

# 8-4-2015 NEW HAMPSHIRE PASSENGER TRAMWAY SAFETY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Present:           Members

Selden Hannah

Stan Judge

Bob Hoyt

Industry

Tim Pfister, Pfister Mountain Services, on behalf

Tenney Mt.

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Briggs Lockwood

Selden called the meeting to order at 9:20. The Board reviewed the minutes of the 6-30-2015 meeting.

Motion to accept: Bob Hoyt

Second: Stan Judge

Approved unanimously.

The Board moved to the Tenney Mt. project. Tim Pfister who has been contracted to conduct maintenance on the tramways, provided a summary of the

work to be done to the Board. The Board reviewed the summary and also reviewed existing lift data that is already in the State's files. The information was presented as 'informational only' so the Board did not take action.

Next the Board reviewed the latest update from Black Mt. in regard to replacing the chairs on their double chairlift. The Board wants to know what the manufacturer's quality control will be for the hangers. There was more discussion. Stan pointed out that an NDT procedure should come with the new hangers. Selden asked if the proposed hangers meet the current code.

Selden suggested that the provider of the hangers certify that the new components are compatible with the lift. There was more discussion

The Board is in agreement that Black Mt. needs to submit to the Board the following:

- Certification that the new components are compatible with the lift.
- Manufacturer's quality control: What testing has been done prior to the components being put in use.
- Differences, if any, between the old hangers and the new ones; if there is any difference in weight, tower loadings will need to be re-calculated. Also important are dimensional and clearance considerations.

Briggs indicated that he would relay this information to Black Mt.

The Board moved on to Item #4, rulemaking. The Board's goal would be to enact a rule that would make permanent the emergency rule requiring that all chair hangers be subject to inspections that employ a method more effective than simple visual inspections. The Board discussed the possible wording of the proposed rule. After discussion, the Board agreed to the following language. This language to be submitted as an initial submittal for rulemaking.

(15) Amend ANSI 4.3.4.3 Carrier Inspection, by changing the first sentence to read: "All carriers (grips, clips, hangers, chairs, carriages, and

cabins) shall be tested using a procedure revealing more flaws than use of a visual examination.

Motion to approve: Stan Judge

Second: Bob Hoyt

Approved unanimously

The Board discussed item #2, possible amendments to RSA 225-A. After brief discussion, the Board declined to offer any amendments at this time.

The Board reviewed recent bulletins from Doppelmayr regarding snap-ring type sheaves, and six-wheel and longer wheel assemblies on 1996 and older detachable installations. Doppelmayr is recommending that additional deropement switches be installed on the outgoing end of six-wheel and longer wheel assemblies. The Board is in agreement with this recommendation, and suggests that affected operators come up with a schedule to get this completed.

The Board set the date for the next meeting for Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 at 110 Smokey Bear Boulevard.

Also, the Board set the date for the public hearing for the rulemaking for Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, at a time and location to be announced.

Motion to adjourn at 11:41: Stan Judge

Second: Bob Hoyt

Approved unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Briggs Lockwood