



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

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**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 18<sup>th</sup>, 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 11<sup>th</sup> for \$16,030.23 and 20 rebate requests were reimbursed
  - Claim 7, which is for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2018, is at the State waiting for approval
  - Missing check for 2014 grant was found and we received it on March 13<sup>th</sup> 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 SEMUCU 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 21<sup>st</sup>
  - 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 8<sup>th</sup> 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 6<sup>th</sup>
  - 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 6<sup>th</sup> 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 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 6:00pm

## Adjournment -

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