

**Republic of West Florida Historic Association Board Meeting Minutes
August 13, 2012**

Members Present:

Wanda Henderson	Al Saltus
Jim Hendrickson	Mike Salmon
Charley Beene	Andy Martin
Scott Harrington	Stewart Hughs
Doug Woolfolk	Scotty Dawson

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 8:00am by Mike Salmon

Motion made to approve minutes of July 16 meeting. Andy Martin requested one change. He asked that minutes show the engine is not *mostly disassembled*. Wants the minutes to read that the engine is *partially disassembled*. Motion made and passed to accept minutes with the one change.

Old Business

By Laws: Jim led a discussion on the changes/revisions that were made to the by-laws. He also presented an organizational chart for the association which will be helpful in the future as we grow in membership and financially. Andy requested we make slight change to section 4:11 so that it reads that if a board member misses two consecutive meetings, adding *without explanation*. Stewart recommended we make addition to section 4.12, adding to last line, decisions or duties performed for *or by* the corporation. Motion was made and passed to accept the by-laws with the two recommended changes. Al asked that we schedule an annual meeting and it was decided to have it in conjunction with our next scheduled meeting in September.

Schedule: Mike stated that he is waiting on the boiler repair company. There may be a slight change in the schedule due to the delay in removing the boiler for the repairs.

New Schedule: Disassemble locomotive: August
General Meeting: September 10
Rebuild cost estimate: September
Start Rebuild: September

Website/Publicity: Mike thanked Doug on a well written article on the train that was published in several different publications.

General Discussion: Andy made the board members aware of the need for repairs on the overhead cover for the walkway between the two train buildings behind the museum. There is a 50-60 ft. section that needs to be repaired right away as it is very unsafe. Mike asked Andy to check with train club members for volunteers to help with the labor of the repairs and possible donations for expenses and we would purchase the rest of materials needed. Jim offered to do a materials estimate.

Scotty mentioned he would ask Willy Greer at the trade school to perhaps make materials (tin roof) – metal frame for walkway. Scotty also asked for approval for the trade school to make hand rails for North Wing front steps since there are mostly elderly people picking up food at food bank. It was approved unanimously.

Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting September 10, 2012