

## **PINK LADY RAIL TRANSIT COMMISSION**

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**Meeting - Tuesday August 3, 2021**

**@ 10:00am**

**Reedsburg Wi – City Hall**

### **Attendance:**

**Commissioners Present:** Chair Anderson, Vice Chair White, Treas. Dick Whitehurst, E Blaine Albert absent: Elmer Ellis, Doug Hilber, John Geoghegan

**Others Present:**, WSOR, Ken Lucht

**Call to order:** The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by Chairman Anderson. Introduction of visitors and members.

**Roll Call:** Quorum established.

**Certification of open meeting law.** Meeting was certified as having met the requirements of the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law.

**Approval of agenda:** Motion by Whitehurst, seconded by Albert to approve agenda. Motion carried.

**Approval of Draft Minutes.** Moved by White, seconded by Whitehurst, to approve minutes. Motion carried.

**Treasures Report:** The treasurer reported a balance of \$3562.60 . Moved by Anderson seconded by Albert to approve treasures report. Motion carried.

**Motion:** PLRT will not request funds from the county or cities for 2022 budget as expenses have been minimal during pandemic. Moved by Whitehurst seconded by White. Motion carried

**Chairman's Report:** Chairman Anderson

Anderson reported on progress of the repairs on Merrimac bridge. This fall there is a WTRC meeting in Madison and asked who would be interested in attending, he will forward information to members when more information is available

**WSOR report:**

Ken Lucht gave an update on Sauk Sub projects including installing 11,000 ties mostly in Madison and Waunakee areas, second phase will be completed to Baraboo and Reedsburg in 2022. WSOR will complete surfacing after ties are installed.

Annual bridge inspections and brush/weed maintenance happening now.

Rail geometry inspection will begin in next few months.

WSOR completed \$200,000 rail siding project for Riffey Transportation in Reedsburg for offloading product.

Phase 1 &2 of Merrimac bridge project completed and engineering of phase 3 is complete and waiting for federal funds before bids can be released.

Wisconsin 2022-2023 budget has allocated \$20 million for state wide railroad improvements.

**WisDOT update;** NA

**Old Business:** NA

**New Business:** Waiting for details on the infrastructure bill, as funds should be available for all railroads.

**Local Reports:**

- **Baraboo:** Shipping going very well
- **Rock Springs:** N/A
- **Reedsburg:** New shipper Riffey Transport starting to receive incoming loads. Sharratt warehouse in Reedsburg has been sold to warehouse operator from Le Mars, Ia
- **Legislative comments:** NA

**Public Comments** NA

**Meeting dates 2021:** December 7th. location TBD

**Adjourned:** 11:00 am. Moved by Whitehurst , Seconded by Anderson Approved

**Recorded by** Albert