

# GADSDEN COUNTY CODE ENFORCEMENT DIVISION MINUTES

Thursday, September 26, 2013 9:00 a.m.

#### Present:

Stewart Parsons, Judge Magistrate Beryl Wood, Deputy Clerk Oliver Sellers, Code Enforcement Officer Anthony Powell, Code Enforcement Officer Debbie Joyner, Code Enforcement Division

#### Meeting Called to Order:

Judge Parsons called the meeting to order.

# Approvals of August 2013 Minutes:

Minutes from August 29, 2013 were approved and signed by Judge.

Officer's Powell and Sellers were sworn at the start of the meeting for testimony that would be given throughout the course of the hearings.

### **Old Business**

# (Officer Sellers' Continued Cases)

#### 1. Case No. 13-014 (NP)

Randolph and Johnette Kyllonen 7365 Hardaway Hwy., Chattahoochee, FL 32324 2 27 3N 5W 0000 00331 0100

Judge Parsons stated since no action was taken he issued Enforcement Order in case.



# 2. Case No. 13-017 (NP)

Joseph and Carol Fitzgerald 135 Sioux Circle, Havana, FL 32333

3 13 2N 2W 0570 00000 0660

Case was dismissed.

# 3. Case No. 13-019 (NP)

Randall Marriott 672 Little Sycamore Road, Quincy, FL 32351 1 31 4N 5W 0000 00412 0300

No action taken; County to proceed on previous Enforcement Order.

#### 4. Case No. 13-025 (NP)

Rebecca and Jason Blair 1717 Inlet Street, Quincy, FL 32351 3 15 2N 4W 0000 00421 0600

No action taken; County to proceed on previous Enforcement Order.

# 5. Case No. 13-225 (NP)

Sondra Germany 280 Faircloth Road, Chattahoochee, FL 32324 2 22 3N 6W 0000 00344 0000

Judge Parsons commented an Enforcement Order has been entered and I will not do anything about it one way or the other, but they will check with the County Attorney for 2 reasons.

- 1. The question Mrs. Germany is one of multiple owners of the property.
- 2. What do you do with abandon or illegal vehicles?



# (Officer Powell's Continued Cases)

#### 1. Case No. 13-11 (NP)

Rosalie Johnson 209 3<sup>rd</sup> Street SE, Havana, FL 32333 2 35 3N 2W 0000 00224 2200

No action taken. County to proceed on Enforcement Order.

#### 2. Case No. 13-10 (NP)

Betty Strong 202 5<sup>th</sup> Street SE, Havana, FL 32333 2 35 3N 2W 0320 0000E 0140

Judge Parsons stated on this case she was given additional time and no action was taken. He then proceeding to enter Enforcement Order.

#### 3. Case No. 13-15 (P)

Tan Chang Zheng and Sanbo Qin 126 Anderson Avenue, Havana, FL 32333 2 25 3N 2W 0210 0000K 0600

Judge Parsons ordered defendant 30 days to present a plan from a licensed engineer to tell what must be done to bring the house up to code or have it torn down. If at the end of the 30 days you haven't done one or the other by submitting the engineers plan and drawings, you must tear down or County will down house.

#### > NEW BUSINESS

#### Officer Sellers' New Cases

#### 1. Case No. 12-296 (NP)

Jason and Cindy Broshears (lives in Milton, FL) 24 Milton Street, Quincy, FL 32351 5 01 OR OS 1400 0000A 1111



Mr. Sellers commented he had mailed a certified letter with the request to sign and he didn't receive any response. He stated they are dealing with several depilated buildings and it's overgrown, but if they will remove the old buildings and let property grow back to the wild (natural state). He said the buildings, mobile home, inappropriate figure and an old boat on the property should be removed.

Judge Parsons entered Enforcement Order to remove the buildings, mobile home, inappropriate figure and boat from the property.

#### 2. Case No. 13-021 (P)

Brenda Jackson Ball Farm Road, Quincy, FL 3 04 2N 3W 0000 00220 0300

Brenda Jackson was present and commented that she had cleaned most of the property up.

Judge Parsons continued case for 30 days to allow her to complete the process.

#### 3. Case No. 13-039

Stacey Copeland (Sister present) 20 Water Street, Chattahoochee, FL 32324 1 33 4N 6W 0110 00001 0100

Mr. Sellers commented they were dealing with a burnt house.

Judge Parson ordered they complete removal of the damage structure. Continued case for 30 days, if complete by 10/3/13 defendant will not have to appear.

#### 4. Case No. 13-073 (NP)

Mary Jordan 5591 Bonnie Hill Road, Chattahoochee, FL 32324 2 15 3N 6W 0000 00413 1500



Mr. Sellers commented there was a lot of debris, several old flower trailer remains. He said the address given, no one lives there and he is not sure if Mrs. Jordan is alive. The property has been posted. County can remove trash and place small lien on property.

Judge Parsons ordered it to be removed or County can have it removed.

#### 5. Case No. 13-102 (NP)

Mable McMillan Frinks (May live in Jacksonville, FL) Annie B. Jackson Lane, Chattahoochee, FL 32324 2 15 3N 6W 0000 00442 0200

Mr. Sellers said that he had sent a registered letter. Nothing has been done with old dilapidated buildings on property. He said he could not clearly state who the property belong too. He testified there were a total of 2 buildings along with weeds that need to be removed.

