

The City of Wauchula Code Enforcement met for its regularly scheduled hearing on Wednesday, February 15, 2017 at 3:00 p.m.

Special Master Dawson called the hearing to order at 3:07 p.m. and administered the oath to those testifying.

Also present at the hearing were Code Enforcement Officer Raina Bergens, and Deputy City Clerk Victoria Thompson.

Code Enforcement Officer Bergens asked to call first those cases in which the respondents were present to testify; Special Master Dawson so ordered.

Maria Rivera of 304 Georgia Street was present and her cases were called first.

16-229-L Alvaro Lemus & Maria Rivera 304 Georgia Street
CE Officer Bergens reviewed her case and presented evidence. She advised the property has been worked on and recommended to give Ms. Rivera a little more time to become compliant. After discussion with Ms. Rivera, Special Master Dawson ordered an extension of ten (10) days, to February 25, 2017. If the property is not compliant, Ms. Rivera is aware she will be brought back to the March 15, 2017 Hearing.

16-230-NA Alvaro Lemus & Maria Rivera 304 Georgia Street
CE Officer Bergens again presented her case involving an untagged vehicle. Ms. Rivera advised she is trying to get the title from Tennessee. After discussion CE Officer Bergens recommended to give Ms. Rivera an additional two (2) weeks in which to get the title and proper paperwork for the vehicle. Special Master Dawson so ordered and Ms. Rivera was advised she had until March 1, 2017 to have the vehicle taken care of. If the vehicle is not compliant, Ms. Rivera will be brought back to the March 15, 2017 Hearing.

16-231-Z Alvaro Lemus & Maria Rivera 304 Georgia Street
CE Officer Bergens presented her case involving the installation of a shed without the proper permits. She advised Ms. Rivera had been informed of the proper procedure for having the shed and where it could be placed on the property. After discussion with Ms. Rivera, Special Master Dawson ordered an extension until March 1, 2017; this would give her time to move the shed and have it inspected by the permitting agency. If she is not compliant, Ms. Rivera will be brought back to the March 15, 2017 Hearing.

STATUS UPDATE

15-157-M Lila Arnold Eures 822 N Florida Avenue
CE Officer Bergens presented and reviewed her case on this property. She advised the property has been worked on by Mr. Eures and after explaining his current situation, CE Officer Bergens recommended giving Mr. Eures until April 3, 2017 to become compliant. Special Master Dawson ordered the extension for Mr. Eures. However, if he does not become compliant, he will be brought back to the April 12, 2017 Hearing as recommended.

NEW CASES:

16-215-L James D Hill 310 Indiana Avenue
16-216-N James D Hill 310 Indiana Avenue
CE Officer Bergens testified for the record this property has become compliant.

NEW CASES: (cont.)

16-229-L	Alvaro Lemus & Maria Rivera	304 Georgia Street
16-230-NA	Alvaro Lemus & Maria Rivera	304 Georgia Street
16-231-Z	Alvaro Lemus & Maria Rivera	304 Georgia Street

These cases presented above.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS HEARING MINUTES

Special Master Dawson asked the minutes of November 16, 2016 hearing be forwarded to Heather Christman for her review and approval.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Special Master Dawson noted there was no public in the audience to speak.

With no further business to discuss, Special Master Dawson adjourned the hearing at 3:25 p.m.

Special Master Jeffrey S. Dawson

Deputy City Clerk Victoria Thompson