

## **Biogaians Meeting Notes March 25, 2025**

Facilitating: Eileen

Scribe: Anita

In attendance: Eileen, Anita, Patricia, Laura, Marlin, Helen

### Agenda:

Labor priorities/contract w/MD

Fence Rebuild--April 26th, no more to share

Compost Rebuild

Idea for goat housing

Intern + Garden update

Raspberry Update

Hugelkultur South of Eggplant Report

### Goats:

Saturn is interested in supporting goat housing, and contacting all the goat-loving folks to see if a team wants to form. They'll come to the biogaians for support after consulting with many people.

Could the pieces of Fort Can-be be reused?

Can we build a shelter in Lost Lake? It may not be okay to build a bigger structure in there because of inspections. Could have a spot right outside the fence that the goats can get out to.

### Labor priorities/contract w/MD:

Patricia and MD met today. MD's original ask was 4k and our counter was 2k. MD's new request was 8 months, April-Nov, 2 hours per week, two one-hour sessions per week.

Patricia and MD put together a labor request form that can be filled out so MD can organize it to completion. This request sheet can be submitted by individuals work around their personal outdoor space, or from biogaians, facilities, septic, etc. There is a line for the budget this will come from on the form.

Patricia and MD will meet prior to the checks being written each month to check in about the work done and the amounts before Barb writes checks.

We will see how much labor can be organized in the 2 hours per week and revisit how that's going.

MD will draft an email to the committee about the opportunity for hired labor and Patricia and MD will look at it together.

MD's \$2000 will come out of the NRCS budget (G2T, Zarifah)

David will investigate the L&I for gig workers

Laura will look at the Biogaians feedback from the community meeting and tally it. She will send it to the biogaians@songaia.com

Compost Rebuild:

Patricia putting a plug in for building them on top of the comfrey patches.

Reuben has been doing compost reports.

We were talking about building piles using various methods.

We were talking about putting it inside the garden along the new rabbit fence.

David and Phil will turn compost tomorrow.

Intern Update:

Many in process: WWOOF, colleges, high school students, personal connections, etc.

Raspberry Reports:

Some have been planted in the hugel with Jack, Patricia, and Erin. The only ones left are Tammy's

Forest Report:

David: Damaged branch over the parking lot. David will connect with Rich to use the drone and investigate. David will connect with LSC folks regarding work done there.

MD: There is another hanging limb up the path near journeys. MD will show david.

David will purchase the necessary tool out of the arborist budget.

Septic work in the forest--Salmonberry cut down:

Checking in with Nartano about the boundaries of the septic infiltration field where the salmonberry was cut down

Next meeting is April 22nd--Earth Day!

Brent Facilitate

Anita Scribe