

# NMRA MCR Division 4 General Meeting Minutes for Friday, JANUARY 8, 2021 ZOOM meeting held online

On Friday, January 8, 2021 Division 4 held a casual meeting via Zoom. David James kindly hosted us. We had as many as 38 present at one point and time. We began talking (social time) at 7:00 pm.

At 7:30 Superintendent Lee Sheffield called for attention for those who wanted to share what they have been working on during Covid 19 pandemic. If I missed any ones presentation I apologize in advance Mike Fahler took us on a tour of his layout. He explained the new additions he has added and future plans. He thanked Joe Filipiak for the assist with art work.

Larry Kawicki showed us his Lombard brag bag and wheel gauge along with the bag of candy he got with his recent order from Lombard Hobby.

Superintendent Lee Sheffield let us know we are planning a February meeting in person, but it will not be our annual pizza night. March will hopefully be the big biannual auction (to be determined at a later date). Adam Woodie mentioned if we hold off on the auction, then maybe once the weather is nicer we could use the Westlake Rec Center's outdoor pavilion for the auction.

Scott Benson let us know that the annual conventions are once again postponed for another year.

Chuck Bergie from St. Louis and past member of Division 4, gave some tips for making small layouts that are easy in small places. Also convenient for when you move.

It was mentioned that EKO products made in Spain have nice prices for a decent product.

John Witt showed us his new buildings he has been working on and the 2-D people he has made for them.

We talked over the Zoo Wild Winter Lights:

- What was good
- What was bad
- A reminder to all who use the Division's equipment to please treat it kindly so others are able to use it when needed.

Quick mention of doing Zoom meeting and having the ability to do Clinics on it also for our Division Meetings.

Bruce Bowie gave us a tour of his layout and explained future plans and ideas.

Lee then thanked David James for hosting our Zoom meeting for the evening. A big THANK YOU to Ben Lanza for our daily news letters and Dave Lawler for his daily picture contribution.

Just a reminder that next Board of Directors Meeting will be on February 9, 2021, at 7:00 and will be via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,  
Chris Shick  
Division 4 Secretary