

Ludlow Recreation Committee
Minutes of
October 16, 2018

Present: Susan Pollender, Joe Gurdak, Pat Rumrill, Leslie Boyle, Nick Miele
Public: Lora & Chris Miele, Marissa Selleck, Joe Noble, Ryan Burns

Call to Order: 5:05pm

Comments from Citizens:

- Sue handed out three emails that she received. These will be attached to the minutes.
- Sue wanted to remind everyone about the chain of command.
 - Nick Miele, Recreation Director
 - Recreation Committee
 - Scott Murphy, Town Manager
 - Select Board

Director's Report:

- Halloween Festivities: Shaws will be donating candy and Village Pizza has donated 15 Gift Certificates as prizes.
- Soccer Jamboree is all set for this Saturday at Dorsey Park starting at 10:00am
- Website will be launched later this week.

Old Business:

- Scott submitted some repair costs regarding West Hill (attached). The Committee has chosen the priorities as being:
 - Plumbing & bathrooms
 - Basketball Court
 - Swimming

Nick will ask Scott if it would be possible to have the main building roof done this year (\$5,100 est). Maybe ask for \$10,000 to add plumbing and windows so that people can use the building during the winter months while sledding or skating. Grants are available and Nick has been looking into the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

- A question was asked regarding swimming at West Hill. Should we dredge the pond and start again, maybe add an aerator to help keep the geese away?
- Dog Park - need to find out about floodplain regulations. Estimated cost of a dog park is between \$20,000-\$25,000. Possible sites: Fletcher Fields, LL Field by pumphouse, old soccer field at West Hill.

- Basketball Courts - to reline and repair the cost will be \$14,000-\$15,000. To resurface the courts the cost will be closer to \$55,000. Nick is looking for grants.
- Summer Camp Committee will be formed to look at restructuring the summer program. Nick, Lora Miele, Marissa Selleck & Leslie will head up this committee and invite people from the community. Lora expressed that her partnership with the summer program went very smoothly and did not find discrepancies.
- West Hill Committee will consist of Nick, Ryan Burns and Sue Pollender. Nick will reach out to other community members. Hoping to have an update on both committees at the next Rec Meeting on Nov. 13th.
- Chris Miele suggested that maybe we should excavate the sledding hill at West Hill to help reduce injuries.

New Business:

- Basketball will start after Thanksgiving towards the end of December. Signups will be online or by paper. Nick is using a new APP called Sports Engine. Parents can sign up through this app and see any changes, receive notifications, games and practices will be listed on this app as well. There will be a test with an alert cancellation to make sure everyone received it.
- Sue mentioned that normally we do not meet in December given the busy holiday time. She asked that the Committee think about eliminating the December meeting and a decision will be made at the November Meeting.
- Next meeting: November 13, 2018 5:00pm at the Community Center.

Meeting Adjourned:

- With a motion by Pat and a second by Leslie, the meeting adjourned at 5:46pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia Rumrill
Secretary

Susan Pollender

Joseph Gurdak

Leslie Boyle

Heather Tucker