

Date: Tuesday, January 14, 2025

Honorable Mayor and Council Members

Author and title: Cindy Peterson, Finance Manager

Title: Claim for Damages against the Town of Truckee

Jen Callaway, Town Manager

**Attachments**: Claim for damages

**Recommended Action:** That Council rejects the claim for damages against the Town of Truckee.

<u>Discussion</u>: In late October 2024, the Town of Truckee received an email notification of a claim for damages from Mr. Angus Bean. The claimant alleged damages exceeded \$25,000.

Town Municipal Code Section 3.16.010.1 (d) requires that the Town Council recommend settlement or denial for claims of \$10,000 or more.

The Town submitted this claim to the Town's claims management company, George Hills, for review. The Town's claims administrator via George Hills and Town Attorney reviewed this claim, and based on this review, staff are recommending rejection of this claim.

Mr. Bean alleges that he received physical damages related to the arrest by the Truckee Police Department for resisting arrest and trespassing on March 27, 2024. Mr. Bean claims he suffered injuries by what was described as an "officer's excessive use of force during an arrest". The arrest occurred while Mr. Bean and a Safeway employee had a verbal altercation in the middle of Safeway store. Mr. Bean requested and received medical attention and was released from the hospital with no injuries reported.

The documentation related to this claim is in the risk management file and is available for your review.

Priority:
Enhanced Communication Climate and Greenhouse Gas Reduction Housing Infrastructure Investment Emergency and Wildfire Preparedness X Core Service
Fiscal Impact: Potential litigation costs if claimant pursues further legal action.
Public Communication: N/A