Square Butte Ranch Club Board meeting minutes August 19,2022

Present: Maureen Heffring, Kym Penner, Louis Delesalle, Keith Almberg, Hazel Sangster.

(Lori Collins for her report.)

Meeting called tot order 9.30

We received approval from the condo board to hay the back 40 and is being done this weekend. The contractor will bale in rounds once it is dried. We will receive 25% of the bales, dry grass will not be a fire hazard, and the thatch will be reduced so next year's growth will be better.

Lori reported that horses/owners are taking advantage of their 2 week stays closer to the barn (Jennifer's three horses in the corner of the pond pasture right now.

The older horses are in the pond pasture and Lori is moving the wire so that they can eat some of the long grass down.

Lori is moving the gelding herd into the near end of the condo pasture. As the downed trees cause a considerable hazard to the horses, she will have to fence along the forest edge to keep them out of the tangle of downed trees

Lori will help with the set up of the clinic with Tracey Skinner in September. Se[tember 30, Oct 1 and 2.

Patricia has informed us that the saloon is planned to open the end of September or beginning of October. The Ranch Club will help with the inaugural event.

Lori will coordinate withe Louis on the ordering of the halters, sticks and lead lines ordered from Glenn Stewart.

Motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Keith, Louis Passed.

Hazel will pass information to Lawyer Jenny Kirkpatrick to formulate a letter to April Shulsky (all board members in agreement).

MOU Response. With the absence of action on this from the condo board we will put together a budget and request to upgrade the bathroom in the barn (approx cost \$250-300). We will also request funds to cover the cleaning (the Gym receives \$75/month) and the supplies (toilet paper, paper towel, soap, garbage bags). This is a budget item for the upcoming Condo Board discussions. Maureen will draft a letter to be circulate to BC board members.

Financials. Kym presented the current financials with a positive cash flow. The year deficit of \$2500 is the costs of our upgrade to the barn which we absorbed and which adds to the value of the ranch.

New Business

We discussed the possibility of having different fees for different paddocks for those who want to have their horses closer in, also a blanket fee for blankets on and off. We feel that the best way is to sit down with Lori and discuss this and come up witht some suggestions.

We assume that we will be able to use the waterers in the winter. We have been filling the ranch tank from the pond and delivering water to our horses without using any ranch water. Some owners who have their horses at home are using ranch water. Next year we plan to have a system set up to draw water from the pond for the arena and the community gardens (this should cost around \$300).

The next meeting is September 16, 2022.

Meeting adjourned.