

Community Council of Lehigh Acres
Monthly Meeting Minutes

New Image Ministries, 29 Homestead Road
August 17, 2009

- I. **Call to Order: 6:30 PM** President
- II. **Invocation** Michael Porzio
- III. **Pledge of Allegiance**..... Willard Baker
- IV. **Establish Quorum**..... President

Present: Damon Shelor, Rick Anglickis, Karen Makowski, Tami Baker, Edd Weiner, Willard Baker

Mike Anderson, Mike Bonacolta, Jere Carrick, Linda Carter, Diane Champion, Debbie Derums, Oliver DeWeever, Ron Gogoi, Larry Gutridge, Orville Hall, Pam Kaye, Beth Love, Dendle Miller, William Nottling, Rose Oliverio, Michael Porzio, George Szymanski, Mohamed Yasin.

Excused: Ralph Hemmingway, Carlo Lane, Bill Martin, Carl Moore, Jose Morillo, Larry Ruebeling, Jeff Spiro, Stanley Stine, Mike Cook

- V. **Approve Agenda**..... President
1st Edd, 2nd Willard
- VI. **Citizen Comments on Agenda Items-None**
- VII. **Secretary Report**..... Secretary
A. Approve July 20, 2009 minutes.1st Edd, 2nd Linda unanimous
- VIII. **Treasurer Report**..... Treasurer
Approx. \$475.60 Motion to accept..1st Edd, 2nd Linda unanimously passed.
- IX. **Presidents' Comments-Swear in Keith Freeman 1st Edd, 2nd Willard**
- X. **Committee Reports:**
 - A. First Vice President committees:
(Community Development/ Parks & Rec./Code Enforcement/Beautification/ Roads and Trans/ Health Ed. & Welfare)

Community Development-Edd went to LACPC meeting- Sept 26, 2009 planning Dept. going forward with acceptance of the Comprehensive Plan.

Parks & Rec. - Mohamed reported activities are going strong. Debbie Derums-reported that summer camps were successful . Now requested support of after school Programs.

Code Enforcement-Mike-1151 new inspections, 671 closed, 473 signs removed. George-Westminster will resume in September. New Life Assembly becoming active in the Weed and Seed Zone 9 area.

Beautification-none

Roads and Trans- Ron Gogoi-Round about construction on Sunshine and 23 rd St, and Colonial Blvd widening under way

Health Ed. & Welfare-None

Second Vice President Committees:

(Website / Publicity / Election & Bylaws/ Council Sponsored Events/ Fundraising & Membership/ Youth Council.)

Website-Linda-some bios missing, please submit bios and photos to her

Publicity-Karen-waiting for guest speakers

Election & Bylaws-Beth-election due in about 6 weeks-application information is complete, news paper ad for applicants needs to be posted twice. Applications will be available on-line and from Beth Love.

Council Sponsored Events-Pam and Diane-moving forward for the 40th birthday and Team Rescue.

Fundraising-Mike-membership disc and Friends of Council form is ready. Friends of the Council over a certain amount will receive a plaque.

Youth Council-none

XI. Unfinished Business:

- A. Signing of revised Bylaws-approved in July- 3items for correction
- B. Weed and Seed Project Update; Larry Gutridge-almost ready for submission in November. 31% criminal reduction.
- C. Discussion of October event. 40 yrs.
- D. Weed and Seed update

XII. New Business:

- A. Weed and Seed commitment. Council supportive, noted as participation through Damon. 1st Edd, 2nd George
- B. Resignation of Gary Warchol.-accepted with deep regret, 1st Rick, 2nd Edd unanimous. Gary also resigned from street lighting district.
- C. Election process discussion; 2009. news end of month. 7 seats up for election: Damon Shelor, Larry Ruebeling, Willard Baker, Oliver DeWeever, Diane Champion also 2 other open seats.
- D. Cultural events in Lehigh Acres. West Indies day August 23, 2009 at Veterans.
Beth Love- Eleanor Siricca -trying to put together event.
Edd Weiner-December Chamber and European Business Council will have a Christmas Bazaar with food, arts and crafts and etc.

Citizen Concerns; For the Good of the Community

Robert Anderson had 4 concerns;

- 1. 2nd Chance Christian Book Store also has Computer available Root Beer, etc August 22, 2009 12pm-5pm.**
- 2. Fire Board cancelled special meeting for August 18 at 6pm to August 19 4pm at Veterans Park.**
- 3. Neighborhood watch, offering to watch over Veterans Park-need to be listed with Veterans Park as volunteers.**
- 4. NBC-2 story -350 homeless in Lehigh including children. Rick suggested to hand off to the Health Ed & Welfare Committee.**

XIII. Board Member Comments.

Duties and responsibilities of committees.

Linda Carter- Hurricane preparedness-remove debris and plan alternate indoor locations.

Community Services-Fundraiser August 29th at Bowland. \$200 for up to 6 people for 2 hrs, with pizza and sodas.

FGUA- rate hearing Sept. 2 2009 Veterans Park

Oct. 3- Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament at Majestic

Oct. 3 – Sheriffs’ Youth League-Copperhead Gold Tournament

Boy Scouts 720-Zachary-Merit Badge for attending our meeting

XIV. Adjournment before 8:20 PM 1st Damon, 2nd Linda

Next Council Meeting Monday, September 21, 2009

Next Executive Board meeting Tuesday, September 8, 2009