

# July 2016 NEWSLETTER

August Meeting - 6:45 PM - Tuesday , August 2, 2016

Chippewa Valley Museum, Eau Claire, WI

Carson Park, Eau Claire, WI



**Old Timers.** Stefan Valian and Mike Kuhn strike a pose Sunday, July 24th, similar to scenes in old black & white logging railroad pictures.



**Young Train Spotter.** A young train spotter and his dad watched Frank Garber bring in a train to the platform. The steam train is ready to depart. Typical busy day.

## PROJECTS



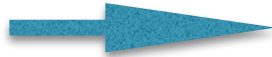
**Ballast Car.** Chuck Lindvig installs sheet metal over the plywood panels of the ballast car. Ballast material will slide more easily on the metal. The car was tested July 26th. It worked well. Now we need to acquire ballast material for track work.

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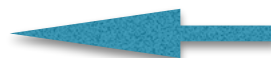


### Steaming Bay

**Construction** Rob Brazeau places the forward steel support on the footing of the new steaming bay. Marc Brown, Byron Bobb, and Chuck Lindvig prepared the footings.



**Steaming Bay Construction** Marc Brown weld the rails in place. Rails are mounted on 2 steel "T" beams that Byron Bobb salvaged from a construction project years ago. Byron is pointing out details of the construction to Mike Kuhn who was assisting the installation. Mike and Byron probably built the old steaming bay years ago. The new design is all steel with concrete footings. The new design will facilitate repair work as well permanent.





**Steaming Bay Construction** Mick Henning and Marc Brown push No.19 onto the completed bay. Byron Bobb observes the move. No issues were



**Steaming Bay Construction Complete.** Marc Brown, Byron Bobb, Chuck Lindvig, and Dave Peterson pose with completed bay. completed bay.

## **CHIPPEWA VALLEY RAILROAD**

**Agenda - August 2, 2016, 6:45 PM** at Chippewa Valley Museum, Eau Claire, WI

### **Agenda Approval**

**Minutes of the July 12, 2016 meeting . Review and Approval. Attached to this email.**

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

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

- No. 19. Driving blocks and brake components have been machined. Assembly will begin after 19's timing is resolved.
- Recognition Day - Recognize various members and their efforts. Not finalized.
- Track extension. Inspect right of way inspected. Potential grades need to be set..
- Infrared heating system. Will complete in September.
- Fund Raising discussed for No 16 boiler, track relocation, and tower completion. Committee completing work.
- No. 16 Boiler replacement update. Boiler builder contacted. Next set date for a visit. Early August.
- Steaming bay completed.
- Project Priority List -
  - 1) Straighten and level track and ballast. Underway.
  - 2) Depot repair - will require about 6 sheets of plywood and some 1 x 6 facing
  - 3) Complete the painting of the trolley stop. Almost complete.
  - 4) Gutters for the roundhouse and the back of the depot. Mick working on this.
  - 5) Paint touchup
  - 6) Ballast car - Complete and tested.

#### **New Business..**

- August work projects.
  - Project Lists.
  - Cost for ballast material. 16 yards delivered : Base course - \$410. 3/4" crushed limestone - \$550.
  - Trip to New Ulm.
  - Semaphore mast? Need a lead person
  - Equipment check.
  - Fire extinguisher training. Mick will train on Sundays.
  - Car numbers - for all.
  - Order transmission gasket kit - about \$50.

#### **• Other Business**

- **40th wind up Labor Day?**

Next Meeting; Chippewa Valley Museum, **Tuesday, September 6th, 2016?**

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