


**INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION
COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE**

DATE: December 19, 2017

TO: Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., Chairman, County Board of Supervisors

FROM: Colleen Foley, Deputy Corporation Counsel 

SUBJECT: Claim of Chad Collath
Date of Loss: March 10, 2017

I request that this matter be referred to the Committee on Judiciary, Safety and General Services for approval of a settlement. I request authority to settle the bodily injury claim of Chad Collath for a total sum not to exceed \$6,500 (upon receipt of all claim amounts), which will be paid by the Wisconsin County Mutual Insurance Corporation.

On March 10, 2017, a Milwaukee County Highway employee was traveling in the center lane of South 108th Street and driving a 2002 Chevy Suburban when traffic backed up in his lane. He switched over into the far right lane, but failed to realize that the claimant's vehicle was making a right turn into the lot of 1634 S. 108th Street, and therefore struck the rear of the claimant's vehicle.

Claimant Chad Collath is represented by Attorney Jonathan P. Groth with Groth Law Firm, SC, 13035 W. Bluemound Road, Suite 205, Brookfield, WI.

SPECIALS:

ProHealth Care:	\$ 3,376.66
Mileage:	\$ 105.05

Total: \$ 3,481.71

On March 10, 2017, the claimant drove himself to ProHealth Medical for neck and back pain and received a routine check-up, muscle relaxers, and ibuprofen. On March 21, 2017, he visited his primary doctor and complained of left shoulder blade area pain. His doctor recommended that he increase his dosage of ibuprofen and start physical therapy. On March 30, 2017, three weeks after the accident, the claimant started physical therapy, with treatment concluding on May 5, 2017. He attended a total of 6 treatments during this period.

This claim falls under the Wisconsin County Mutual Insurance Corporation policy issued to Milwaukee County for the 2017 calendar year. The amount paid and the total currently incurred both fall under the County's self-insured retention. For this reason, the settlement is entirely under the Milwaukee County's deductible. Corporation Counsel and the Wisconsin County Mutual recommend this settlement for approval.

c: Kelly Bablitch; Allyson Smith; Erica Hayden; Raisa Koltun