



HISTORIC TOWN OF EATONVILLE, FLORIDA
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 16, 2024, AT 7:30 PM
Cover Sheet

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ITEM TITLE: Approval of Settlement Offer to the Town of Eatonville From Esparza Underground Inc, (Vela Insurance Services) For Damages Related to waterline located on E. Kennedy. **(LEGAL)**

TOWN COUNCIL ACTION:

PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS, AND PRESENTATIONS		Department: ADMINISTRATION
PUBLIC HEARING 1ST / 2ND READING		Exhibits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email From Settlement Claims Specialist • Release Agreement from Vela Insurance Service • PW Incident Report
CONSENT AGENDA	YES	
COUNCIL DECISION		
ADMINISTRATIVE		

REQUEST: Respectfully request Approval of Settlement offer from Esparza Underground Inc, (Vela Insurance Services) to the Town of Eatonville for Damages Related to waterline located on E. Kennedy Blvd.

SUMMARY: On March 25, 2024, the administration received confirmation from our Town’s Attorney that a settlement offer from Vela Insurance Services on behalf of Esparza Underground Inc, (A Duke Energy Sub-contractor) was received. On Tuesday November 21st, the Duke Energy contractor, KAM Services, struck a 6” water main while directional drilling on Kennedy Blvd., at the intersection of Wymore Rd. The Public Works director spoke to KAM Services, and they notified us that they did not have a Town of Eatonville Right of Way (ROW) permit, but they had an Orange County ROW permit. Our attorney deemed this the best offer, the settlement amount is \$77,413.00. The breakdown of the offer and fees are attached for review, the funds collected for the town will be placed into the Town utilities enterprise account.

RECOMMENDATION: The Administration is recommending the Town Council approves the Esparza Underground Inc, (Vela Insurance Services) Release of Settlement offer in the amount of \$77,413.00 for damages related to waterline located on E. Kennedy Blvd.

FISCAL & EFFICIENCY DATA: Funds collected will be placed in the Town’s Utilities Enterprise Account.