

The City of Wauchula Code Enforcement met for its regularly scheduled hearing on Wednesday, October 16, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.

**Special Magistrate Dawson called the hearing to order and administered the oath to those testifying.**

Also present at the hearing were Code Enforcement Officer Raina Bergens, Community Development Coordinator Kyle Long and City of Wauchula Billing Specialist Donna Ehrenkauffer.

**Old Case – 19-089-AU**

**220 S 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue**

**Gary Delatorre**

CE Officer Bergens gave an update on the case to Special Magistrate Dawson. Bergens stated the case was a continuance which had been heard previously by Special Magistrate Mawhinney. Bergens informed Special Magistrate Dawson that Delatorre had met with the Community Development Director Olivia Minshew, Community Development Coordinator Kyle Long and Central Florida Regional Planning Council and are working on a remedy for this case. Special Magistrate Dawson asked if the containers were shipping containers and did they have anything in them. Bergens replied yes they are shipping containers and they do not have anything in them. Special Magistrate Dawson stated they just need to be moved. Delatorre addressed Special Magistrate Dawson and stated that was what they were trying to determine. Delatorre explained why he would like to keep the containers. Special Magistrate Dawson reviewed the letter from Central Florida Regional Planning Council. Special Magistrate Dawson granted a continuation of the case until December 18, 2019.

**New Case – 19-165-L**

**610 N 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue**

**Jose & Maria Solis Salvador**

CE Officer Bergens testified for the record this case had been remedied. Special Magistrate Dawson concluded a violation did exist but had been remedied and no fine would be imposed and further violations could be treated as repeat offenses.

**New Case – 19-166-NA**

**716 S 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue**

**Valentin & Eziquia Lopez**

CE Officer Bergens stated the case was opened September 11, 2019 and explained the untagged vehicles and their condition. Eziquia Lopez and Ehrenkauffer and the interpreter addressed Special Magistrate Dawson. Lopez stated one vehicle was tagged but the van was not. Special Magistrate Dawson asked if the tag was current. Ehrenkauffer replied yes it was current. Lopez explained the van was used by her husband whenever he returns from out of state and he has not come back at this time. Lopez added once he returned the van will be tagged and insured. Special Magistrate Dawson asked how long would that be. Lopez replied a month. Bergens asked if Mrs. Lopez was here all year. Lopez replied yes. Bergens explained untagged vehicles were not allowed unless stored in an enclosed building. Ehrenkauffer explained this to Lopez. Special Magistrate Dawson gave Lopez 10 days to prove the other vehicle had a valid tag and 10 days to put the van outside the city limits. Special Magistrate Dawson gave until October 26, 2019 to become compliant and if not in compliance a fine of \$100 a day shall be assessed until brought into compliance.

**New Case – 19-169-L**

**710 N Florida Avenue**

**Sabas Candelario**

CE Officer Bergens stated Candelario was compliant. Special Magistrate Dawson concluded a violation did exist but had been remedied and no fine would be imposed and further violations would be treated as repeat offenses. Ehrenkauffer explained the findings to Candelario and he stated he understood.

**New Case – 19-174-NA**

**319 N 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue**

**Edilberto Diego**

CE Officer Bergens stated the case was opened September 19, 2019 and explained the untagged vehicles. Special Magistrate Dawson gave until October 21, 2019 to become compliant and if not in compliance a fine of \$150 a day shall be assessed until brought into compliance.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

There was no one in the audience to speak.

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS HEARING MINUTES:**

Special Magistrate Dawson approved the September 18, 2019 minutes.

With no further business to discuss, Special Magistrate Dawson adjourned the hearing at 3:37 p.m.

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Special Master Jeffrey S. Dawson

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City Clerk Holly Smith