former Redwood Motel sites. We were successful this round so Mike and Larysa, have put out the RFP for bids. The volunteer subcommittee of Darrell English, Wendy Champney and Justyna Carlson of NAHC will be reviewing applicants next month (shortly after submission of this report) in hopes of beginning this update, especially the chauffeuring to and photographing of proposed sites stages, before the snows fall.

A full complement of seven members serve on the Commission: Wendy Champney, secretary, Darrell English, Alan Horbal, Joanne Hurlbut, Chris Wondoloski, Paul Marino, vice chair, and Justyna Carlson, chair.

Demolition visits (several homes, barns, garages) are frequent and constitute a major negative portion of our efforts. We visited and approved demolitions on State Road (Stevens' barn) and 11-15 Furnace (previously denied in hopes of application of the 2012 City demolition delay ordinance). Unfortunately no other use could yet be found (for safety reasons a previous candidate in this category, St. Francis of Assisi church, was demolished when bricks fell from the steeple narrowly missing a passerby). It calls for a 12-month delay before a building in a historic district or individually considered historic (MHC guidelines indicate anything constructed before 1965) be demolished. The NAHC reviews, tries to suggest alternate uses or agrees with demolition. Demolition approval forms are filled out and submitted to Building Inspector William Meranti after all visitations and votes by members. Other properties visited and approved for demolition in 2016-17 since last year's annual report were 178 and 638 Ashland, 689 Church, 154-156 Protection, the gas station at the Braytonville Y, 137 Mohawk Trail, 306 Union, 447 Walnut. Since meeting

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in person we have visited and approved a barn demolition at 25 Blackinton, a garage barn at 273 Houghton which will be on the agenda for public ratification at our next official meeting at City Hall.

Letters of support and/or forms of approval were provided for several renovation projects, including the next phases of the Armory (continuation of fine project overseen by Michael Nuvallie). At our June 21, 2017 meeting we were thanked by Anne Nemetz-Carlson for our letter of support for renovation plans for Sarah T. Haskins School

The Chair attended the Preservation grant workshop in Williamsburg January 5, 2017, and passed on forms to the Frist Congregational Church for repairs to their bell tower and to the Hillside Cemetery. They did not follow through with applications. The Masonic Temple had been promised that they would be recommended in 2018 for stone wall and wrought iron railing/fencing work but it has since been sold to a private entity. They will only be eligible for funds if Local Historic Districts are established.

Historic New England offered a Preservation Management Strategies that Work: Caring for Municipal, Museum, and Other Non-Profit Historic Properties workshop in Stockbridge which was attended June 16, 2017, by Secretary Wendy Champney. The Chair attended the Berkshire Eagle workshop how to Write a Press Release and Get it Published June 13, 2017.

NAHC continued to encourage the establishment of Local Historic Districts as proposed by Councilor Benjamin Lamb. This is an ongoing process having reached the LHD study committee stage. The LHDSC has been formed. NAHC Vice Chair Paul Marino is a member. The Chair has expressed dismay that the LHDSC has yet to meet and get the process going. She receives frequent calls, the last two from a longtime resident of Blackinton, who has already spent \$12,000 on exterior repairs to her Massachusetts Avenue family home, and from a North Adams landlord from outside the area who wishes to maintain the property and was looking for guidance with historic renovation requirements (none if and until LHD establishment) and funding (nothing available to private owners, especially those whose primary home is the property in question, until after the establishment of LHD). East Main, Church and Pleasant Street homes are of special concern to NAHC.

Again this year some of our attention was devoted to Fort Massachusetts. Little progress/movement has been made in preserving and acquiring the site since the 2016 Golub Corporation announcement of plans to close Price Chopper. Wendy has worked tirelessly to ensure the transfer of the Perry Elm/replica chimney, DAR plaque site prior to sale of the entire parcel. communications and meetings

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with Mona Golub and others ensuing. Negotiations are still ongoing. NAHC members Wendy Champney and Paul W. Marino participated in the annual ceremony, in this case commemorating the 270th anniversary of the Rebuilding of the Fort in 1747 after the Siege and destruction August 19-20, 1746. Wendy has now published a coloring book about the fort.

