General Meeting Minutes – December 8, 2012

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

Intro was by Dr. Mike Hartshorne by introducing new member Anthony Padilla and Ian Bell who had not arrived yet.

Treasurer’s Report – by Ernie Robart

Total Cash Assets, November 10, 2012 $40964.38
Total Cash Assets, December 8, 2012 $35525.65
Less Encumbered Cash* $15890.11
Free Cash $19635.54

Grant Status
*NRHS grant (for locomotive cab: wood lining): $2900, expense $1735.83, balance $1164.17
Lockheed Martin grant (for locomotive #2926 restoration): $2000, expense $0.00, balance $2000
*BNSF Foundation grant (for flexible stay bolts): $15000, expense $328.06, balance $14671.94
*NM Remembers WWII 2013 joint marketing venture: $4000, expense $3946.00, balance $54.00

NMSL&RHS Checking Account

Beginning Balance on November 10, 2012 $19709.33
Ending Balance on December 8, 2012 $14266.24

Deposits: $1401.00
11-30-12 $3.00 (Interest dividend, US NM Federal Credit Union checking account)
12-04-12 $1398.00 (Memberships, sales, donations by members and non-members)

Expenses: $6844.09
11-02-12 $86.04 Bankcard fee
11-12-12 $64.20 Monthly commercial monitoring & response by Armed Response Team (ART)
11-12-12 $187.20 12” caliper for repairs (machine shop)
11-17-12 $19.84 Dry ice for cooling driver rod pins (roller bearing installation)
11-17-12 $77.90 Face visors (7), saw blades (4)
11-17-12 $166.28 Newsletter printing & binding, postage and envelopes
11-17-12 $314.82 Paper towels, pressure gauge, grinder repair, wire wheels, used tools, electric hardware for cab, drinking water, U-bolts, NRHS Cab: wood sealer $71.80
11-17-12 $346.63 Dry ice, parts solvent, copy paper, tool repair, gasoline for round trip, Albuquerque to Williams, AZ, to deliver locomotive cross head guides and cross heads
11-17-12 $62.80 Clear coat paint sample for locomotive side rods
12-01-12 $1400.67 Cleaning brushes, side rod bearing lube ports, aircraft fuel for round trip Albuquerque to Pueblo, CO, to check parts on engine 2912 to replace parts stolen from engine 2926
12-01-12 $64.20 Monthly commercial monitoring & response by Armed Response Team (ART)
12-01-12 $74.79 Monthly bill for computer diagnostics
12-01-12 $200.00 NM Remembers WWII 2013: advertising in "The Veteran's View" for one year
12-01-12 $3746.00 NM Remembers WWII 2013: advertising in “World War II” and “Wild West” magazines (April 1, 2013, and October 1, 2013)
12-04-12 $32.72 Hardware for locomotive side rod roller bearings
NMSL&RHS Savings Account

Deposits: $4.36
11-30-12 $4.36 Interest dividend, US NM Federal Credit Union savings account
Balance as of 11-30-12 $21209.41

Cash Box – Store Sales
On-site cash (formerly petty cash) $50.00

This report prepared by Ernest Robart, Treasurer, NMSL&RHS, December 8, 2012.

Andy explained the NM Remembers WWII expenditures and how they work. Our donation is given by a private donation. The state matches by half once we advertise in the various magazines. We get quite a bit of traffic by doing this. We are in this with three other museums, Nuclear, Holocaust and Bataan.

Chief Safety Officer Report: given by Rick Kirby in absence of Jon Spargo
On November 17, 2012 we held a new member orientation with four (4) attendees. Please join me in welcoming Terry O’Brien, Anthony Padilla, Ian Bell and Ward McCartney as authorized workers.

Our next training session will be the Annual Safety Refresher Training Session for all authorized workers. It will be held on Saturday, January 12, 2013 beginning at 9 a.m. at the Local 412 Union Hall on San Pedro just south of Central. At the conclusion of the refresher session we will hold the monthly general meeting for the Society. A second refresher training session will be scheduled for February for those who cannot attend the January session.

