

## Rachelle Blitch

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**From:** Rachelle Blitch  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 23, 2025 7:29 PM  
**To:** Rachelle Blitch  
**Subject:** FW: Claim

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**From:** Allison C. De Franze <allisond@cvmic.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, October 20, 2025 1:28 PM  
**To:** Rachelle Blitch <rblitch@whitewater-wi.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Claim

Hi Rachelle,

I am in receipt of the claim that has been filed by Steve Sweeney against the City of Whitewater, in the amount of \$825.00, for damage to an electrical wire and meter caused by a City of Whitewater vehicle on 10/1/2025. As you are aware, the City of Whitewater is self-insured up to \$25,000, and should the City decide to settle this matter, the settlement would come from City funds.

In reviewing your attached documentation, I note that there is no dispute as to how this incident occurred. Both the police report and Mr. Sweeney's claim form relate the same facts of loss, which is that the City vehicle struck an overhead wire, which pulled the wire down, damaging Mr. Sweeney's electrical meter. It is my opinion that the City of Whitewater is liable for this loss, and my recommendation that this claim be paid in the requested amount of \$825.00.

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

Thank you,

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