

City of Clewiston
Special Magistrate
Regular Hearing
March 28, 2012

The City of Clewiston Special Magistrate held its regular meeting in the city hall commission chambers, 115 West Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, Florida, on Wednesday, March 28, 2012. The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Magistrate Watt.

Attendance

Magistrate present: James L. Watt

Personnel present: Pete Garcia, Travis Reese, Debra Towner

Visitor(s) present: Madelen Delgado, Monserrate Oztiz, Felipa Paez

Pledge of Allegiance recited. Special Magistrate Watt briefly summarized the purpose of the hearing.

Approval of minutes from January 25, 2012: Let the record show an accurate reflection of the proceedings.

Swearing in of all parties intending to present testimony.

Additions/deletions to agenda: Mr. Reese stated none.

Consent agenda: Both cases are dismissed after Code Officer Garcia's testimony that they are all in compliance.

Case No.10-0218:

Magistrate Watt announced that the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss and receive input from all interested parties regarding case number 10-0218, for the property located at 208 West Ventura Avenue, owner of record, Sammie Perry.

Mr. Reese stated that the property was now in compliance with code section #18-616, minimum property maintenance.

Code Officer Garcia verified pictures of the property as the owner was not present.

Mr. Watt ruled that the property is in compliance and the case is dismissed.

Case No.11-0401:

Magistrate Watt announced that the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss and receive input from all interested parties regarding case number 11-0401, for the property located at 500 South San Pedro Street, owner of record, Martha C. Hernandez.

Mr. Reese stated the violation is an unsafe shed sec. 18-521 and presented pictures of the property.

Code Officer Garcia verified that the pictures are of the property, as the owner was not present.

The City of Clewiston recommended thirty (30) days to comply with code section 18-521 to repair or demolish the building.

Mr. Watt ruled that the owner has thirty (30) days to repair or demolish the building and to contact the office that it has been completed at which time a code officer will verify closure of this case. Failure to comply will result in a fine assessment hearing to determine what, if any, fines per day are to be levied.

Case No.11-0403:

Magistrate Watt announced that the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss and receive input from all interested parties regarding case number 11-0403, for the property located at East Alverde Avenue (PN#3-34-43-01-010-0366-002.0), owners of record, Luis & Sheila Rosales.

Mr. Reese stated the violation is overgrowth along fence line sec. 18-640 and presented pictures of the property.

Code Officer Garcia verified that the pictures are of the property, as the owner was not present.

The City of Clewiston recommended seven (7) days to comply with code section 18-640 to get rid of the weeds along the fence.

Mr. Watt ruled that the owner has seven (7) days to get rid of the weeds and to contact the office that it has been completed at which time a code officer will verify closure of this case. Failure to comply will result in a fine assessment hearing to determine what, if any, fines per day are to be levied.

Case No.11-0424:

Magistrate Watt announced that the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss and receive input from all interested parties regarding case number 11-0424, for the property located at 405 West Trinidad Avenue, owner of record, Kimberly Bryant.

Mr. Reese stated that the property was now in compliance with code section #18-616, minimum property maintenance.

Code Officer Garcia verified pictures of the property as the owner was not present.

Mr. Watt ruled that the property is in compliance and the case is dismissed.

Case No.11-0433:

Magistrate Watt announced that the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss and receive input from all interested parties regarding case number 11-0433, for the property located at 340 West El Paso Avenue, owner of record, Mtag Cust for Amherst Asset Mgmt LLC.

Mr. Reese stated the violation is lack of property maintenance sec. 18-616 and presented pictures of the property.

Code Officer Garcia verified that the pictures are of the property, as the owner was not present.

The City of Clewiston recommended thirty (30) days to comply with code section 18-616 to comply with minimum standards of property maintenance.

Mr. Watt ruled that the owner has thirty (30) days to comply with minimum property maintenance standards and to contact the office that it has been completed at which time a code officer will verify closure of this case. Failure to comply will result in a fine assessment hearing to determine what, if any, fines per day are to be levied.

Case No.11-0450:

Magistrate Watt announced that the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss and receive input from all interested parties regarding case number 11-0450, for the property located at 439 West Aztec Avenue, owner of record, Maria E. Filiponi.

