

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

Lee County Sheriff Office, Bravo District Substation Annex
1300 Homestead Road
Community Room
June 20, 2011

Call to Order:

On June 20th, 2011 at 6:30 the meeting of the Lehigh Acres Community Council was called to order by Damon Shelor. Edd Weiner requested Damon hold the meeting as he was in a meeting and hoped to arrive later time permitting.

Invocation:

The invocation was given by Gary Warhol.
Pledge of Allegiance was led by Orville Hall.

Establish a Quorum:

Damon established that a quorum was present.

Approve Agenda:

Agenda approved by Jim Kreger and seconded by Linda Carter.

Members Present:

Jim Kreger, Blair Stitt, Carl Moore, Linda Saul, Robert Saul, Damon Shelor, Diane Champion, Odell Jack, Basil Miller, Mohamad Yasin, Orville Hall, Brian Krzmarzick, Rick Anglickis, William Nottling, Jere Carrick, Barb Kerby, Dendle Miller, Bill Martin, Debbie Durams, Linda Carter, Gary Warchol,

Special Guest Speaker: Ron Curtis.

Members Absent:

Members excused: Tami Baker, Larry Gutridge and Ron Gogoi. Edd Weiner did not make it to meeting as the Water Board meeting he was attending went on longer than he expected. Correction to May minutes Bill Martin was excused, Bill had notified Ric Anglicklis when he ran into him on the golf course..

Members, Absent: Ahmed El-Gundy, Beth Love, Mike Anderson, Rose Oliverio, and Don Poidevin

Citizens were in attendance, Michael Peart Senior, Michael Moses Peart Jr.

Secretary Report:

Motion to approve Secretary Report with corrections by Orville Hall and seconded by Linda Carter. Copies of the Secretaries report that was brought by Dendle Miller was missing seconds page.

Treasurer Report:

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report approved by Rick Anglickis and seconded by Jere Carrick.

President's Report:

Edd is at East County Water Board meeting may be able to attend the meeting later. The next Land Development Code meeting will be in July 9th at the Lehigh Library at 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Bill attended the LDC meeting and it was about fine tuning, last meeting of first phase. Discussed home designs, duplexes, landscaping. Next meeting is in July. Damon introduced Sheriff Ron Curtis who is the guest speaker for the meeting. Damon thanked citizens for attending. Damon asked that Debra Derums to start introduction of Council.

Captain Ron Curtis introduced himself and said that he has worked in Lehigh before. He said that it had really changed from in the early 90's to now. Ron said he has strong connections to Lehigh and is really looking forward to working with the Community Council. Ron hopes to be able to use "Comstat" which is a management tool used to pinpoint crime areas. It defines hot spots and will enable him to send deputies to areas where they are needed. If done correctly negatives aspects will be minimal. Question was asked will information be distributed to groups. This information is Public Record and Ron will also try to get this information communicated to the Council. There was a discussion about the Neighborhood Watch Program. Jere commented how much we appreciate what the Sheriffs Department has done to assist Lehigh.

Committee Reports:

First Vice-President Jere Carrick

EDB has been working very hard for Lehigh. Lots of things going on at meetings and it is very important that citizens attend. We are not our own governing body so we are under the control of Lee County. We have made progress by working together and it will work if we continue to work together. We have a group in progress to help get voters. Debbie Derums from Parks and Recreation said this is the first day of Summer Camp and it is going great. The numbers are down a little but they are expecting growth of attendance. Little Leagues and All-stars going strong and the dance was a success. Debbie said we are moving forward on parks in Lehigh. Bill stated nothing really new on beautification. Damon said meeting LACI will be having a meeting next week. There are about 38 functioning weed and seed groups. Rick brought up about the lift station beautification. Barbara Kerby said they will be a meeting within next couple of weeks and she will bring it up again. Canal beautification was brought up, who addresses this? Damon stated about 2 tons of trash had been collected. East County is responsible for the canals. Damon will provide phone numbers to Bill to contact to see what can be done on this. Jim Kreger said maybe as a group that if we sent a letter to ECWD. Our representation has from the ECWD not been in attendance as they meet on the same night as council it has been over a year.

Linda and Edd were at the BOCC meeting this morning about the corner of Lee and Gunnery. Issues about entrance and access are too close to corner so the businesses must be accessed and exited from residential area. Jere commented about a tornado that only touched down at Majestic Golf Club. Lots of damage was done during this storm.

Second Vice-President Mohamed Yasin

Discussed up coming election and there are four open positions. In August nominations will be accepted. Information about the elections needs to be put in the news paper. We need to reach out more to increase awareness of the community. Beth Love will be working on elections with Mohamed.

Gary Warchol has a list of "Friends of the Council" of who has paid, please check with Gary if you are not sure if you have paid or you know of a business that was a contributor before to see if that business has paid or is still willing to become a Friends of Council. Their support is very important and we need community involved. Linda also commented that she needs the list of the Friends of the Council to post on the website.

Damon has nothing from LACI to report on. Beautification is still working with other groups and avenues for grants and the Youth Groups are also helping. The Edward J Burns grant has been rescinded. The Council is looking forward to working with other groups in the community. More on this will be forth coming. LACPP is working on rezoning on Homestead road 30 acres to Multi Purpose zoning. It is near Majestic Golf Club

Citizens Concerns:

Micheal Pearts Sr. was accompanied by his son Michael Moses Peart Jr. who recently graduated from high school and Edison Community College. Mr. Peart Jr. does not have permanent residency. If Michael Pearts Jr. can't get a Visa, he will not be able to attend college and will lose his grants and scholarships. If he cannot get a Visa soon he will not be able to get into college. Michael Jr. needs a Visa and this can be a very timely process. Rick Anglickis made some suggestions as well about some avenues that may be of assistance to Michael Jr. Damon said he does not know what can be done but to get with him after meeting to get information to so that Damon can look into this matter to see if he can open some doors.

Motion to adjourn at 7:41, motion passed.