

Jericho Underhill Land Trust monthly meeting – April 2, 2017

Board members: John Koier, Phyl Newbeck, Livy Strong, Hilaire Thomas

Guests: Sabina Ernst, June Taylor

The board is excited to be bringing Tom Rogers of the Vermont Department of Fish and Wildlife as our featured speaker for our Annual Meeting on May 7. We will start with refreshments at 6:30, have a short business meeting at 7 p.m. and then have Tom's presentation at 7:15.

The board discussed the need to keep our website updated. We hope to be able to add maps of our properties to the site shortly.

Livy has been meeting with members of the Mobbs Committee to discuss the advantages to permanently conserving the land. Conversations have already been held with Vermont Land Trust and will soon be held with Jericho Select Board. A number of other local landowners have recently met with Livy to talk about potential conservation of their lands.

There are two new additions to Kikas Valley Farm which are currently being referred to as Skunk Hollow Pasture and Kikas Valley Overlook. We look forward to formally making them part of the Kikas Valley Farm.

We are looking for ways to eliminate some of the invasive species at Kikas and several board members have had conversations with experts in the field so we can agree upon a course of action. We are also hoping to purchase a tree with money that was donated so that we could plant something in memory of John Barbour at Mills Riverside Park.