

New Mexico Steam Locomotive & Railroad Historical Society

Date: 12/12/09 December
Subject: Restoration of 2926
Subject: General Meeting
Call to Order: 9:00 AM

OLD BUSINESS:

Call to Order:

President Dave Mike Hartshorne called the December General Membership meeting to order at 9:00 AM December 12, 2009 at the restoration site.

Mike reported that the BoD had just finished meeting prior to this meeting and that two BoD meetings had occurred since the November general membership meeting. The BoD meeting on November 21st had authorized the purchase of phytic acid to clean and remove scale buildup from the internal surfaces of the feed water systems on the locomotive. The amount required costs \$1610.00

The most important item of business at second BoD meeting held on November 28th was accepting Bob DeGroft's resignation as CMO and transitioning to a new CMO. Pressing personal matters had impaired his ability to devote sufficient time to the CMO duties forcing him to step down. The BoD had selected Rick Kirby to replace him. Rick had said he planned on a "team" approach to the job. His wife, Gail, is heavily involved in all the computer aspects of the job and Bob plans to continue to play a strong back up role.

Treasurer's Report:

Ernie Robart had previously e-mailed the December Treasurer's Report to the Board. Ernie reported that for December the checking account had a beginning balance on November 14, 2009 of \$5569.66 and the ending balance on December 12, 2009 of \$6667.42. Deposits for the period totaled \$5932.05, including a \$5000.00 grant from the BNSF Foundation . Expenses were \$4834.29. The largest expenditures were \$1610.00 for phytic acid and \$1629.54 for pipe and fittings for locomotive stack lifter and bell ringer, and hardware for locomotive super-heater fabrication shop setup. The ending balance in the savings account (including \$1.32 interest) was \$40112.91. There was \$50.00 in petty cash yielding total cash assets of \$46830.33 as of 14 November 2009. Steve Bradford moved and Ed Strebe seconded a motion to accept the report, which was approved by voice vote.

Safety Officer's Report:

Jon reported that on November 28 a combined New Member Safety Orientation and an Annual Safety Review was held in one session. The work site Safety Supervisor Training is still on track for January and a date will be set soon. He said he and Randy Mc Entire, Rick Kirby had made more progress on the ventilation system needed for the tube welding station. Also, all of the circuit breakers in all electrical panels have been numbered and all circuits identified at all outlets and switches. The final step will be to place cards inside the panels that identify the circuits. We've had our safety up and downs this year. I hope we will carry lessons learned over into the New Year and that it will be a productive and safe one for us all. Steve Bradford moved and Ed Strebe seconded a motion to accept the report, which was approved by voice vote.

CMO Report:

Rick Kirby reported that the transition was going smoothly. Bob DeGroft is still involved and there is a lot he can do by computer from home. Rick said he intends to use a "team concept" with team leaders responsible for projects. This will allow him the flexibility to concentrate on welding. Gail is handling all the email. If you need a quick answer call him, otherwise use email. With regard to tax-exempt form use Rick said to see Pete Adair. Pete has a sign out sheet and a three ring binder to track the forms. Rick emphasized that the boiler is now the focus. Lots of cleaning will be required to prepare surfaces for painting. Jon Spargo moved and Andy Rutkiewicz seconded a motion to accept the report, which was approved by voice vote.

Fundraising Committee Report:

Ed Strebe reported that as a result of Chuck Mangold's efforts the Society had received a \$5000.00 grant for the BNSF Foundation. Meanwhile, Andy Rutkiewicz had secured a grant from the NM Dept of Tourism of \$1,975 for the printing of 47,700 rack cards promoting the Society and the restoration of #2926. Starline Printing will produce the cards. Steve Bradford moved and Doyle Caton seconded a motion to accept the report, which was approved by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned

Next Meeting:

The next Membership Meeting will be held at 9:00 AM January 9, 2010 at the restoration site.