

Resolution: Affirmation of Town Policy for Handling Accidents

Whereas the Town maintains insurance policies to provide financial coverage for accidents; and

Whereas the Town is a member of the New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal (NYMIR) under which liability risk is managed by Wright Risk Management; and

Whereas evaluation of accidents by the insurer and risk management company provides an objective evaluation of cause and assignment of responsibility; and

Whereas objective assessment of accidents by the insurer provides constructive information for minimizing future accident risks; and

Whereas processing of accident claims through our insurer provides transparency in government operations and maintains public confidence in town process;

Therefore be it Resolved, that any claim against the Town for accidents shall be reported by an Incident Report submitted to the Town's insurer with key details (date, time, names of involved parties, location, and a written narrative of incident with as much detail as possible), with photographs of damage and accident site, if pertinent; and;

Be it further Resolved, the accident will be immediately reported to the Town Supervisor and Insurer; and

Be it further Resolved, that personnel involved in accidents shall provide their testimony regarding the accident without assignment of responsibility; and

Be it further Resolved, that the Caroline Town Board rescinds Resolution 2016-xx