

Jericho Underhill Land Trust monthly meeting – August 3, 2020

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

Everyone who contributed to our Tomasi Meadow project has also been granted JULT membership for 2020. We hope to thank everyone by name in our fall newsletter and plan to turn the property over to the town of Underhill on August 30.

We have tried numerous methods for getting rid of invasive plants on our properties. This year, we have had a local man named Will Dunkley and some folks from the Intervale trying to rid Kikas Valley Farm of barberry and buckthorn. Some of the plants have been killed but others are resilient.

Beavers have been active at Mills Riverside Park but thankfully they are working on the Browns River, not the pond. In other water issues, we will need to check on the culvert at Wolfrun Natural Area if the upcoming storm has as much rain as has been predicted.

There has been a new proposal for the land adjacent to Mills Riverside Park. The proposed subdivision has been scaled back to nine houses but there is no longer a plan to donate 50 acres to the park district.

The fall wildflower walk which was planned for September 19 will be scrapped in favor of a virtual wildflower walk