

## CAA Monthly Meeting Minutes

April 16, 2021

**Location:** Eighth Zoom meeting, hosted by Bob

**Time:** 7pm – 7:40pm

**Present:** Ed Lotowski, Carol Littleton, David Hayward, and Gabe Klueh

**Secretary's Report:** February business minutes accepted as submitted.

**Treasurer's Report:** Club balance: April \$1,807.25 - February \$1,757.50.

**Upcoming events:**

\* Our next zoom business meeting is Friday May 14th at 7pm.

**Old Business:**

\* Observatory work: At this time completing the observatory Vinyl siding of the north and south peaks work is on hold.

\* This spring we'll need to have a work day to tackle the brush on the west and south walls along with brush on the dirt mound behind the observatory.

\* Please email Bob, Carol or Gabe if you have a presentation you would like to do or have a topic you would like us to present on the night sky, telescopes and etc.

\* Due to the virus that has shut us down from doing any club and outreach observing or any other type of events this past year and going forward until we are able resume normal activity the officers have decide to for go dues for 2021 for all present members. However, club members that want to be members of the Astronomical League and receive the Reflector Magazine will need to pay CAA \$7.50. Any member who wants to donate money to CAA are more than welcome to do so. CAA's annual basic costs for 2021 are \$125.00 for the website; \$51.00 for observatory taxes and \$10.00 for the Astronomical League for a total of \$196.00.

**For AL membership and donations, please make checks out to "Keene Amateur Astronomers, Inc" and mail to Bob Taylor, P.O. Box 467, West Dummerston, VT 05357. Thank you.**

**New Business:**

\* CAA submitted the requested annual observatory form to the Town of Sullivan.

\* Bob is starting a new Binocular Double Star program through the Astronomical League. It requires viewing 55 doubles out of the 100 listed.

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\* Bob conducted a presentation on Stratospheric Space Pollution from rockets. The report will accompany this business meeting summary.

\* Bob has volunteered to do a talk on, Adaptive Optics, at the May meeting.

\* The main topic for the May meeting is whether to meet in person for our June meeting, whether to conduct observing, and if so, how to manage it, if we decide to meet at the observatory in June.