The regular monthly meeting of the GREAT NORTHERN & CASCADE RAILWAY was held on SATURDAY AUGUST 8, 2016, at 4:30 PM at DEPOT PARK, SKYKOMISH, WA.

Board Members Present:
Kevin Weiderstrom, President
Michael Pierce, Vice President
Lloyd Albin, Treasurer
Alyssa Weiderstrom, Secretary

Members in attendance:
Mike Heath
Pat and Fred Brown
Neva and Don Pavia
Bob and Elizabeth Alkire
Ken Nessland
Alex Bieniek
Jeffrey Hayen
Louie Reid

The minutes of the last meeting were not read as has been characteristic of these meetings. Minutes will be read from the next meeting forward.

A Treasurers Report was not shared as has been characteristic of these meetings. A Treasurers Report will be read from the next meeting forward.

The meeting was called to order by Kevin Weiderstrom at 4:32 pm.

Removed from the agenda was the need for a small tractor, Kevin has personally purchased a tractor that can be used by the railroad.

Lloyd is stepping down from the position of treasurer.
Kevin nominated Bob Alkire for Treasurer. A motion was made, Don Pavia seconded the motion and the motion was carried after discussion of Bob’s qualifications.

President’s report:

Engineering is back for the bridge for the new line and is approved.

The Engine shed is nearing completion with the electrical bought off by L & I, waiting for PSE to connect service.

Framing should be bought off by The Town of Skykomish this week.

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Still waiting for a response from the Stillaguamish Tribe regarding the grant application sent in in June.

Discussion Items:
Short discussion about applying for a 4-Culture Grant to secure funds to staff the depot during the week. The town wants the depot staffed during the week as an Information Center. We would prefer to staff the depot ourselves to protect our museum items as well as provide the opportunity for weekday gift shop sales.
Kevin will be in touch with 4-Culture this week to get the information for the grant.

A request was made by Pat Brown to be provided the names and numbers of all members of the organization. The issue was discussed and a decision was made to send an email to all members asking if they would like to be included in a member directory. Alyssa brought up the point that if several members do not wish to be included, that no directory should be created due to the complications of some members being ok with it and some members not.

There was a discussion about the west end of the depot. There are still many problems with the town wanting to rent the west end of the depot to the Historical Society over the GN&CR contract. No decisions have been finalized and no contracts or memorandums of understanding have been presented.

Our Annual Meeting is scheduled for November 5, 2016, location is TBD. Annual financials will be presented at that time.

There was a short discussion about creation a “Members Only” area on the GN&CR website. This is a possibility but no commitment was made.

Mike Pierce moved to adjourn the meeting and Don Pavia seconded. The motion was carried.

The meeting adjourned at 5:13 pm

Alyssa Weiderstrom, Secretary