



SEMCU Foundation
MEETING MINUTES
Monday, March 18th, 2018, 6:00PM
Ranchos Pizza Factory
37184 Ave 12, Madera, CA

Attendance

Board Members

Igal Treibatch
Verlaine Elinburg
Jeff Evers

Others Present

Matt Maringer
Al Solis
Mark Carter
Jan & Win Peirsol

Call to Order – the meeting was called to order at 6:07pm by Igal Treibatch

Previous Meeting Minutes from February 18th, 2019

- Corrections, Approval or Disposition – no changes
 - Jeff Evers made a motion to approve the minutes
 - Verlaine seconded
 - all in favor

Public Comments – No public comments

Officer Reports

- Jeff McGrath, Acting President – Not present
 - Mentioned in letter he is willing to continue to serve as treasurer if the Board so desires
- Jeff McGrath, Treasurer - Monthly Financial Report
 - Checking Balance: \$1,985.10
 - Washer grant checking: \$7,812.20
 - Claim 5 check for the 2016 grant came in on March 11th for \$16,030.23 and 20 rebate requests were reimbursed
 - Claim 7, which is for the 4th quarter of 2018, is at the State waiting for approval
 - Missing check for 2014 grant was found and we received it on March 13th for \$1,311.95
 - This will allow us to file for the final payment from the State
- Igal Treibatch, Secretary
 - Igal spoke to community residents at the meeting letting them know SEMCU meets only once a month and not a whole lot of time needs to be dedicated
 - All extra low flow equipment will be available at future events
 - 99 people have been reimbursed as part of the 2016 grant

- Igal reiterated a \$700 rebate opportunity is available for purchasing a new clothes washer and dishwasher

☐ Discussion Items

- RWMG Report from Al Solis
 - Christi Hansard presented her corrected contract to Tom W for signature as the new administrative assistant
 - Jeannie Habben reported the IRWM plan update was rejected by the State
 - Jeannie reported \$11.7M is available for the Prop 1 funding and \$1.3M will be divided evenly per region if they decide to go that route
 - The SGMA Madera Subbasin Coordination Committee meeting will be held on March 21st
 - Igal spoke of the need for a grant to fund a project to install 260 dry wells throughout the county for groundwater recharge
 - The next RWMG meeting will be on Monday, April 8th at 1:30pm in Oakhurst
- Voting of Directors
 - The Board agreed to keep Jeff McGrath as the treasurer and Igal Treibatch as the secretary
 - Verlaine presented herself to become the president
 - Jeff Evers made a motion for Verlaine to become president, Igal seconded and all were in favor
- Grant Reports
 - Report from Owen Kubit
 - Owen reported we are looking for more grant writers in order to bring more money into the community
 - Fresno State has their grant writing class available to earn a certificate and Igal mentioned SEMCU was pay for it if anyone was interested
 - We have been assigned a new project manager from DWR and her name is Eliana
 - The 2014 low flow grant is closed, but extra equipment ill be handed out at the Home & Garden show on April 6th
 - Report from Verlaine Elinburg
 - Verlaine explained she helps promote the grants and helps set up booths for different community events for SEMCU
- Status of Dry Wells
 - Igal mentioned to the public SEMCU has submitted a \$1M application for the Prop 1 grant for the dry well recharge project
 - The dry wells had tests ran and one well ran for a week to simulate a rainstorm
 - The amount of water recharged could last a family 23 years who use an average of 200 gallons per day
- Upcoming Events – 2019 Flatlanders Parade
 - A theme has not been determined for the Flatlander’s parade yet, but Igal suggested SEMCU promote the grants with the float
 - The Home & Garden show is on April 6th and Igal will be donating 10 mandarin trees
- Ranchos Independent
 - Igal Treibatch to write April article and will talk about the clothes washer and dishwasher rebates available from the grant

☐ **Next Foundation Meeting** – Monday, April 15th, 2018 at 6:00pm

☐ **Adjournment** -

- Jeff Evers made a motion to adjourn
- Verlaine seconded
- all in favor
- Meeting adjourned at 7:43pm