NMSLRHS General Meeting Minutes - March 2012

Date: March 10, 2012

Location: 1833 8th St. NW, ABQ, NM 87107

Old Business: N/A

Introduction: Brought to order by Dr. Mike Hartshorne. Mike reported that the February minutes are on their way to the website.

Treasurer's Report: by Ernie Robart (For the period February 11, 2012, to March 10, 2012)

Total Cash Assets, February 11, 2012	\$44966.11
Total Cash Assets, March 10, 2012	\$47667.36
Less Encumbered Cash*	\$3904.90
Free Cash	\$43762.46
NMSL&RHS Checking Account	
Beginning Balance on February 11, 2012	\$23751.53
Ending Balance on March 10, 2012	\$26448.75
Deposits from 2/14/12 to 3/06/12	\$4726.56

Various expenses were for: wood molding (cab repairs), paint, glue, wood sealer, tools, cable clamps, silicone lube, hex nuts; roller bearings (2) for locomotive dynamo, hydraulic oil, motor oil and filter for yellow forklift; tool repair, maintenance of onsite fire extinguishers, Museum Cooperative Council 2012 membership; deep impact socket (1 7/8"), office supplies, plywood, bolts; monthly bills for onsite telephone, computer diagnostics and service; advertising in "The Veteran's View"; rotary files for stay rod installation, bolt tap tool, air hose couplers, cutting fluid, duct tape, retaining compound, hardware to secure temporary work platform.

\$2029.34

NMSL&RHS Savings Account

Expenses from 2/11/12 to 3/05/12

02-29-12 Interest dividends, US NM Federal Credit Union savings account \$5.03

Balance as of 02-29-12

Cash Box

\$50.00

\$21168.61

March 2012 Chief Safety Officer's Report by John Spargo

On March 3 a new member orientation was held. There were 5 attendees. Please join me in welcoming new members David Ferro, Dick Pelland and Kevin Greeley.

I would also like to welcome back long time member John Westfall. Also attending was Zach Blea who had taken some time off to finish school. We are happy to have both back. We will have yet another new member orientation within a month as there are other new members who unable to attend this last session.

Coming up in the next few weeks will be some refresher training for confined space rescue. Annual rescue training is required for confined space rescue and we are coming up on our one-year anniversary for the confined space program. Bill McSweeney will be conducting the sessions. We will try to schedule one session for Wednesday workers and one for Saturday workers. We will post the dates and notify everybody as soon as we have the sessions set up. We invite and encourage anyonewho is interested to take the training and join the rescue crew. We can use all the volunteers we can get!

March Chief Mechanical Officer's Report: by Rick Kirby:

Rick Kirby was out of town and the March report will be deferred until the April meeting.

Plans & Funding (Formerly Fundraising &/or Plots & Plans) by Andy Rutkiewic

CONTINUING EFFORTS

The NM Tourism Dept. Coop Marketing Grant request for \$4,500.00 has been awarded to us. This grant was submitted under the theme of New Mexico Remembers World War II. The BlogSpot is currently available. Check it out - The BlogSpot.

COMPLETED EFFORTS

The BNSF Foundation Grant request for \$15,000.00 was prepared and submitted by Chuck Mangold. We await their decision.

An appointment for a presentation to the State Secretary of Tourism Monique Jacobson on our history and future operating goals has been set for March 14 2012 at 1000 hours. The chairman of our Board of Advisors Albert Leffler will be the presenter. The team of Steve Bradford, Jon Messier, and Andy Rutkiewic has presented the history, restoration of SF #2926 and our future operating plans to the following groups:

ABQ City Council Staff Sen. Udall Staff

Rep. Heinrich Staff NM Rep. Lanarraga

Rep Lujan Staff

DEVELOPING EFFORTS

Bob DeGroft will resubmit a Railway Heritage Grant request to the National Railway Historical Society for additional Cab work or other purposes, wet to be determined. Jon Spargo will resubmit an Application for Direct Project Funding request to the North American Railroad Foundation for replacement of the siding used by the Society, or other purposes. The Museum Cooperative Council of ABQ, which the Society belongs to, will hold a Museum Week in concert with Savor ABQ and ABQ Centennial Celebration on June 16 2012. The City will close Central from 1st Street to 10th street for the day of that day. The Society will be able to display the Centennial panels in a Robinson Park pavilion on Central. We will also have information and possibly a vendor table at that location. The Society will also actively participate in National Train Day on May 12 at the Alvarado Transportation center and assist MRCOG/Rio Metro Transit District personnel with set-up manpower, our Centennial Exhibit, and, perhaps, our 2926 Tender if a low/no cost way can be found to move it to the Alvarado. The New Mexico Association of Museums will have their annual Meeting in Albuquerque on the 7th to 9th of November. We need to consider a group site visit during that time period. We are awaiting contact by FOX 2 "NM Style" to interview and film our activities for a free segment on that program. When they have unsold time we will be contacted.

Steve Bradford Community Liaison Report

Presentations made (Involving various combinations of Bradford, Caton, Messier and Rutkiewic):

NMSL&RHS Advisory Council

Wade Patterson Sawmill Land Trust

Patrick Sanchez Explora Museum

Andrew Webb ABQ City Council Staff

Kelly Sanchez-Pare

Diane Dolan

Tom Menicucci (SV)

Justina Trujillo MRCOG/Rio Metro Staff

Bill Woldman Sen. Udall's ABQ Office Staff

Danila Zidvosky Rep Heinrich's ABQ Office Staff

Larry Larranaga (SV) State Rep, Dist. 27

Jennifer Manzanares (SV)

Rep Lujan's Santa Fe Office Staff

Meetings/Contacts made (Involving various combinations of Bradford, Caton, Messier and Rutkiewic):

Thaddeus Lucero MRCOG Deputy Director

Terry Doyle MRCOG Chief Rail Planner

Mathew Stone MRCOG/Rail Runner/Dispatch

Irma Ruiz Rio Metro National Train Day

Marie Mora

Debbie O'Malley ABQ City Councilor

Rick De Reyes Rio Metro, PIO

Vicky DeAguero Exec Ass't to Sec of Tourism

Monique Jacobson Sec of Tourism

Alexis Darnell Gov's Office Director of Operations

Upcoming Meetings/Contacts:

Mayor Berry Work in progress (Mike, all)

Chamber of Commerce 15 March (Albert)

Sec of Tourism (Monique Jacobson) 14 March (Albert)

Tom Garrity PIO Balloon Fiesta 6 March (Doyle)

Cisco McSorely, State Senator date TBD (Doyle)

DeDe Feldman, State Senator Work in progress (Steve) Jerry Ortiz d Pino State Senator Bill O'Neal State Rep Work in progress (Doyle) Tito Chavez (lobbyist BNM Assoc. of Counties) Work in progress (Doyle) Rio Metro Transit Board Work in progress date TBD (Albert) New Business: None Next meeting will be 4/14/12 at 9 am at the site. Meeting adjourned.

Prepared by Steve Bradford for Gail Kirby, Secretary NMSLRHS