Rachelle Blitch

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Sent: Tuesday, October 28, 2025 2:31 PM

To: Rachelle Blitch

Subject: Wargowsky v City of Whitewater

Hi Rachelle,

I am in receipt of the claim that has been filed by Don Wargowsky against the City of Whitewater in the amount of \$16,700, for items Mr. Wargowsky alleges were stolen by city workers in 2016. As you are aware, the City of Whitewater is self-insured for claims up to \$25,000, and should the City decide to settle this matter, the settlement would come from City funds.

This claim does not meet the requirements of WI state statute 893.80, which states that a notice of circumstances must be given within **120 days** after the happening of the event giving rise to the claim. This required timeline ensures that municipalities can fully investigate the claim close to the time when the actual event occurred. This incident occurred on October 1, 2016. The claim was received by the City on October 28, 2025, which is 3,314 days after the incident.

Therefore, it is my opinion this claim should be denied.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you,