The Chair attended the Redevelopment public hearing on extending the boundaries of the Western Gateway Heritage State Park within which is the Freight Yard Historic District May 30,2017.

Because Eagle reporter Adam Shanks mentioned the proposed demolition of 45 Edgewood needing our approval, the Chair raised the subject to the entire NAHC with the assurance that there is no statute of limitations on our demolition approval, in this case done in August 2014.

NAHC has concerns about 111 River, the Windsor Mill, City Yard (the Chair toured with the Mayor and expressed NAHC wishes to preserve the historic plaques/signage on the two oldest structures should the property be sold and developed), the removal of the Mill Children and Arnold Print doll columns under the Marshall Street bridge, and recognition of famous sons and daughters and/or former residents (where to place a Wall of Honor or plaques with the loss of two previously recommended sites at Heritage Park – outside Building 5A - and Colegrove Park – where stairs were removed). Speaking of whom, our Vice Chair Paul W. Marino is facilitating a program on former resident, John Henry Haynes, the father of American archaeological photography, October 21, 2017, in the Haynes room at the North Adams Public Library.

Numerous telephone calls were received throughout the year from real estate agents, prospective buyers, and owners interested in the history (are they in the Survey?) of their homes.

Respectfully submitted,

Justyna M. Carlson, Chair

TRAFFIC COMMISSION REPORT

To the Honorable Richard Alcombright
And Honorable Members of the City Council:

The following is a report of activities conducted by the Traffic Commission for the fiscal year July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

The Commission will hold regular meetings on the third Wednesday of each month as needed. These meetings are held at 6 P.M. in the second floor conference room at City Hall.

Some of the activity acted on by the Commission for this fiscal year is as follows:

Speed limits
Downtown Traffic Issues concerning Traffic Light patterns.
Complete Streets.
Resident Only Parking.
Bike Lanes.

However, we shall continue to attempt to find the best solutions to any and all situations that come before this commission.

The members of the Traffic Commission would like to thank Councilor Nancy Bullett for her service and wish her all the best with her move.

Members of the Commission are as follows:

Amanda Chilson David Sacco

Paul Markland Nancy Bullett – City Council

Steve Rondeau Mary Ann King

Respectfully submitted, MaryAnn King, Chairperson

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION REPORT

Annual report of the activities for the year 2016 - 2017

To: His Honorable Mayor.

The Unity Skate Board Park officially opened at the former Modern Liquors property. The premier skate board of Berkshire County is a major highlight for the community. It is well received and attended daily by the youth and other citizens of the city.

A grand opening celebration was held on July 1, 2017. The gathering was attended by city officials and department heads, including Michael Nuvallie of the Office of Community Development, who spearheaded the project. The neighboring Hot Dog Ranch offered specials on its food and drink, WUPE-FM radio provided a live broadcast and music The Garden Board Shop of Pittsfield was present. There were also giveaways and raffles. The Park and Recreation Committee members continue to hear many positive things from visitors and the local community about the impressive park. We are moving forward with projects and want to add more venues, and improve the Noel Field Complex in the next few years.

The North Adams Steeple Cats celebrated their 17th anniversary at Joe Wolfe Field. The Steeple Cats where selected to host the annual collegiate all-star game at Joe Wolfe Field on July 30, 2017. It was an exciting weekend of fun, the city had many visitors and major league scouts from all over the country watching the up and coming young collegiate talent at the weekend long event. Prior to the all-star game, on Saturday July 29th the Steeple cats hosted the Newport Gulls and the fun night concluded with a spectacular fireworks exhibit. Overall The Steeple Cats attendance for the season was 16,929 with a crowd of 2623 attending the all-star game.

Tunnel City Youth soccer, boys and girls age 6 thru 14 practiced and played games several nights a week and Saturdays at Kevin Boland & Alcombright field throughout the summer and fall.

The North Adams Babe Ruth, practiced and played games at Alcombright Field.

North Adams Little League and minor league consisted of 5 teams and 100 boys and girls playing at Fallon Field and Kemp Park Field.

