

Ludlow Recreation Committee

Minutes of

August 09, 2022

Present: Nick Miele, Jeannie Stasz, , Marissa Selleck, Patrick Gray, Scott Baitz

Community member: Gary Blodgett

Call to order at 5: 04 p.m.

Comments from Citizens:

- Gary Blodgett suggested that when we speak with Terry Fortuna (Epic Promise) we ask her if the skating rink at Okemo could be discounted for the Ludlow residents. He also inquired about future plans for the existing rope course behind the school and if funds were available to restart the course up. Gary also mentioned that since the tennis courts have been pressure washed, the courts are a lot better, but still has a few dead spots.

Approval of the July minutes:

- Scott B made a motion to approve the July minutes as printed, Pat 2nd the motion.

Director's Report:

- Ludlow Youth Baseball and Adult Coed Softball season is reaching its final days. The Ludlow/Chester Babe Ruth will finish up their season this week with a home game with Rutland on Tuesday and then an away game in Otter Valey on Wednesday, Adult Coed Softball had 4 teams this year and playoffs should conclude around August 17th.
- The Ernie Duncan Basketball camp scheduled for August 1st was postponed, due to lack of participants. Next year will look for a lower cost camp in hopes of more participants.
- Summer Concert series will come to an end this coming Sunday with Rick Reddington and the Luv performing.
- Fall Soccer: The Girls Invitational will be back on Sept. 2nd and 3rd, as well as the Josh Cole Tournament on Sept. 16th and 17th. We will be contacting local businesses to ask permission to park during these tournaments as there will be no parking on

Pond St, due to the bridge construction. We currently have 22 that have registered for youth soccer.

- Dorsey Park: The Darkside Skate Camp enjoyed the skate park with 9 participants. Tennis courts were pressure washed, on August 15 the remaining work will be completed on the courts, along with pickleball lines to be painted, allowing for two pickleball courts.
- Old Business:
- Dog Park: Scott Murphy informed us that culverts for the dog park have been ordered and will be installed next week. Trees will be planted in the fall. Dog park committee will discuss winter access for the park.
- Mountain Bike Park: The DBR approved our application to create a bike trail in the "Back 40". RFP's should be sent out in the fall.
- West Hill: Nick will follow up with Scott Murphy for the lists of contractors to bid for the dredging and sand for West Hill. Will contact Gurney Bros for an update on their original proposal. RFP's should be ready to go out for this project in the fall. Nick will talk to Scott regarding installing culverts at West Hill to divert the water to make it possible to have a walking path around West Hill. Epic Promise will be back on West Hill on September 10th. The volunteers will be cleaning up the trails, painting, re-installing the horseshoe pit. Nick will be ordering more fish for the pond in November.
- Halloween: Our haunted house will be held on Halloween evening between 5:00 and 7:00, also discussed having a truck or treat in addition to Benson's. Scarecrow contest will be held starting the 1st of October and going till the 1st of November, Voting this year will be done by the spectators using a Q-R code.
- New Business:
- Dorsey Park Playground: Nick was expecting to present a proposal for the playground from Kompan, unfortunately, did not receive it on time, so will discuss it at next meeting.
- Fiscal year 2024 projects review sheet for consideration for priority ranking was presented: Projects being West Hill, Dorsey Park, Mountain Bike Park, and Skate Board Park.

Next Regular Meeting
September 13th at 5:00 in the Community Center

- Motion to adjourn was made by Scott B, with a second from Pat. Meeting was adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeannie Stasz/Clerk

Marissa Selleck/Chair

Joe Gurdak

Scott Baitz/Vice Chair

Patrick Gray