

Neuse River Valley Model Railroad Club

Minutes of the HO Committee Meeting of July 24th, 2022

1. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:02 pm by Ken Howard. Members in attendance included Wayne Aiken, Brock Bowden, Richard Calfee, Peter Denofrio, Randy Foulke, Ken Howard, Ted Kuntsling, Ethan Quiram, Peter Ring, and Don Weaver.

2. Review of Progress for July

- a. All modules have been assembled as they will appear in the final design except for two corner pieces that must still be cut to the proper size.
- b. Dowel risers with casters have been prepared for insertion into the folding metal legs of the modules.
- c. Significant progress has been made by Ralph James, John Wallis, and John Spach on understanding the wiring of the existing layout wiring and loconet. Plans for rewiring the existing layout are nearing completion and plans for wiring the extension are also in preparation.
- d. The BOG has authorized an additional \$300 for purchase of supplies. The total authorized to date is now \$500, of which about \$335 has been expended to date.

3. Problems Discussed

Discussions were held about construction and track plans. Members viewed the newly constructed modules and discussed options for taking existing Main lines 1 and 2 into the extension.

Alternative options of Main line 4 were also discussed. Diagrams of possible track plans are posted in the HO layout room.

Discussions were also held about picking up a complete HO layout being donated to the Club by Nelson Norden. The pickup date will fall into the weekend of August 13-15 dependent on the owner's schedule and the availability of members and their trucks to move the modules and equipment. Ken Howard will coordinate the scheduling.

4. Future Work Sessions

Our short term goal is to have at least Main line 1 operational for the Open House on September 17th. Further work sessions will be scheduled at the August meeting toward achieving that goal.

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the committee will be August 21st at 1:00 pm at the Clubhouse.

6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:04 pm.