



Alva Inc. is dedicated to preserving the tranquility  
and beauty of Alva  
P O. Box 2022, Alva FL 33920

### Membership Meeting November 9, 2009

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present, following the Call to Order by President Ruby Daniels. In attendance were about 42 people

#### Secretary's Report:

October Minutes were summarized and accepted.

#### Treasurer's Report:

Beginning balance: \$2,981.84, ending balance: \$3,164.84. Report accepted.

Guest Speaker: Ms. Lydia Lowell-Sherman, Lee Historical Planning and Mr. Matt Noble, Lee Planning spoke regarding preservation of the Alva Library. The proposal is to recommend the BOCC designate the library as a historical property and rezone it to CF1 for compliance. The next step would be to hire an expert for development of a preservation plan with a grant of \$11,500 recommended by the Historical Advisory Board. The room was full of happy and excited people, many of whom have been donating their time to the continuation and preservation of museum/library. A motion was made to support the plan including the rezoning to CF1. Passed unanimously, followed by resounding applause!

Guest Speaker: Wendy Sprague, President of the Alva Garden Club. Ms. Sprague was welcomed by President Daniels and continued by describing the Garden Club activities, centered on the Alva Library. This was the first joint meeting of Alva Inc. and the Garden Club. Ms. Sprague provided delightful insights into the treasures of the museum.

Rob Andrys reported the BOCC has awarded \$100,000 in planning grants to Alva Inc to further refine our community planning efforts! All are encouraged to participate in the upcoming planning efforts. He further reported the BOCC awarded \$50,000 to a panel comprised of seven people for planning activities including commercialization and density increases in western Alva. Rob noted Alva Inc. shall not abandon the residents of western Alva in their opposition to this conversion of rural lands.

Rob announced the Alva Christmas Raffle: Grand prize a week in a North Carolina mountain resort, other prizes include gifts, food and services at local establishments. Tickets \$5 each, 10 for \$40 - Available at Alva Market, Alva Diner or call Rob at 728-2807.

**Combined December Bring-a-Dish Meeting: Alva Garden Club and Alva Inc. Monday December 14<sup>th</sup>, 6PM** Alva Methodist Church Hall. Please also bring a food-for-animals donation. Contact Ruby to help with preparation: 728-3292.

#### Announcements:

1. BOD Meeting Thursday Dec 3rd, 7PM MOGHOP.
2. Riverwood Estates Hearing November 19, 9AM, Hearing Examiner's Room.
3. Oak Park Clubhouse expansion hearing, no date set.
4. Caloosa 80 Hearing, December 9 2009, 9AM, Hearing Examiner's Room.
5. ELCC Meeting, Tuesday November 17, 6:30 PM, Olga Community Center

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jim Green  
Secretary