

## Otsego Lake Township

### Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

May 12, 2009

#### Special Meeting

Present: Christine Wohfeil, Phil Alexander, Lorraine Markovich, Dani Coutant

Absent: Ann Wagar

Guest: Keith Martell

This special meeting was called to order at 4:40 p.m. at the Township Park by Chairperson Wohlfeil.

The committee reviewed the Forest Stewardship Plan with Mr. Martell. Discussion as to how to maintain trails and forest are as follows;

1. Leave forest to grow naturally.
2. Bring the trail closer to the duck pond and the leatherleaf bog with platform and possible seating.
3. Hemlock trees need to be watched for possible disease.
4. A protective barrier needs to be installed around the gas well equipment for liability purposes. Perhaps a gate.
5. Flowers should be planted next spring.
6. New signs need to be installed as to description of trees and other points of interest. Some existing signs are no longer relevant.
7. New trail marking signs need to be installed, and grey paint applied to the blue tree markings.
8. Policies for use of trails need to be decided, and posted.
9. Trails need to be kept clean and free from hanging branches.

After discussion, the committee, with Keith, walked the trails. Keith was very informative, and pointed out what a unique and diversified forest we have.

Keith is to provide us with a GPS of the trails to use as a guide to help plan changes to the trail.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m., after with Phil and Keith