

# November 2016 NEWSLETTER

**December Meeting - 6:45 PM - Tuesday , December 6, 2016**

## **Track Layout Change Begins After Over 10 years of Waiting.**

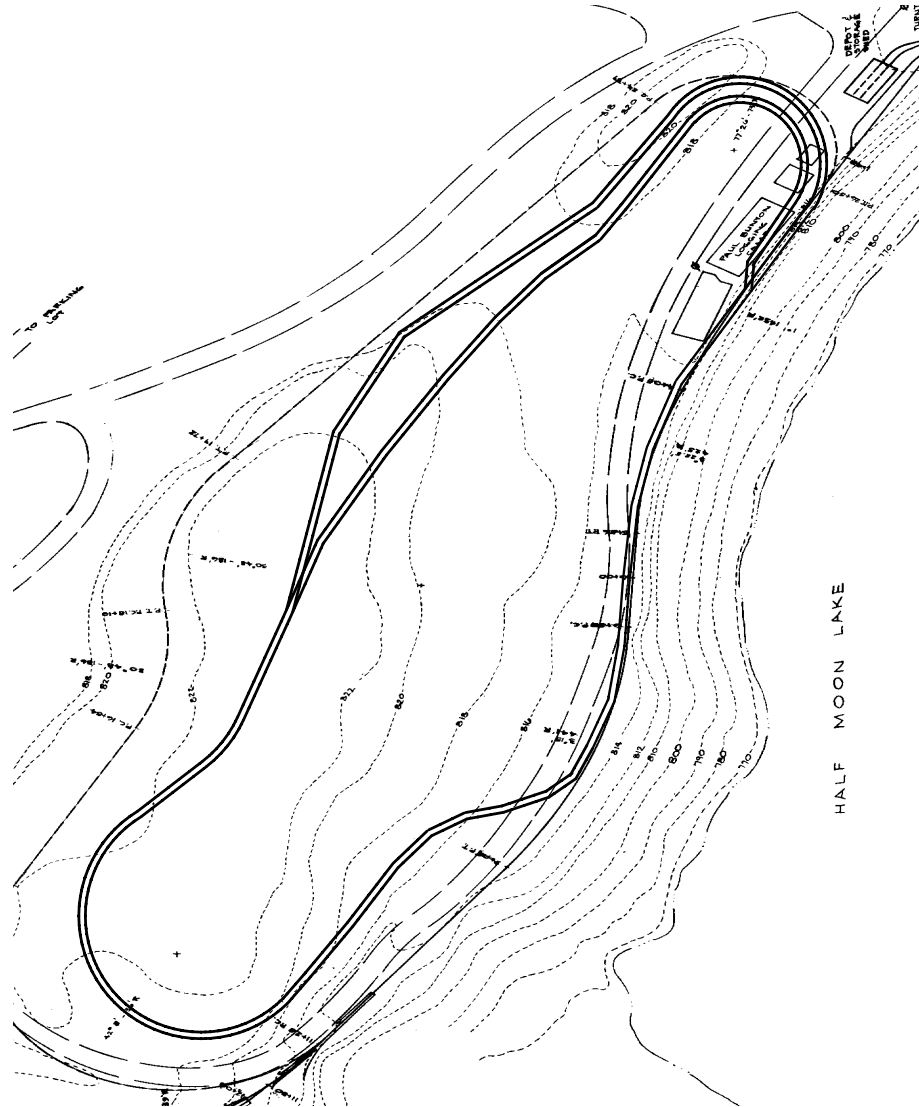
Setting grades for the track layout planned several years ago began November 16, 2016. The plan will move the west switch of the two depot platform tracks approximately 660 feet south. The exiting track will run from the platform to the relocated switch. Track No 1, the outer platform track will curve to the west and follow the ridge overlooking the foot path and a portion of the park road leading to the our parking area. These changes will provide more variety to our passengers.

Arvid Jerezcek of American Express Transportation and Excavation met with Dave Peterson, Marc Brown, Tom Schye, Dan Perkins, and Mike Kuhn Wednesday to discuss cutting and filling for the new track. He expressed his interest in the project because he said we are great asset to the community. He volunteered his labor and equipment to grade the new right of way. We pay only for the material which will be new base course.

