

The City of Wauchula Code Enforcement met for its regularly scheduled hearing on Wednesday, September 21, 2016 at 3:08 p.m.

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

Those present were Code Enforcement Officer Raina H. Bergens and City Clerk Holly Smith.

**NEW CASES:**

**16-160-L                      Danny Petty Jr.                      710 S 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue**

Code Enforcement Officer Bergens testified at this time the case is compliant but asked a finding of guilt be ordered. She testified numerous cases have been opened on this property in the past year. Special Magistrate Christman handed down an order of guilt and stated any other offences will be treated as a repeat violation and would be subject to fines as such.

**16-161-M                      Dorothy Bruce                      803 Hawaiian Drive**

This case was continued with no action at this time. CE Officer Bergens testified she would rather wait until the bank takes ownership of the property to proceed.

**16-166-L                      Larry & Catherine Reynolds                      1074 Downing Circle**

CE Officer Bergens testified that this case is now compliant but asked a finding of guilt be handed down. She hoped this will encourage the property owners to stay on top of the maintenance of the property. Larry and Catherine Reynolds were present and testified CE Officer Bergens has always been very kind and understanding with them. Special Magistrate Christman handed down a guilty verdict and said any other violation would be treated as a repeat offence and subject to fines as such.

**16-178-L                      (Est of) Elizabeth Printz c/o Barbara Dykes                      703 S 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue**

CE Officer Bergens testified that normally Mrs. Dykes makes contact with her concerning the violation notices on this property; however, no contact has been made at this time. CE Officer Bergens stated the City would like to get her attention because the grass is very overgrown. Special Magistrate Christman ordered a finding of guilt and gave an extension until October 5, 2016. If the property owner failed to comply by that date, she ordered a fine of \$150.00 per day fine be imposed until compliant.

**LIEN FORECLOSURE:**

**15-171-L                      Leslie L Lambert                      215 W Bay Street**

Special Magistrate ordered that the City can proceed with foreclosure.

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS HEARING MINUTES**

Special Magistrate Christman reviewed, approved and signed the minutes of August 17<sup>th</sup> hearing.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Special Magistrate Christman called for any public comments.

There was no one in the audience to speak.

With no further business to discuss, Special Magistrate Christman adjourned the hearing at 3:19 p.m.

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Special Magistrate Heather Christman

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City Clerk Holly Smith, CMC