Judge Parsons commented that he would enter an order for it to be removed.

#### 6. Case No. 13-103 (NP)

Bettie Shelton Arnold 76 Annie B. Jackson Lane, Chattahoochee, FL 32324 2 15 3N 6W 0000 00413 0300

Mr. Sellers said letter was hand delivered. He said property has 2 old buildings. He stated he believed the property was heir property.

Judge Parsons entered order to remove all buildings or county remove and place lien on property.

#### 7. Case No. 13-104 (NP)

Darrell Jackson maybe in Tallahassee Annie B. Jackson Lane, Chattahoochee, FL 32324 2 15 3N 6W 0000 00442 0400

Mr. Sellers said registered letter was sent, but was returned, they wouldn't sign for them. The property has been posted. He added this property has 2 old buildings along with an old vehicle.



Deputy Parsons stated she believed the defendant was incarcerated.

Judge Parsons entered ordered to remove.

#### 8. Case No. 13-105 (P)

Ricky Copeland Annie B. Jackson Lane, Chattahoochee, FL 32324 2 15 3N 6W 0000 00442 0400

Mr. Sellers said this property only has a little bit of trash and vehicles to be removed.

Mr. Copeland stated that all vehicles are gone from property and he has moved the property and is currently working on everything else. He said he had pictures on his phone as proof.

Judge Parsons continued case for 30 days so that Mr. Sellers could check property. If property is clean, the case will be dismissed and there would be no need for the defendant to appear.

# Officer Powell's New Cases

#### 1. Case No. 13-17 (NP)

Joshua and Sarah Rudd 35 Post Plant Road, Quincy, FL 32352 3 11 2N 3W 0000 00222 0300

Mr. Powell commented it was an old mobile home that was burnt and needed to come down, eyesore to neighborhood. He said they have been notified via certified mail and the property has been posted. It has been a year and nothing has occurred.

Judge Parsons entered enforcement order.

#### 2. Case No. 13-16 (NP)

James, John and Leon Strong 311 4<sup>th</sup> Street SE, Havana, FL 32333



#### 2 35 3N 2W 0320 0000A 0090

Mr. Powell commented this was old night club in the Havana area. He said he had torn down porches and old building is attached. The building is an eyesore. He stated the sister signed for registered letter and the property has been properly posted.

Judge Parsons entered enforcement order.

#### 3. Case No. 13-13 (NP)

Kelly Corrie c/o Kimberly Kelly 304 3<sup>rd</sup> Street SE, Havana, FL 32333 2 35 3N 2W 0000 00232 0300

Judge Parsons continued case for 30 days.

#### 4. Case No. 13-14 (NP)

Lula Mae Zanders 217 3<sup>rd</sup> Street SE, Havana, FL 32333 2 35 3N 2W 0000 00224 2800

Mr. Powell commented this case was on the docket from last month and one of her sons called and asked for an extension. The certified mail was returned or refused on this property. Property has been posted. He stated it was an old abandoned mobile home that needs to be taken down and trash needs to be removed from the property.

Judge Parsons entered enforcement order.

#### 5. Case No. 13-097

Eric Milton/Betty Milton – husband and wife (wife was present) 220 Frank Jackson Rd.

Mr. Sellers stated this was a dilapidated building on Frank Jackson Road. He said it was overgrown with weeds and something needs to be done with the old building.



Betty Milton commented the property had been mowed and cleaned up. She said the old part of the building, the club, which was burnt, would be torn down. They would like to keep the house, since there was no damage done to that.

Judge Parsons asked was there a part of the structure that's salvageable.

Mr. Sellers added it was an old club and if they could fix the fixable part and tear old part down and make it look presentable, he would be ok with that. He said the property must be secured and blend in with neighborhood. He added if they are willing to do those things he would recommend that the case be dismissed.

Judge Parsons ordered the case continued for 30 days with the understanding that they will tear down part of the building that burned. "You will mow and clean property. Fix the white building, so it looks good and secured properly."

Deputy Sheriff Parsons said the structure would be added to the extra protection list for 30 days, just to make sure no one is going into structure.

# Other Business:

# <u>Vehicles Right - of - Way</u>

Mr. Sellers said he asked the County Attorney about the legal avenue to dispose of vehicles on private property. He has not received a response as of yet.

Deputy Parsons stated on the vehicles that are in the County right of way if they would call the Sheriff's Office they would red tag and in 3 days they vehicle would be towed. The owner would then have to pay to get their vehicle back or the tow company ends of seizing the vehicle.

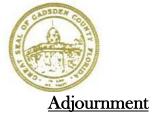


# **Animal Control**

Mr. Powell inquired about Animal Control cases, which are now in their department. He asked should they be brought before the Judge for proper disposition.

Judge Parsons directed him to check the ordinance if there was one that related to Animal Control. He said if it was civil he could hear it, but if it was criminal it should go before Judge Garner.

Next hearing date: October 31, 2013 at 9:00am



ATTEST:

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THERE BEING NO OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE JUDGE, THE HEARINGS WERE ADJOURNED AT 10:00 P.M.	
	GADSDEN COUNTY, FL
	JUDGE STEWART PARSONS, JUDGE MAGISTRATE

BERYL H. WOOD, DEPUTY CLERK