



ORANGE COUNTY MODEL ENGINEERS, INC.

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The Mackerel Flats and Goat Hill Junction Railroad

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Date of Meeting: Sunday November 8, 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 2:00 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: Dennis Neil, Bob Harrison, Dalton Johnson, Hank Castignetti, Andy Nelson

Board Members Absent: None

Approval Of Minutes:

- Motion to approve October minutes by Andy, seconded by Hank. Motion Passed 5-0.

Member Issues:

- Five members participated in the Zoom general members meeting. Most of the discussion centered on the bridge remodel project. Bob Harrison reviewed progress to date and it was agreed that another members meeting would be called next month at the same time.

Treasurers Report:

- By Andy:
 - Store account balance \$7,556
 - New Locomotive & Construction Fund \$8,898
 - General Fund \$7,418
 - Total Checking/Savings \$23,317
- Andy reported monthly income from sale of used rail of \$400 and 2021 dues renewals of \$105.
- A motion to approve the Treasurers Report by Hank, second by Bob. Motion approved 5-0

OLD BUSINESS:

- Hank-Letter to all members with stored equipment to sign an updated storage equipment form noting the need for personal insurance on stored equipment. (Pending)

NEW BUSINESS:

- Dennis reviewed the general members meeting and thought it went well. He hopes more members would participate. The meeting is recorded and the link will be emailed to all members for their review.
- Bob advised that Gary Gorman priced out Andy Romer's Bill of Materials list and estimated that material costs for the bridge remodel would be approximately \$17,000.
- Bob advised that set up at the Muzeo Museum event went well and thanked Zach and Dalton for getting all the club equipment to the site.
- Hank stated that he knows a web designer who has offered to help the club set up a procedure to accept PayPal donations on our web page to fund the bridge remodel. Amelia will be invited to join the Board of Directors in a Zoom meeting at 2 PM on Wednesday 11/11 to take questions.
- Hank advised that many membership renewals as well as ballots have been received to date.
- Dalton reviewed the recent vandalism to the bridge and station.
- Dalton suggested that funds to cover next years insurance premium should be put into a separate account to assure they are available next summer. Andy advised that setting up a new, separate bank account for that purpose would be cumbersome and costly and suggested renaming the "Locomotive Fund" to the "Insurance Fund" since a new locomotive is not likely in the foreseeable future while the insurance premium will be due next June. It was agreed that no board vote would be necessary for Andy to do that.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

- None
- Motion to adjourn by Bob, second by Dalton. Motion approved 5-0 at 2:42 PM.

Respectfully Submitted _____  _____

Hank Castignetti, Secretary

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