



# ORANGE COUNTY MODEL ENGINEERS, INC.

*The Mackerel Flats and Goat Hill Junction Railroad*

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**Date of Meeting:** Sunday April 5, 2020

**Place of Meeting:** OCME Clubhouse

**Call To Order:** The regularly scheduled meeting of the Orange County Model Engineers, Inc. was called to order at 2:10 PM by President Dennis Neil.

**Due to the COVID crisis, and club closure, the meeting was held by teleconference phone call set up by Bob Harrison.**

**Board Members Present:** Hank Castignetti, Bob Harrison, Dalton Johnson, Dennis Neil, Andy Nelson

**Dennis Neil was officially welcomed as the appointed club President until elections are held in November.**

**Board Members Absent:** None

**Approval Of Minutes:** Motion to approve March minutes by Andy, seconded by Hank. Motion Passed 5-0.

**(Note-the store account figure reported in the March minutes were recorded incorrectly and are corrected in these minutes.)**

**Other Members Present:** None

**Member Issues:** None

## **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

- By Andy:
  - Store account balance \$8,355
  - New Locomotive & Construction Fund \$8,898
  - General Fund \$23,365
- Andy reported Total Checking/Savings \$40,618
- Andy reported that birthday refunds were made totaling \$1,200 and that some birthday parents elected to keep their payment on-deposit for when the club reopens.

- Andy reported that the club paid RMI \$4,785 for a load of steel rail that was delivered to the club.
- Andy reported that he filed a form with the Secretary of State's office certifying the names of the club officers. This form will be used by our bank to identify who are authorized to sign signature cards on our account. The form has not yet been posted by the Secretary of State on their website. Once it posts he will notify the board to go to the bank and sign signature cards.
- **A motion to approve the Treasurers Report was made by Hank, second by Bob. Motion approved 5-0**

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- **None**


### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Hank reported that the reopening of the park is unknown. The decision has yet to be determined by city government.
- Hank discussed the problem weeds will present when the club reopens. DJ commented that mowing and weed whacking can be done when the time comes. He suggested that the club may need to purchase some new equipment to such as mowers and weed whackers. Bob stated that the help from the Sunburst Academy will be requested.
- Hank reported that Steve Alley of Allen Models was not able to deliver two pallets of plastic ties due to the COVID crisis. A quote was obtained from a freight company to deliver them from Reno for \$1,100. The cost was deemed prohibitive. Steve charges \$400 for delivery and he has agreed to guarantee the price of the ties and delivery if we will send him a check to hold the order. He will deliver the ties whenever he is able after the quarantine has been lifted. Bob Brooks advised that there are enough track panels in inventory to last a number of work days. The board agreed to send him a check to hold the order. **Motion for Andy to send Allen Models a check for \$4,891 by Bob, Second by Andy. Motion approved 5-0.**
- DJ reported that Kevin Tolan advised him that the compressor does not shut off when it reaches max pressure. DJ consulted with Glenn who speculated that there may be a leak in the system somewhere. Glenn advised that Kevin Tolan is knowledgeable of the compressor system and should be asked to trouble-shoot it when to club reopens. **Motion by DJ to ask Kevin Tolan to check it out and make repairs as necessary, second by Andy. Motion approved 5-0.**
- Hank asked the board to vote to waive all equipment storage requirements for the first half of 2020 due to the club closure. **Hank was directed to email all members of this change. Motion to waive all equipment storage requirements until June 30<sup>th</sup> 2020 by Andy, second by Dennis. Motion approved 5-0.**

### **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:**

- Bob stated that a termite inspection has been postponed indefinitely.
- Dennis offered to hold the May board meeting on Zoom and to coordinate it with board members. (Members were advised to that pants are required 😊)

- o Motion to adjourn by Dennis, second by Andy. Motion approved 5-0 at 2:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted \_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_  
Hank Castignetti, Secretary

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(Items in RED require/denote action by members)