

**Mid-Continent Railway Historical Society, Inc.**  
**Minutes of the September 14th, 2024 Regular Board of Directors Meeting**

**Date:** September 14th, 2024

**Location:** MCRHS Office

**Roll Call:**

**Directors:**

R. Anderson, Treasurer  
D. Bierman  
G. Bjorge  
A. Clussman  
R. Colby  
J. Huttenburg, Vice President  
C. O'Brien, Secretary  
C. Salmonson  
R. Wagner - absent

**Other Officers:**

J. Lentz, Office Manager  
R. Madero, Office Assistant  
A. Spinelli, President  
C. Taylor, Office Assistant

**Other Guests:**

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**12:01 PM:** Meeting is called to order by President Spinelli.

The next annual meeting will be held on December 14th, 2024 at 12:01 PM.

The next planning meeting will be at the MCRHS office on December 14th, 2024 at 10:00 AM.

**12:02 PM:** G.Bjorge moves and A. Clussman seconds to approve the minutes of the June 15th, 2024 board meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

**Reports:**

The President/Manager's report was presented.

The Financial report was presented.

The Endowment Committee report was presented.

The Elections Committee report was presented.

The Management Committee report was presented.

The Buildings and Grounds report was presented.

The Office report was presented.

The 1385/Locomotives report was presented.

**New Business:**

**1:40 PM:** G. Bjorge moves and R. Colby seconds to approve the purchase of 2 track lubricators as quoted from Industrial Lubricant Company. Motion passed unanimously.

**1:48 PM:** R. Anderson moves and J. Huttenburg seconds to approve Wegner LLP as Auditor and prepare the tax and 1099 returns. Motion passed unanimously.

**1:49 PM:** J. Huttenburg moves and D. Bierman seconds to change our accounting from a fiscal year to a calendar year. Motion passed unanimously.

**1:56 PM:** J. Huttenburg moves and G. Bjorge seconds to purchase 8 truckloads of railroad ties at approximately \$112,000 for the mainline rail relay project. Motion passed unanimously.

**2:18 PM:** C. O'Brien moves and R. Anderson seconds to hire Knapp Railroad Builders for \$39,130 to change out ties from the Baraboo River bridge to the Wisconsin & Southern mainline. Motion passed unanimously.

**2:19 PM:** J. Huttenburg moves and D. Bierman seconds to postpone the decision to hire Knapp Railroad Builders to install the mainline rail in Area 1, to purchase 100 ties to re-establish end of track at Quartzite Lake, and to hire Knapp Railroad Builders to re-establish end of track at Quartzite Lake until a future Special Meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

President Spinelli turns the meeting over to Vice President Huttenburg.

**2:34 PM:** A. Clussman moves and D. Bierman seconds to authorize the General Management Negotiation Committee consisting of R. Anderson, J. Huttenburg and C. O'Brien to begin negotiations with Andy Spinelli to become General Manager of Mid-Continent at a date yet to be determined. Motion passed unanimously.

Vice President Huttenburg turns the meeting over to President Spinelli.

**2:37 PM:** G. Bjorge moves and A. Clussman seconds to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Colin O'Brien

Secretary

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