

General Minutes – February 9, 2013

Location – 1833 8th St NW, Albuquerque, NM 87125

Introduction – Dr. Mike Hartshorne opened the meeting
Approval of the January General Minutes has been approved and is on the website for viewing.

Treasurer's Report – Ernie Robart
(For the period January 12, 2012, to February 9, 2013)

Total Cash Assets, January 12, 2012	\$47739.85
Total Cash Assets, February 9, 2013	\$51053.13
Less Encumbered Cash*	\$15890.11
Free Cash	\$35163.02

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: \$3946.00, expense \$3946.00, bal. \$0.00

NMSL&RHS Checking Account

Beginning Balance on January 12, 2012	\$26476.84
Ending Balance on February 9, 2013	\$29786.17

Deposits:	\$5363.52	
01-14-13	100.00	(Donation by United Way)
01-22-13	\$3334.45	(Pay Pal transfer, memberships, flue sponsors, donations)
01-31-13	\$3.51	(Interest dividend, US NM Federal Credit Union checking account)
02-04-13	\$1925.56	(Memberships, flue sponsor, donation by members, non-members)

Expenses:	\$2054.19	
01-12-13	\$205.15	<u>Promotional</u> : 24 mugs plus shipping
01-12-13	\$36.00	Reimburse Gail Kirby for John Taylor's dinner purchase
01-12-13	\$53.45	Propane regulator
01-14-13	\$350.96	Chemical toilet rental for 16 weeks, 1-10-13 to 5-1-13
01-14-13	\$49.07	Sand paper
01-14-13	\$157.17	Initial bill for onsite telephone (Preferred Long Distance), 505-246-2926
01-25-13	\$50.00	Table at train show, June 7-8, 2013 (reimbursed)
01-26-13	\$74.79	Monthly bill for computer diagnostics & service
01-30-13	\$616.57	Final onsite telephone bill from Century Link (contract buyout), 505-246-2926 (to be reimbursed by Preferred Long Distance)
02-02-13	\$64.20	Monthly commercial monitoring & response by Armed Response Team (ART)
02-02-13	\$379.83	Computer software, locomotive theft replacement parts (exhaust pipes), bolt tap holder, 1" annular drill bit
02-04-13	\$17.00	Bankcard fee

NMSL&RHS Savings Account

Deposits:	\$3.95	
01-31-13	\$3.95	Interest dividend, US NM Federal Credit Union savings account

Balance as of 01-31-13	\$21216.96
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Cash Box – Store Sales

On-site cash (formerly petty cash)	\$50.00
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Chief Safety Officer’s Report – Jon Spargo

Jon reports we will have the second annual safety review for 2013 on Saturday, February 16, beginning at 9 a.m. in the Reefer conference area. Members are reminded to make sure that they pay their annual contribution by March 1st. After that date you will not be considered an authorized worker even if you have completed the annual safety review.

Also as a reminder if you had your new member orientation during the last quarter of 2012 (Oct.-Nov. - Dec.) you are good to go for 2013 and need not attend the annual review.

We also have some incoming new members and we’ll try to schedule a new member orientation as soon as we can to accommodate them. A potential date is March 6th.

Thanks to “Tool Meister” Ed, we now have 5 small yellow hard hats for our young visitors. They are hanging next to the regular visitor hard hats in the WHQ building. They are not as easy to adjust for size so you may want to lend a hand adjusting them to fit.

A question was asked by John Taylor about boiler evacuation training and Jon indicated none had been planned for as of this date. Any will probably be when warmer weather comes. April is 1 year confined space renewal time.

Chief Mechanical Officer’s Report – Rick Kirby

This past month Rick reported he had been in contact with the 2912 folks in Pueblo. The communication began after receiving a quote to replicate just one of our cab brackets which was \$3000. They had originally agreed to allow us to use their parts as molds or templates. However, Rick thought they might part with a few of their parts permanently since some of those aren’t needed for a static display. Rick then received a short email stating no parts will be taken from the 2912. Fearing a change in policy by their foundation he sent off an email requesting clarification as to whether that includes borrowing them. Rick says he was reassured that we could still use them for templates.

Bob DeGroft has been working the computer hard getting quotes for the copper seals for the flexi bolts. The bid came in less than a dollar a piece including annealing. Early next week he expects the price for the sleeves.

Rick reports he spoke with John Bond regarding the rod paint issue and he said he would look into it personally. I asked him about his company selling off the

automotive finishes side of his store. He said they still owned the Gallup location and could get product from there. He also said DuPont is reformulating the Imron paint and will check his stores for the old style black paint and hold it out for us.

Plans & Funding – Andy Rutkiewicz

CONTINUING EFFORTS

An additional estimate for site relocation to the Rail-yards for \$9,620.10 was obtained from Duke City Transfer. They recently confirmed their interest in the task.

National Train Day in 2013 coordination is in doubt. No further planning has taken place. The committee is considering the use of a developing fundraising 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 interested in supporting. The major website in this area is KICKSTARTER .com. This effort will be on going.

COMPLETED EFFORTS

None

DEVELOPING EFFORTS

A grant application to the Eddy Foundation to support the welding of staybolt caps has been done by Ed Kibel.

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.

Open House for 2013 will be September 28th. Nate Phillip's wife is a member of a quilting guild and they raffle quilts. Raffle them when they come in the door at open house is a possibility along with the one from Jon Spargo's wife, Dora, that we've been trying to sell.

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.

The committee will meet today with a consultant to get more ideas for us regarding how to get and apply for more grants.

Jim Van Drunen is doing a lot of work behind the scenes for us in FL. He's looking into a lot of things, one being the KICKSTARTER program.

The Harvey Girls – If you do not know who they are you need to look at one of our Centennial panels. BNSF Society is a public relation for BNSF RR and looking for more individuals to join as volunteers. If any of you have or know of someone that would be willing to join this volunteer group talk to Andy.

Frank Gerstle gave an update on the back shop tour on 2/23/13 from 1 – 3 pm. At present he has 15 people signed up and needs to have the final count by the end of the week. The location is 1100 2nd NW.

Next Meeting will be **March 9, 2013** at 9:00 am.

Meeting adjourned
Submitted by Gail Kirby
Secretary NMSLRHS