

To: Village Board and all Committee Members  
From: John M. Walther, Administrator  
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Subject: Weekly Update

### **Police Department**

Fairly routine week. The cold weather may be helping. No major snow-related issues.

The water pump in the 2007 Impala was replaced.

On Wednesday afternoon, West Bend and County officers were following a stolen vehicle heading our way on Highway 45. Officer Henning deployed traffic spikes near Highway 60 but the driver was able to veer around them. Germantown PD had better luck and the woman was arrested.

I plan to attend the county radio committee meeting next Friday, when a decision might be made about fixing...I mean enhancing...the radio system.

### **Fire Department**

The JFD has responded to two broken fire sprinkler system pipes in the past couple of weeks, due to the weather.

No major incidents during the Holidays.

### **Joint Parks and Recreation**

We hosted the Red Cross Blood Drive on Thursday, January 8<sup>th</sup>. Despite the cold weather we had sixteen units donated which saved forty-eight lives!

The new "Here Comes Kindergarten" class began this week. It's a new afternoon kindergarten prep class.

New for 2015 is a 10% off benefit for all adult fitness classes for Fitness Center Members.

Reminder: the Pickleball tourney is Saturday, January 17<sup>th</sup> – there are still a few spots!

"Passive Pickleball" started this week on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. It's geared more for beginners and those that enjoy a slower pace as opposed to the more competitive program on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

2015 Calendar of Events is now online.

MONTE CARLO NIGHT – we are in need of table sponsors, auction and raffle donations, and volunteers for the event on Saturday, February 7<sup>th</sup>. Please let us know if you can help!

### **Building Inspection**

A final inspection was completed for Children's Hospital of Wisconsin Pediatric Clinic at the old Snap Fitness location. Jim will be closing out the remaining items with the contractor this afternoon.

Another sanitary sewer lateral was found to have tree roots growing into the clay lateral. The tree roots were found during the property maintenance inspection when the lateral was televised.

A final inspection is tentatively set up for Monday for No Good Tattoos. The tattoo shop will be relocating to the northern suite (old liquor store location) in the Jimmy's Restaurant building.

Jim is trying to gain access into a vacant duplex on Ridgeway Drive. A water pipe froze and broke, thus flooding the duplex. A neighbor contacted the Police Department when they noticed water coming out of the siding. The water was turned off upon notification from the Police Department. Jim has called the owner to schedule a time to investigate how much damage had occurred but has not been successful to date. As of today, the owner has not been to the property since the water line break occurred a week ago.

## **Public Works**

The Jackson Water Utility completed the meter reading. During the reading, water was discovered running from an outside faucet, which the property owner hadn't noticed for over a month; faulty wiring was found on three meters; and two meters had been installed with the serial numbers switched. The Police Department called the Water Utility to investigate a duplex that had water spraying from the second floor. The vacant duplex was without heat, so the pipes froze causing the break inside the structure. The service connection has been turned off. We are waiting for the property owner to give access to retrieve the meter and for the Building Inspection Department to inspect the property. The Well #1 inspection project continues with the cleaning of the casing and re-televising. The well will be back in service by the end of January. Of the total of 3,125 accounts, 1,550 FlexNet radios have now been installed and all are functioning. At Well #3, the diaphragm for the chlorine injector leaked causing a wet well house. The part has been repaired and the well is back in operation. There were fifty-one Digger's Hotline locates for the month of December.

The Street & Parks Department conducted routine maintenance, snow removal, and salting. A small hydraulic leak on the oldest 5-yard patrol truck has been found and will be repaired when there is a break in the snow plowing operation. The cold weather has postponed the Christmas tree chipping. The crew will be out next week chipping trees. The cold weather also extended the trash and recycling collection for two days.

At the WWTP, the piping for the digester has been converted to empty the tank. We are waiting for the weather to improve for the hauler to help with emptying the tank. The inspection of the cover will happen when the digester is emptied and cleaned. The crew is maintaining and keeping equipment working through the cold weather.

The Smart flushing system was installed in the Jackson Water Expansion Project for the Town of Jackson, and now awaits We Energies to supply power to the site. Completion of the flushing station could happen in February. Staff is reviewing as-built plans.

A Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit Program meeting was held by Washington County Parks and Planning Department on Thursday, January 8<sup>th</sup>. The meeting provided good information to complete the Notice of Intent (NOI) for the Village of Jackson's permit.

## **Clerk/Treasurer**

Tax collections continue to be steady. As of December 31, 2014, tax collections were at 59% of the total. (Same time last year was 58%.) The January settlement of the taxes collected has been sent to the taxing jurisdictions of Moraine Park, Slinger School District, West Bend School District, and County and State. Refunds continue to be up as well. First installments or payments are due in full by January 31, 2015.

There will be a Primary Election on February 17. Mike Schwab, Scott Mittelsteadt, and incumbent Wendy Kannenberg will be on the ballot. The top two will go on the ballot for the Spring election. State Senate District 20 will also be on the ballot. In person absentee voting will begin in the Clerk's Office on February 2<sup>nd</sup> and end on February 13<sup>th</sup>.

The trustee race for the Spring April 7 Election includes incumbents Don Olson, Jack Lippold, and Brian Emmrich.

Work continues on the recodification.

Otherwise, the office has been steady and routine.

## **Administrator**

Work continues with Village/Town issues and planning.