

General Meeting Minutes – May 12, 2018

Meeting Called to Order by Dr. Mike Hartshorne

Treasurer's Report – John Gibbons

Total Cash Assets, April 4, 2018	\$232,535.39
Deposits (Incl. Inv. Plus Dividend)	\$257,182.80
Expenditures (Miscellaneous)	\$ 9,712.95
Total Assets May 5, 2018	\$247,469.85
Less Encumbered Cash	\$120,229.00
Free Cash	\$127,240.85

This report was received, reviewed and filed for audit.

CMO Report – Rick Kirby

One good thing to report this month is that we have finally been assigned an Amtrak 800,000 number for our tool car. This only took the last three months to get done. It is required to be on all repair and inspection reports. Mark has also been lobbying for this number.

Many of you want to know about our next attempt at a steam-up. We are now finishing up past hydro leaks which Rick feels will be likely completed within the next two work sessions. The schedule will be the same. We will have a mortar cure on Sunday, June 3rd with fire-up on Monday and Tuesday with a media day on Wednesday the 6th. Regular attending workers will be able to attend Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Rick will be appointing a fire-up crew while the rest of you will need to be gathered under the canopy awaiting any help that may arise. Sam Lanter will be here around 10:00 on Monday morning.

In the meantime we will need to perform another full hydro. After this hydro and fuel delivery the media will be notified for coverage.

The weather is getting warmer so stay hydrated and use your sunscreen; also take breaks when needed.

CSO Report – Jon Spargo

As of the moment we have not heard anything from the NMDOT regarding the Operational Safety Plan or the Test Run Plan. When I submitted those documents they said it might be a while before they could answer because they were very busy. I suspect it is because of their efforts to play catch up installing PTC.

In other news we will be holding a new member orientation on Saturday, May 12th right after the general membership meeting.

Board of Director Elections Dr. Mike Hartshorne

Nominations closed the end of April. We had three openings and four names for the nominations. Larry L. decided to resign from the board. The fourth name as a nominee, other than the usual suspects, Dr. Mike, John Gibbons and Don MacCornack, on the board was John Roberts. Dr. Mike asked John if he'd like to be on the board and take Larry's place and he agreed. Welcome John to the board! Therefore since there were no other names submitted for nominations, and according to our bylaws, we do not have to have an election.

Fundraising- Dr. Mike

We have received a \$20,000 grant from the John H. Emery Railway Heritage Foundation for anything other than PTC.

The Candelaria Fund is awaiting an answer from us regarding a generator amount to apply for their grant. We're trying to wait for a reconditioned generator cost.

Amtrak ban has partially walked back a bit, so keep the letter-writing going.

Announcements

We have a homeless encampment just to the west of us and everyone needs to be aware of their cars being locked and what's in plain sight. We've reported it to the NMDOT.

Open House this year is September 29th from 9-5 with the same as usual for the entertainment, hotdogs, etc. Everyone needs to plan to make this event as we need everyone's help!

Meeting adjourned

Next Meeting – **June 9, 2018 at 0730 at the site**

Submitted by,

Gail Kirby

Secretary, NMSL&RHS