

Train Mountain Railroad Board of Directors Meeting

October 23, 2013

Location: Telephone Meeting

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm.

Present: Tom Watson, President; Dennis Ward, Treasurer; Chuck Barnes, Secretary; Jim Armstrong; Jerry Crane; John Cooper and, John Black (TMI)

Absent: None

Others in attendance: Carl Vanderspek, Marg Hope and Jeff Pape.

2. Development and Planning

The Board supported dividing Train Mountain into three zones for controlled development. All development within the three zones will require TMRR Board approval. A development package must be submitted to the TMRR Board for their review and action. The development package shall contain the projects location, sufficient design details to adequately define the project and a financing plan.

a. Wilderness Area: After discussion the Board changed the name to Scenic Area. This area will usually be closed to model world construction. The Scenic Area will include: Farmersville and everything north of Farmersville; Panama Canal; Burn Pit exit wye; Quail Crossing; Rabbit Run; Deadwood; Aspen Grove Loop; and, any other area of Train Mountain not designated Urban or Rural.

Approved 6-0.

b. Rural Area: Model world construction at sidings and yards only. This area will include: Sidings south of South Chiloquin Rd. below 4250 ft.; sidings south of Farmersville Circle (excepting sidings on Aspen Grove Loop); and New England.

Approved 6-0.

c. Urban Area: The entire area will be open for model world construction. This area will include: Serpentine and everything south of South Chiloquin Rd. above 4250 ft. (includes top of hill, Little Falls, New Isom, Blue Caboose, Blue Mountain and areas above). Approved 6-0.

d. There was a discussion about what to do with the existing signals in the Scenic Area (Farmersville to Schubert). The exposed conduit and lightning strikes are a problem. John Cooper volunteered to chair a Signal Review Committee and provide a report to the Board at the next Board meeting. This issue needs to be addressed within the next couple of Board meetings. No other action taken.

3. Container Contract

Chuck suggested the circulated draft be modified to reflect that the initial payment for the north row containers include the cost to install a Western Storefront or a Railroad motif on the north wall of the containers. TM, not the individual container tenants will install the north wall improvements. Chuck will draft the modification and email it to the Board members.

4. Free Meet Promotion

The Board reviewed and approved the Promotional Certificate wording in John's October 15, 2013 email. A copy of the email is attached to and made a part of the minutes. Approved 6-0. Tom or Russ will provide the graphic needed for the Promotional Certificate to John and he will print the certificates.

5. DEQ Central Station Septic Approval

DEQ has approved the plans and issued the building permit. Phase 1 (three tanks and pumps) is out for bid and will be awarded after the bids are received and evaluated. The tracks near Central Station will be removed during construction and will need to be reinstalled before the first meet in 2014.

6. Creation of New Member Categories

A TMRR member recommended that a Vendor Membership and a Corporate Membership be created. The Board thought these memberships have merit. The TMRR member was not available to make a presentation, so this item was tabled.

7. Video Contest

The Board agreed in principal that having a contest to develop short videos that promote TM would benefit TM. Additional information is needed so this item will be discussed at a future TMRR Board meeting.

8. Last Minute Item(s)

None.

9. Reports

- a. Facilities Update Report (Jerry) – i) The Central Station south doors have been installed; ii) The Central Station east doors have been ordered; iii) The pipe for the handrails has been ordered. John Black will pick up the pipe. The 4"x4" plates have also been ordered and Jeff Pape volunteered to pick up the plates; iv) The backflow preventers have passed the Klamath County inspection.
- b. On site update (Tom) – The 27 year pins have arrived. On October 17th Tom and Dennis met with Steve (OIT student) and discussed establishing a network of benchmarks on the TM property. This project will provide OIT students valuable field experience and allow them to complete their senior projects. TM will receive an extensive network of benchmarks.
- c. Treasurer's Report (Dennis) – 2013 Membership fees have generated \$28,280; 2013 meet fees have generated \$10,245; there are 48 life members; 2013 membership is 587; 415 members registered for the 2013 meets
- d. TMI update (John) – No new updates.
- e. Progress report on Boiler Inspection Project (John) – No new updates.
- f. Containerville (Chuck) – No new updates.

10. Public Comment

None.

11. **Next scheduled Board meeting.** No date was set. Tom will email the Board with the date and time of the next Board meeting.

12. **Adjournment.** Motion to adjourn the Board meeting. Ward/Barnes. Approved 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm.

The minutes were taken and submitted by Chuck Barnes, Secretary. The TMRR Board approved the minutes with an email vote.