CASE #: 20260054

LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA

VS

Linda Hess

LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA
SPECIAL MAGISTRATE

LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA **Code Case No.: 26-54**

Petitioner,

VS.

Linda Hess
6870 NE 106th Ter
Bronson, FL 32621

Respondent,

NOTICE OF HEARING

Pursuant to Sections 162.06 and 162.12, ***Florida Statutes, and Levy County Code of Ordinances,*** Ordinance No. 34-41, and 34-40, you will please take notice that a public hearing will be conducted in the above-styled cause, on Wednesday the **21st day of October, 2026 at 9:30 a.m.,** at the County Government Center Auditorium, 310 School Street, Bronson, Florida. The Special Magistrate will hear testimony, receive evidence, and make such findings of fact as are supported by the testimony and evidence pertaining to the Findings of Fact ordered on 24 August 2026. **Your failure to appear may result in a fine being imposed against you and a lien being placed on your property.** The case may be presented even if the violation has been corrected prior to the Special Magistrate hearing.

PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELF ACCORDINGLY

If a person wishes to appeal a decision with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, a record of the proceeding will be needed and, for this reason, such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made that includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. You will need to supply a copy of all evidence you present during the hearing to the Special Magistrate secretary to be included in the record.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities act, person with disabilities needing special accommodations for attendance at this public hearing should contact the Levy County Code Enforcement office at (352) 486-5541, no later than 72 hours prior to the proceedings.

Dave Banton, Manager
Levy County Code Enforcement
352-507-2141

AFFIDAVIT OF REGULAR MAIL

STATE OF (FLORIDA)

COUNTY OF (LEVY)

LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA
VS.
Linda Hess

Special Magistrate CASE NO.: CASE #20260054

I, **Penny Hilligoss,** being duly sworn, deposed and says:

1. That I am employed by the **Code Enforcement Department of Levy County.**

2. That pursuant to Florida Statute 162.12, on the day of **September 29, 2026**, I received a copy of the attached **Notice of Hearing** dated **October 21, 2026**

3. That on the day **29th of September, 2026,** I mailed said papers to **Linda Hess @ 6870 NE 106th Ter Bronson, FL 32621** by First Class Mail, U.S. Postal Service.

FURTHER, Affiant Saith not.

Staff

PERSONALLY APPEARED before me, the undersigned authority, who is personally known to me, and acknowledged that he/she did execute the foregoing Affidavit and did not take an oath.

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED before me this day 29 of September, 2026.

Notary Signature

Notary Public, State of Florida County of Levy
My Commission Expires:

Notary Public State of Florida
Alice LaLonde
My Commission HH 603754
Expires 5/17/2030

Levy County Code Enforcement

AFFIDAVIT OF NON-COMPLIANCE

STATE OF FLORIDA
LEVY COUNTY

VS.

LINDA HESS
6870 NE 106TH TER
BRONSON, FL 32621

CODE ENFORCEMENT SPECIAL MAGISTRATE CASE NO.:2026-0054

I, David J. Banton, being duly sworn, deposed and says:

1. That I am employed by the Code Enforcement Department of Levy County.

2. That in accordance with Levy County Ordinance Sec. 2-154, on the day of **23 September, 2026**, A compliance inspection shall be conducted for compliance on said property as ordered on the **24th of August, 2026.**

3. That on the day the **23th day of September, 2026,** the above mentioned property is in **NON-COMPLIANCE** and a $100.00 per day for, per violation (3) for violations of Sec. 34-40 and Sec. 34-41.

FURTHER, Affiant Saith no

Code Enforcement Manager

PERSONALLY APPEARED before me, the undersigned authority, who is personally known to me, and acknowledged that he/she did

Execute the foregoing Affidavit and did not take an oath.

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED before me this day 2 of October, 2026.

