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NOTICE OF CLAIM

DATE: September 18, 2020

TO: Doug Petraszak, Linda Staffaroni and Joan Lowe

FROM: Sue Ertmer

RE: Claim from Bruce Abraham for damage to his vehicle caused by road lines that had be recently painted by the county's Highway Department on Leonard's Point Road

Bruce Abraham's claim for damages to his vehicle will be presented to the county board at their October 20, 2020 meeting.

attachments

Ertmer, Sue

From: Petraszak, Doug
Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2020 4:12 PM
To: Ertmer, Sue
Subject: FW: Message of Concern Surrounding Vehicle Damage from County Road Line Painting from Bruce Abraham

Sue,
Here is a notice of claim.

Doug Petraszak
Assistant Finance Director
Winnebago County
920-232-3448

From: County Exec
Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2020 4:07 PM
To: Petraszak, Doug <DPetraszak@co.winnebago.wi.us>
Subject: FW: Message of Concern Surrounding Vehicle Damage from County Road Line Painting from Bruce Abraham

Doug:

Mark asked that I forward this matter to you regarding an insurance claim.

Thanks,

John
From: Bruce Abraham <wiscorpio53@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2020 12:00 PM
To: County Exec <CExec@co.winnebago.wi.us>
Subject: Message of Concern Surrounding Vehicle Damage from County Road Line Painting from Bruce Abraham

Hi, Mark. I hope all is well with you, Susan, and family. All is well here in these pandemic times.

I am writing concerning a bad incident I encountered yesterday while departing from home on Amy Jo Dr onto Leonard's Point Road.

I left home around 10:45 - 10:50am on Tuesday to run a few errands. Upon stopping at the first place, I was horrified when I got out of my truck..yellow paint splatters...some extremely thick, in the wheelwells on the wheelwell covers, on the tires, on the corner of the rear bumper, on the driver's side mirror, on the doors, on the running board and brackets..quite a mess. Well..I hurriedly retraced my path and ended up on Leonard's Point Rd near the Algoma township line. I stopped, around 11:35am..approached a Winnebago County pickup truck, that stopped as I was waving my arms approaching it from behind. I asked the person, Jay Miller, who was in charge of the painting and he replied he was. I explained my truck damage, but declined my offer to look at it by saying "I'm sure it is yellow" and that they had been done painting that area an hour ago. I explained, if that was the case, I would have entered that area about 50 minutes ago and that the paint would have been there about ten minutes. I asked why no signage to warn drivers and he

explained they hadn't used signs in years. I asked for his boss's number and name and was given Chuck Greidel. I called Chuck, left message, and received call back telling me same thing about painting had been done an hour before I spoke to Jay and that they didn't use warning signage for drivers. I asked who they used for this type of situation for cleaning off the paint from vehicles..he said they don't recommend any and I could do what I want. I said who do U submit the bill to and he said the Finance Dept..a Doug Piotrosk (not sure on spelling of last name), but didn't have an email address for Doug to provide me. What is disappointing with both Chuck and Jay's replies to me is neither expressed remorse for the situation, instead trying to justify their process..although both were polite in their discussions.

Well..bottom line..I struggled finding a place to touch this issue, but finally found Wesner Auto Body that will and has done this work..in fact just completed on the other day. I'm supposed to have an estimate today or tomorrow, but ballpark is looking at \$400 to \$500. Ugh!!

I am attaching pictures I have taken of the truck areas and two of Leonard's Point Road. I have more than the limit of four I can attach to this email. Other people have obviously also got paint on their vehicles in this area also as a number of vehicle tracks can be seen leaving paint lines.

I am willing to discuss this incident and possible solutions going forward as the current system obviously has flaws affecting the public.

Mark..any firm direction with email address and complete name to which I can forward repair invoice to for reimbursement would be appreciated.

Mark..thank you for your time. I wish the circumstances could be better. Any questions or comments, feel free to contact me at this email address or at 920.279.3747.

Kind Regards,
Bruce Abraham

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android







