

The City of Wauchula Code Enforcement met for its regularly scheduled hearing on Wednesday, November 7, 2018 at 3:30 p.m.

Special Magistrate Dawson called the hearing to order and administered the oath to those testifying at 3:30.

Also present at the hearing were Code Enforcement Officer Raina Bergens, and City Clerk Holly Smith.

OLD CASES:

18-150-L 503 Indiana Avenue Anna Maria Rodriguez

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Jamie Hubble, daughter Anna Maria Rodriguez was present to testify in this case. Hubble stated she is the resident at this address. CE Officer Bergens stated this is a continuous from the October hearing. Bergens presented photographic evidence to Special Magistrate Dawson and stated Hubble was very close to be done. Bergens asked Special Magistrate Dawson to give Hubble a little more time. Special Magistrate Dawson asked if she had been given a compliance date. Bergens replied yes November 2, 2018 and stated Hubble was to come back if she needed more time. Special Magistrate Dawson extended the compliance date for this case to November 30, 2018 with no fines.

NEW CASES:

18-168-L 911 Seminole Street Denise Sears, Benita Woods, Clervenia Capron
18-169-NA 911 Seminole Street Denise Sears, Benita Woods, Clervenia Capron

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Benita Woods and Clervenia Capron were present to testify in this case.
CE Officer Bergens testified and presented photographic evidence which Special Magistrate Dawson accepted. Bergens explained to Special Magistrate Dawson the owners of the house are sisters and a nephew lives in the house. Bergens stated the sisters did not have any to do with the disrepair of the residence and Denise contacted the other sisters and informed them of the circumstance and it had to be cleaned up. Bergens explained to the owner's construction debris and the junk piled by the road would not be picked up by the City. Bergens stated she had no objections to giving them more time to haul the stuff off since they were unaware the City would not pick up that stuff. Bergens stated for the record she would like to find it guilty so if it happens again the sisters would have leverage. Special Magistrate Dawson stated what we will do instead of just finding a violation has occurred and has been remedied since it has not been remedied, I am going to give you a compliance date so that is a finding that a violation has occurred and any similar violation that occurs on this property or any other property in the county within five years can be treated as a repeat offense. Special Magistrate Dawson extended the compliance date for this case to November 18, 2018 with a fine of \$50 a daily to start after November 18, 2018 if the property is not brought into compliance.

18-169-NA 911 Seminole Street Denise Sears, Benita Woods, Clervenia Capron

Benita Woods and Clervenia Capron were present to testify in this case.
CE Officer Bergens testified and presented photographic evidence which Special Magistrate Dawson accepted. Bergens stated the RV is gone but the little white car was towed to a vacant property across the street. Bergens stated a Police Officer was notified and contact was made with the owner of the property and the car has to be moved tonight or charges will be filed. Bergens expressed to Woods and Capron the importance of removing the car from the vacant property, today. Special Magistrate Dawson stated he is finding a violation did occur but had been remedied and any further violation can be treated as a repeat offense and no fines at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There was no one in the audience to speak.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS HEARING MINUTES

Special Magistrate Dawson reviewed and made corrections to the minutes from the October 3, 2018 hearing.

With no further business to discuss, Special Magistrate Dawson adjourned the hearing at 3:54 p.m.

Special Master Jeffrey S. Dawson

City Clerk Holly Smith