



THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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ACTING COMMISSIONER

Bureau of Finance and Contracts
January 8, 2015

Her Excellency, Governor Margaret Wood Hassan
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

- 1.) In accordance with Governor and Council approval of July 19, 1995, Item #171, the Department of Transportation, Bureau of Finance and Contracts, reports all paid Small Claims in the previous second quarter of FY 2015 totaling \$3,107.76 for individual amounts less than \$600.00 submitted under the provisions of RSA 228:29.
2.) The Department further requests approval of Governor and Council to pay small claims for the next Fiscal Year quarter, January 01, 2015 through March 31, 2015. 100% Highway Funds.

Table with 4 columns: Funding is available as follows, Appropriation FY 2015, Paid to date, Balance Remaining. Row 1: 04-96-96-960215-3001, Division of Finance, 068-500563 Remuneration, \$8,000.00, \$6,904.04, \$1,095.96

EXPLANATION

RSA 228:29, authorizes the Commissioner to use funds accruing to the Department of Transportation for the payment of small claims occasioned by accidents due to the activities of the Department of Transportation. Any person claiming damage due to the activities of the Department of Transportation may seek payment of the small claim if the amount is less than \$600.00. If, upon investigation, the small claim is valid, the Commissioner shall submit the recommendation for payment to the Governor and Council for approval.

To improve efficiency in processing these small claims, and to be more responsive to those claimants awaiting payment for a small claim, the Department of Transportation initiated a blanket approval process at the beginning of Fiscal Year 1996. The revised process was approved by Governor and Council on July 19, 1995 as Item #171. The process requires the Department of Transportation to seek approval from the Governor and Council prior to each Fiscal Year quarter and submit the claims paid in the previous quarter.

A review of claims approved for payment during the second quarter of Fiscal Year 2015, to date, indicates that seven claims were paid.

Claimant: Jay Gilchrist

Amount: \$599.00

Mr. Gilchrist's vehicle was damaged on June 11, 2014 while traveling South along NH Route 106 in Loudon, New Hampshire. During a mowing operation that took place June 11, 2014 at the intersection on NH Route 106 and NH Route 129, a piece of metal wire was projected out from the mower and hit Mr. Gilchrist's vehicle.

Claimant: Paul Greenlaw

Amount: \$205.17

Mr. Greenlaw's vehicle was damaged on August 13, 2014 while traveling East on Route 302 in Littleton, New Hampshire when his vehicle passed over a section of roadway that had pavement removed across the entire road width for replacement of a culvert. The excavation was approximately 13 feet wide and had been refilled with gravel. Heavy rainstorms had created several potholes at the location.

Claimant: Melissa Child

Amount: \$400.00

Ms. Child's vehicle was damaged on NH Route 112 in Conway, New Hampshire on July 7, 2014 when she encountered the freshly painted yellow centerline paint. The Department's pavement marking crew was applying paint and did encounter a rainstorm causing the line to wash out.

Claimant: Carol Saran

Amount: \$585.00

Ms. Saran's vehicle was damaged on NH Route 112 in Conway, New Hampshire on July 7, 2014 when she encountered the freshly painted yellow centerline paint. The Department's pavement marking crew was applying paint and did encounter a rainstorm causing the line to wash out.

Claimant: Allison Wilder

Amount: \$419.59

Ms. Wilder's vehicle was damaged on September 11, 2014 while traveling West between Madbury Road and the Exit for 155 and UNH in Durham, New Hampshire. During a mowing operation that took place September 11, 2014 at this location, a stone was projected out from the mower and hit Ms. Wilder's vehicle.

Claimant: Nicholas Flanders

Amount: \$599.00

Mr. Flander's vehicle was damaged on NH Route 112 between Lincoln and Conway, New Hampshire on July 7, 2014 when he encountered the freshly painted yellow centerline paint. The Department's pavement marking crew was applying paint and did encounter a rainstorm causing the line to wash out.

Claimant: Brenda Ordway

Amount: \$300.00

Ms. Ordways's vehicle was damaged on Reeds Mill Road in Newport, New Hampshire on September 2, 2014 when she encountered the freshly painted yellow centerline paint. The photos submitted with the claim show that the damage was caused by a rain event and the centerline had washed out in places and not from driving on freshly painted lines.

A summary of the action taken on all claims for Fiscal Year 2015 is on file at the Department of Transportation.

Your approval of this resolution is respectfully requested.

Sincerely,


David J. Brillhart
Acting Commissioner