

Ludlow Recreation Committee  
Minutes of February 19, 2019

Present: Sue Pollender, Joe Gurdak, Pat Rumrill, Scott Murphy, Nick Miele. Absent: Heather Tucker, Leslie Boyle. Public: Dana White

Comments from Citizens: None

Approval of Minutes:

- Pat moved to approve the minutes as printed. With a second from Joe, minutes approved.

Director's Report:

- Revenue in the concession stand is continuing to increase.
- 5/6 Girls & Boys tournament played in Presidential Hall went well. Boys won. People enjoyed the space which had plenty of seating and it was not as noisy as the community center.
- Leagues:
  - Soccer: Cavendish, Ludlow, Chester, Springfield, Weathersfield
  - Basketball: Cavendish, Ludlow, Chester, Springfield, Weathersfield, Westminster
  - Baseball: Cavendish, Ludlow, Chester, Springfield, Weathersfield, Bellows Falls, Charlestown
- Nick would like to thank the basketball coaches for their time and effort for the long seasons. Nick did have an end of year coaches meeting to wrap up the season.
- Baseball: Springfield will host a 12U softball tournament and Ludlow will host a 10U baseball round robin tournament.

Old Business:

- Nick went to a baseball meeting regarding the Cal Ripken League. It was stated that background checks for coaches will be done through Babe Ruth and also the Sports Engine software that we are currently using. Cal Ripken is for children under 12 years of age, and Babe Ruth is over 12 years of age. Nick will find out how long it will take to get the background checks returned.
- West Hill: Water heater was taken out, ordered new windows and doors, insulated the roof, and painted the bathrooms. Windows and Doors will be installed when the weather gets warmer. The medical kit needs to be updated and possibly add an AED unit in the office.

New Business:

- Cal Ripken registration opens on Feb. 25th and ends on March 15th. There will be a parent meeting on March 14th at 6pm for all children interested in playing baseball/softball. Uniforms need to be ordered and the schedule of the games will be done the end of March. Games will be starting the end of April or beginning of May depending on the weather.
- Benson's Chevrolet donated t-shirts for anyone who signs up to play, including the coaches.
- LaValley's donated new doors for the LL Field.
- Jeld Wen is interested in donating and Nick is looking into having the scoreboard fixed with their donation.
- Nick has asked Clarks IGA for a hot dog donation.

- Upcoming Dates:
  - April 20th Easter Egg Hunt 9:00am
  - April 27th Cavendish Opening Day
  - May 4th Ludlow Opening Day & Green Up Day
  - May 11th Springfield Opening Day
  - July 4th Festivities & Fireworks at West Hill
- Easter Egg Hunt: Reached out to Rite Aid for a candy donation. Would like to work with the Parent Group at LES as they are having a pancake breakfast the same morning.
- July 4th: Imery's Talc will provide the fireworks , Chris Kleeman Band will be the entertainment. Food Vendors include: Squeals on Wheels, Fried Dough, American Pie, Simply Asian food truck. Also included will be face painting and glow sticks.
- Summer Concert Series: Last year the concerts moved from the Gazebo to the High School. Better parking and sound at the high school along with accessibility to the bathrooms and some shade. Memorial Park seemed more visible but after discussion it was felt that we would stay at the High School again this summer.
- Summer Camp: The selectboard asked Scott to approach the After School Program again to see if we can work cooperatively. Four towns will be in this program. An agreement was reached and ASP will run the program and Ludlow will supply the venue and bussing in Ludlow. ASP will need to provide bussing outside of Ludlow. ASP will hiring the staff.
- Nick has been in touch with Matt McCarthy and Terry O'Brien and they have set up some sports camps throughout the summer.
  - Baseball in Cavendish: July 8-12
  - Basketball in Ludlow: July 22-26
  - Soccer in Chester: August 12-16
- Next Meeting: March 12, 2019 5:00pm Community Center
- Meeting Adjourned: Pat moved to adjourn the meeting and with a second from Joe, meeting adjourned at 5:50pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia Rumrill  
Secretary

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Susan Pollender

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Joseph Gurdak

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Heather Tucker

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Leslie Boyle