

## 4/24/23 The Community Forest at China School Meeting- New Building 4:30-5:30

Elaine, Beth, Larry, Mary, Anita, Jess

- Heater installed!
- If we would like we can submit write up and photos to the town office forest committee
  - Budget in the works
- Work done/to be done:
  - Peter and Susan did trail clean up. Susan is interested in bringing in adult programs
  - Main trail cleared
  - We are going to use Erskine's Day for service students to clear the North and South loop
  - Albert Church Brown Library is giving us two books. We will need to set up the story walk.
  - Megan Randazza (someone from the community) wants to make a little library. She was given the yes please.
  - Brain Moore tree service- wood chippers? Clean up the harvested area?
  - There is a tree fallen near reading tree that needs to be cleaned up- Tom Parent may want to help.
  - Beth has a volunteer that can stain the building and do wiring once Jess power washes it. He would get reimbursed if needed to purchase anything.
  - Cut lower holes in bird watching Jess has paint
  - Board replacement - at pavilion
  - Jess's husband has a power washing setup
  - Invasive species battle
  - Signs replaced for cut and thinning
  - Compass for forest choices
  - SOP and Building use policy
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- Resources:
  - Cabinets in pavilion home depot bucket with saws and tools
  - There is now a spreadsheet with all the projects that need to be done in the Google Folder so we can have a list of them and conversation about what needs to be done.

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Uhs3gHUCFqn8P7liR7L\\_TcEpn\\_HYE8tsBd-R0OKswLc/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Uhs3gHUCFqn8P7liR7L_TcEpn_HYE8tsBd-R0OKswLc/edit?usp=sharing)

- Grant from CMS for osprey nest
- Margo knows plants
- Mr. Brooks at Middle School presentation about school forest?
- Select Board grant- maybe funds there?
- Ideas for events
  - Gardens Aglow would have been super cool.
  - Haunted Walk trick-or-treating maybe PTO would help? Or during the school day?