JUNE 25, 2015

The Lee County Charter Review Commission Meeting was held on this date with the following Commission Members present:

Hon. Edward J. Volz, Chairman  
Randy L. Krise, Vice-Chairman  
Lisa K. Maldonado  
Gary W. Medley  
Matthew J. Pusateri  
Greg F. Rawl  
Braxton C. Rhone  
Aaron D. Troyer  
Mohamed J. Yasin

In Attendance:  
Deputy County Attorney Andrea Fraser  
Assistant County Manager Pete Winton

Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Introduction of Commission Members:

Nine (9) Commission members provided brief introductions, and the following members were absent: Noel E. Andress, Noelle Branning, Ismael Hernandez, Joseph Mazurkiewicz, Jr., Frederick D. Morgan, II, and Joanne E. Robertson.

Public Comment:

The Chairman called for public comment and there were two (2) speakers:

1. Estero resident Adele Amico discussed some of the advantages of single-member districts, high campaign costs, and the importance of voter education.

2. Former Lee County Commissioner Ray Judah addressed the Commission stating his opposition for single-member districts and briefly reviewed his reasons for opposition, stating that he was in favor of non-partisan elections and election reform. Mr. Judah responded to questions and comments by the Commission.

Commission Discussion:

Chairman Volz commented that there are two remaining public meeting with the final one scheduled for August 27th, 2015 at East Lee County High School in Lehigh Acres. Discussion by the Commission ensued regarding dates for the schedule Commission Workshops. The next public meeting will be held at Mariner High School in Cape Coral on July 23, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

Adjourn:

Following brief procedural guidance by Deputy County Attorney Andrea Fraser, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 6:26 p.m.

Chairman, Lee County Charter Commission