George Canales organized the annual La Festa Baseball Exchange which was held at Joe Wolfe Field, marking its 27th anniversary. Many thanks to the hard work of volunteers, spearheaded by co-founder and longtime organizer George Canales.

Northern Berkshire youth girls softball league practiced and played games at Fran Millard Softball Complex.

Marty's "T" ball completed another successful season, playing Saturday mornings at the Alcombright Complex from April thru June.

North Adams Youth Football League with 3 divisions, pee wee, intermediate and senior. They utilized street fields and played I home games at Disanti Field.

John Giorgi summer basketball league again offered games at John Giorgi court June thru August. Play was open to Men's, Women's, and Youth. The league consisted of $12~{\rm teams~around~}120~{\rm players~high~school~}$ and up.

Colegrove Park was used on several occasions for family night movies.

We would like to express our sincere thanks to all those volunteers from all the leagues and organizations that spend countless hours working for the improvement of our fields and the betterment of our youth.

We also wish to thank Mayor Richard Alcombright, Paul Markland, Bob Lamare and all the Departments for their help this past year.

Respectfully Submitted

Timothy M Koperek

Secretary

Parks & Recreation Committee

Richard Wood, Chairman, Timothy Koperek-Secretary, Mark Vadnais, Bob LeClair, George Canales, KateGalli

CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

To the Honorable Mayor and the Honorable Members of the North Adams City Council:

Jason Moran continues as the Chairman and Andrew Kawczak is the Vice Chair for the North Adams Conservation Commission.

The Conservation Commission held five public meetings for the convenience of our citizens. Additionally, site visitations were conducted to review application data as submitted to the Commission for its completeness and accuracy. Conservation Commission members attended training seminars covering various wetlands and land stabilization issues.

Significant events participated in by the Conservation Commission during the year are as follows:

L.Notice of Intent

- 1) "Notice of Intent". Applicant Jeffrey Naughton of the North Adams Airport Commission is proposing an activity subject to the Wetlands Protection Act at 836 State Road to construct a new administration building, associated parking, roadway and utility improvements with some portions of work within the 100-foot Buffer Zone to the BVW.
- 2) "Notice of Intent". Applicant Thomas Frawley of Summit Distributing, LLC is proposing an activity subject to the Wetlands Protection Act at 140 Eagle Street to construct a convenience store with gas pumps within the Riverfront Area.
- 3) "Notice of Intent". Applicant The Beyond Place, LLC is proposing an activity subject to the Wetlands Protection Act at 861, 895 & 915 State Road for the demolition and reconstruction of a motel complex within the Riverfront Area.
- 4) "Notice of Intent". Applicant Eric Kerns on behalf of The Beyond Place, LLC. C/O Broder is proposing an activity subject to the Wetlands Protection Act at 861 State Road for the construction of a pedestrian bridge over the Hoosic River within the Inner Riparian Zone to the Hoosic River, Bordering Land Subject to Flooding, Bordering Vegetated Wetland and Buffer Zone.
- 5) "Notice of Intent". Applicant The Beyond Place, LLC, is requesting to Amend the Orders of Conditions previously issued on September 21, 2016 for activity proposed at 861, 895 & 915 State Road for

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relocation of the pool, grading in parking lot area to create a berm, and paving of overflow parking lot within Riverfront Area.

- 6) "Notice of Intent". Applicant James Sobon of O'Connell Oil Associates, INC. is proposing an activity subject to the Wetlands Protection Act at 1 State Road to demolish existing structures and convert degraded areas into vegetated surfaces within the Riverfront Area.
- 7) "Notice of Intent". Applicant Chris Grimley is proposing an activity subject to the Wetlands Protection Act at Bradley Street to construct a single family home with connection to city water and sewer within the 100 foot Buffer Zone to an intermittent stream and BVW.

