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## **Annual Membership Minutes - July 12, 2014**

**Call to Order** - Dr. Mike Hartshorne

**Spur Update** - Rick gave report that we will start the concrete this week. Monday and Tuesday we will start the forms. We will work Wednesday, then Klinger will pour Thursday and Friday hopefully they can take up the forms. Mike asked who will tell GSA and Rick said he assumed Frank would do that.

**Treasurer's Report** - Ernie Robart (his last report)

Total Cash Assets, June 7, 2014	\$155,673.22	
Checking Account	\$ 5.58	
+Deposits	\$ 5,780.17	Checking
	\$ 25.37	Investment Plus
Beginning Balance IP 5/31/14	\$136,524.02	Investment Plus
-Payments from Acct. for track repair (6/9/14)	\$ 80,959.41	Investment Plus
Ending Balance on 6/30/14	\$ 55,589.98	Investment Plus
-Expenses	\$ 5,009.11	
=Total Cash Assets, July 5, 2014	\$ 75,510.24	
(Encumbered Cash)	\$ 24,814.09	
(Free Cash)	\$ 50,696.15	

**CSO Report** - Jon Spargo

New Member Class upcoming July 19, 2014 at 0900. Summertime is hot and we all need to stay hydrated and use sunscreen.

**CMO Report** - Rick Kirby

Welcome to the Official Annual meeting. Rick wanted to give an overview as to what is scheduled so everyone could get a feel for the upcoming work going into the remaining summer and fall.

Obviously the superheater project will go on for the foreseeable future.

Preparations are being made to begin the process of tramping the crosshead guide to perfectly line up with the centerline of the pistons. Dave V. has been working to design the various devices to make this happen. Once they are trammed it will clear the way for many more projects which have been on

hold pending the return of the crossheads. We will use them to support the cylinder hone driver motor. When finished we will be able to begin the Walschaert gear assemblies and install the four remaining side rods.

Randy Mc. and his cohorts will be erecting a store at its current location. When finished Rick expects cab work will resume installing all the newly painted conduits and boxes.

We have several more flexi sleeves to install and 29 staybolt sleeve replacements to do. Bob D. will discuss our plans regarding those and an update in regards to the brake shoes. The threaded balls for the flexies should arrive by the end of this month.

Rick is expecting a volunteer from 3751 next week. He will be on site Wednesday and Saturday. John H. will be providing us with an electronic flow meter as well as the foam meter. He fabricated both of those for the 3751. Bob K. from 3751 is overseeing the safety valves as they are being rebuilt.

Without the assistance from outside organizations and donors this project would not be as far along as it is today. We owe them all a great deal of gratitude.

Bob D. says the brake shoes ordered. The spines are needed. The Utah company is moving their factory, but has found a place to fabricate for the driver shoes.

The flexi staybolts Dave V. reports that he has been in contact with Noor Manufacturing and Eric R. who works there (our machinist). They will do all but tapered and send that to Accurate. For the 29 staybolts we need it will be \$250 each to do the entire process. This will be less by far than what we were quoted from someone else.

**Plans & Funding/Community Liaison Report** - Steve Bradford  
Albert L. came to town and they went to Las Vegas, NM to talk to the City Manager there. Friday they went to Santa Fe and spoke with the Deputy for Dept. of Tourism, Lance Adams and another member of NM Tourism Brian O'Neill.

11 June - Met with Maryellen Hennessee City of Albuquerque Historic Preservation Planner

12 June - Gave a presentation to the Veterans Motor Car Club of America

13 June - Helped WHEELS Museum folks with set up for their fundraiser to be held the next evening.

14 June: Attended the WHEELS Museum Gala

18 June - Attended the monthly meeting and luncheon of the Historic Albuquerque group.

20 June - Set up and manned a table for WHEELS (no sales) at the Bradbury and Stamm cocktail party. WHEELS were asked to attend. I handed out WHEELS and NMSL&RHS rack cards. WHEELS were requested to be there. Met briefly with Monique Jacobson and Brian O'Neill (Sec and Deputy Sec for

Tourism) and set up a meeting with them for 27 June. Met with CEO of Bradbury and Stamm, her husband, and her sister and gave them my card and 2926 propaganda. Made sure they understood that WHEELS and NMSL&RHS are friends but different organizations.

26 June - Albert Leffler and I traveled to Las Vegas and met with the acting City Manager, Elmer Martinez. The topics addressed were:

- o The status of the 2926 restoration,
- o Interest by the NMSL&RHS in potential for rail heritage tourism and excursions to Las Vegas as a destination, the status of Alan Afeldt's purchase and restoration of the La Castaneda and impending purchase of the Plaza Hotel (since completed).
- o Wye at French as an engine turn around point and the usefulness of a reconstructed wye in Las Vegas

27 June - Albert and I traveled to Santa Fe and met with Brian O'Neal (Deputy Sec for Tourism) and Lance Adams (Financial Manager).

- o Discussed the same items as were discussed the previous day in Las Vegas, as well as the Society's interest in being able to make short distance runs to Santo Domingo.
- o Coordinated with Mountain View School regarding a possible upcoming field trip to the site on/about 18 July. Will meet teacher on 7 July.

**\*\*Elections to the Board of Directors** - Nate Phillips in lieu of Frank Gerstle (Past President) who is absent.

Our by-laws state that when we have the same number of nominees as we have openings on the Board we do not have to have a paper election. This year is the case. The nominees are:

Dr. Michael Hartshorne, Don MacCornack and since our Treasurer, Ernie Robart is not going to run we have a new candidate, **John Gibbons** and he will take over for Ernie as Treasurer. John has been a Treasurer for another organization in the past as is willing to give it a try. He'd like Ernie to stay on the bank account for about 90 days just so he can get a feel for it.

A call for vote was made to the membership and it was unanimously approved to accept these three members to the Board of Directors for this year. The Board has approved John to be placed onto the US NM Federal Credit Union's bank account with these Minutes.

**Open House** is coming up September 27, 2014 and it will be the same as last year. The members will arrive approximately 7 am to get things set up and our gates will open at 9 and close at 4. We will have the normal people involved as far as bands, Harvey Girls, etc. If people know of any organization that would like to be present, let them know of the date.

### **Announcements**

The Nikon crew has told Doyle C. that our film they made should be arriving shortly.

NPOTY, Karla D. has nominated us for this honor. It's Non Profit of the Year award that's given by ABQ Biz. Not sure we'll win but at least people will know about us. We should know September 18, 2014.

Rick needs volunteers for this week so after the meeting please see Rick for the scheduling.

Meeting Adjourned  
Next Meeting – August 9, 2014 at 7:30 am

Submitted by Gail Kirby  
Secretary, NMSL & RHS