



Orangevale Grange #354

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Meeting Minutes for 21 February 2024

1. Call to Order

The Grange was opened at 7:10 with Luke VonderOhe presiding.

Roll call was taken as noted below:

President:	Luke VonderOhe	Present
Vice Pres:	Amy Wong	Present
Lecturer:	Christina Webster	Present
Steward:	OPEN	
Asst. Steward:	Brad Squires	Absent
Lady A.S.:	Shirley Baker	Present
Chaplain:	Debbie Luce	Absent
Treasurer:	Lori Boes	Absent
Secretary:	Sarah VonderOhe	Present
Gatekeeper:	Alan Hopp	Absent
Ceres:	Sharon Taylor	Present
Pomona:	OPEN	
Flora:	Aliyah Wong	Absent
Musician:	OPEN	

Executive Committee:

3 Year:	Jerry Macklem	Present
2 Year:	Bob Clouse	Absent
1 Year:	Christina Webster	Present

Other grange members attending:

Dale Baker, David Dill, Linda Macklem. Guests Nathan and Dade.

2. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of last meeting dated 17 January 2024 were approved as presented & via email. Shirley Baker made the motion and Dale Baker seconded. Motion carried.



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3. Applications

- a. Debbie Thompson - Shirley Baker made the motion to accept Debbie's application from January and Dale Baker seconded. Motion carried.
- b. Judy Egan - Christina Webster made the motion to accept Judy's application from January and Sharon Taylor seconded. Motion carried.
- c. There were no new applications in February.

4. Obligations

- No obligations were made this month.

5. Reports of Standing Committees:

- **E.C. Report**

- a. The tractor has been purchased and is on-site.
- b. Reminder that the Big Day of Service is May 4th.
- c. Commercial kitchen update – minor upgrades are needed to become compliant. There was a discussion around cost compared to use of the kitchen generating revenue. Additional comments were made regarding the additional benefit it gives the Grange during our own events. Jerry Macklem moved and Shirley Baker seconded the proposal that we continue to move forward with the commercial kitchen process. Motion carried.
- d. The grounds were cleaned up, trees trimmed and the grass was mowed.

- **GWA (Grange Women's Activities)**

- a. August 8th is the Treat our Teachers event at the Grange. Shirley Baker moved, and Christina Webster seconded that the GWA donate \$200 dollars toward the event. Motioned carried. Linda Macklem moved, and David Dill seconded that the Grange provide hall rental for the event free of charge. Motion carried.
- b. All tables are sold for the Craft and Sewing Supply Sale and Exchange occurring on March 16th from 9-2 at the Grange. Monies will be used for the scholarship fund. Help setting up the tables on March 15th at 4:30 would be greatly appreciated.

- **Garden**

- a. One new garden box agreement was received.

- **Hall Report**

- a. The hall continues to be rented well into the future.



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- b. The Grange will host the Community Alliance of Family Farmers conference will be held in the hall on February 29th.
- c. Friendsgiving will be on November 21st this year. Karate will be moved to Wednesday.

- **Property Report**

- a. Lights and electrical upgrades discussed in January will be complete by the end of March.
- b. The large oak in the front is a danger to cars and people and requires trimming. A second tree near the gate to the back is also dangerous and needs work. The work proposed by the arborist totals \$1,060. Jim received another quote that was much higher. Christina Webster moved and Dale Baker seconded approval of \$1,060 to pay for the suggested tree work. Motion carried. Members will be needed to assist with dragging and chipping the pruned branches.
- c. Roof shingles – there are some loose roof shingles. Luke VonderOhe and David Dill will work to repair them.

- **Social Media (Website, Facebook etc.)**

- a. No update.

- **Pancake Breakfast**

- a. At the January breakfast we served 76 including 4H youth and Grange member volunteers. \$407.00 was received in cash, \$39.00 in Square charges, \$185.07 in expenses for a net profit of \$260.93.

6. Communications

- OV Council Meeting Report – there is an upcoming food drive March 9th, see the flier at the hall.

7. Treasurer's Report

- Lori Boes was away on vacation and the treasurer's report will be forthcoming.

8. Old Business

- Nealy all the dictionaries have been given out.

9. New Business

- No additional new business other than noted above was presented.

10. Installation of Officers

- Sharon Taylor was installed (to continue) in the position of Ceres.



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11. Chaplains Report

- No report this month, although members requested that a card be sent to Linda MacCracken (her mother passed) and to Bob's wife Jeanne (she has been ill). We ask that members keep these folks in mind.

12. Lecturers Program

- Christina passed out some great information on Grange ceremony and reading code.

After the benediction, the Grange closed at 8:22.

Fraternally submitted,
Sarah VonderOhe, Secretary
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Minutes approved _____ as presented, as corrected, as amended
(Date)