

Minutes  
Forest and Parks Commission  
December 2, 2024  
6:00 p.m. at the Chelsea Public Library

Present: Robin Amber, Susan Elder, Kate Willard, Lizzie Amber, Pete Amber, Jen Chase, and  
via Zoom: Kate Willard.

1. The November 2024 were approved as submitted.
2. Under public comments Kate Willard suggested that folks should attend the Library's program on 12/9 as Dave Pagenalli will be speaking on forest management. The librarian has reserved the 2025 dates for meeting space and Tierney has updated the website of the group's membership and meeting dates.
3. Susan and Pete updated the group on the planned re-use of the two metal benches now stored in the old town garage to be brought over to Erik Anderson at the school for possible renovating and replanking for use in the pollinator garden. Pete knows someone who can do sandblasting if necessary. It was suggested funds from the grant remaining should go towards reimbursement to Pete Amber for mulch and funds could be used to replace any tree winter kill, tree protection or additional shrubs. All funds must be spent by the end of May 2025.
4. Ccpcvt.grants. Jen placed the two grants on google docs so we can fill them out. A meeting will need to be scheduled during the week before or week after Christmas to finish up. In November the selectboard approved going forward with the applications. Susan will request support letters from the Library, the Planning Commission and the Recreation Committee which is required within the grants. Robin said she will do this for the Recreation Committee. There is a Teams meeting "office hours" to help us with the application by the Chittenden Cty. RPC on the 10th at noon. Deadline for the grants is Jan. 7th for Selectboard to sign. Needs to be sent in Jan. 13th.
5. Adjourn at 6:40 p.m.