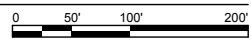


**Left Picture** Marc Brown, Tom Schye, and Mike Kuhn checked the existing grade elevations for reference. The existing grade from the base of run of about 550 feet is 1 percent.

**Right Picture.** Tom and Marc set the grade for the new track. In the background is the point where the new track will tie into the mainline going south. The grade will also be about 1 percent.



1 TRACK PLAN  
 SCALE: 1" = 100'



**PROPOSED TRACK PLAN**

This plan indicates the completed plan. The switch is relocated about 500 feet from its current location. The result will give our passengers a more varied ride. Also the new track will be visible from the road.

The dotted line to the left of the new right of way was part of the original proposal to the City. Some of you will recognize the Paul Bunyan Camp. The original plan was modified to what we have today.

## **CHIPPEWA VALLEY RAILROAD**

**Agenda - December 6 , 2016, 6:45 PM** at Chippewa Valley Museum, Eau Claire, WI

### **Agenda Approval**

**Minutes of the November 1, 2016 meeting . Review and Approval.**

### **Treasure's Report for Review and Approval**

#### **Updates...**

- No. 19. Driving blocks and brake components have been machined. Timing resolved.
- Recognition Day - Recognize various members and their efforts. Not finalized.
- Track extension. Inspect right of way inspected. Grades set. American Express will donate equipment and labor to place new base course. We pay for material.
- Straighten and level track and ballast. Majority of ballasting complete.
- Fund Raising discussed for No 16 boiler, track relocation, and tower completion. Committee completing work.
- No. 16 Boiler replacement update. Boiler delivered.
- Semaphore mast? Need a lead person.
- Road crossing mostly complete. Need some tie leveling at east end.
- Complete the painting of the trolley stop. Almost complete.
- No. 19 rocker arm repaired
- Paint touchup
  
- **New Business** -
- Carl Searing gift to the CVRA
- Chippewa Valley Museum Standard Gauge Train display. Chuck Lindvig update.
- Gutters for the roundhouse and the back of the depot. Mick working on this.
- Paint touchup
- Install diesel transmission repair kit.
- Budget for track expansion and schedule.

#### **Other Business**

Next Meeting; Chippewa Valley Museum, **Tuesday, December 6, 2016**

Adjourn

# Chippewa Valley Railroad Association

Monthly meeting November 1 , 2016

6:45 p.m. Meeting called to order by President Dave Peterson

Members present: Dave Peterson President, Rob Brazeau Vice President, Ellen Lindvig Treasure, Tom Schye, Chuck Lindvig, Byron Bobb, Marc Brown, Mick Henning, Andy Stanton, Andy Doney, Frank Gaber

- Agenda approval Motion Chuck Second Marc approved
- Secretary report for October approval Motion Chuck Second Marc approved
- Treasure report, reviewed Motion Marc Second Andy S approved

## Updates

- Dave Engine 19 drive blocks and brake components machined, timing fixed
- Dave New right away inspected
- Dave new heating system in round house is now completed and working
- Dave fund raising for projects discussed
- Dave Base course has been delivered
- Dave Andy D to lead Semaphore project
- Dave Officers elected as nominated President- Dave Peterson, Vice President/ secretary- Rob Brazeau, Treasurer- Ellen Lindvig, Board Chuck Lidvig, Byron Bobb, Marc Brown.

## New Business

- Chucked talked about the train display at the Chippewa Valley Museum
- Dave Majority of track ballasting, leveling and straightening has been done
- Dave Depot repair to wait until spring
- Mick working on gutters on round house and depot

- Chuck discussed the idea of building a Trolley
- Ellen talked briefly about Seniors American Days
- Dave talked about how to get more members to attend work sessions
- Dave presented a new work schedule. Trying Saturdays. Motion by Frank second by Chuck motion passed.
  - Saturday, November 19, 2016, 10 am - 4 pm
  - Saturday, December 3, 2016, 10 am - 4 pm
  - Saturday, December 17, 2016, 10 am - 4 pm
  - Saturday, January 7, 2017, 10 am - 4 pm
  - Saturday, January 21, 2017, 10 am - 4 pm
- Motion by Chuck to adjourn 8:00 p.m. Second by Mick motion passed

Submitted by Rob Brazeau