



March 30, 2015

The Honorable Matt Caldwell
State Representative, District 79
Capitol Office
218 House Office Building
402 South Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1300

Re: Response from March 27th Conference Call with Members of CCLA and Rep. Caldwell in regards to House Bill #1255

Dear Representative Caldwell,

The previous resolution sent in opposition of above bill, in addition to the communications between yourself and the CCLA, and the most recent conference call held Friday, March 27th proved to be both informative and constructive.

With many questions asked and answered, and many possible scenarios reviewed, the Executive Board of the CCLA has decided to retract the current opposition resolution. We are in full support to move forward with the Bill as it stands, with the "only" modification of an effective date of 2016.

We look forward to working cohesively with yourself, the County Commissioner(s), and the ECWCD in support of this new Special District Creation. We strongly encourage those involved in the transfer of any future powers, planning in particular, to solicit the expertise of the ARB committee, CCLA members, as well as a number of Lee County Staff individuals who were and are intimately involved in the Lehigh Acres research and development of the current plan. (which has taken over 11 years of numerous people's resources, talents and efforts to put forth).

Thank you for your efforts Matt, we appreciate your sincerity and creativity. As this process unfolds, please make some time for us on your calendar to visit the CCLA to give members a first-hand, informative accounting.

Sincerely,

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Melinda Lynch

Melinda Lynch, CCLA Secretary

Cc: files

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The Community Council of Lehigh Acres has been in existence for over 50 years, and as a whole, are comprised of 41 individuals. Half of those individuals are "appointed" members from various civic and social functions (i.e. the Water Department, the Veteran's Assn., and the Transportation Dept. of Lee County to name only a few). The other half is concerned citizens who have agreed to volunteer their time for the betterment of Lehigh Acres and have been "elected" by the people are appointed for a defined term. The Community Council works in conjunction with the Chamber of Lehigh, and a number of other non-profit charitable organizations. The Community Council of Lehigh Acres is "your" voice direct to the staff and offices of Lee County.