

Meeting of Town of Beaver Brook Planning Committee
February 25, 2002

SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, & Threats) Analysis

Strengths

- ❖ People
- ❖ Lakes & Streams
- ❖ Rural atmosphere
- ❖ Farms
- ❖ Woods
- ❖ Open space
- ❖ Relative location
- ❖ Transportation
- ❖ Clean water/air
- ❖ Population growth
- ❖ Historic preservation

Weaknesses

- ❖ Incompatible land uses
- ❖ Lack of public transportation
- ❖ Low tax base
- ❖ Lack of multi-use recreational trail systems
- ❖ Citizen involvement
- ❖ Increasing population

Opportunities

- ❖ Population growth
- ❖ Recreational opportunities
- ❖ Transportation opportunities
- ❖ Development of low impact trails
- ❖ Preservation of area and its history
- ❖ Land use planning
- ❖ People potentials
- ❖ Communication with seasonal residents

Threats

- ❖ High taxes
- ❖ State, Federal, & County control
- ❖ Uncontrolled development
- ❖ Annexation
- ❖ Signage
- ❖ Placement of cell towers
- ❖ Non-point pollution
- ❖ Loss of farms
- ❖ Lack of governmental authority
- ❖ Extra-territorial zoning
- ❖ Inability to expand sanitary district