



SEMFCU Foundation
MEETING MINUTES
Monday, May 20th, 2019, 6:00PM
Ranchos Pizza Factory
37184 Ave 12, Madera, CA

Attendance

Board Members

Jeff McGrath
Verlaine Elinburg
Jeff Evers
Mark W.F. Carter

Others Present

Matt Maringer
Al Solis
Sandra Carter
Sarbjit Johal
Jan & Win Peirsol
Margaret Tynan

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

Previous Meeting Minutes from April 15th, 2019

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

Public Comments

- Jan Piersol mentioned she hasn't found much info regarding the Fresno State grant writing program
- There was a good discussion of what grants would be good for the community and the subjects of education and safety would be high priority
- Igal mentioned looking for water grants in order for the community to get the credit

Officer Reports

- Verlaine Elinburg, President
 - Verlaine mentioned the Flatlander's Parade was a success and the booth looked great
 - The parade featured us having a drilling rig advertising the dry wells and grant
 - There were many people who stopped by and picked up applications for the washer grants and the dry wells
- Jeff McGrath, Treasurer - Monthly Financial Report
 - Balance: \$9,491.67
 - A \$10K donation from Trinity was made for the dry wells
 - Grant account balance: \$704.20
 - As of now there are 46 outstanding applicants waiting to get reimbursed
 - There were three rebates rejected from the state for insufficient info. Jeff produced a letter and mailed it to the three recipients to let them know
- Igal Treibatch, Secretary
 - Igal mentioned to the community members in attendance that water sustainability was the initial purpose of SEMFCU

- He would like to hear more voices from the residents in order to advocate changes
- He mentioned he appreciates everyone in attendance and their hard work and it's a sign that they care

☐ Discussion Items

- RWMG Report from Al Solis
 - There was a change to the meeting day of each month to make it the fourth Monday
 - The rejection of the IRWM Plan Update was due to QK's failure to use the most recent version of the plan
 - There is a new water meter installation project that may cost \$1M
 - The final PSP is not out, and changes will include more time for permits
 - A full day of meetings are scheduled for May 29th for the SGMA report
 - The next RWMG meeting will be Monday, June 24th at 1:30pm at the Madera Government Center
- Grant Reports
 - Report from Owen Kubit (not present)
 - Jeff McGrath reported on Owen's behalf and said invoice 6 was submitted in January 2019 and Invoice 7 was submitted in April 2019
 - There was an issue with the invoices so Matt was able to get both invoices DocuSigned for Eliana so the reimbursement checks would come on time
 - Report from Verlaine Elinburg
 - Verlaine discussed putting a letter together and mailing it to the applicants waiting for a reimbursement checks to let them know the money is coming
- Status of Dry Wells
 - Jeff McGrath suggested drilling a couple dry wells by the school as there is a lot of open land that floods
 - Igal mentioned it would be good to get a map of the flooded areas so we could identify certain areas that would be good for dry wells
 - Verlaine mentioned we still have 12 applicants that are ready for when we start drilling
- Upcoming Events – 2019 Flatlanders Parade
 - Verlaine mentioned again the Flatlander's Parade went well and SEMCU received 3rd place for the float
 - There was a discussion why less people were present this year and the route of the parade was not as long as in previous years
- Ranchos Independent
 - Matt Maringer will write next month's article and will discuss the need for grant writers and how the Flatlander's Parade went
 - Will incorporate different aspects of what SEMCU is all about

☐ **Next Foundation Meeting** – Monday, June 17th, 2019 at 6:00pm

☐ Adjournment

- Jeff McGrath made a motion to adjourn
- Igal seconded
- all in favor
- Meeting adjourned at 7:26pm