

Neuse River Valley Model Railroad Club

Minutes of the HO Committee Meeting of September 15, 2024

1. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by Ken Howard.

2. Roll Call of Members in Attendance

Members attending were Wayne Aiken, Pete Donofrio, Randy Foulke, Tom Garren, Haydon Harrison, Ken Howard, Don McPherson, Greg Rehe, John Spach, and Bob Witwer. Paul Lebiedzinski attended via Zoom.

3. Status

Ken Howard reported that previous issues with Main 4 extension have been resolved. It is possible to operate an engine on all the trackage that has been installed.

Paul Lebiedzinski reported that the new yard on Main 2 under Mount Witwer is completed and has temporarily powered by a drop from block 6 (alias Main 4 extension).

Preliminary planning for Module 4 construction was reviewed with the group, and the basic plan was approved. Construction can begin as materials are assembled.

4. Throttles

Throttles that were sent to Digitrax have been repaired and returned. Two of the throttles are charging in the Shop. The others will be phased back into service as required.

5. Found Engine

We have been unsuccessful to date in reuniting Athearn GP-40x, Southern 7001 with its owner. If you know who may own this engine, please let us know.

6. Raffle Layout

Collin Martinko is leading a team of members in building a 4x8 raffle layout. The layout will be left out on tables in the Shop to save time and steps in its construction.

7. Open House

Members are reminded that we have an Open House planned for October 5th and a visit from the Mid-East Region of NMRA on October 18th. Clean up of the HO room is required and operators are needed for trains. Randy Foulke reminded the group that only Club-owned equipment can be operated during Open House Sessions.

8. Miscellaneous

Module 9 yard is complete and fully operational. Scenery is being installed along the Main 4 Extension.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:35 pm.