

Ludlow Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes

Ludlow Community Center – Recreation Office

Tuesday, February 10, 2015

5:00 PM

Meeting called to order at 5:00 pm. Members present: Sue Pollender, Joe Gurdak, Leslie Boyle, Pam O'Neil and Recreation Director, Howard Paul.

Comments from Citizens:

- Compliments on running Black River middle school tournament. Well run and organized. Teams involved hopes it happens again.
- Questions raised about West Hill and its usage. Rec committee will discuss when meeting will be held.

Approval of Minutes:

- Approval of minutes from January 13, 2015 Meeting: Motion by Joe Gurdak seconded by Leslie Boyle. Unanimously passed.

Director's Report:

- Pick-up Basketball: Still going strong. Tuesdays and Thursdays--18-20 people per night. Will continue until interest dwindles.
- Bone Builders: Mondays and Thursday, numbers have dropped a little bit but consistently have about 4 to 5 people
- Basketball: 3& 4 boys successful but numbers dropped during the season. Started with 10 ended with 6. $\frac{3}{4}$ girls had a great season with 4 players most of the time, 5th player had an injury most of season. Borrowing a 5th grader when necessary. All players girls and boys, improved. It will be nice having a 5/6th grade team next year. No boys 5/6 program this year. Girls started with good numbers finished with 6 players. Not sure why numbers dropped. All players enjoyed and learned a lot.
- Cheerleading: Start with big squad and finished with 5 girls, but started with 12. Some issues with scheduling and commitment.
- Open Gym: Very popular: playing basketball, hit in batting cage and weight room.
- Volleyball: Going well now that winter sports season is over, numbers increased to about 18 people.
- Sunday Indoor Soccer: The numbers are okay now, but in December and January numbers are very high and we need to think about the number of people in the gym. We may also want to consider charging out of district participants.
- Middle School Basketball Tournament: Four girls and four boys teams. There were four games a day for two days with Eight officials. The Ludlow girls finished fourth and boys finished first..
- Winter Walking: Going well. Sometimes it gets a little crowded with walkers and people using the basketball court. But somehow it all works.
- Fitness Center: Free of town employees as part of their health plan. Ordered a new Nordic trak treadmill which should be in soon and will be getting rid of the other one. It isn't safe..
- Vermont State Basketball Playoffs: Showed the high school playoffs on the screen in the Community Center as they were happening. About 12 attended. It was a great way to watch the game in the same game feel, but not the cost.

Old Business:

- **West Hill:** On June 9, 2015 at 7 pm, the Ludlow Recreation Committee will hold a public meeting to discuss uses for West Hill. The regular June meeting will begin at 6:00 pm. Howie will ask LPCTV to be there. Board discussed ideas for use of West Hill and will bring them to the next meeting.

New Business:

- All members on the Recreation Committee are up for terms except Patty.
- Little League will start when snow melts. Valley Youth Baseball/Softball League: Howie, President, Matt Vice-President, Keith Eno, Treasurer and Terry O'Brien is secretary. Softball will also be part of the league. Ludlow will have an 11/12 and an 9/10 baseball teams, and a 5/6 softball team. T-ball will remain the same as it has in the past. League meeting this Sunday and will look to change some rules regarding pitching and number of innings. There is a concern about kids from other towns playing on other towns. If your town has a team, you have to play on that team, if no team, player and pick team.
- Contract signed with Graphic Edge (old Keith's II). For the next three years, under the contract Under Armour will be our primary company. Contract also provides a 40% discount, with \$2500 up front to be used for future purchases. The only trademarks not available under this contract will be Aidas or Nike.

Next meeting Date:

Next meeting on April 13, 2015 in the Community Center.

Motion to adjourn by Patty seconded by Joe. Unanimously passed.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm.

Susan Pollender

Joseph Gurdak

Patricia Rumrill

Leslie Boyle

Pamela O'Neil

Respectfully Submitted,
Pamela O'Neil, Secretary