II. Request for Determination of Applicability

- 1) "Request for Determination of Applicability". Applicant Francisca Heming, MassDOT District Highway Director, is proposing an activity subject to the Wetlands Protection Act at the intersection of Route 2 & Phelps Avenue to reconstruct the intersection by making various improvements within the Riverfront Area of the Hoosic River.
- 2) "Request for Determination of Applicability". Applicant Beverly and John Cooper are proposing an activity subject to the Wetlands Protection Act at 254 Bradley Street Extension to install five (5) techno posts for new structure, create a swail by removing soil in bank and remove trees within 100 ft of the lake.
- 3) "Request for Determination of Applicability". Applicant Comm. of Mass, Department of Environmental Protection is proposing an activity subject to the Wetlands Protection Act at Holden Street to install an air monitoring station to include a new cement pad, installation of a fence and gate, and installation of underground electrical power within 200 feet of the Hoosic River.
- 4) "Request for Determination of Applicability". Applicant Holy Family Housing Corp. C/O Berkshire Housing Corp. is proposing an activity subject to the Wetlands Protection Act at 611 State Road to remove and replace bituminous pavement, concrete walkways and aprons, install new lighting, minor landscaping and maintenance and repair of roof drains and drainage within 200 ft of the Hoosic River.
- 5) "Request for Determination of Applicability." Applicant Eric Kerns on behalf of Blackinton Backwoods, LLC is proposing an activity subject to the Wetland Protection Act at Massachusetts Avenue/Amidon Road to perform exploratory test pit excavations and soil borings with

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minor vegetation cutting and removal necessary within the limits of Bordering Land Subject to Flooding.

- 6) "Request for Determination of Applicability". Applicant MASS MoCA Foundation for the MASS MoCA Cultural Development Commission is proposing an activity subject to the Wetlands Protection Act at 87 Marshall Street to construct a new pedestrian/bike bridge across the north branch of the Hoosic River, at junction of MASS MoCA's Building 5 & 6.
- 7) "Request for Determination of Applicability". Applicant Eric Kerns of the Beyond Place LLC is proposing an activity subject to the Wetlands Protection Act at Massachusetts Avenue to blaze a path between the bridge on the Tourist's property and the Appalachian Bridge within the Riverfront Area.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the entire Commission.

JASON MORAN, Chairman

ANDREW KAWCZAK
TIMOTHY LESCARBEAU
JASON CANALES
JAMES MOULTON
RICHARD O'NEILL
GARY POLUMBO

TREE COMMISSION REPORT

To the Honorable Mayor Richard Alcombright and the Honorable Members of the North Adams City Council:

The Tree Commission did not meet on any agendas in Fiscal Year 2017 as there were no specific items brought before them. Plans for various areas of landscaping in the City hope to develop in the next year. The Tree Commission and the Garden Club have continued to work together as their goals for work in the City are very similar.

We would like to extend our gratitude and thanks to Mayor Richard Alcombright for getting involved with all of our efforts to enhance our beautiful City.

Sincerely,

Pat LeClair, Chairperson Jane Betti Kaitlin Cornell Christine Petri

July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017

HOOSAC WATER QUALITY DISTRICT REPORT



Hoosac Water Quality District

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Hoosac Water Quality District Annual Report to Williamstown & North Adams Fiscal Year 2017

District Commission

Donald Clark, Chairman—Williamstown Timothy Lescarbeau, Vice Chairman—North Adams K. Elaine Neely, Secretary—Williamstown Michael Canales, Member/Treasurer—Williamstown

<u>Chief Operator – Assistant Chief Operator</u> Bradley O. Furlon, Chief Operator/District Manager Mark J. DePonte, Assistant Chief Operator

Narrative

The Hoosac Water Quality District (District), which serves the Town of Williamstown and the City of North Adams, treated a total of 1,293,666,000 gallons of raw sewage during Fiscal Year 2017, which represents an increase in flow of 44,104,000 gallons as compared to Fiscal Year 2016. In addition, the District treated 482,266 pounds of Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) and 699,855 pounds of Total Suspended Solids (TSS) in FY 2017.

