TRAILS COMMITTEE - Parks and Commons report - July 18, 2019

<u>Trails (6-1-2019)</u> -- A National Trails Day event was substituted for the regular Trails work session; approximately 30 people assisted SNF staff in doing extensive clearing of vegetation on and along the Trail of the Restless Waters in preparation for a repaving project later in the summer. Many thanks to Linda Hetzler and the Drift Inn for hosting us after the work session; it is always appreciated and is a big factor in the camaraderie of our group.

<u>YIPS</u>! (6-15-2019) – A National Trails Day event was substituted for the regular YIPS! work session; twenty-nine trail crew members and three staff from SNF (on their own time) continued working to finish clearing the bridge site. A wonderful potluck followed at the picnic shelter. Three more crew members worked the following weekend cleaning up two remaining piles of branches.

<u>Trails</u> (7/6/2019) - 21 crew members split into 5 groups to accomplish clearing of vegetation in several locations: along the Ya'Xaik Trail; on the Prospect Trail between King Street and Horizon Hill Road; along the boardwalk in the Wetlands Park; along the Gerdemann public trail; and around trees adjacent to the Amanda Trail just south of Ocean Creek B&B.

<u>804 S Trail</u> -- The Lincoln County Public Works Department placed new gravel along the path from 7<sup>th</sup> Street to Marine Drive. We noticed some erosion after the 1" of rain last month and have some concerns as to how well the new surface will hold up to heavy winter rains.

<u>Hours</u> – Johnni Prince has kept a record of the hours that trails leaders and other volunteers have contributed to work in Yachats on trails and YIPS! and to other organizations with which we work, like OPRD and SNF. During the 2018-2019 fiscal year, 80 volunteers contributed 2075 hours x \$25.40 (2018 OR Volunteer hourly wage) = \$52,705.

<u>Suspension Bridge Project</u> – The next steps are to finish transferring a permanent easement to OPRD for 2+ acres, to build the bridge, and to rehab the site and Amanda Gathering Area after bridge installation.

<u>Oregon Coast Trail</u> – With approval the City and the Trails Committee, View the Future, (Michael H and Joanne K) submitted a grant application to the Oregon Coast Visitor's Association for \$50,000 toward design, engineering and building a trail from the former Landmark to the Underground.