

Forestry Report
Vehicle Damage Claim

307 Carriage Dr.

Thursday September 13, 2018

On Monday 9/17/18 I received a call from Zach Danby. He stated that last Thursday the forestry crew damaged his vehicle when they were removing a tree across the street from where he lives, and parks his car. After investigating I realized the tree was removed earlier this year, in the spring, but that we did grind a stump at 300 Carriage Dr. which is across the street and down one house from where he lives. He said that when he went to his car that night to go to work that there were wood chips on his car and that later the next day he noticed dents in the side of his car. When he asked his Dad about it he was told that we must have done it.

I have talked to two of the arborists that were there that day (Jason Anderson, Derek Deweese) and both thought that it was very unlikely that this happened because:

1. The new machine throws very little debris behind the machine. Chips are thrown under the machine. No damage was observed.
2. The machine was angled away from where the car was parked.
3. Clean-up after stump was completed was done with a back-back blower which (maybe) could have blown some fine debris onto car. No damage was observed.
4. Both arborist talked with homeowner at 300 Carriage after clean-up and still did not observe any damage.

These two individuals would have had no problem letting me know if they would had known that some damage had occurred.

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