



North Georgia Live Steamers

April 23, 2022 at 1 p.m.
Meeting Originally Scheduled for April 2, 2022



Agenda

I. Call to order

Scott Moore called to order a meeting of the North Georgia Live Steamers at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 23, 2022 at the railroad.

Attendees

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| Scott Moore | Brandon Shope |
| Robby Mossman | Wes Rogers |
| Norm Wizner | Ethel Nicol |
| Rick Kight | Charlotte Breese |
| Joan Lurwig | Gene Lurwig |
| Scott Moore | Sherry Moore |
| Dan Crumbley | Calvin Abernathy |
| Susan Wizner | Joe Fabregas |
| Bob Cummings | Johnny "Snake" |



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II. Treasurer's Report - Norm Wizner provided the following treasurers report for information that covers things since our February meeting up to our April meeting

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| Beginning Bank Balance (March 1, 2022) | \$15,486.68 |
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| Income | |
| Amazon Smile Donation | \$47.86 |
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| Total Income | \$47.86 |
| Expenses | |
| Insurance | \$2,730.00 |
| Bank Fee | \$2.00 |
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| Total Expenses | \$2,732.00 |
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| Ending Bank Balance | \$11,848.36 |
| **Balance reflects balance after three outstanding checks clear | |
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| Riding Car Fund | \$2,897.24 |
| Member Container Fund | \$202.34 |
| Shop Fund | \$796.00 |
| General Fund | \$7,949.78 |
| Petty Cash | \$375.00 |



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| Beginning Bank Balance (April 1, 2022) | \$11,845.36 |
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| Income | |
| Donation from ECI | \$275.00 |
| Donation Bene. | \$20.00 |
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| Total Income | \$295.00 |
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| Expenses | |
| Boiler Inspection payment (Robby Mossman) | \$174.59 |
| Club Propane (Bob Cummings) | \$59.00 |
| Shop / Member Container Paint | \$427.68 |
| NGLS Corporation Registration (Dave Levy) | \$30.00 |
| Bank Service Fee | \$2.00 |
| Total Expenses | \$693.27 |
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| Ending Bank Balance | \$12,140.36 |
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| Riding Car Fund | \$2,897.24 |
| Member Container Fund | \$202.34 |
| Shop Fund | \$796.00 |
| General Fund | \$7,551.44 |
| Petty Cash | \$375.00 |



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III. Old Business

1. Robby read the minutes from the February meeting and accepted.
2. Norm discussed the current status of the shop project. Sealing the containers is still in the works and will be scheduled in the coming weeks.
3. The Mill that Ethel has donated to the club has been removed from her house and is now resting in Norm's shop while space in the new shop is prepared.
4. It was acknowledged that the underground wires for power to the shop were donated by Wes Rogers
5. Robby provided details that the current member container project has a few exterior items to be completed including painting and some repair on the door. At this point Robby, Bill, and Calvin have officially moved into the container.
6. Riding car project was discussed. It was shared with membership that the board is providing a recommendation to sell the new unused frames and reconsider what the club wants to do moving forward with club riding cars. Scott brought he was not in favor of this and a discussion was had with many members discussing concerns regarding trucks, additional modifications, and coupler height to name a few items discussed.

It was discussed to consider TomBee Caboose trucks as a possible option pending confirmation from TomBee that these trucks are usable for the riding cars. Additional discussion was had regarding the use of individual riding cars vs. articulating which presented a great deal of discussion from both sides regarding which car type is best for the club if the focus is public run days.

Calvin also raised concerns that if we are buying new trucks, brakes, etc. that they should not have to be modified just to make work and that things should be built to use off the shelf components with little to no modifications in order to make it easy for the club and those without some of the necessary skill set to perform the modifications. A question was raised about repairing unused used trucks that we have for the new riding cars and Norm mentioned that with all of the items needed to repair the trucks that the cost of the repairs don't make sense vs purchasing net new trucks that will work with the new riding cars.

Additional discussion was had regarding coupler height differences between new and old riding cars and it was discussed that we should just treat the new cars if they will be articulating as a stand alone set and not be interchangeable with existing riding cars.

Robby shared with the club that we need to make a decision as a club and quit arguing about how to proceed with the riding car project.

In the end it was decided that caboose trucks and couplers would be purchased from TomBee pending agreement from TomBee that the trucks are usable for riding cars.



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IV. New Business

1. ByLaw change related to board members - Calvin brought before the club the board's recommendation to update the bylaws to address membership types related to spouses and family members. Calvin pointed out that IRS 501(c)3 states that no blood relations can be on the board by marriage. A motion was made to the club to change the bylaws so that no blood relations can be on the board at the same time instead of just by marriage. This motion was approved by the membership.
2. Bob C. reports that the steam engines a couple of valves in order to isolate check valves and a few other items in the event of issues while operating. He is estimating the cost will be around \$200 and will be purchasing the valves from PM Research soon.
3. Bob C also discussed what Riverside Live Steamers did for visitors to meets by providing RSLs flags.
4. Calvin also discussed the possibility of some sort of raffle during our public run day sto help generate additional income for the club.

V. Adjournment

North Georgia Live Steamers adjourned the meeting at 2:10 p.m.