The regular monthly meeting of the GREAT NORTHERN AND CASCADE RAILWAY was held on Saturday June 3, 2017 at 4:30 in DEPOT PARK, SKYKOMISH, WA.

Board members present:
Kevin Weiderstrom, President
Mike Pierce, Vice President
Bob Alkire, Treasurer
Alyssa Weiderstrom, Secretary

Members Present:
Rich Lee
Elizabeth Alkire
Kevin Vick
Jessica LeBar
Keith Sternberg
Konrad Roeder
Michael Heath
Michael White
Callee Gray

Junior members present:
Chase Roeder

Visitors:
None

The meeting was called to order by Kevin Weiderstrom at 4:29 pm.

May 3rd minutes were approved as written.
Moved by Bob, 2nd by Mike, motion carried.

Treasurer’s report: Roughly $18,000 in the Bank.
Bob is still catching up on the financials for the last fiscal year and has made considerable progress.
A Statement of Financial Position dated May 31, 2017 and a Statement of Activity from November 2016 – May 2017 were provided.

Bob proposes to pay Lloyd the balance he has held in account with GNCR to get that off the books as a liability. He will make a motion at the next meeting.

Bob would like to write Ink Nutz regarding the double payment of an invoice amounting to a roughly $500 credit owed to us from them. In lieu of getting the money back he would like to get all GNCR pre-purchased merchandise i.e. Magnets, buttons, hats, iron on transfers etc., delivered to GNCR and to close the account with them. We have successfully sourced all items from other dealers at a better price. And all members present at this meeting agreed.
OLD BUSINESS

The town of Skykomish got an extension on the D.O.E. grant and now has until June 15th to submit all invoices for payment. Pine Creek Nursery has been hired to design and install the landscaping on the tunnel.

The tunnel landscaping is expected to be completed by the end of the month.

There is a meeting planned with Mayor Greider, Henry Sladek, Kevin and Alyssa on Tuesday June 5th to, once again, work on the now “Use Agreement” between GNCR and the town.

Lloyd has not presented a 1-5 year plan yet so Kevin W., Mike P., Rich L., and Kevin V. will meet to develop a new 1-5 year plan.

NEW BUSINESS

Mike P. wants to save what is left of the donated trees ASAP. We have lost nearly all the deciduous trees due to the town not watering them. Per Callee’s suggestion, the trees will be moved to the island near the bridge so they will be watered by the sprinklers.

PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS

Kevin says Thank You again to everyone in the organization.

MEMBERSHIP COMMENTS

8½ x 11 Posters are now available to put up in your local grocery stores, rest stops, anywhere that is legal to post a sign or community notice, to spread the word about GNCR.

Ken Nesland is no longer our landscaper. He made demands on the organization that could not be met in the timeframe that he demanded and he quit.

Konrad would like to see more native plants in the landscaping. He and Elizabeth worked on weeding and added new plants to the rose garden area and along the bridge on the island.

We have a new t-shirt vendor, Steve Larner from Skykomish will give us better prices than Ink Nutz and a better product with silk screened t-shirts and sweatshirts.

We are now going directly to the manufacturer of our magnets to have them produced at ½ the cost that Ink Nutz was charging us and are looking to find other vendors to reduce the costs of the items we carry in the shop.

Mike moved to adjourn the meeting and Bob seconded. The motion was carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 pm.

Alyssa Weiderstrom, Secretary