



NEW JERSEY RAILROAD ASSOCIATION

REVIEW GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

June 11, 2020 10:00AM
Zoom Conference call

1. President **John McCreavy** called the Meeting to Order at 10:02am.
2. **John McCreavy** conducted a Safety Briefing to all attendees to be aware of their surroundings and then gave a brief history of the New Jersey Railroad Association.
3. **John Vest** spoke about the Short line Tax Credit being extended for another 5 years but the FAST (Fixing America's Surface Transportation) act is expiring on September 30th. Also, the current TNI bill being discussed in Washington would mandate a two-man road crew.
4. **Jon Bramnick** gave an update on COVID-19 and when businesses would be opening back up in the state of New Jersey. The June state budget deadline has now been extended to July.
5. **Rodney Oglesby** gave an update on CSX procedures during the COVID-19 pandemic. CSX temporarily closed Jacksonville headquarters and employees are working from home. On June 15th 25% of the CSX workforce will move back into the offices. Extensive cleaning in all offices and locomotives is now commonplace.
6. **Mike Fesen** gave an update on NS procedures during the COVID-19 pandemic. NS temporarily closed Atlanta headquarters and employees are working from home. NS has no current plan for their workforce to move back into the offices. Extensive cleaning in all offices and locomotives is now commonplace.
7. **Jon Broder** gave an update on Conrail and how COVID-19 has had a major impact on North Jersey operations and Mount Laurel. Infrastructure projects are picking up steam again. (Greenville Yard, South Kearny, Waverly Loop)
8. **Bhavin Kapadis** gave an update on NJDOT FY2020 RFAP 13 approved grant projects and the FY2021 grant program will begin taking applications in Mid-August.
9. **Michael Ruane** gave an update on DVRPC and the use of rail data for railroad capacity and supply chain demand. Freight is slowly starting to ramp back up.

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10. **Lisa Tackach** introduced **Gary Young** the associate member feature.
11. **Gary Young** gave an overview of his company Stella-Jones and how they are the leading supplier in North America of treated wood railroad ties.
12. **Lisa Tackach** said in closing that the next New Jersey Railroad Association meeting will be on September 16th and the location will be announced at a later date.
13. **John McCreavy** adjourned the meeting at 11:05am.

Brett Boehm
Secretary