Mr. Reese stated the violation is lack of property maintenance sec. 18-616 and presented pictures of the property.

Code Officer Garcia verified that the pictures are of the property, as the owner was not present.

The City of Clewiston recommended thirty (30) days to comply with code section 18-616 to comply with minimum standards of property maintenance.

Mr. Watt ruled that the owner has thirty (30) days to comply with minimum property maintenance standards and to contact the office that it has been completed at which time a code officer will verify closure of this case. Failure to comply will result in a fine assessment hearing to determine what, if any, fines per day are to be levied.

Case No.11-0462:

Magistrate Watt announced that the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss and receive input from all interested parties regarding case number

11-0462, for the property located at 324 West Haiti Avenue, owner of record, James Curtis Montgomery EST c/o Gretchen Soto.

Mr. Reese stated the violation is lack of property maintenance sec. 18-616 and presented pictures of the property.

Code Officer Garcia verified that the pictures are of the property, as the owner was not present.

The City of Clewiston recommended thirty (30) days to comply with code section 18-616 to comply with minimum standards of property maintenance.

Mr. Watt ruled that the owner has thirty (30) days to comply with minimum property maintenance standards and to contact the office that it has been completed at which time a code officer will verify closure of this case. Failure to comply will result in a fine assessment hearing to determine what, if any, fines per day are to be levied.

Case No.11-0463:

Magistrate Watt announced that the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss and receive input from all interested parties regarding case number 11-0463, for the property located at 433 West Aztec Avenue, owner of record, Madelen Cuevas.

Mr. Reese stated the violation is construction without a permit sec. 18-46 and presented pictures of the property.

Code Officer Garcia verified with the owner, who was present, that the pictures are of the property.

Ms. Cuevas stated that there was a misunderstanding between her and the code officer. He had said that she could go ahead and pour her concrete on that day because the concrete truck was already there, but to go to the building department the next day to get the appropriate paperwork to fill out so that she could get a permit for the work she was doing. She said she ended up having surgery and never got in to get the paperwork.

The City of Clewiston recommended seven (7) days to comply with code section 18-46 to secure a permit for the job.

Mr. Watt ruled that the owner has seven (7) days to get her permit and have the work inspected to verify closure of this case. Failure to comply will result in a fine assessment hearing to determine what, if any, fines per day are to be levied.

Case No.11-0486:

Magistrate Watt announced that the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss and receive input from all interested parties regarding case number 11-0486, for the property located at 446 South Olympia Street (a.k.a 500), owner of record, John & Teresa Runkles.

Mr. Reese stated the violation is lack of property maintenance sec. 18-616 and presented pictures of the property.

Code Officer Garcia verified that the pictures are of the property, as the owner was not present.

The City of Clewiston recommended thirty (30) days to comply with code section 18-616 to comply with minimum standards of property maintenance.

Mr. Watt ruled that the owner has thirty (30) days to comply with minimum property maintenance standards and to contact the office that it has been completed at which time a code officer will verify closure of this case. Failure to comply will result in a fine assessment hearing to determine what, if any, fines per day are to be levied.

Case No.12-0021:

Magistrate Watt announced that the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss and receive input from all interested parties regarding case number 12-0021, for the property located at 112 South WC Owen Avenue, owner of record, James & Lana Perkins.

Mr. Reese stated that the property was now in compliance with code section #18-393, illegal banner.

Code Officer Garcia verified pictures of the property as the owner was not present.

Mr. Watt ruled that the property is in compliance and the case is dismissed.

Case No.12-0031:

Magistrate Watt announced that the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss and receive input from all interested parties regarding case number 12-0031, for the property located at 810 North Lopez Street, owner of record, James & Kristi Durance.

Mr. Reese stated the violation is lack of property maintenance sec. 18-616 and presented pictures of the property.

Code Officer Garcia verified that the pictures are of the property, as the owner was not present.

The City of Clewiston recommended thirty (30) days to comply with code section 18-616 to comply with minimum standards of property maintenance.

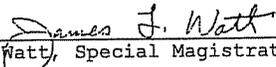
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Other Business:

Magistrate Watt closed the public hearing after receiving no further comments, written or oral, from the audience or the board.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 2:38 p.m.


James Watt, Special Magistrate