

**Community Council of Lehigh Acres**  
**Monthly Meeting Minutes**

New Image Ministries, 29 Homestead Road  
October 19, 2009

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

**Present: Damon Shelor, Rick Anglickis, Karen Makowski, Tami Baker, Edd Weiner, Willard Baker. Mike Anderson, Mike Bonacolta, Linda Carter, Diane Champion, Don Poidavin, Orville Hall, Ralph Hemmingway, Pamela Kaye, Barbara Kerby Beth Love, Bill Martin, Dendle Miller, Carl Moore, William Nottling, George Szymanski, Mohamed Yasin**

**Excused: Jere Carrick, Mike Cook, Debbie Derums, Oliver DeWeever, Ron Gogoi, Larry Gutridge, Carlo Lane, Jose Morillo, Rose Oliverio, Michael Porzio, Larry Ruebeling, Jeff Spiro, Stanley Stine, Keith Freeman**

- V. **Approve Agenda**..... Willard Baker
- VI. **Citizen Comments on Agenda Items - None**
- VII. **Guest Speaker** ..... John Graham from American Cancer Society spoke of the history of ACS and 92 % of the money collected in Lee County stays in Lee County for research and services. 46 Noble Peace Prize winners sponsored by ACS. Lehigh Acres was only 1 of 2 Relays For Life who reached goal last year. Next Relay for Life is April 17 and 18, 2010 at the Lehigh Senior High School.

VIII.

- IX. **Secretary Report**..... Secretary
  - A. Approve October 19, 2009 minutes. 1<sup>st</sup> Linda Carter, 2<sup>nd</sup> Orville Hall- passed unanimously.

- X. **Treasurer Report**..... Treasurer
- XI. **Balance \$1055.60 1<sup>st</sup> Linda Carter, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ralph Hemmingway**

XII. **Presidents' Comments-None**

XIII. **Committee Reports:**

A. First Vice President committees:  
(Community Development/ Parks & Rec./Code Enforcement/Beautification/ Roads and Trans/ Health Ed. & Welfare)

Community Development- Chamber of Commerce is now located in the new location on Homestead Road. October 28 2009

The land use amendment will be sent to Tallahassee.

Parks and Rec.- None

Code Enforcement- Mike Anderson reported in September 2009 1514 opened cases, 620 closed and 688 signs removed.

George Szymanski – Westminster report 1851 cases and 1519 closed Zone 9 and the Weed and Seed had 560 cases. Bill Martin commented that he has seen more mowing than he has seen in a long time.

Beautification-None

Roads and Trans. Rick Anglicks said the 23rd Street Round About is completed and the fire trucks are able to go around. Ralph Hemmingway said the left turns on Milwaukee and Homestead, are now open. Willard Baker said the sidewalks on Texas Ave. from Leland Heights to Richard Ave. is now completed. Barbara Kerby from FGUA said the main Lift Station started work Oct. 19 2009 by a local company.

Health Ed. & Welfare-None

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

Website-Linda Carter needs Bios.

Publicity-None

Election & Bylaws- Beth Love stated progressing very well. 10 applications so far and is in the newspaper as required by bylaws.

Council Sponsored Events- noted on XII C.

Fundraising and Membership-None

Youth Council- None

**XIV. Unfinished Business: Turned over from Willard Baker to Damon Shelor.**

- A. Signing of revised Bylaws- Willard Baker has the forms to be signed and were passed around the council for signing..
- B. Weed and Seed Project Update; L Gutridge –October 31, 2009 is clean up on Meadow Road. Applications being filled for funding. They are being submitted November 15, 2009.
- C. Final update “Lift Up Lehigh”. Saturday Oct. 24 2009 from 10am-2pm. 35 agencies have signed up for the councils 40<sup>th</sup> birthday.
- D. Election process update. In the newspapers as required by law.

**XV. New Business:**

- A. International Holiday Market... Karen Makowski-

Chamber of Commerce event for 3 days Dec. 10,11,12 . Karen needs help decorating the booth and someone to help with giving out information for the Community Council

**B. Council Mtg. location. (need to move for the Nov. & Dec. meetings)**

Information will be emailed as to where the next meeting will be.

**XVI. Citizen Concerns; For the Good of the Community- None**

**XVII. Board Member Comments.**

**Carl Moore asked if there is an ordinance for excessive noise. He was told there is and to call the Sheriff's Office.**

**Mr. Moore also wanted the members to know that the Elk's Club building is for sale and would like to keep it open to the citizens of Lehigh Acres. He would like to pursue having the County purchasing for a Rec Center.**

**Mr. Nottling said the commercial trucks can now park at 555 E. County Lane, behind CVS for \$125 a month plus \$20 for key card as this is a secured fenced in area.**

**Edd Weiner-Amendment 4 is a dangerous amendment. It is an attempt by regular people to run the government. Example-Frostproof has 322 land zoning changes etc. Means the people would have to go to the polls to vote on each amendment.**

**Damon Shelor- Lehigh Singers, on October 31, 2009, Putt Putt at Town Lakes raising money for future concerts. \$15 per person.**

**Linda Carter requests that Marcella Rice from the Census Bureau come to speak to the council- Get ready for and inform Census Workers on Lehigh Acres.**

**XVIII. Adjournment before 7:45PM**

Next Executive Board meeting Monday November 2, 2009

Next Council Meeting ..... Monday, November 16,2009