Republic of West Florida Historic Association

Board Meeting Notice

Monday, April 9, 2012

8:00am

Old Centenary Inn Jackson, LA

Republic of West Florida Historic Association Board Meeting Minutes March 12, 2012

Members Present:

Scotty Dawson Andy Martin Wanda Henderson Al Saltus

Stewart Hughes Doug Woolfolk
Mike Salmon Scott Harrington

Charley Beene

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 8:00am by Mike Salmon

Minutes of February 13, 2012 meeting approved.

New Business:

Mike gave a report on his meeting with the insurance agent. They will start with coverage for the boiler. Also needs cover sheet from past insurance. Wanda will provide. Insurance company needs more info on existing buildings. Mike asked for volunteers to take measuring tape to buildings and provide other information needed for insurance coverage. Scotty will do the measuring and Doug will take pictures.

Old Business:

Mike led discussion on holding a general meeting. Motion was made and passed that our next meeting would be a general meeting of members and we would vote on forming a new board.

Next was a discussion on revising the current by-laws. Andy led an in-depth discussion on his findings in the current by-laws and recommendations on how they should be updated. He agreed to send an e-mail copy of his report to all board members.

Old Business: Status Reports

Financial assets and liabilities: Mike asked that we get a financial report to the end of last year from Brent Salter. Scott will check with Brent for an updated report.

Physical assets and liabilities: Andy reported that the roof on the model train building had been repaired, thanks to the generosity of Mr. Harvey. The club would like to build an additional roof over the deck area behind the old frame shop building that is now being used by the model railroaders. Motion was made and approved for them to build the roof at their own expense.

Mechanical assessment of locomotive and cars: Charlie reported that the next step now is to start disassembling the train engine and send the boiler off for repair. Mike stated that

the plan was to first take off the cab, try to find some local woodworkers to take it to their shop and replace all the wood, on a volunteer basis. Metal part needs to be blasted, primed and painted. Next step would be to disconnect the boiler from the frame. Then an assessment can be made on the frame.

Once everything is taken apart, an estimate can be made of the cost for repairs and hopefully we can then go to different sources and ask for donations for specific repairs. Mike will take sample of insulation and send off to have tested for asbestos. Fundraising Plan: Andy reported Clay Fourrier is ready to update web site. Can set up Pay Pal Account etc. when the time is right.

Doug asked if there was an estimated time for him to start with fundraising plans. Mike asked him to come back with outline to show his ideas on future fundraising. General Discussion: Al Saltus presented map of layout of north train track. Also map of buildings on grounds of train/museum. Mike will have duplicated.

Next meeting: May 14, 2012