Big Sur Grange #742
February 4, 2025 (cancelled)
February 18, 2025 (rescheduled)
5:30pm
Meeting Minutes

Opening of the Grange 5:31 pm

Roll Call :;
Officers:Kendra Morgenrath, Tim Green, Bruce Merchant, Heather Lanier, Jaci Pappas, Carol Shadwell, Peggy Goodale, Martha Karstens, Sharon PetrosinoWilson, Jessica Koning.
Members: Patti Kronlund, Jenny Buckland, Penny Vieregge
Guest: Rachel Goldberger

Approve Minutes : Bruce makes the motion to approve. Tim seconds it. Unanimously approved.

Good of the Order-ceremony honoring Butch Kronlund passing. Draped the Grange Charter ~~sign~~ for 30 days.

New Business

- Big Sur Fund Grant, apply by 8/1/25-what would we request it for. We are going to research and get an answer before July 1, 2025.

Old Business

- Starlink (ongoing)-still ongoing -if it ever doesn't work: go to the right side of curtain, plug in orange cord. Needs power to work so if we have no power, Starlink can't work.
- AED check -Kendra will do it tonight.
- Marketing for the Grange-next meeting

-massage class went well-12 people. Trying to open fire doors: One door was caught up on carpet. The other door also wouldn't open. Doors need work but to redo them ~~would~~ could be very expensive. Jon will look into repairing/replacing them.

Steward Report

- Rainbird proposal (ongoing)
- Front entrance drain proposal (ongoing) -Blacktail says we need a bigger sieve, from $4000 to $7000 and drain is little over $5000 cost. $2000 is the labor. Carol makes motion that we authorize the $7000 to fix the drain, Penny 2nds, unanimous approval.

-Per Tim: Jessica had13 things to do in 2022. We have done almost all of them. As to furnace, the exchanger which would be cheaper. Jaci gives overview of what we need. We bought exchanger for $1000 and it was under warranty so we don't have to pay. Probably a month of lag time.

-septic-we scoped a lines. Nothing in lines. The septic is deteriorating above line and needs a patch job. Going to check vent in front bathroom. Tim is going to continue working on it. May need a new pea trap. All of this to be done before we do a new septic tank.

-good idea to get humidity down and helps with the mold. Maybe we need a bigger humidifier. Bring humidity down to 50 in winter and 45 in summer.

Chaplain -gave a nice tribute to Butch. Gives a surgeon general statement -parting prescription for America: Community. We agree to put it on the website.

Musician -taught us a song "How Peaceful Living in the Country." She recommends we move the piano.

Gatekeeper

- Membership Report -2 new members: Michael Borrowman-school teacher, lives in Santa Cruz. Peery Sloan -was here last month and artist at Rancho Rico. Both ~~admitted~~ voted in to the Grange. Total members: 114.

-vote on members who didn't pay-18 didn't pay dues. (4 didn't want to join and others didn't hear from) Diane Allen, Blaine Birchby, Cecily and Bannus Hudsen, Elinor Koenig, Lois LaVerne, Sarah Lavelle, Kristen Linder, Bob Lockwood jr, Michael Lojkovic, Melina Mara, Michael Minasion, Brigga Mosca, Kate Novoa, Amanda Rideout, Dena Rebozo, Barbara Rogers, Brooke Russel.

. Motion to drop 18, Peggy, 2nd Heather.

-now total members: 96.

Treasurer

- Financial Report –

Salvation army thank us for donation at Christmas.

Sharen Carey announcing her retirement

Food Bank in Monterey county, thanking us for donation at Christmas

Checking: $45,098.93 in that account

We are doing well on budget so far. One thing we need to start to do is an audit each year. Required by the Grange. Need internal review of Grange records. Kendra, Peggy and Bruce agree to do internal order.

Lecturer

- Rental Committee Report-Shae gives notice and won't be able to work after March 1, 2025.. Kendra will send me the notes of the meeting. Discussed rental manager duties. Transition Sharon out of role. Heather, Kendra and Jerilyn will assume rental role. Letter going to membership asking for rental manager. Procedure is: all inquires that come in will have automatic reply with basic information. Also a video walkthrough. Also give next steps. Need dates, deposit and contract. Jaci said she would check on clean up. Jaci also volunteers. Upload to google drive.

-we also need to clarify rental costs etc. on next month agenda: Rentals v. programming.

Uncle Frank's Funnies: Kendra had one.

Closing of the Grange : motion to adjourn by Bruce, 2nd by Jessica 7:10 pm close the Grange
Sharon Petrosino-Wilson
Secretary