

General Minutes – October 2012
NMSLRHS

Date: October 6, 2012

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

Old Business: N/A

Introduction: Dr. Mike Hartshorne brought meeting to order. The Minutes for September are now on the website. Our thanks go out to Rich Bugge and his work on the website. Some browsers don't display all the way to the bottom of the page. Rich is working to solve this issue.

Treasurer's Report: by Ernie Robart

Total Cash Assets, September 8, 2012	\$36897.84
Total Cash Assets, October 13, 2012	\$37901.55
Less Encumbered Cash*	\$15907.91
Free Cash	\$21993.64

Grant Status

*NRHS grant (for locomotive cab: wood lining): \$2900, expense \$1664.03, balance \$1235.97
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

NMSL&RHS Checking Account

Beginning Balance on September 8, 2012	\$15651.65
Ending Balance on October 13, 2012	\$16651.00

Deposits: \$10581.07

09-26-12	\$260.00	(Sales by bankcard, month of September: \$114 + \$92 + \$54)
09-18-12	\$3188.66	(Re-deposit stolen parts award money (\$1250), sales, donations: members and non-members, sales of scrap metal (\$158.40))
09-30-12	\$2.67	(Interest dividend, US NM Federal Credit Union checking account)
10-01-12	\$4204.30	(Donations and sales from 2012 open house)
10-03-12	\$2331.78	(Bankcards / open house: sales, memberships and 1 flue sponsor)
10-12-12	\$593.66	(Memberships, sales, donations: members and non-members)

Expenses: \$9581.72

09-04-12	\$22.82	Bankcard fee
09-08-12	\$135.86	Flapper disks, grind stone, chip brushes, steel wool
09-08-12	\$297.16	<u>Promotional:</u> caps, mugs, steam toys, diesel toys
09-08-12	\$513.11	Balance on locomotive trailing truck brake cylinder springs, brake cups for locomotive brakes, TV splitter, drill bit set
09-17-12	\$180.20	Drinking water, concrete, sand paper, wrench, tool repair parts
09-17-12	\$350.96	Chemical toilet rental for 16 weeks: 9-20-12 to 1-9-13
09-17-12	\$52.14	Tools: ESAB regulator and wrench
09-18-12	\$1956.30	Hydraulic ram (for installation of side rod roller bearings)
09-18-12	\$3562.79	Balance of Armed Response Team on-site security system
09-25-12	\$74.79	Monthly bill for computer diagnostics and service
09-25-12	\$43.98	Pipe elbows with cutting charge
09-29-12	\$256.77	Pop-up shades (3) for open house
10-04-12	\$133.30	Monthly bill for onsite telephone: 505-246-2926
10-04-12	\$208.00	P. O. Box rent for one year, 10-31-12 to 10-31-13

10-06-12	\$950.56	Food and drink for open house, table covers, BBQ parts
10-06-12	\$148.99	Welding steel, paint, ear plugs, gloves, bolts, bungee cords
10-06-12	\$37.82	Mat board and sleeves (for Gayle Van Horn)
10-08-12	\$47.53	Dynamo parts and rector-seal dark oil
10-08-12	\$131.61	Bolts for tender oil fill hatch, loco air compressor mounting, loco trailing truck brake cylinder re-assembly
10-08-12	\$331.41	Die grinders (2), 9 cup brushes
10-09-12	\$65.37	Printing of handouts for teacher's open house
10-09-12	\$80.25	Rental of a second chemical toilet for open house (1 week)

NMSL&RHS Savings Account

Deposits:	\$4.36	
09-30-12	\$4.36	Interest dividend, US NM Federal Credit Union savings account
Balance as of 09-30-12		\$21200.55

Cash Box – Store Sales

On-site cash (formerly petty cash) **\$50.00**
This report prepared by Ernest Robart, Treasurer, NMSL&RHS, October 13, 2012.

Chief Safety Officer's Report: by Jon Spargo

Jon reported that on September 15 we held a new member orientation. He asked we join him in welcoming Glenn Adkins and Ed Kibel as authorized workers.

On November 17, 2012 we will hold another new member orientation. There are several new members signed up as a result of our most recent open house. This will be the last new member orientation in 2012 so if you know of anyone interested, make sure they know to attend this session.

