



TO: President Gardiner and Members of Council

FROM: Dustin Anderson, Town Manager

SUBJECT: Approval of Settlement

DATE: January 17, 2022

Background

On December 1st, 2020 a Town employee operating a vehicle during leaf collection placed the vehicle in reverse and struck another vehicle.

The driver's filed suit against the Town of Munster for damages. The Town's third-party claims manager at Gallagher Bassett, staff, and legal counsel believed that \$20,000 was a reasonable settlement.

Our Town Attorney was able to negotiate a settlement of \$20,000.

Acceptance of this settlement agreement includes the plaintiff agreeing to hold harmless the Town from, and to defend and indemnify the Town against any subsequent suits or complaints. In effect, this settlement permanently closes the matter.

Recommendation

Approve the settlement between the Town of Munster and Joseph A Tellez.