

Ludlow Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 12, 2016 **Community Center 5p.m.**

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Sue Pollender

Members present: Sue Pollender, Joe Gurdak, Patty Rumrill, Howie Paul, Leslie Boyle, Heather Tucker

Appeal to Director's Decision

No further appeal.

Comments from Citizens

Tara Lichtensteiger submitted an email to Howie and the rec committee with some concerns about little league. Howie addressed her questions which included:

Opening Day - May 7th also Green Up Day. Parade at 9 a.m. Games start at 10. Firetrucks have to meet the height rule for kids

Scoreboard and batting machine in running order.

Food for concession stand/ banners/ fundraising, etc- Little League is run thru the town so all purchases , fundraising etc. has to get approval. It was brought up that IGA in Londonderry has the Ludlow account, it was agreed on by all that it isn't efficient or cost effective to shop there and that the select board should consider alternative solutions for this.

Approval of minutes

Patty Rumrill made a motion to approve the March minutes. Joe Gurdak seconded

Directors Report

The community center continues to run open gym. Busiest times between 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Pick up basketball, indoor soccer, and adult volleyball continue to be very popular and well attended. Still open on weekends from 10-3.

Various organizations are continuing to use the community center facility. Birthday parties etc

Teen volleyball continues to run on Tuesdays 12:30-2:30. It will go thru early June.

The baseball season has begun. Numbers are down in participants in baseball. It looks like there will be one team per age group at this point.

A wind storm destroyed a dugout on the major league field. Josselyn Brother's have been hired to build a new cinder block dugout. It should be in place for opening day, however, it might not be painted.

Gary Norton will Harley rake the fields as soon as they are dry and the restrooms will be opened by April 18th.

Old Business

Cavendish Rec fields and Fletcher fields are having issues with dog owners not picking up after their pets. Sue Pollender is looking into grants for making a dog park at Fletcher Fields.

At town meeting requests were made to bring back an ice skating rink- a suggestion was made to move tennis courts to west hill, basketball courts/ice rink to Dorsey Park - Good lighting, bathrooms, concession and easy/ safe access for kids walking there.

West Hill water will be tested this spring. We would like to see a beach put in and swimming at your own risk for this summer, it would also be nice to have summer rec have someplace like this to go to again.

The rec committee is planning on attending the May select board meeting to talk further about West Hill ideas and improvements.

New Business

Next meeting will be May 10, 2016 at 5p.m. in the community center.

Leslie made a motion to adjourn. Heather seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

Susan Pollender

Patty Rumrill

Joe Gurdak

Leslie Boyle

Heather Tucker

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Tucker, Secretary