



GREG BROCKMEYER  
Director of Administration

**COUNTY OF DANE**  
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

**RISK MANAGEMENT**

Room 425 City-County Building  
210 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.  
Madison, WI 53703-3342  
608.266.4134  
FAX 608.283.2973 TTY 711 (WI-Relay)

JOSHUA COTILLIER  
Risk Manager

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Public Protection & Judiciary Committee  
**FROM:** Joshua Cotillier, Dane County Risk Manager  
**DATE:** July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025  
**SUBJECT:** Claims for Denial

---

The Dane County Clerk has recently received the following claims. The Department of Administration, Division of Risk Management has worked with the various Departments and the County's insurer to investigate these claims and, based upon these investigations, recommend the following actions:

Claimant:	Stephanie Well
Date of Incident:	06/30/2025
Date of Claim:	07/01/2025
Amount Claimed:	\$195.18
Department:	Highway
Insurance:	WMMIC
Narrative:	Claimant drove into pothole which caused tire damage
Recommendation:	Deny - Dane County has no liability



Joshua Cotillier  
210 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd  
Madison, Wisconsin 53703

July 2, 2025

RE:	Claimant:	Stephanie Well
	Our Claim No.:	GLDA00004056
	Our Insured:	Dane County
	Date of Loss:	6/30/2025

Dear Joshua Cotillier,

We have received the above-referenced claim on. After a thorough examination of the information regarding Pothole damage to vehicle, it has been determined that Dane County has no liability for this claim. Governments immunity for property damage allegedly caused by potholes and weather-related issues. Additionally, even if a claim were to be permitted by law, Dane County did not have notice of the pothole's existence, as is required by law. Please issue formal disallowance and provide a copy of this disallowance to WMMIC.

This claim will be closed on the date of receipt of the disallowance.

A copy of this letter has been placed in the claim file for reference. If you should have any further questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Pa Vang  
Liability Claim Representative  
Wisconsin Municipal Mutual Insurance Company  
(608) 729-5682  
pvang@wmmic.com