Parks Commission Planning Retreat Discussion Outline

February 18, 2009

- 3:00 1. Welcome and Overview
- 3:05 2. PowerPoint presentation providing brief overview of county park system.
- 3:15 3. Vision for Ottawa County Parks
 - Review Parks Commission current mission statement, goals and objectives
- 3:40 4. PowerPoint with detail on greenway focus areas.
- 4:15 5. Exercises to determine Parks Commission priorities.
- 4:30 6. Financial and Population Projection Updates:
 - Review updated long range budget projection
 - Discuss potential emergency maintenance fund
 - Review updated population projection
- 5:00 Break for Dinner
- 5:20 7. Review results of prioritization exercise and consider revisions needed to guide agency direction. Discuss desired balance between acquisition and development.
- 6:30 8. Specific issues for discussion:
 - Discuss Commission's role in regard to:
 - o Disc golf
 - o Mountain biking
 - o Dog parks
 - Water trails
 - Public relations strategies
- 6:50 9. Summary thoughts and discussion
- 7:00 10. Adjourn