

# SEMCU Foundation MEETING MINUTES Monday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019, 6:00PM Ranchos Pizza Factory 37184 Ave 12, Madera, CA

## □ Attendance

#### **Board Members**

Igal Treibatch Verlaine Elinburg Sarbjit Johal Mark W. F. Carter Daniel Strobel Holly Strobel Jeff McGrath Dylan Strobel

### Others Present Matt Maringer Tal Fogelman Owen Kubit Sandra Carter Richard Garcia Al Solis

**Call to Order** – the meeting was called to order at 6:05pm by Verlaine Elinburg

### **Previous Meeting Minutes** from October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019

- Corrections, Approval or Disposition no changes
  - Jeff McGrath made a motion to approve the minutes
  - Igal seconded
  - All were in favor

### Public Comments

- Richard Garcia introduced himself and brought up the subject of Road 36 and Avenue 12.
  - He mentioned the trucks going through there are running red lights
  - Igal mentioned the traffic going through there has been a topic of concern for SEMCU
  - Igal suggested he write a letter to Supervisor Frazier to make him aware of the situation

## **Officer Reports**

- Verlaine Elinburg, President
  - Verlaine would like to setup a grant writing meeting for anyone interested
- Jeff McGrath, Treasurer Monthly Financial Report (not present)
  - Grant account balance: \$812.67
    - All requests are paid up
    - We should try to make one more big push for the grant for the rest of November and December
  - Jeff mentioned there is about \$9,200 worth of bills for the dry wells
    - He is waiting on the \$25,000 donation so he can make the payments
- o Igal Treibatch, Secretary
  - Igal mentioned he really didn't have anything to report

### Discussion Items

o RWMG Report from Al Solis

- The 2020 budget was reviewed, and the group will take a vote next month
- Jeannie H contacted DWR and the IRWM Plan Update was fully approved
- The first SGMA report is due in April and will include 2018-19 data
- The Arrundo project will be complete in February 2020
- The next meeting will take place on November 25<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm at the Chowchilla City Hall
- o Grant Reports
  - Report from Owen Kubit
  - Owen introduced himself and explained his role to the new board members
  - Owen submitted the 9<sup>th</sup> quarterly progress report
  - He mentioned the grant is coming to an end soon and we should stop accepting applications by the end of December2019
    - Jeff McGrath will have to close out the accounting
  - A draft report will have to be completed by the end of March
- o Status of Dry Wells
  - Matt reported 16 dry wells have been drilled this season so far
  - We are trying to get more wells approved from the County as some of them ran into permit issues
  - Igal mentioned we will drill as many as we can before the winter rain comes
- Upcoming Events
  - No upcoming events are on the schedule
  - The coffee and conversation meeting with Brett Frazier will not happening in November
    - The next one will be on December 11<sup>th</sup> at the Ranchos Cafe
- Jeff McGrath mentioned he received a letter in the mail from Valley Teen Ranch asking for a donation for Thanksgiving meals for the kids
  - Igal brought up SEMCU has already donated \$1,500 to Valley Teen Ranch this year
- o Ranchos Independent
  - Igal/Matt will write the December article and will discuss Avenues 9 and 12
- □ Next Foundation Meeting Monday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 6:00pm

## Adjournment -

- Jeff McGrath made a motion to adjourn
- Daniel Strobel seconded
- o All were in favor
- Meeting adjourned at 6:59pm