

Ludlow Recreation Committee  
Minutes of  
January 2, 2019

Present: Joe Gurdak, Scott Murphy, Sue Pollender, Leslie Boyle, Heather Tucker, Pat Rumrill, Nick Miele by phone

Public: Lora Miele, Marissa Selleck, Melissa Perrino, Amelia Beardmore

Call to order: Sue called the meeting to order at 4:02pm

Summer Program: Three options were brought to the committee for a decision to be voted on:

Option 1: Use the newly revised summer program outlined by the sub committee with no ASP

Option 2: let the ASP group run the entire program

Option 3: continue with the summer program as in previous years with the ASP group.

Discussion:

- Chester and Proctorsville are not interested in working with ASP but would like to work with Ludlow. Combining the three towns will increase enrollment. Venissa's schedule won't work with grants, can we work together instead of competing? There is a specific amount of hours/time to get the educational piece in the schedule to satisfy the grant. How would ASP get their activities in if they took this over? Nick stated that if we didn't partner with ASP we could offer one week activities like kayaking, golf, swimming in lieu of summer camp - this would be more like what Chester and Proctorsville offers, as well as Springfield. On the off weeks Chester and Springfield use their town pool. Springfield offers a week of different sports for one hour a day usually at night. They do not have a summer camp program.
- West Hill is our main attraction, although there is no swimming there, Nick will bus the kids to other places. The committee mentioned that they would like to see more outside time and less "classroom" time.
- Currently ASP does not have a location nor transportation but will incorporate all of the missing pieces into Venissa's grant application which is due February 4th.
- The Rec Committee needs to vote to have a decision for Monday's selectboard meeting.
- Motion: Leslie made a motion to keep the proposed Summer Program as designed by the sub committee. (Option Number 1). Pat seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- Sue thanked the Sub Committee for all their hard work in developing a program. Nick will advertise early for a camp counselor and work on the food program.

Comments from Citizens: None

Approval of Minutes: Joe motioned to approve, with a second from Leslie, minutes approved.

Directors Report:

- Youth basketball is going well. Jamborees have been held and we are generating some revenue with concessions. New jerseys were purchased for the teams.
- Adult soccer on Sundays has yielded about 18 participants that play for 3 hours. Adult Volleyball on Mondays has a consistent 12 participants. Pickleball has had to reduce its days as the ski season has started and space is limited in the community center due to the number of youth basketball games.
- The fitness center has seen an increased due to the winter season.

Old Business: None

New Business:

- Joe asked about background checks on new coaches and recommends that we do this for all coaches. It does cost \$25 for fingerprinting. CPR, ACT 1 Training and the Concussion course should also be required for all coaches. Nick's recommendation is to put the plan in place to protect ourselves. A concern is: might we lose volunteers by making this mandatory.

Next Regular Meeting: February 12th 5:00pm - Joe can not attend

Special Meeting: TBA

Meeting Adjourned:

- With a motion from Pat and a second from Joe, the meeting was adjourned at 4:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Rumrill  
Secretary

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Sue Pollender

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Joe Gurdak

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Heather Tucker

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Leslie Boyle