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Unbeknownst to Diane Gellerman of Imperial until October this year, her insurance company had filed a suit against the city of Imperial for a sewer backup into her home.

She wants to clarify that she personally was not filing suit against the city for the \$2,828.58 in losses to personal property and basement repair, although her name is listed as the plaintiff in the Chase County Court case.

She said her insurance company has filed the complaint in county court.

There is no reference to the insurance company in the four pages of court case documents, which the council reviewed in August. In July, the council was presented claims for the damage, but did not take action on them.

Gellerman said she has settled with her insurance company for the damage to her basement that occurred in December, 2007, when the city's sewer system backed up into her home on West 16th St.

The damage has been repaired, and she has had no other sewer backup problems since, she said.

She declined to name her insurance company, but said she has asked them to remove her name as the plaintiff.

If it is known, Gellerman said she has not been told by city or insurance officials what caused the backup into her basement.