

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

Police Department

The big story this week was the lady who delivered a baby while on the toilet. The woman gained only ten pounds, failed a pregnancy test, and was assured by her doctor that she wasn't pregnant. Nevertheless, she gave birth to a full term little girl. Officer Gerke swaddled the infant and Officer Henning cut the umbilical cord because Dad was too rattled (EMTs supervised). Sergeant Fristed assisted. The couple named their baby Jordan Faith in honor of Officer Gerke, whose middle name is Faith.

All officers participated in firearms practice on Friday, conducted by Officers Gerke and Krueger.

The chief will join representatives of other public safety organizations at a reorganizational meeting of the local Red Cross chapter next Wednesday evening.

Squad #5's radar was sent away for service and has been returned.

Fire Department

Early Sunday morning the JFD responded to a two vehicle crash at Division and Pioneer Roads in the Town of Jackson. A passenger in one of the vehicles died at the scene. The driver of that vehicle was taken to Froedtert by a Germantown ambulance. The other driver was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital and then flown by Flight for Life to Froedtert. Alcohol may have been a contributing factor in this crash, according to the Sheriff's Department.

On Monday the Jackson Fire Department, in conjunction with Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School, Washington County Sheriff's Department, and the Washington County Injury Prevention Coalition conducted an "Every 15 Minutes" program at KML. The Every 15 Minutes program is an educational experience that reminds us all of the dangers associated with driving while impaired and texting while driving. The Jackson Fire Department produced a realistic mock crash scene involving multiple patients, vehicle extrication using the Jaws of Life, and the use of Flight for Life. Special thanks to the many businesses, groups, and JFD members who volunteered to help make this program a reality. For more information on the program see www.every15minutes.com.

A special thank you to FF/EMT Jim Huyster for his extra efforts with the "Every 15 Minutes" program. During the last eighteen months or so Jim has worked on this project at various times, attended numerous meetings in making this project and the JFD's participation in the program a huge success.

Tuesday evening the JFD responded to a MABAS request from the Newburg FD to send a Chief, RIT, and a Tender to house fire in the Town of Trenton.

Also Tuesday evening, the JFD responded to a call in the Village where, unbeknownst to the husband and his wife that the wife was even pregnant, she gave birth to a girl at home. The JFD and the JPD worked with all three family members and transported the mother and her infant to St. Joseph's without incident.

Friday afternoon the JFD responded to a Change of Quarters request from the Hartford FD as they worked a grass fire in Dodge County.

Joint Parks and Recreation

Kelly attended the Town Annual meeting on Tuesday night to give the Annual Report/Highlights. She also met with Julia and Bruce this week to discuss playground matting and mulch for the Town Hall Park.

The Friends Group and the Jackson Joint Parks & Recreation Committee both met Wednesday evening.

Kelly is currently working with three Scouts and their families who are preparing their Eagle Scout Projects for presentation at the May and June Village Board meetings – very exciting!

The Annual Arbor Day celebration was held Friday morning. Congratulations to Lily Inkmann, the winner of our second grade coloring contest. Thanks to Julie Peltier from the DNR for presenting our Tree City Award.

Jessica and Kelly attended the SEPRC meeting on Wednesday.

May 1st is a big day in Jackson. Class registration begins on the new website: jacksonparkrec.recdesk.com. Also, tickets for all area attractions go on sale, offering reduced prices. May 1st – 11th is “RUMMAGE SIGN-UP”. Contact the Community Center or East Side Mart if you want your sale to be on the map.

May 2nd is the 13th Annual Scotty Schoen Youth Fish Derby from 9:00 a.m. to Noon. Although there is no cost, please pre-register for the event. Call the Community Center at 262-677-9665.

The staff is very busy completing the Summer Guide.

Building Inspection

Inspections have been steady this week.

Public Works

The Jackson Water Utility completed flushing the entire water system this week. Fire flow data is now being collected. The rest of the week was filled with meter change-outs and Digger’s Hotline locates.

The Street & Parks Department conducted routine maintenance on equipment, readied the street department yard for Saturday’s Spring Cleanup Day, and helped plant the tree for Arbor Day. They assembled and installed new bleachers for Jackson Park and worked on the ball fields. On Tuesday, April 28th the Public Works crew will have a baseline hearing test at Aurora Clinic in West Bend.

At the WWTP, the digester project is moving along with Digester #1 being placed into service. The pump startup has been completed with a few minor corrections. Next week the sludge from Digester #2 will be pumped over to #1. On Wednesday, April 22nd the Mid Moraine Water Quality Collective Group met at the Village of Jackson, hosted by the Jackson Sewer Utility. There was a good discussion on how the group can work together to meet all the EPA and DNR requirements for point sources.

Clerk/Treasurer

On Monday, April 20th Grota Appraisals was at the Village Hall for the annual required Open Book. Open Book refers to a period of time (before the Board of Review begins) when the completed assessment roll is open for examination.

Deanna attended the Wisconsin Municipal Treasurer’s Conference on Thursday and Friday.

Administrator

This week the staff continued its review of the municipal code.

The Administrator attended the CVMIC Board of Directors annual strategic planning session on Thursday and Friday. Discussions centered on the corporate transition plan and a solution for the state’s ailing Local Government Property Insurance Fund.

The discovery phase continues in the lawsuit against the Village of Jackson by the Town of Jackson and the Jackson Town Residents Against Attachment. While the Village has provided documents requested by the Town in a timely fashion, we continue to wait, as the Town continues its delay in providing the documents requested by the Village.