Some key highlights of FY 17 were:

- District personnel, which include seven licensed wastewater operators, continue to
 work tirelessly to ensure that every requirement included in the Consent Decree and
 NPDES permit is fulfilled. Reports are submitted to EPA and DEP monthly, which
 outline all actions being taken to ensure complete compliance.
- During April through September 2016, District personnel continued to clear, inspect
 and maintain the District's interceptor and manholes from North Adams to the plant
 in Williamstown.
- In August 2016, the District contracted with Cintas Safety to install an AED and train all employees in the use of the AED and CPR.
- In September 2016, the District entered into an agreement with National Grid for an Energy Incentive Lighting Project. This consisted of replacing all inside and outside lighting throughout the plant with LED lighting.
- During November 2016 through March 2017, District personnel removed and replaced four 850 gallon bisulfite tanks and all associated piping.

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- In April 2017, the District contracted with Mott MacDonald and Red Zone Robotics
 to do closed circuit television and sonar in order to inspect all 20,000 feet of the
 District's interceptor line including four 20 inch siphon pipes under the Hoosic River
 and Green River.
- In May 2017, the District replaced the front entrance of the Operations Building for better energy efficiency.
- In June 2017, the District signed a 4 year extension for its electrical rate with Constellation. Also, the District signed a 3 year extension with Agresource for the marketing and removal of the District's final Type 1 compost.
- Since 1983, the District's compost facility continues to produce Type I compost as
 defined by the MADEP. Approximately 4,561 yards of final compost was
 produced in FY17. Type 1 compost was made available to individual members of
 the local communities; however, the bulk of the compost was sold throughout the
 state of Massachusetts, New York, Connecticut and Vermont by a contracted
 vendor.
- Public interest in the District's facility continues to grow. The District's website, <u>www.hoosacwaterqualitydistrict.com</u>, gives an in depth description of the operations of the treatment facility. Tours are given regularly to local college students, local grade school students and the general public.

As always, we look forward to the challenges each year presents to us and remain committed to keeping our communities clean and safe.

Respectfully submitted for the District,

Bradley O. Furlow

Bradley O. Furlon

Chief Operator/District Manager

WINDSOR LAKE RECREATION REPORT

The Windsor Lake Recreation Commission respectfully submits the following Annual Report for 2017.

The members of the commission are:
Brittany Choquette
Brenna Irrer
David Racette
Lawrence Jowett
Arlen Cellana

The Commission is continuing the process of overseeing projects and improvements at Windsor Lake and Historic Valley Campground as well as continued participation in various activities and programs.

WINDSOR LAKE

- 1. BFAIR returned and operated the concession stand as the Snack Attack.
- 2. Windsor Lake continued to serve as the host to the Summer Concerts at the Lake series.
- 3. Windsor Lake hosted the Jocelyn LeClair Memorial 5k for the first time this year and hope to follow with another successful event next year.
- 4. Camp Abenaki continued another season at Windsor Lake. The program offers activities include studying fossils, nature, weather, astronomy, dance, music and talent shows! Campers also explored the habitats and nature around Windsor Lake.
- 5. The lake was again home to another very successful Figment Festival in 2017. It was an explosion of creative energy. A free celebration of participatory art and culture where everything is possible.

HISTORIC VALLEY CAMPGROUND

- 1. Bruce and Wendy Sherman have taken over as managers of the campground.
- 2. The campground continued to host the annual Northern Berkshire R.O.P.E.S. program. The Northern Berkshire Youth R.O.P.E.S. Summer Program provides a free week long summer camp, once in July and once in August, for more than 250 children in Northern Berkshire County. This program is staffed by police officers, firefighters, and teachers from participating cities and towns; Adams, Clarksburg, Cheshire, North Adams, Florida and Williamstown.

WINDSOR LAKE RECREATION REPORT

3. The Windsor Lake Recreation Commission wishes to express sincere appreciation to Mayor Richard Alcombright for his continued commitment to the Windsor Lake recreation area. We would also like to thank the Office of Tourism for managing the concert series and The Friends of Windsor Lake for maintaining the entrance garden, as well as all of those who volunteered to help with our projects and programs. Windsor Lake continues to be a destination for visitors and a place that residents of the City of North Adams can enjoy its natural beauty while engaging a number of recreational, cultural and athletic activities and events.

Respectfully submitted,
The Windsor Lake Commission

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