



North Georgia Live Steamers

November 7, 2020 at 1 p.m.
Meeting



Agenda

I. Call to order

Peter Craymer called to order a board meeting of the North Georgia Live Steamers at 1:17 p.m. on Saturday, November 7, 2020 at the railroad.

Board Members In Attendance

Peter Craymer	Robby Mossman	Scott Moore
Joe Fabregas	Rick Kight (via cellphone)	

Attendance

John Tuten	John Howard	Dan Crumbly
David Miracle	Connie Miracle	Bob Cunningham
Dave Eisman	Johnny "Snake" Wright	Calvin Abernathy
Kathleen Howard	Bob Cummings	

II. New Business

- a. Peter Craymer started the meeting by first thanking all of the Veteran's who served our country. Veteran's Day is on Wednesday, November 11, 2020.
- b. Peter highlighted the main order of business for the board meeting was the riding car project. The goal of the meeting is to review the recommendations, budget, and to determine if the board is ready to approve the project to move forward from a financial standpoint. Peter asked Joe Fabregas, Chairman of Riding Car Committee, to present his finding.
- c. Joe Fabregas put forth a couple of packets of information which shows the estimated cost of materials needed to build the riding car frames, trucks, couplers, and other supplies. As previously stated in the October club meeting the committee has made the recommendation of articulating riding cars. Johnny "Snake" Wright has brought to the site today an A-B-C unit for inspection and consideration for purchase by the club as part of the project.



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Based on the budget presented today the estimated total cost of the A-B-C articulated riding cars is expected to be around \$2,500.

Description	Budget Estimate
Welded Frames	\$200.00
Tom Bee Modern Trucks (qty. 4) with all of the options (brakes, grease fittings, swing bolsters, 1000lb springs)	\$1,590.00
Additional Brake Items	\$75.00
Tom Bee Couplers (1 pair)	\$65.00
Wood Seats (lumber in red container)	\$0.00
Wood for running boards and wheel covers	\$200.00
Fasteners, Steel wheel covers, miscellaneous accessories	\$100.00
Paint	\$50.00
Lettering by Miracle Graphics	\$0 (Donated)

The actual cost of the riding car frames by Joe shows the cost of the frames to be \$180.40. The cost of the frames was documented by receipts Johnny “Snake” Wright provided to the committee.

- d. Rick Kight commented that the construction of the cars looked good when he was onsite earlier in the day.
- e. Peter mentioned that it would be nice that the new riding car truck matched the trucks on the existing cars. Joe mentioned that 4 trucks exist but will need to be rebuilt. One of the pairs of trucks are currently being used on the flat car and as part of the project those trucks would be replaced by purchasing trucks for the riding car. Joe also mentioned he has reached out to Little Engines to get some details on purchasing either matching riding car trucks from Little Engines or repair parts like wheels. He is waiting on the owner of Little Engines to get back with him on the details.



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- f. Joe also asked if the funding in the riding car fund could be used to repair the existing riding car trucks currently being used on the existing riding cars.
- g. Robby said traditionally repairs would come out of the general fund and kept separate from the repair of existing equipment
- h. Peter also asked if the new riding cars being built will be compatible with the existing riding cars. Joe said they would be as the diagrams provided are based on measurements taken from existing cars.
- i. Peter opened the floor to comments and Scott asked what happens to the extra money in the riding car fund. Snake mentioned that the funds would typically go toward the riding car project and not be put into the general fund.
- j. Peter suggested that if Tom Bee trucks are to be purchased that the brake assembly be more like the Mountain Car truck brakes because of how the Tom Bee trucks mount and are subject to damage during a derailment.

A motion by Joe to accept the proposed budget and expenditures for the frames built by Johnny “Snake” Wright. The motion was seconded by Scott and approved by the board.

A motion by Joe was made to accept the total estimated budget presented today for a total of \$2,500 for the riding car project. Motion was seconded by Robby and approved by the board.

III. Adjournment

North Georgia Live Steamers adjourned the meeting at 1:34 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Robby Mossman

Minutes approved by: