

General Meeting Minutes – October 9, 2021

Meeting Call to Order – Dr. Mike Hartshorne

Treasurer’s Report – Bob McMahon

Total Cash Assets August 31, 2021	\$331,520.88
Total Cash Assets September 30, 2021	\$329,910.68
Less Encumbered Cash	\$22,484.88
Free Cash	\$307,425.80

Report Received, reviewed and filed for audit.

We did well on the open house, but a couple of big bills have gone out. One for equipment for the tool car components and the audit, both around \$17,000 +/-.

CMO Report – Rick Kirby

Rick wanted to thank everyone for the great open house we had and all the work that went into it before and after. A good money-maker in all areas. It was well attended, but not maybe as well as others, but still people were donating and spending in the store. Approximately 1700 +/- was the count for attendees.

Next Saturday, October 16th, our hours will go to 0900 for beginning of winter hours. Please spread the word if people aren’t here to know. Would like people to work at least until 2–3 PM to get in a good work day.

CSO Report – Jon Spargo

Received from DOT all revisions and other qualifications to fix the grade crossing. Sent to Mountain States to revise their bid. We’ve been assigned to Jennifer Pierce to handle this case from here on out. Don’t know who owns that crossing yet. Money to fix the crossing would come from the Federal Highway Funds. If it’s an “orphaned track” the Federal Funds will kick in. To date no one has claimed they own it. Last known was the Santa Fe Railroad. We have until November 1 to get all our paperwork to DOT.

We also have to upgrade the track from our switch to the mainline to Class II.

Keystone Movie – Dr. Mike

He gave us a rundown on the happenings of the movie event over the past two days (Wed. – Thurs.) Two full days. They are filming two movies at the same time. A prequel to Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid and the sequel to the same movie.

American Society of Testing & Materials (Amusement Park Rides), they set standards for these amusement park rides. They wish to be at our site on Friday, October 15th at 1:00 PM.

Colores – A NMPBS, Channel 5 program starring John Taylor and our restoration. It will be about eight-minute-long feature. It will air on October 16th at 4:00 PM.

Ruth – Debbie O’Malley, County Commissioner, will have a zoom meeting with us, whoever can attend somewhere, to present us with a Proclamation on the accomplishments on the locomotive, etc. Will be on Tuesday October 12th at 5 PM.

Today we’ll cook hotdogs for lunch with the leftovers from open house.

Meeting Adjourned – Next Meeting – November 13th at 8:00 AM

Submitted by,

Gail Kirby

Secretary, NMSL&RHS