



# ORANGE COUNTY MODEL ENGINEERS, INC.

*The Mackerel Flats and Goat Hill Junction Railroad*

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**Date of Meeting:** Sunday August 2, 2020

**Place of Meeting:** Online Zoom

**Call To Order:** The regularly scheduled meeting of the Orange County Model Engineers, Inc. was called to order at 2:03 PM by President Dennis Neil.

**Due to the COVID crisis, and club closure, the meeting was held on Internet Zoom set up by Dennis Neil.**

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

**Board Members Absent:** None

**Approval Of Minutes:**

- Motion to approve July minutes by Dennis, seconded by Bob. Motion Passed 5-0.

**Other Members Present:** None

**Member Issues:** None

**Treasurers Report:**

- By Andy:
  - Store account balance \$7,616
  - New Locomotive & Construction Fund \$8,898
  - General Fund \$7,940
  - Total Checking/Savings \$24,454
- Andy reported all birthday deposits for the year have now been refunded.
- A motion to approve the Treasurers Report by Bob, second by Hank. Motion approved 5-0

**OLD BUSINESS:**


- Dalton-Letter to members asking to remove combustibles from storage containers. (Pending)
- Hank-Letter to all members with stored equipment to sign an updated storage equipment form. (Pending)

## NEW BUSINESS:

- Dalton advised the board that Glenn's son would like to buy any used rail the club is willing to sell. Bob Brooks was consulted and asked the board not sell the entire used rail inventory. Dalton found 146 sticks of 10' aluminum rail that could potentially be offered for sale. After discussion it was agreed that the club can use the income and should offer 100 sticks of aluminum rail for sale at .40 cents per linear foot.
- Motion by Andy to sell 100 sticks at .40 cents per foot, second by Hank. Motion approved 5-0.

## BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

- Hank advised that he has learned the city has acquired federal funds from the CARES relief program that may be available to non-profit organizations in Costa Mesa. Andy advised that the club could justify an annual loss of revenue totaling \$40,000, directly related to COVID 19, if a request was made.
- Dalton joined the Zoom meeting from his phone while at the club. He showed the board live video of new "**Orange County Model Engineers**" decals on both sides of the newly-painted lift. DJ, Zach and Alex had repainted the lift, transfer table and most of the steaming bays and DJ graciously offered to donate all the paint, supplies and decals used for these projects. Hank stated that this was a generous offer by DJ but asked the board if they would approve reimbursing him since he is currently not working and the club still has sufficient funds in the bank. After some discussion it was agreed that in light of DJ organizing the projects and providing the manpower to complete them, the club should cover all the expenses for paint, supplies and material.
- Motion by Andy to reimburse Dalton for expenses up to \$150, second by Bob. Motion approved 5-0.
- DJ suggested that the board ask members to underwrite the cost of the compound projects with donations.
- Motion to adjourn by Andy, second by Dalton. Motion approved 5-0 at 2:40 PM.

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

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(Items in RED require/denote action by members.)