Vertical rescue training is complete and we want to thank Bill McSweeney for doing the training sessions and all of the members who volunteered to take the training.

***The General Meeting will also be during this same time, so plan to be there most of the morning.

Chief Mechanical Officer Report – by Rick Kirby
Sam Lanter from the Grand Canyon Railway has informed me we will need 1500 CU if Babbitt material to repair the crosshead slides. I have recently received this information so the cost is not yet known. I will purchase and drop ship to Sam’s shop.

Bob DeGroft has been experimenting with clear coats for the side rods. I picked up a product from Bond Paint Co. which is their recommendation.
I received an email from Dan Dalgarno at Garlock and he has requested I forward a sample of the Teflon seal from the flexi bolt sleeves. Monday I plan to mail it out.

Don’t forget the Winter Party on January 11th at Quarter’s Westside @ 6:00 pm. We have 42 that have made reservations. Please pay Gail your money so we can pay the bill at the end of the evening. This does include the tip. $18 per person should be enough including tax per person.

Next Wednesday’s work session is going to be our first really cold start. We need to decide how you wish to handle this first cold snap. Also don’t forget the Wednesday after Christmas we will not work.

**Plans & Funding Report** – by Andy Rutkiewic

**CONTINUING EFFORTS**
The Society was well represented at a public presentation of Draft #2 [Final Draft] of the ABQ Rail Yards Redevelopment Master Plan by Samitaur Constructs. Four society members lead tours of the Rail Yard for attendees of the presentation. [Comments on the presentation will follow].

Solicitations of Interest in storage of private passenger rail cars in the ABQ railyards were begun with contacts to AAPRCO, RPCA, SPRC and CTSR.

An additional estimate for site relocation to the Rail Yards will be obtained from Duke City Transfer.

The Downtown Action Team is to be planning for a greatly expanded National Train Day in 2013 that included #2926, ABQ Cultural Affairs and MRCOG. The committee is considering the use of a developing fund raising process that is being called CROUD FUNDING. This process uses the web to solicit funds from a large number of individuals for a project that spikes their interest and they would be interest in supporting. The major web site in this area is KICKSTARTER .com. This effort will be on-going.

**COMPLETED EFFORTS**
Advertising space for NM Remembers WWII in World War II, Wild West, and Veterans View publications was purchased with NM Tourism Coop Marketing matching grant funds.

Grant requests were submitted by Chuck Mangold to TRAINS mag for $10,000.00 and it was rejected. He also wrote one to LOWE’S for $46,000.00 to support staybolt replacement and welding.

A proposal to TRAINS magazine for monthly videos of our restoration was submitted for consideration.
A saturation info campaign to City, County and State government personnel using “The #2926 Story” video was begun.

The Society was effectively represented at the annual meeting of the New Mexico Association of Museums with an information table and a donation of a lantern for their fund raiser.

**DEVELOPING EFFORTS**

Our champion Grant writer Chuck Mangold together with Albert Leffler will evaluate the feasibility of organizing a #2926 night at an ABQ Isotopes baseball game in the 2013 season as a fund raiser.

We currently have direct contact information for FOX 2 “NM Style” [sale.jayson@krqe.com] to interview and film our activities for a free segment on that program. When they have unsold time we will be contacted.

Approximately 250 people went through the Rail Yard tours. We did a great job giving the tours during this time. The city was forever grateful to us. The city respects us and our knowledge and the organization as a whole.

**New Business**

Dr. Mike has about three requests to speak to historical groups; Las Vegas, NM, Las Cruces, NM and possibly one in California.

Christmas card is now for sale in our store for $10. It’s a larger print that can be framed.

Our official response to the City Rail Yard project has been sent out and we made 11 official copies.

Meeting Adjourned
Next Meeting will be January 12, 2013 at Local 412 Union Hall on San Pedro south of Zuni at 9:00 am.

Submitted by,
Gail Kirby
Secretary NMSLRHS