Clatsop County Recreational Lands Planning and Advisory Committee **Regular Meeting MINUTES** Thursday, January 31, 2019 Members Present: Lynne Leland (LL), Mike Hinton (MH), Matt Weintraub (MW), Steve Ferguson (SF), Tom Sayre (TS) Member Absent: N/A Commissioner Liaisons Present: Kathleen Sullivan (KS), Pamela Wev (PW) Staff Present: Steve Meshke (SM), Erica Keyser (EK) Welcome and Call to Order Chairperson LL called the committee meeting to order at 1302. Introductions were made around the table welcoming KS and PW to the meeting. **Agenda Approval** No changes or additions to the agenda were noted. **Minutes** The minutes for December 6, 2018 were approved as corrected. **Officer Elections** SF moved to re-elect LL as Chair and re-elect MH as Vice-Chair for the 2019 calendar year. SF seconded. Motion was passed unanimously. **Public Comment** KS shared the book "50 Hikes in the Tillamook and Clatsop State Forests" and a couple of points pertaining to Clatsop County in the book. KS will update the Committee on the various groups she is participating/following she spoke of today, including, the Nehalem River Scenic Waterway and Governor Kate Brown Preserving the Elliott Forest for Future Generations. KS and MH had a quick conversation on trails in Seaside. PW had information to share from a stakeholder survey done by Travel Oregon on the North Coast. A focus of information was on outdoor recreation, trail map publication and the economic value of tourism. Group had a discussion on the existing trial maps and types of trails. Also, discussed were the trails behind the Astoria Column. KS and PW are both interested in supporting trail efforts.

Parks Report

LL completed the annual letter to the Board of Commissioners. A few changes will be made then submitted. LL asked how the Lindgren Cabin is doing. SM gave an update on the cabin's condition and any obstacles it is facing.

PW asked if there are visuals or performance measures for the Parks operations. SM informed the group there are measures, they are turned into the County Managers office quarterly.

The Westport Park permit is ready to submit. SM gave a short description, for the commissioners, on the plans for Westport. The group was pleased with his report.

SM handed out the North Coast Trail Alliance proposed trails map for Klootchy Creek Park. He is working on the restroom for the park including the planning and flood level requirements. He is looking into vault toilets and grant funding from the Oregon State Parks Grant Program.

The Parks continues to receive applicants for the Cullaby Lake Caretaker position. The current caretakers will be done Memorial Day weekend. Updated liability signs have been posted at the parks by request of the County's insurance provider (CIS).

SM gave each attendant a copy of the County Bicycle Master Plan to review and discuss at the next meeting.

Member Reports

MW said thank you to Steve for his work done by the Parks Department at Klootchy Creek.

TS had a question on the enforcement of paid passes in the parks. Group had a discussion on this.

TS asked a question to the Commissioners, what are we doing for the funds for the County's deferred maintenance and capital improvements? PW answered, the County needs to have plans in place and a long term vision. Groups need to prioritize a list of needs and help to intersect with other programs or public needs; which can be valuable. PM suggested to integrate our capital needs to serve more than one purpose to get to the front of the funding line. The group agreed to discuss this topic in future meetings.

LL,SF,MH; no reports

Unfinished Business

None at this time.

New Business 2 3 Preliminary 2019-2020 Parks and Parks Acquisition Fund: • Parks Budget: should be about the same or may receive a COLA increase. Parks and Acquisition Fund: fills in the gaps and is a limited amount of money. The Department will be allowed to use Special Project Funds for grant improvements for the Parks. <u>Adjourn</u> As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1455. Respectfully Submitted, Lynne Leland, Chair