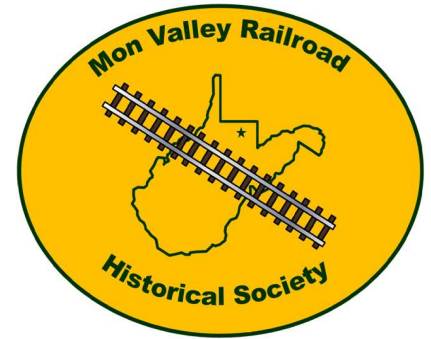


TRAIN OF THOUGHT

MON VALLEY RAILROAD HISTORICAL SOCIETY, Inc.

March, 2020



EDITORS NOTE

Wow!, Spring is just around the curve and so is our Spring Model Railroad Open House. Please make some time to help out. We need a good showing for our first event of 2020.

Elections for new officers/BOD members is also coming up in May. A Nominating Committee will be formed at the March Business meeting. We need three members who are NOT currently serving as officers to be on this important committee. PLEASE, think about serving and/or becoming an Officer!

Work continues to progress on the Main layout and the Modular layout. Visitors will see lots of new things and so will you. Come on down and see what we are doing, help out, get your hands dirty, visit with your old friends and enjoy yourself. Remember, we are all part of the World's Greatest Hobby, Model Railroading and it is our duty to help keep it alive!

Happy Training,

Rich Henderson, Editor



Minutes of the February 6, 2020 Business Meeting

The February 6th 2020 meeting was called to order by President Lou Lemelle at 7:30 with four officers and 10 members present. A motion was made by Mike and a second by Keith to have the January Meeting Minutes read to the assemblage. A vote was cast and the motion did not pass.

A motion by Rich and second by Eric Hopkins was made to accepted the minutes as published in the monthly newsletter. The motion was voted on and approved.

Treasurer's Report: After Keith presented the Treasurer's Report, Frank requested the previous months Treasurer's Report be amended to indicate reimbursement for Homabed was in fact for a Tortoise Switch. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report with amendment was made by Rich with a second from Greg. Voted and approved.

Modules: Mike is working to splice in the new turnouts. He also recommended as a tip to all modelers present that we use Elmer's Glue for all modeling especially ballast as it is water soluble which helps for future design changes and or repairs.

SCHEDULE of EVENTS

**March 5, 2020
Business Meeting**

**Spring Open House
March 28 & 29, 2020
*Workers Needed!!***

**April 2, 2020
Business Meeting**

**May 7, 2020
Business Meeting**

**June 4, 2020
Business Meeting**

**July 2, 2020
Business Meeting**

**August 6, 2020
Business Meeting**



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Main Layout: Eric reported that work continues in the areas “Under Construction”. He suggested a small scene with modest buildings to enhance the location of the new passenger station. He also pointed out that opposite the yard are opportunities for more buildings.

Publicity: FaceBook has 565 Likes and 605 following and 24 visitors. The Larry Linger video was viewed 171 times.

Ad Cars: No new subscriptions noted. Eric is about to begin contacting lapsed subscriptions.

Membership: DUES ARE DUE!

Rich pointed out that this an election year and it would be beneficial to have a most complete and updated roster. Prompt submission of membership dues would aid this issue.

Donations: \$3 from caboose. Ken donated a number of books and DVDs for the Chinese Auction. Rich donated two lanterns he picked up at Timonium and encouraged others to make similar contributions.

Old Business: The Board of Directors meeting was conducted as scheduled. Minutes of the meeting were published in the February newsletter.

New Business: Next year’s budget was presented by Rich. A motion was made by Greg to approve the budget. After a second by Todd and vote by all present the motion carried.

A motion was made by Greg and a second by Frank to approve the goals for next year as printed in the newsletter. Motion approved.

Mike initiated conversation regarding the process for becoming

a member of the society being made available on the website. He then made a motion to disclose the membership procedure on the website. Following a second by Ken and subsequent vote, the motion was accepted. Rich will follow up with Eric on the motion.

Open House dates for year 2020 are as follows:

Spring - March 28&29.

Back to school - August 29&30

Winter Holiday - December 12&13

For the Good of the Order: Keith and Ken are both teaching classes for the OLLI program. Each class has 40 people enrolled. Saturday May 9 is the date for the Cumberland Train Show.

Mike shared that the train station in Oakland, MD was well worth the visit. Located across the street from the station is the Transportation Museum.

The Hobby Shop in Uniontown is relocating to the old Uniontown Shopping Center.

Eric suggested we revisit/reconsider being involved with “Kids Day”. Conversation ensued with no further action at this time.

Motion to adjourn by Greg, second by Rich.

The meeting Adjourned at 2035 hours (8:35 pm civilian time).

*Greg Malnikoff
Secretary, MVRRHS*



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