

To: Village Board and all Committee Members  
From: John M. Walther, Administrator  
Date: February 06, 2015  
Subject: Weekly Update

### **Police Department**

Shortly before 8:00 p.m. Thursday night, a truck driver reached for a water bottle and drove his semi off the roadway of Highway 45 just south of Highway 60/Main Street. Deep snow on the shoulder caused the semi to roll over on its side. The Highway 60 on-ramp and one lane of Highway 45 were blocked for about four hours. The semi was carrying about 40,000 pounds of cheese and coffee, none of which was spilled. The driver, a 68 year old owner-operator from Malone, Wisconsin, wasn't injured and was cited for inattentive driving. The Wisconsin State Patrol and Washington County Sheriff's Office assisted.

At 11:46 p.m., just as they were cleared from Highway 45, officers were dispatched to a rollover crash on Ridgeway Drive just north of Highway 60/Main Street. After a thirty-eight year old Jackson man lost control of his Mazda 4-door on a curve, it struck the curb, went partially airborne, skidded on the driver's side tires, and came to a rest on its roof in the front yard of a home. The man, who was not injured, was arrested for operating while intoxicated. He was just arrested on January 25 for operating while under the influence of a controlled substance (marijuana).

### **Fire Department**

The EMT refreshers classes start this Saturday and Sunday; four days total for EMTs and five days for EMT-IV Techs.

Calls for service have been steady.

### **Joint Parks and Recreation**

The Joint Parks and Recreation Department is buried in preparation for the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Monte Carlo Night – to be held tomorrow (Saturday) evening from 7:00 – 11:00 p.m. There is still an opportunity to sponsor a roulette table and provide items for the silent auction. A number of great items will be on display. Come join in the fun! The event is the major fundraiser for the Joint Parks and Recreation Department and is held in cooperation with the Friends of Jackson Joint Parks and Recreation, a 501(c)(3) organization.

### **Building Inspection**

Two separate issues were investigated that involve the lack of make-up air and exhaust systems for two businesses in the industrial park. Both locations were approved at the time but have changed their processes and are now non-compliant . . . More to follow.

## **Public Works**

The Jackson Water Utility crew conducted the monthly generator testing and found a new battery was needed for Well #5 generator. The booster station's generator is also being serviced. The crew is continuing with meter change-outs and meter testing. The DNR has notified the Jackson Water Utility that Well #6 VOCs (benzene) can now be tested annually instead of quarterly. LW Allen was here for three days this week installing the telemetry (SCADA system) for the Smart Flushing Station associated with the Town of Jackson Water Expansion project. A new antenna was placed on the white water tower and a twenty foot pole was erected at the flushing station site to allow for the communication. The antenna is working, but it was discovered that the flushing unit piping was not connected, so we could not flow water to take readings for testing the transmission. The completion of the flushing piping is now part of the punch list.

The Street & Parks Department conducted routine maintenance and replaced broken trash containers. The snow along Main Street was removed early Thursday morning, and the crew continues to perform cleanup plowing in certain areas. The fertilizer for the parks has been delivered and will be stored until it is time to be spread. The new Bobcat skid loader has arrived.

At the WWTP, the tank has been emptied, and the crew did a great job in not giving up until the task was completed. The roof (metal portion of the structure) was inspected and found to be in great shape. The wood portion (top layer) of the roof is rotting and leaking and needs to be replaced. A quote is being requested to sand blast and repaint the metal portion. The wood portion of the roof is in the project bid. The air compressor has been changed out. The crew is continuing with general repairs and maintenance.

## **Clerk/Treasurer**

The focus in the office has been the collection of the utility bills and the collection of taxes during the grace period. Carla Leach and Paula Winter did an excellent job with the tax collections. The tax file has been uploaded to the County Treasurer. Settlement amounts are being prepared for the other taxing jurisdictions.

The office continues to prepare for the February 17, 2015 Primary. Sample ballots are posted at the Village Hall and are available on the Village website at the following link:

[villageofjackson.com/index.asp?Type=B\\_BASIC&SEC={574504BD-05A9-4697-8D0D-280FE2987E40}](http://villageofjackson.com/index.asp?Type=B_BASIC&SEC={574504BD-05A9-4697-8D0D-280FE2987E40})

Absentee ballots have been mailed to voters that have a request on hand. Absentee voting in the Clerk's Office began on Monday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, and ends on Friday, February 13<sup>th</sup>. The public test with training for the election inspectors will be on Monday, February 9, at 3:30 p.m.

## **Administrator**

Village Staff participated in the CVMIC work plan session on Friday morning after the Staff meeting. The session was conducted by Ben Rank, the Loss Control Specialist for the Village.

Congressman Jim Sensenbrenner has office hours scheduled for 1:00 p.m., Monday, February 9, for the Village of Jackson; held in the boardroom at the Village Hall.

Preparation continues for the court hearings as a result of the lawsuit filed against the Village of Jackson by the Town of Jackson and the Jackson Town Residents Against Attachment.