

-1Subordinate Grange By-Laws

ARTICLE I

Name

Section 1. This Grange shall be known and designated as Crescent Grange #136 of The Patrons Of Husbandry.

ARTICLE II

Meetings

Section 1. There will generally be one regular meeting each month. Meetings are held at a time agreeable to as many Grange members as possible to maximize participation. Meetings may be held by mail, email or other means as deemed necessary from time to time for the convenience of our membership.

Section 2. Seven members of the respected chartered Grange shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE III

Membership

Section 1. The qualifications for membership; procedure for attaining membership; membership dues; and the right to vote are provided in the By-Laws of the National and State Grange. All candidates for membership and elected officers shall be required to agree at the time of election to membership or installation into office that at all times they will faithfully comply with the Constitution, By-Laws and Codes of the Grange at all levels, as from time to time adopted.

Additional membership possibilities outlined in the National Grange By-Laws are available. These include: Family membership, Affiliate membership, Pomona Grange membership, Pomona Grange Affiliate membership, State Grange voting and non-voting membership, National Grange voting and non-voting membership, Associate membership Supportive membership, and E-Granger membership, or as amended from time to time.

ARTICLE IV

Election to Membership

Section 1. All persons, upon being admitted to membership, shall sign the Roll Book containing the By-Laws of this Grange, thereby pledging themselves to faithfully comply with the Laws of the Order at all levels, as from time to time amended.

Section 2. When a candidate has been rejected, it shall be the duty of the member proposing said candidate to inform them of such rejection, and to return the fee without disclosing any other circumstances in the matter. If the candidate is elected and fails to come forward in initiation for a period not exceeding one year thereafter, such election shall be null and the fees shall be retained. Further time may be granted upon a reasonable excuse being given.

ARTICLE V

Officers

Section 1. The titles of officers of this Grange shall correspond with those of the National and State Granges as permitted.

Section 2. The officers of this Grange shall be elected annually, or as otherwise required, at a regular meeting.

Section 3. The officers shall be installed within two (2) months following election.

ARTICLE VI

Tellers

Section 1. Any Grange member may request a paper ballot vote of any issue at any time. Whenever such a request is made, a paper ballot shall be used and Tellers appointed. The Tellers, together with the Secretary, shall keep the tally.

ARTICLE VII

Duties of Officers

Section 1. The duties of the officers of this Grange shall be such as prescribed in the Colorado State Grange By-Laws.

ARTICLE VIII

Committees

Section 1. The Grange membership may form committees to serve the Grange and the community as the membership identifies the need for such committees. The Executive Committee and the Good of the Order Committee are typically on-going. The Executive Committee shall consist of the Master and two or more elected members. Elected officers may also be elected to the Executive Committee. The Overseer and Treasurer if not elected members, shall ex-officio be members of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE IX

Fees and Dues

Section 1. The fees and dues of this Grange shall be adequate to cover National and State dues with an additional amount to be determined by the membership annually.

ARTICLE X

Distribution of Assets Upon Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of this Grange, the members of the Executive Committee of this Grange shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all liabilities of this Grange, shall remit to the Colorado State Grange all remaining funds, including real and personal property of this Grange. Said funds to be held in trust in accordance with the By-Laws of the National Grange for a period of up to seven (7) years pending the reorganization of this Grange. Any title to any real property of this Grange shall be transferred to the Colorado State Grange, to be disposed of in accordance with the provisions of the By-Laws of the National Grange.

ARTICLE XI

Amendments

Section 1. All propositions for amending or repealing these By-Laws, or any part of them, shall be presented in writing at a regular meeting, and shall lie over until the next regular meeting, when they may be adopted by a two-thirds (2/3rd) vote of all membership present. After being approved by the Grange, the proposal must be sent to the Master of the State Grange for approval before becoming effective.

ARTICLE XII

Policies & Procedures

Section 1. Policies and Procedures required to maintain the orderly conduct of Grange business are written in the Policies and Procedures document. All Grange members agree to follow said Policies and Procedures. Any Grange member in good standing may propose additions or modifications to Policies & Procedures. Proposed additions or modifications shall be presented in writing to the Grange at a regular meeting for a vote by the membership where a simple majority vote will suffice to add or modify.