Notary Signature

Notary Public, State of Florida County of Levy
My Commission Expires:



Levy County Code Enforcement
AFFIDAVIT OF HAND DELIVERY

VIOLATION NUMBER: 26-54 PARCEL NUMBER: 0937000800

I hereby certify the following:

1. **Wednesday, the 7th day of October 2026, the property owned by Linda Hess located at Parcel ID: 0937000800/6870 NE 106th Ter, Bronson, FL was hand delivered a Notice of Hearing for October 21st, 2026 for the following violations of Levy County Code of Ordinances:**

Sec. 34-40 Prohibited Generally

(a) It shall be unlawful for the owner of any land in the county to permit or to cause thereon the open storage and accumulation of junk, trash and abandoned property prohibited on residential, commercial and agricultural property, except for the following:

(1) Junk stored in enclosed litter receptacles or completely enclosed buildings;

(2) Junk which will not fit into standard-sized litter receptacles and which is set out for no more than seven days for pickup and removal;

(3) Junk stored in a lawfully established and maintained junkyard, garbage or waste disposal site, or sanitary landfill; and

(4) Accumulations of vegetative wastes in agricultural districts and forestry.

Sec. 34-41. - Keeping unserviceable vehicles prohibited.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to keep on any residential, commercial, industrial or agricultural property any unserviceable vehicle, unless such unserviceable vehicle is shielded from view, except for a vehicle temporarily stored on private real property for the purpose of repair, if the vehicle has a currently valid registration and currently valid license plate affixed thereon, and the motor vehicle is titled in the name of the owner of the property upon which the vehicle is situated or is titled in the name of the person currently residing on the premises. The term "temporarily stored" shall mean that the vehicle shall be openly stored for no more than 60 calendar days.

(b) It shall be unlawful for the owner of any land in the county to cause or permit to be stored thereon, at any location, more than two unserviceable vehicles.

(c) Further, it shall be unlawful to store such two vehicles within the front and side yard setbacks established for the zoning district, except for the following:

(1) Unserviceable vehicles stored on the premises of a lawfully established and maintained junkyard, vehicle repair business, garbage or waste disposal site, sanitary landfill or on the lands of a bona fide agricultural operation.

(2) Vehicles stored within a completely enclosed building.

(d) The provisions of this section shall not apply to any property which, as of 1975, there was the accumulation and open storage of more than two vehicles.

(e) The provisions of this article shall not apply to any abandoned property which shall be within an enclosed building upon such property or upon the solidly enclosed and fenced premises maintained by the county as a depository for such abandoned property.

2. **On this Friday, the 9th day of October 2026, a copy of the Special Magistrate hearing Agenda for 21 October 2026 was posted at the Levy County Government Center located at 310 School St. Bronson, Florida 32621.**

FURTHER AFFIDAVIT SAYETH NAUGHT.

Dave Banton, Code Enforcement Manager

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF FLEVY

I Name acknowledged the foregoing instrument before me by means of
☐ physical presence or online notarization, this 9 day of October, 2025

(Signature of Notary Public - State of Florida)

(Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public)

Personally Known OR Produced Identification

Type of Identification Produced _____

PENNY HILLIGOSS
NOTARY PUBLIC
MY COMMISSION
EXPIRES 10-30-2029
STATE OF FLORIDA
COMMISSION NUMBER HH 736558

SPECIAL
MAGISTRATE
OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA

LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA

vs.

Case No. CE# 2026-0054

LINDA HESS
6870 NE 106TH TER
BRONSON, FL 32621

RESPONDENT
_____/

FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, AND ORDER

This CAUSE came on for public hearing before the Special Magistrate, pursuant to Chapter 162, Part I, Florida Statutes. After due notice to the Respondent, the Special Magistrate heard testimony of and received evidence from the code enforcement officer. The Respondent did not attend the hearing. Thereupon, the Special Magistrate hereby issues its Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order as follows:

I. FINDINGS OF FACT: The Special Magistrate makes the following findings of fact:

A. The Respondent owns real property situated within Levy County, Florida, described as follows:

SECTION 23 TOWNSHIP 12 RANGE 17 OAK RIDGE ESTATES BLK 22 LOT 9 OR BOOK 1792 PAGE 54

Parcel # 09370-008-00

B. The Respondent, as required by Fla. Stat. Chap. 162, received proper notice of the alleged violation and of the hearing thereon, which was held on August 19th, 2026.

