



**CHICOPEE CITY COUNCIL
CLAIMS & ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE**

MEMBERS

Frank Laflamme, Chairman
Gary Labrie, Vice Chairman
Fred Krampits
Stan Walczak
William Courchesne

APPROVED 8-22-19

**MINUTES
September 27, 2018**

The following are the minutes of a public hearing held Thursday, September 27, 2018 at 6:30 PM in the City Council Chambers, Fourth Floor, City Hall Annex, 274 Front Street, Chicopee, MA 01013.

Members Present

Laflamme, Labrie, Courchesne

Members Absent

Walczak, Krampits

Also Present

Daniel Garvey (Associate City Solicitor), Sharon Riley (City Auditor),
Ben Strepka (Asst. to DPW), Tom Stefanik (Insurance Adjuster)

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM.

In compliance with the Open Meeting Law the Chairman asked if anyone in the audience was recording the meeting. Hearing none the meeting continued.

Claim # 18-15

Nadiya Perepelitsa

155 McKinstry Ave.

Mailbox damage by plow

Restitution sought: \$275

Restitution given: \$100

Husband was present. He stated that the snow plow knocks down the mailbox on the lawn every year and they replace it themselves.

Councilor Courchesne motion to approve restitution – Councilor Labrie 2nd the motion – motion passed

Claim# 18-16

Lisa Romani
81 Saratoga Ave.
Vehicle damage – city tree
Restitution sought: \$279.89
Restitution given: \$125

Lisa Romani was present she stated on a windy and rainy night the tree fell on her car.

Councilor Labrie motion to approve restitution – Councilor Courchesne 2nd the motion – motion passed

Claim# 18-17
Mitchell Nadeau
577 McKinstry Ave.
Vehicle towed
Restitution sought: \$147.30
Restitution given: \$147.30

Mitchell Nadeau was present he stated that the city towed his truck and other vehicles from a private street.

Councilor Labrie motion to approve restitution – Councilor Courchesne 2nd the motion – motion passed

Claim #18-18
Elizabeth Gaskins
58 Kaveney Street
Vehicle Damage – pot hole
Restitution sought: \$300
Restitution given: \$300

Elizabeth Gaskins was present she stated that a large pothole damaged her car on Plainville Street.

Councilor Courchesne motion to approve restitution - Councilor Laflamme 2nd the motion – motion passed

Claim #18-19
Darren Wuensch
145 Anson Street
Vehicle Damage – pot hole
Restitution sought: \$300
Restitution given: \$300

Darren Wuensch was present he stated that he was driving near Blanchard and Britton Street's and he hit a pothole in a puddle and it damaged his rim and split his tire.

Councilor Labrie motion to approve restitution – Councilor Laflamme 2nd the motion – motion passed

Claim #18-20
Joanie Hebert
61 Pendleton Ave
Mail box damage by plow
Restitution sought: ?
Incomplete claim – not accepted
Joanie Herbert was not present

Councilor Labrie motion to deny – Councilor Laflamme 2nd the motion – motion passed

Claim #18-21

Stoddard Bennet

915 Front Street

Vehicle damage

Restitution sought: \$200

Restitution given: \$138.15

Stoddard Bennett was present she stated that she ran over a manhole cover flipped upside down on Sheridan Street damaging tire.

Councilor Labrie motion to approve restitution– Councilor Laflamme 2nd the motion – motion passed

Claim #18-22

Timothy McLellan

33 Robak Drive

Vehicle damage

Restitution sought: \$300

Claim Auto denied – referred to Ludlow Construction

Timothy McLellan was not present

Councilor Labrie motion to deny – Councilor Laflamme 2nd the motion – motion passed

Claim #18-23

Carla Boutin

26-28 Charbonneau Terrace

City tree fell on house

Restitution sought: \$300

Carla Boutin was not present

Councilor Courchesne motion to postpone to the call of the chair until the next meeting – Councilor Laflamme 2nd the motion – motion passed

Claim #18-24

Stephanie Tindell

29 Oakridge Street

Vehicle Damage

Restitution sought: \$299.31

Restitution given: \$273.11

Husband was present he stated that Pendleton Ave. was repaved. He stated his wife hit a manhole cover and blew two tires and damaged wheel.

Councilor Labrie motion to approve restitution – Councilor Laflamme 2nd the motion – motion passed

Claim #19-1

John Radzuik
29 Schley Street
Fence damaged by city tree
Restitution sought: \$300
Claims tabled from 4/12/2018
Claimant not present

Councilor Courchesne motion to postpone to the call of the chair until the next meeting – Councilor Laflamme 2nd the motion – motion passed

Claims tabled from 4/12/18

Claim #18-1
Joanna Collado
136 Prospect Street
Fence damaged by city tree
Restitution sought: \$300
Joanna Collado was not present

Councilor Courchesne motion to deny – Councilor Labrie 2nd the motion – motion passed

Claim #18-2
Janel Cruz-Santos
926 Chicopee Street, Apt. 34
Vehicle towed
Restitution sought: \$153.80
Janel Cruz-Santos was not present

Councilor Labrie motion to deny – Councilor Courchesne 2nd the motion – motion passed

Claim #18-5
Daniel & Mindy Adams
36 Regency Court
Vehicle damage – pot hole
Restitution sought: \$300
Restitution given: \$224.31
Daniel and Mindy Adams were both present they stated that they were on East Street past Muzzy Street when their car hit a gigantic sinkhole. They stated there was an emergency vehicle ahead of them with something similar that was happening.

Councilor Labrie motion to approve – Councilor Laflamme 2nd the motion – motion passed

Claim #18-8
Juan Colon
64 Plante Circle
Vehicle towed
Restitution sought: \$224.08
Juan Colon was not present

Councilor Labrie motion to deny – Councilor Laflamme 2nd the motion – motion passed

Claim #18-9

Lena Saleh

72 Bardon Street

Vehicle damage – pot hole

Restitution sought: \$300

Restitution given: \$211

Lena Saleh was present she stated that she hit an unavoidable pothole on East Street which immediately flattened her tires.

Councilor Courchesne motion to approve – Councilor Labrie 2nd the motion – motion passed

Claim previously denied by committee to be re-visited

Claim #18-3

Takira Long

77 Elm Street

Vehicle damage

Restitution sought: \$233.33

Restitution given: \$300

Takira Long was present she stated she was driving on Broadway and hit a pothole and busted the tire, rim and wheel.

Councilor Labrie motioned after consideration to approve – Councilor Laflamme 2nd the motion – motion passed

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.