

Minutes of April 12, 2006 L.A.C.P.C. Meeting

Meeting was called to order @ 6:40 PM by President Bo Turbeville.

Invocation was given by Sister Simmons
Pledge of Allegiance was led by Frank LaRosa

Roll Call was taken by Secretary Willard Baker
Members present were: President Bo Turbeville; Vice President Mike Welsh;
Treasurer Pat Vealey;
Secretary Willard Baker; Frank LaRosa; Liz Eilf Linda Carter; Damon Shelor; Edd
Weiner; Keith Richter;
Charlie DeFelice; Azelma Simmons .Absent .John Miller .Excused .Death in
Family.

Public Comment on Agenda Items Only:
Kevin Shea .Stated that Lee County Commissioners say that our operations does
not confirm with theirs & If the County should open up the election of seats, it
should be open to all members of the community. Frank Lohlein stated that the
Board Members are not qualified to make decisions and Lee County does not
consider us as Legal Council.
Robert Anderson stated that he has prepared the status of L.A.C.P.C. and voiced
his opinion. Steven Haas stated that we should work as adults & be professional.
Members from Westminster complimented the Board & appreciates what the
Board is doing.

Approval of Agenda: Linda Carter made a motion to approve the Agenda .Motion
seconded by Damon Shelor .Motion passed.

Approval of March Minutes .Edd Weiner made a motion to accept the Minutes of
March 2006 .Motion seconded Damon Shelor .Comments .It was felt that there
were some discrepancies and some omissions to the minutes .Approval was
postponed till next meeting.

Reports from Officers:
President's Report .We will always let the public speak at our meetings .No other
report at this time.

Vice President's Report .The picking of a Planner is now down to 4 Candidates .
We had better choices this time .We need more town meetings .Lee County is
now listening to us.

Treasurers Report .Opening Balance \$2,730.86; Expense \$36.41 (tapes for

meetings) .Closing

Balance \$2,694.45. Motion by Edd Weiner to accept the Treasurers Report .

Motion seconded by Linda

Carter .Motion passed.

New Business:

Open Seat: Frank LaRosa wants to keep open seat in memory of Jim Fleming .

Add one seat for a total of 15 seats, leaving Jim Fleming's seat vacant .Damon

Shelor .stick by our By-laws and fill the seat with 14 members .Frank LaRosa

made a motion to increase the Board Members to 15 seats with one seat forever

vacant in memory of Jim Fleming Motion seconded by Linda Carter .Voting 4

votes for the motion 8 votes against motion .motion fails.

Discussion of BOCC status for the LACPC

Jim Mudd reported that the County Commissioner will make a decision of our status at their Tuesday

Meeting .They will come to us for ideas & direction .Commissioner Ray Judah would like

for us to operate like Estero which is professional .The County Commissioners would

like for us to continue to review all permits - Linda Carter stated that the County

must keep us informed as to what the developers are going to do - Charlie DeFelice

stated that we need to be proactive and that the County Staff now recognizes us as a

Planning Group and we are moving in the right direction - Mike Welsh stated that the

Developers are now coming to us so the County must have faith in us - Damon Shelor

wanted to know if Estero is a 501 C3 - Answer Yes - Robed Anderson stated that we

have 4 choices -(1) Be an Advisory Committee, (2) Be a Planning Panel, (3) Stay the

way we are, (4) Close down & let Lee County do it.

Charlie DeFelice made a motion that we move forward to be somewhat like

Estero format; Motion seconded by Pat Vealey .Motion passed .Frank LaRosa

abstained from voting .Jim Mudd will let BOCC know that we would like to be like

Estero

Old Business:

Discussion of the Planner Selection Committee

There will be a meeting Wednesday, April 19 @1-00 PM at the East County

Regional Library .There will be a 20 minute presentation and 30 minutes for

questions .The public will be given an opportunity to speak and the proposed

planners will be ranked 1 thru 4 and sent to Lee County Commissioners for them

to choose the Planner

Subcommittee reports:

Community Involvement Mike Welsh .The next meeting will be April20 .Mr Sweat

from F.G.U.A. may be present at the meeting

Finance & Grants: Keith Richter .He is resigning from the Committee as it is not possible for us to obtain grants as we do not have enough money.

Sidewalks & Bike Paths Willard Baker .The County has finally started to build a sidewalk on Joel Blvd. from Bell Blvd to 6th Street (Lake Camille) Sidewalks in the long range plan _the rest of Arthur Avenue from Homestead Road to Alabama Avenue; Bell Blvd. from Milwaukee Blvd. To Joel Blvd.

Infrastructure/Roadways/ & Transportation Charlie DeFelice .DOT is doing a study of connecting to Alico Road.

Parks & Recreation Frank LaRosa .We need more soccer fields in Lehigh Acres . Some of our Kids are having to go to Gateway to play; Frank is trying to get more fields in Lehigh Acres.

Law Enforcement / Public Safety Damon Shelor .No report at this time.

Architectural Review/Code Enforcement Linda Carter .The standards for duplexes are being upgraded .the Committee meets on the 2nd Monday of the month along with Bicycle Path & Sidewalk Committee

Conservation & Beautification John Miller .Absent

Health / Social Service / Civic Liz Eliff .No Report at this time

Open Public Comment

Frank Lohlein-Is the L.A.C.P.C. planning to follow the Sunshine Laws -Answer was Yes.

Robert Anderson .We should revive the Dump The Dump as the County is planning on raising the height of the dump .Robert Anderson has all the records of Lehigh Acres CRA which are very informative .Will Baker told him he missed a box as he has one from when he was on the CRA Board.

Adjournment

Linda Carter made a motion the meeting be adjourned .Motion seconded by Pat Vealey .Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned 8:40 PM

Willard W. Baker
Secretary