

Jericho Underhill Land Trust monthly meeting – December 7, 2020

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

Although most of our members are renewing their memberships, they are doing so at lower levels than in previous years so we are hoping we can pick up some new members. We have made appeals via Front Porch Forum and our Facebook Page.

In land stewardship news, we have been having conversations regarding restoring access to the northern portion of Wolfrun via a road that has been washed out for years but is part of our forest management plan. We are meeting with a Bolton resident regarding his offer to install a 30 inch culvert.

Several board members met with representatives from several different agencies including UVM Extension, Partners for Fish and Wildlife, Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets, National Resources Conservation Service, Vermont Housing and Conservation Board, and Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation, regarding erosion control on the Kikas Valley Pasture. There may be Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program grants available to help us with water quality improvements issues.

The Mobbs Committee made a great presentation in front of the Jericho Select Board regarding permanently conserving the property. The hope is that they will put the question on the Town Meeting ballot.