

The Falmouth Historical Society  
Meeting of the Board of Directors  
Meeting Cancelled—October 4, 2022

The meeting was cancelled at the last minute. What follows is a summary of officer and committee reports not carried over to the November meeting.

**Secretary's Report**

Membership. Our active membership is 98 with 36 pending renewal.

**Treasurer's Report**

Finances. The Society has a balance of \$6,846 in its operating accounts and \$22,360 with Maine Community Foundation. Accounts payable is \$284 and sales tax payable is \$43. Our operating accounts contain 159 days of cash. Our estimated end of year balance is \$750. Our net current assets (excluding long-term assets) declined by \$1,211. Our actual expenses are \$429 over budget, largely due to maintenance expenses. Our net operating revenue is a \$602.

**Committee Reports**

Programs.

*Recent Events.*

Cumberland Fair. Our table was across the Exhibition Hall from Cumberland Historical and was manned four days (Sun-Tue-Wed-Sat). Everything went more smoothly having thanks to lessons learned in 2021. The problems preventing acceptance of credit card payments were solved by using a T-Mobile smartphone with the Bluetooth reader. For future events, a written guide and training are needed.

*Upcoming Events.*

- SOLVE (leaders of area historical societies) on 10/5 at Falmouth Memorial Library's Russell Room. Nancy Cline of Maine Historical will give a talk.
- Meet & Greeton 10/18 at OceanView's Blueberry Commons. We will talk about what we due in the hope of attracting new members.

- Election Day on 11/8 outside Falmouth High School. Weather-permitting, we plan to have a table outside the polls under the canopy.
- Merry Mix 'n Mingle on 12/02 at Legion Park. We plan to have a table under the tent.

Museum Operation & Exhibits. The 2022 season is over, but the Museum is still open by appointment.

Local History. We responded to six queries during the past month. There were no additions to reference materials on the website.

Communications. Work is underway on the autumn newsletter. Renewal letters will be included for members who are due. There was one post to the Society Facebook account.

Museum Buildings & Grounds. Basement cleaning is nearly done, and the sump sensor is ready to install. Septic cleaning is scheduled for October 11<sup>th</sup>. Gutter repairs and cleaning are also planned.

Technology. The technology report is now presented quarterly. There was nothing out of the ordinary during July-September. One curious fact popped up in the Facebook activity: half of the visitors to our Facebook page are really looking for the “other” Falmouth on Cape Cod.