

## MIDCOAST MONTHLY MEETING FOR BUSINESS

APRIL 19<sup>TH</sup> , 2020

This meeting was held via ZOOM with eight Friends participating. Clerk Guy Marsden opened the meeting after a period of silent worship. The MINUTES of the February Business Meeting were approved.

No report was given for MINISTRY AND COUNSEL. Drafting the annual State of Society Report awaits receiving relevant materials from the clerks of meeting committees.

Sue Rockwood reported for MIDCOAST OUTREACH AND PEACE COMMITTEE. Currently all rentals of the meeting house have been cancelled including Senior College. A total of \$1,655 has been received in rental fees. The annual rent paid by the Solar Farm has not yet come in. The Diaper Bank continues to function staffed by a single volunteer. Sue is working on setting up different ZOOM addresses for meetings for worship on Sunday and Wednesday and another for committee and business meetings. The website will list current links for ZOOM connections.

**BUDGET** Bruce Rockwood prepared a draft budget for the next fiscal year based on the previous year's data. Small modifications were made—e.g. fuel oil, mowing, snow removal, and a new meeting handbook. Suggested projects include repainting the lobby and repair of the ramp up to the porch. Cost estimates for the latter work will be sought. The meeting is blessed with a large reserve fund set aside for major capital improvements such as a new roof.

The proposed budget is in rough balance. If needed, some portions of the listed donations could be held back to keep near balance. Everything about the meeting income and expenses remains highly uncertain through the coming months. It was agreed to move ahead with the draft budget to be brought to the May Business Meeting for final approval with the understanding that adjustments may be necessary later.

A new MEETING DIRECTORY is now in draft form. It was agreed to delay printing copies until we can meet in person to distribute copies in the lobby.