C. The evidence presented proves that the owner has allowed;

(i) The open storage and accumulation of junk throughout the property;
(ii) One unserviceable vehicle on the property;
(iii) Two derelict vessels on the property

II. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW: The above constitutes a violation of the following Levy County Code of Ordinances:

A. Sec. 34-40

B. Sec. 34-41

III. ORDER: The Special Magistrate orders as follows:

A. The Respondent shall cure the violations of Sec. 34-40 and 34-41 within thirty (30) days.

B. Pursuant to Fla. Stat. §162.06 and §162.12 and Levy County Code of Ordinances, Ordinance No. 01-03, the Respondent is assessed $120.00 to cover the costs of administering this Code Violation Case.

C. In the event that the Respondent fails to cure the violations as set forth above, then a fine will accrue beginning September 23rd, 2026, in the amount of $100 per day, per violation (3), for the violations of Sec. 34-40 and Sec. 34-41.

D. Jurisdiction of this matter is reserved for the possible purposes of: (i) imposing a lien on the subject property as authorized under Fla. Stat. §162.09; (ii) recommending that the governing body of the County undertake remedial work to cure the violation; and (iii) taking other action as authorized under Fla. Stat. Chapter 162 or the County's Land Development Regulations.

DONE AND ORDERED THIS 24 day of August 2026, at Levy County, Florida.

SPECIAL MAGISTRATE OF
LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order has been furnished by certified mail to the Respondent, Linda Hess, 6870 NE 106TH TER, Bronson, FL 32621 this 24 day of August, 2026.

Board Secretary


09/23/2026 02:08 PM


09/23/2026 02:09 PM


DIRECTV
09/23/2026 02:09 PM

AFFIDAVIT OF REGULAR MAIL

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Special Magistrate CASE NO.: CASE #2026-0054

I, **Penny Hilligoss,** being duly sworn, deposed and says:

1. That I am employed by the **Code Enforcement Department of Levy County.**

2. That pursuant to Florida Statute 162.12, on the day of **August 24, 2026**, I received a copy of the attached **Finding of Facts** dated **August 24, 2026**

3. That on the day **28th of August, 2026,** I mailed said papers to **Linda Hess @ 6870 NE 106th Ter Bronson, FL 32621** by First Class Mail, U.S. Postal Service.

FURTHER, Affiant Saith not.

Staff

PERSONALLY APPEARED before me, the undersigned authority, who is personally known to me, and acknowledged that he/she did execute the foregoing Affidavit and did not take an oath.

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED before me this day 25 of September 2026.

Notary Signature

Notary Public, State of Florida County of Levy
My Commission Expires:

MARY GRACELY
MY COMMISSION # HH 671787
EXPIRES: May 1, 2029



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HESS LINDA

Year: 2025
Tax District: SW

Bill Number: 32478
Property Type: Real Estate

Owner: HESS LINDA

MAILING ADDRESS:
HESS LINDA
6870 NE 106TH TER
BRONSON FL 32621

PROPERTY ADDRESS:
6870 NE 106 TER
BRONSON 32621

Taxes **Assessments** **Legal Description** **Payment History**

Ad Valorem

Authority/Fund	Tax Rate	Charged	Paid	Due
Board of County Commissioners	8.7500	$704.34	$704.34	$0.00
Levy School Board General Fund	3.0840	$398.42	$398.42	$0.00
Levy School Board Capital Outlay	1.5000	$193.79	$193.79	$0.00
Levy School Board Basic Disc.	0.7480	$96.63	$96.63	$0.00
Southwest Florida Water Mgmt	0.1831	$19.13	$19.13	$0.00
TOTAL	14.2651	$1,412.31	$1,412.31	$0.00

Non-Ad Valorem

Authority/Fund	Charged	Paid	Due
Ambulance Service (BOCC)	$192.00	$192.00	$0.00
Solid Waste (BOCC)	$111.36	$111.36	$0.00
Fire Tax - FR (BOCC)	$240.00	$240.00	$0.00
TOTAL	$543.36	$543.36	$0.00

Year	Due
2025	**$0.00**
2024	$0.00
2023	$0.00
2022	$0.00
2021	$0.00
2020	$0.00
2019	$0.00
2018	$0.00
2017	$0.00
2016	$0.00

Payment Options

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Cart Amount:	$0.00

Bill 32478 -- No Amount Due

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Property Appraiser

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