Lynn M. Nelson

From:

ContactUs

Sent:

Monday, December 08, 2014 11:25 AM

To:

Lynn M. Nelson

Subject:

FW: 4219 Oakmont Trail - Water Leak Claim

Attachments:

Sump_Pump_Waukesha_Water_Issue.docx; home-depot.jpg; SK_Plumbing.jpg

From: Sarita D'Souza [mailto:saridsouza@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, December 08, 2014 11:21 AM

To: ContactUs **Cc:** Sarita D'Souza

Subject: 4219 Oakmont Trail - Water Leak Claim

hi Lynn,

please see attached document detailing the issue and the monetary claim we're requesting.

also attached are the 2 receipt for costs incurred so far.

Thanks, Sarita D'Souza What happened? Since September 2014 we noticed that our sump pump was running non-stop. Water had been continuously flowing into the sump pit for no apparent reason. We initially thought it was ground water or an issue with the sump pump. Even after a month of troubleshooting, we couldn't find any issue but the sump pump would not stop running. The sump pump backup battery finally failed. We replaced the backup battery (cost \$130.28) but the pump still kept running. This worried us a lot since the pump was running every 3 minutes round the clock. We were worried that the pump would eventually fail and our basement would get flooded. So we asked a plumber to look into the issue on November 4th. The plumber checked everything including the sump pump, valve, drainage pipes etc. but found no issues (Cost \$207.57). Finally contacted the Waukesha water utility on Nov 21 and after testing the water they found that it was not ground water but city water. It took them almost 2 weeks to identify the source of the leak and fix it. Once the correct source was identified, water stopped flowing into the sump pit and the sump pump stopped running.

We're happy that the sump pump finally stopped after almost 3 months of sleepless nights. For the 1st time in 3 months my son was able to sleep in his bedroom on Dec 3rd. The sump pump used to run every minute round the clock and it was right under his bedroom so he ended up sleeping in our bedroom where the noise wasn't that loud. This was an emotionally draining ordeal for 3 months not only for my son but also for us since we had to take couple days off from work for the water crew to access our basement from time to time during the investigation.

What we're asking? We are asking that the city reimburse us for the charges incurred to purchase a new backup battery, plumbing services and other damages as necessary. We may need to replace the sump pump soon since we don't know if there is any life left in the sump pump after running continuously for 3 months. Estimate from plumber for replacing sump pump is \$750 with labor, parts and taxes. Total cost so far is \$1088.

Where? 4219 Oakmont Trail, Waukesha, WI 53188

Monetary relief claimed? \$1088

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January 14, 2015

SARITA D'SOUZA 4219 OAKMONT TRAIL WAUKESHA, WI 53188

Re:

Claim Number:

004501-001451-GD-01

Date of Loss:

09-10-2014

Claimant:

SARITA D'SOUZA

You're Claim Number:

N/A

Loss Location:

4219 OAKMONT TRAIL

Our Client:

WAUKESHA WATER UTILITY

Dear Mr. D'Souza,

We have completed our investigation into the above referenced claim and have determined that our client is not responsible for the loss and was not found to be neither negligent nor liable for this claim or any resulting damages. Therefore, we will not be able to make any payments for your damages and must respectfully deny this claim.

The proximate cause of the loss was a water leak on personal property of others and not on the client's side of the water main line.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned if you have any evidence of fact which may alter our position as outlined in this letter. With the sending of this letter, our file will be closed accordingly.

THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS IN WI IS 6 YEARS FROM THE LOSS DATE.

Sincerely,

Anthony R. Prosser

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