Jericho Underhill Land Trust monthly meeting

December 6, 2021

Board members present via Zoom: Livy Strong, Phyl Newbeck, Hilaire Thomas, Michael

Lazorchak, Sabina Ernst, John Koier

Guest: Lisa Paone

Livy began the meeting at 7:02

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were approved for November 1, 2021.00

**Financial report** The revenue for the month of November was \$1816.18 of that \$1455 was in memberships and \$360 was a farm lease payment. As far as expenses go for the month of November, they total \$1178.18. \$544 was in legal fees \$56 was in computer expenses. We have \$202,897.87 in our total checking and savings. We have \$985,487.09 in our fixed assets. We have a total of \$1,188,384.96 as our net worth.

**Membership/fundraising** We have been busy sending out MailChimp notices about membership renewals. Livy is sending out some cards and we're generally pushing to build our membership. This follows the renewal letter.

**Land Stewardship** John mentioned that he is working on two grants. One is for the wetland area of the pasture at Kikas Valley Farm and the other grant is for the removal of invasive plant species.

**Land Projects** Livy reported that the Mobbs Farm conservation effort continues. Right now the Jericho town attorney is reviewing the conservation easement. It was expected that the conservation would take place at the end of this year 2021 but it looks like it will be the first part of next year 2022.

**Publicity** I hope you've all had a chance to look at the Ecopixel website proposal. After some discussion the proposal was approved unanimously.

**Community news** The Town of Underhill has a new selectboard member. Her name is Patty Richards. Livy had the opportunity to meet her at a recent selectboard meeting.

Any other business Livy introduced Lisa Paone to our board. Lisa has an interest in land conservation. She is recently retired from being the secretary at the Jericho Elementary School. Lisa wishes to be on our board where she can help us engage the Jericho Underhill community even better and help in other ways. Following this introduction, Lisa was asked to leave the Zoom meeting. Further discussion about her interest in being on the board continued. This was followed with a motion to approve Lisa to our board. Her term will end in 2024. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Livy mentioned also that Diana Dunn and her husband Jim met with Hilaire at Hilaire's house to look at how Hilaire can keep track of our membership and it's quite complicated. Hilaire is

involved in not only listing the names but what the donation level is, when the donation was made, how the donation was made, whether it was a check or whether it was PayPal or whether it was a IRA distribution and a number of other aspects that she keeps track of. The desire is to take that information that she has on her computer and have a redundancy built in so that that information can be accessed outside of that one computer. Diana is in the process of doing that.

Following this brief information there was a motion to adjourn

Respectfully submitted, Livy

In other news that did not make this meeting, The Jericho Trails Committee is donating a timber and post kiosk for the Wolfrun Natural Area!!