

# Warrant



January 2013

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The RRA Business meeting of January was held January 2, 2013. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm and adjourned at 8:17 pm. There were nine members present.

## **Presidents Message: Greetings from the "Old Man."**

January has come and gone and I don't believe the groundhogs prediction the way things are going! He must have woke up on the wrong side of the burrow!

We are still in our present location at Trigs Mall. The module system is going under some changes now that things have slowed down as far as the public coming in to view it and the other layouts. Stop down and take a look! We're still open on Saturday's, along with our normal business meeting.

We have straightened away some of our donations and other acquisitions. The number of boxes of railroad stuff has been cut and now things are all being labeled so we know just what we have. There is still some more to go over but we are catching up with it!

We have lost another member of RRA. James A. Halminiak Sr., a life member of RRA, passed away on January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2013, at his home in Rhinelanders. We at RRA wish to extend our sympathy to his family.

In the coming months there will be plenty of things to do within the club. Some things to discuss will be brought up on the agenda at the next business meeting of RRA. So far, there are six items on the agenda for the February business meeting. As mentioned in the last newsletter, the business meeting has now been voted on and approved to be held on the second Wednesday of the month.

Also, members are reminded that dues for the 2013 year are to be paid. Without them paid, this will be your last newsletter. So remember to see your happy treasurer!

The next regular business meeting for RRA will be held on Wednesday, February 13th, 2013 at 7:00 pm at the store in Trigs Mall. Hope to see you there!

***Take care, Jim Brown, President, RRA.***

Treasurers' report was accepted as read.

## ***Rhineland Railroad Association January 2013***

A motion was made to change the monthly business meeting to the second Wednesday of the month starting February 2013. The reason behind this was to be able to have a complete treasurers' report, with a current bank statement. A vote was taken and all present unanimously agreed and accepted the change. The change to the Bylaws is as follows—

Article 6, Meetings, Part A, shall read in its entirety “Regular Business Meetings of this organization shall be held on the Second Wednesday of each month.”

The module layout store is open to the public on Saturdays 10:00a.m. to 3:00p.m. It is now closed to the public on Wednesdays due to very low attendance numbers.

A new phone service has been acquired for the depot. The cost is almost 75% less than the old service. The depot number remains the same.

A presentation is being made up regarding the letters found from the Pelican Lake Railroad to present to the WI State Historical for potential preservation of the documents, many of which are from 1930-1940's. The society says they are very interested in the findings. The letters themselves are currently being copied and put in a digital format by the club members. For a link to download and view the files, please send an email to [rhinelanderrailroadassociation@gmail.com](mailto:rhinelanderrailroadassociation@gmail.com).

An EBay account is being set up to enable us to sell our excess belongings that were donated over the years. We still have much rolling stock and other antique items that are extras to sell.

The following revisions were proposed for the Constitution and Bylaws:

1. Article II: Purpose, Section B, line 16 shall include after the word-in- “and for the City of Rhineland.”
2. Article II: Purpose, section C, Line 19 shall include after the phrase –model railroading- “in and for the city of Rhineland.”
3. Article II: Purpose, Section D, Line 21 shall include after the word –Association- “Pioneer Park Historical Complex and the public in general.”
4. Article V: Officers Duties and responsibilities, Section C. Duties and Responsibilities, Number 4, The Secretary Shall, Line 109 shall read as revised in its entirety, “A. Record and maintain a record of the meetings, provide minutes of the last meeting, provide the Agenda for monthly meetings for the Association and/or the Executive Committee.”

These revisions are to be voted upon during the February Business Meeting held February 13, 2013.

**Rhineland Railroad Association**, business 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday, 7 PM at the Logging Museum Depot, operating / maintenance any Wednesday 7 PM same location or Trigs Mall, old Family Dollar Store, Rhineland, WI with modular layout. See [www.rrahome.org](http://www.rrahome.org)

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