Because of open house and bearing and rod installation we have not held the vertical rescue training session. We are planning that for the very near future. Stay tuned!

Chief Mechanical Officer's Report: by Rick Kirby

Rick reported that due to our eminent arrival of visitors he'd do his best to keep the report brief.

In regards to the security system we need to be careful how we leave the site each afternoon. Things get moved around and the sensors/cameras get blocked so I need everyone to be careful where we leave carts or equipment.

Crosshead repair work is being organized and as soon as I get the okay we will continue removing them.

Other work on the schedule is to finish removing the sand blast materials from the boiler and continue removing old flexi bolt plugs and wasted sleeves.

Measurements of the sleeves will be taken and drawings produced for bid packages.

Lastly I want to thank each and every one of you for all your hard work this past hot summer. Bob DeGroft reports that we have gone over 80,000 volunteer hours on this project. September saw more than 1600 hours logged which is a record number for us. I hope your dedication continues through the upcoming winter.

Plans & Funding: by Andy Rutkiewicz

CONTINUING EFFORTS

An important meeting with ABQ city staff, Samitaur Constructs and Build ABQ was held at city hall on September 11th. NMSLRHS presented a comprehensive view of our future desired facilities at the Railyards. During these discussions both the Samitaur team and Build New Mexico strongly suggested that NMSLRHS consider moving to an interim location at the Railyards. Both of these issues were extensively considered. The Plans and Fundraising committee was charged with the task of developing a report on issues that are involved in an interim relocation. [SEE attached]. Legal council was consulted. A heavy transport company was contacted. On September 26th a meeting of the Downtown Action Team was held to start planning for a greatly expanded National Train Day in 2013. The event, being called the Rail Yard Regatta, would include heavy participation by the NMSLR&HRS to include the 2926, if possible. Other attendees included ABQ Cultural Affairs and MRCOG. The meeting was attended by Clem H., Steve B., Doyle C. and I. There will be further Railyards related meetings in October, to include the Rail Yards Advisory Board on October 8th and presentation by Samitaur Constructs of the first draft of the Rail Yards Master Plan on October 25th.

Albert Leffler and Steve B. met with Patrick Lopez, Executive Director of the Explora Museum, on September 26th to discuss possible options for closer cooperation between Explora and the Society.

Steve B., Doyle C. Pete A. and I attended the annual Teacher's Open House on September 26th at the Explora Museum. We were able to distribute information on our Education program September 29th Open House to approximately 200 people.

COMPLETED EFFORTS

None

DEVELOPING EFFORTS

The New Mexico Association of Museums will have their annual Meeting in ABQ on the 7th to 9th of November. We have the opportunity to have an info tables at EXPLORA. The BoD should consider the donation of an inexpensive Railroad Lantern from our collection for the NMAM silent auction. 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.

New Business

Other tasks to be done other than rebuilding the engine are:

-Need help in managing the store. If anyone feels they would like to help with this please come forward. We know there are people out there that can organize and help with the store. Also possibly getting items online to sell would be nice.

-Upgrading the website and Facebook, etc.

-Balloon Fiesta brought in quite a few visitors this year. Anyone wishing to help give tours and experience our site please step up.

Open House Recap

-988 visitors + our members

-Approximately \$5000 profit

-Entertainment was great including B & H Wholesale popcorn

-Harvey Girls were a hit

-Membership attendance was fantastic to help visitors tour the site

-Political people showed up, Wheels Museum, GM from Channel 13 was here and he wants to help in the machine shop. Teachers were here and it seems we had an all-around good attendance.

At 10:00 today the USS Orion reunion will be here to tour the site. Rich Bugge captured our new URL which will link to our current website. That is www.2926.us.

Keys are again organized and numbered. Only one key is now available in WHQ for each lock.

Dave Traudt gave Jon Spargo new photos for exhibit in Socorro. (Our Centennial photos)

James Burke sent us another set of his books Volume I & II. Thanks to you, Jim.

Dick Downing says they are rebuilding Albert's speedster. Hopefully it will be finished sometime next year.

Frank Gerstle explained we are trying to get a building, possibly a metal garage-type connected to existing structures.

Meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting will be November 10, 2012 at 9:00 am.

Prepared by Gail Kirby, Secretary NMSL&RHS