Ottawa County Parks and Recreation Commission
September 17, 2025 3:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting Agenda
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Mission Statement:
The mission of the Ottawa County Parks and Recreation Commission is to enhance well-being by stewarding a connected system of natural communities and promoting outdoor experiences.

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call: Bush
   Greenlee
   Harris
   Hill
   Kuyers
   Longstreet
   McAffrey
   Reichardt
   Rice
   Sachs

3. Absences (excused/unexcused)

4. Additions/Deletions to Agenda

5. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting
   a) Approve the minutes of the Commission's August 20, 2025 regular meeting.

6. Communications: None

7. Public Comment (Public comments limited to 3 minutes)

8. Staff Reports
   a) Director's Report
   b) Park Operations Report
   c) Planning and Development Report
   d) Community Engagement Report
   e) Natural Resources Management Report
   f) Development Report
   g) Strategic Plan Progress Report
   h) Visitor and Business Services Report
   i) Visitation Report

9. Committee Reports
   a) Executive Committee – September 8, 2025 Meeting Report (verbal)
   b) Planning Committee – September 2, 2025 Meeting Report
   c) Community Engagement Committee – August 14, 2025 Meeting Report
   d) Finance & Policy Committee – September 9, 2025 Meeting Report
   e) Ottawa County Parks Foundation Update (*verbal*)

10. Old Business:
    a) September 2025 Grant Status Report – Information only

11. New Business:
    a) Presentation: Grand Haven Area Public Schools District Update
    Information only. Presented by GHAPS Assistant Superintendent Jason Reinecke.

    b) 3 Easements for Idema Explorers Trail
    Suggested Motion: *To approve the easement agreements for the Allendale Segment of the Idema Explorers Trail and forward to the Board of Commissioners for final approval.*

    c) Closure of a portion of the Bend Area Open Space
    Suggested Motion: *To close a portion of the Bend Area Open Space – Grand Rapids Gravel site for reclamation until reclamation activities are completed, and the property is formally opened by staff to the public.*

    d) Ottawa County Parks Foundation Fiscal Year 2025 Operational Support Invoice
    Suggested Motion: *To approve the reimbursement request for operational support - Fiscal Year 2025 - Ottawa County Parks Foundation for $173,818.70*

    e) Ottawa County Parks Foundation 2024 Audit
    Suggested Motion: *To accept the Ottawa County Parks Foundation 2024 Audit*

    f) Naming of Park Trails
    Suggested Motion: *To approve the naming of Rosy Mound Dune Loop Trail the Alice Hoban Dune Loop Trail and the Hemlock Crossing to Pine Bend Connector Trail the Bobbi Jones Sabine Connector Trail*

    g) Resolution Honoring the Friends of Ottawa County Parks
    Suggested Motion: *To approve the resolution honoring the Friends of Ottawa County Parks for years of dedicated service to Ottawa County Parks and Recreation Commission.*

    h) Resolution Honoring Marjorie Viveen
    Suggested Motion: *To approve the resolution honoring Marjorie Viveen for years of dedicated service to Ottawa County Parks and Recreation Commission.*

12. Public Comment (Public comments limited to 3 minutes)

13. Commissioners Prerogative

14. Closed Session to discuss property acquisition Pursuant to the OMA Section 8d (not enclosed).

15. Upcoming meeting date:
    October 22, 2025

Time: 3:00 p.m.
Fillmore Complex, Board Room

16. Adjournment