

Ludlow Recreation Committee  
Minutes of  
August 13, 2009

Present: Howard Paul, Susan Pollender, Tim Lee, Pat Rumrill

Call to order: 5:00p.m.

Comments from Citizens:

- None

Director's Report:

- Ballroom Dancing every Tuesday night. Very popular. A dance will be held in September.
- Co-ed softball is two weeks behind due to the weather. Playoffs just started this week.
- Summer Youth Camp: 75 children participated in the trip to the Great Escape. Biggest number in several years. 71 went to the fun spot earlier this summer. 9-11:30 Monday through Thursday was educational classes. Thursday it was held in Mt Holly which did not prove to be a good area. The gym was smaller, it was very cluttered and not cleaned, table and boxes were all over the area. We had to split up and have one activity at the school, one at Belmont Library and one at the historical society which made the kids too spread apart. If this format continues for next year summer camp would rather not be in Mt Holly. There is two more weeks of the program. Sam's last day is today due to a medical issue. David's last day is Friday due to college.
- Tennis went well and was self run. Gary Blodgett was in charge of the men's group and Mrs. Gia took the women's group.
- Horseback riding – Would like to have more horses but the Recreation Department only promotes this activity as all money goes to Hawk Mountain.
- Swimming Lessons: Level 1, 2 & 3 had 27 kids enrolled. No one passed level 4. Would like to continue the program throughout winter as a separate program not with the afterschool program.
- Karate: Allen Dailey did a great job with his 11 students.
- Baseball/Softball camps: good numbers in each camp
- Tennis Camp: Nickie Farrow had eight kids with 2 hours each day for four days.
- Boys summer soccer: numbers were good but down a bit from last year. Consistency wasn't there.
- Girls summer soccer did not run. Pat Pullinen was the coach and it didn't get started up.
- Soccer Camp is this week. Ages 7-13 have 18 campers. Ages 4-6 have 8 kids and high school age has 14 kids. 12 have full scholarships for this camp. The Recreation Department will pay the company \$3600 to run the camp and this will cause us to not meet revenue.

Old Business:

- Dog Park Committee had their first meeting last month. Second meeting was today. The committee went looking for areas to have the park. Also they are looking into funding through state grants and the enterprise fund.

- Armory is going forward. It will be purchased by the town before January 1<sup>st</sup>. Next public meeting is August 26<sup>th</sup>. There are many great ideas for the building use.

New Business:

- Howard Paul will be out for 4-6 weeks. Joe Gurdak will take over for lining Dorsey field.
- Opening for the Committee will be in the paper for a new member. That person will be at the September meeting.

Meeting Adjourned:

- Tim made a motion to adjourn the meeting and with a second from Pat the meeting adjourned at 5:35p.m.

Next Meeting: Thursday, September 10, 2009 at 5:00p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Rumrill  
Secretary

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Susan Pollender

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Tim Lee