



CODE ENFORCEMENT HEARING - ANIMAL CONTROL MINUTES

Thursday, May 28, 2026 at 9:45 AM

Historic City Hall, Commission Chambers – 225 East Main Street, Suite 105

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CALL TO ORDER

Magistrate Mitchell called Hearing to order @ 9:51am

ADMINISTER OATH

Magistrate Mitchell Administered Oath

Present was Officer Adrian Purdue of City of Wauchula PD

NEW CASES

1. Case # 312026001024

415 S 1st Avenue

Bethany Lorine Lazo Rimes

Code Enforcement Officer Raina Bergens presented evidence and findings for this case.

Rimes is a repeat offender, times 2 within 3 years.

Statement provided by Officer Adrian Purdue - City of Wauchula PD

Provided information on Animal Complaint

Responded to 5th and Orange, saw the dog, he was partnered with Sgt Christopher Gicker of Wauchula PD, recognized the dog from previous issues. they followed the dog and ran to the address on 1st Ave, owner stated it was her dog. Gicker advised Purdue to issue a ticket.

City is asking \$100.00 - Purdue agreed to formalize in Magistrate Order

Magistrate Mitchell fined Bethany Lorine Lazo Rimes for violation 4-8 one time fine of \$100 against respondent plus admin cost, Magistrate stated \$70 in admin costs that's reasonable in this case \$170.00

According to City of Wauchula Code of Ordinances Chapter 4 Section 8 -

Magistrate Mitchell did not specify a time or date for when the fine should be paid.

PUBLIC COMMENT / NON-AGENDA ITEMS

No Public Comments or Non-Agenda Items

ADJOURNMENT

Magistrate Mitchell adjourned hearing @ 955am