

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

### **Police Department**

This was a very busy week, in general, and included some high profile cases.

On Monday, a woman reported that her Chevrolet Cavalier had been stolen from the parking lot of Ivy Manor after she left it unlocked and the keys in the console. Shortly after, a Hemlock Street man reported that his father's compound bow had been stolen from the garage, which had been left with the door up. Before these were discovered, Germantown officers responded to a crash at the corner of Highway 45 and Division Road. A witness reported that two other vehicles had turned around and picked up the driver of one of the crashed cars. When the witness tried to intervene, fearing that moving the injured person could cause further harm, one of the people pulled a gun and told him to back off. After driving away, a Germantown officer spotted one of the vehicles, a green Cavalier, and gave chase. The pursuit entered Mequon and was eventually abandoned because of the risk to others. The other suspect vehicle, a white cargo van, was later found abandoned back in Germantown. We surmised that the suspects dumped it and piled into the Cavalier. Officers found the stolen compound bow in the cargo van. The vehicle that eluded Germantown and Mequon officers was, of course, the car stolen from Ivy Manor. It was found abandoned about twenty-four hours later in Menomonee Falls after being used in other criminal activity. It was towed here and Officer Gerke was called in to process it for fingerprints and DNA.

On Thursday night, suspects entered at least a dozen unlocked vehicles in various parts of the Village. The reports started coming in as people left for work. Also Thursday night, West Bend PD pursued a vehicle after trying to stop it for suspicious activity. The vehicle was eventually spiked by a sheriff's deputy and three Milwaukee men were apprehended. Property stolen from Jackson was found in their vehicle. Detective Foeger is working with the other departments involved with both cases to coordinate the investigations.

### **Fire Department**

Early Wednesday morning the Jackson FD was requested by the West Bend FD for a tender for a house fire in the Town of Barton.

The new ambulance was placed in service on Friday morning.

### **Joint Parks and Recreation**

Despite the cold weather, about seventy-five people enjoyed the upbeat fun and zoot suits of "Swing o' Matic" at Music in the Park on Wednesday evening.

All travelers had a great time this week on the Six Flags Great America trip in partnership with Elevate.

Archery began at the Town Hall Park last evening. The August session only has two spots left.

Tuesday the West Bend Mobile Library was at the Community Center for a community outreach program. They will be here the first Tuesday of every month now. They were very impressed with our Little Adult Lending Library.

Jake Landolt has started his "Tank Painting" Eagle Project. There was a very nice write up in the Thursday paper.

The Tot Area project is looking GREAT. The surface will be poured early next week, and Robbie Kreiter (Eagle Scout) will be able to complete the fence panels by the end of the week.

Reminder: next Friday is "Family Chalk Night" at the Community Center. Register ASAP.

## **Building Inspection**

Footings and foundation walls were poured at the new addition area for the Coffeerville Restaurant.

The Village's Property Maintenance Inspection at the time of sale may now be in jeopardy of being unenforceable due to the recent Senate and House approvals of the State Budget. A proposal was included in the budget package to eliminate any Point of Sale Inspections on any real estate transaction. The Governor can still strike this out, but it will require opposition from the communities with Code Compliance Programs.

## **Public Works**

The Jackson Water Utility completed the necessary training from Sensus for the new meter reading system. During the training approximately 2,100 FlexNet radio reads were completed. There are more than 3,000 meters in the system. All but 112 were able to be read. Sensus and HD Supply are working with Jackson Water Utility to change those radios out so they are compatible with the system. During the reading two meters were found to be running backwards. Investigation has found the meters had been re-installed by contractors working for the home owners. The new FlexNet meter reading program will provide an alarm indicating if the meter has been installed backwards. Otherwise, the staff continued with valve exercising, hydrant maintenance, and Digger's Hotline locates.

The Street & Parks Department conducted routine maintenance on equipment, sprayed weeds in the parks, and prepared ball fields. The Community Center tot area project (Eagle Scout project) is moving along. The Village crew finished preparing the site for surface installation by pouring new concrete steps.

At the WWTP, structural roof members of Digester Tank #2 were sand blasted. Additional components are being added to strengthen the structure. The complete repair process is to take six weeks. Finally, applications are being reviewed to fill the vacated position of WWTP Maintenance Tech.

The substantial completion walk-through meeting for the Village of Jackson water expansion project to the affected area of the Town was held on Thursday. The remaining item for the Jackson Water Utility is the completion of the flushing station on CTH G. The new final completion date is set for July 24<sup>th</sup>.

The new start date for the Georgetown Drive reconstruction project is set for Monday, July 20<sup>th</sup>. The Johnson Bus Company has been notified of the new start date and the possible conflict with the beginning of school (September 1<sup>st</sup>), and what can be done to modify the bus route for the month of September.

## **Clerk/Treasurer**

Deanna attended a meeting at the County Government Office regarding new election equipment. Both ES&S and Dominion equipment were discussed as well as election law changes for 2016.

Otherwise, it has been a normal busy week in the office.

## **Administrator**

The first week of depositions is complete in the lawsuit against the Village by the Town of Jackson and the Jackson Town Residents Against Attachment (JTRAA.)

The July 2015 Quarterly is complete and has been sent to the printer.

Per the Intergovernmental Agreement Regarding Provision of Limited Water Service between the Village of Jackson and the Town of Jackson; the Village has invoiced the Town for five delinquent water accounts.

The staff is making its way through several time-consuming and costly open records requests.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** – Please consider volunteering to help with the formation of the committee for the Operation FINALLY HOME fundraising Community Tailgater to be held September 20<sup>th</sup> before the Packers/Seahawks game. The first meeting will be held next Wednesday, July 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. at the Community Center. Call Kelly at 262-677-9665 for more information. The Community needs your help!