

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



Police Department

It was another week of computer issues. Our U-verse router failed on Monday. The good news is that AT&T had it replaced in less than two hours. Also, Officer Brinks happened to be here for court and adjusted the squad computer settings so we kept the mobiles connected to the server. As a bonus, the server regained its connection to the internet, which we use for remote backups. The bad news is that the server lost the internet connection the next day. We are still working on that.

A team of window salesmen was told to leave the Village for soliciting without permits. However, they left without one of their co-workers, who was arrested on an outstanding warrant. Three Kirby Vacuum salesmen did get permits.

Steady and routine.

Fire Department

Hasmer Lake was the site of Monday night's ice rescue training that included removing a victim who had fallen through the ice.

Otherwise it has been steady and routine.

Joint Parks and Recreation

MONTE CARLO NIGHT – is tomorrow evening, Saturday, February 6th, from 7:00 – 11:00 p.m. at the Jackson Area Community Center. A BIG THANK YOU to all those that have donated, sponsored, and volunteered for the event this year. We are expecting a great turnout and a truly fun evening. We have some wonderful silent auction and raffle items this year. \$10 tickets are still available until 8:00 p.m. tonight at the Community Center. They will be \$15 at the door. We hope to see you there! Volunteers are still needed for the cleanup crew. We could surely use your help.

Wine and Art class is scheduled for next Friday, February 12th. There are limited spaces left for this class, so register as soon as possible.

Reminder: Saturday, February 13th is the annual local Free-Throw contest. We wish all our community kids great success! Winners in each age division (boys and girls) will advance to the state championship in West Allis in March.

February 26th is the deadline to register for the Irish Family Dinner on March 5th.

Smart Sitters Babysitting Class will be held next Saturday morning, February 13th from 8:30 to 11:30. We still a few spots remaining for this class, so if you're interested register as soon as possible.

Building Inspection

Jim attended the one and two-family building code updates on Tuesday.

Framing of the second twelve-family apartment building in Cranberry Creek Estates began this week.

Jim has been working with a technical analyst from Insurance Services Office, Inc. (ISO) to improve the Village's ISO rating. The rating regressed from Level 3 to Level 4 due to the state not adopting current codes within a five year review cycle. He has prepared an action plan to allow for additional credits in order to regain the Level 3 rating (the better the ISO rating, the greater insurance premium discounts that properties located in the Village may be eligible for.)

Public Works

The Jackson Water Utility has received a batch of new meters to be replaced. We are changing the procedure and adding the televising of sanitary sewer laterals during the meter changeout appointments. The notification letter sent to the homeowner has been modified. A spring in the altitude valve in the blue tower failed, but there has been no problem in maintaining the water system functions. Staff is reviewing options for the repair. The burned out bulb atop the white tower has been replaced. The meter has been reinstalled at Well #4 and the well is online. The Well #6 meter will now be tested. It will be offline until the process is completed.

The Street & Parks Department conducted routine maintenance, performed snow and salting operations, and finishing painting at the Community Center. The hydraulic ram on the John Deere loader was repaired. A load of salt was received this week to get ready for the next storm.

At the WWTP, after replacing two VFDs for the septic screen, faulty wiring was determined to be the culprit. General maintenance on equipment is being completed. The jetter truck is going to Bruce Municipal for an electrical repair. The DNR is requiring more information to finalize the discharge permit. All requested information has been submitted. The new digester boiler control panel is being delivered Monday.

The assessment reports for Georgetown Drive and Jackson Sidewalk projects are at the front counter of the Village Hall for review. The Public Hearing for both projects is Tuesday, February 9th at 7:30 p.m.

Clerk/Treasurer

The tax collection grace period has ended and the files have been sent to Washington County.

Utility bills continue to stream in. They are due February 5th.

Election training and the public test for the February 16th election is scheduled for February 9th at the Village Hall. Absentee Voting in the Clerk's Office continues through February 12th. Voters will need to show Photo ID to receive a ballot. Sample ballots may be found posted at the Village Hall and on the Village website. Races for Supreme Court Justice and West Bend School District Board are on the ballot.

Administrator

Monday, Village President Schwab and the Administrator met in West Bend for an initial meeting with stakeholders of the future elementary school in the Village of Jackson.