

**Fitzwilliam Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**February 6, 2017**

Members present: Cindi Beede, Christi Filipi, Sheena Royce, Bruce Lafond, Bonnie Jones. Catie Caisse arrived late – 7:00pm.

Mrs. Jones convened the meeting at 6:30pm.

1. Basketball: The Basketball Season is underway. Participants practice on Wednesdays from 5:10-6:10pm and games are held Saturday mornings at Emerson School. Catie said the practices were well attended, but there was a big lack of help from coaches or parent volunteers. Just she and Jeff Joseph, Basketball Director, are there to lead the practices. It makes it difficult to instruct about 30 kids with various abilities and ages with just two adults. Cindi suggested a new format for practices. Instead of drill stations for all, she suggested dividing the kids into 2 groups by age and split the gym. She then suggested certain games and relays to play. Catie said that Saturday games were going well. Christi Filip, whose kids are part of the program, agreed. Cindi plans to attend the next weekend's games to touch base.
2. Summer Rec: Cindi has reached out to Lisa Sander, former Summer Recreation Director, to see if she would be interested in applying for this summer's program. She is eager to apply. Cindi will post the position this week. The Recreation Commission has agreed to that adding Fridays to the summer program which has typically run Mondays-Thursdays would be beneficial to families who look for daycare for their children. Cindi has crunched the numbers and thinks the addition of 5 Fridays is doable for this summer. The cost for families will need a slight increase and the Director's stipend will need to be adjusted to cover the expense of additional hours. Cindi plans to set an appointment with the Selectman to propose this change.
3. Additional ideas for programming: Cindi has perused various Recreation Department websites from neighboring towns to get an idea of their programming. She suggested we offer indoor winter walking at Emerson School. This would be an adult program offered one day a week where participants could drop in and walk laps in the gym for safe exercise during winter months. Cindi will look further into this idea.

Mrs. Royce made a motion to adjourn at 8:05 pm. Mrs. Jones seconded. The motion passed 6-0.