

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



### **Police Department**

Officer Mueller was sworn in Tuesday and has begun his twelve week field training program.

At about 9:00 a.m. Thursday, a pickup truck that was southbound on CTH P failed to negotiate a curve, crossed over to the left shoulder; continued through the wooded area, crossing Rosewood Lane, then through more brushy/woody terrain, until coming to a stop on top of the ice on Hasmer Lake. The driver was taken to St. Joseph's by Jackson Rescue, and then airlifted to Froedtert. It's fairly certain the man had a medical issue, but the nature is unknown. Not to minimize his situation, but it could have been worse: his vehicle almost struck a northbound vehicle head-on and the ice was over 20 feet of water.

Roundabout crashes occurred at 3:51 p.m. Wednesday, 3:36 p.m. Thursday, and 3:47 p.m. Thursday. All were completely avoidable but also typical of the accidents in those roundabouts: drivers either didn't yield before entering the roundabout or didn't stay in their lane.

### **Fire Department**

The Jackson Fire Department responded to seventeen medical and four fire calls in the past week. Fire calls included two motor vehicle accidents, a mutual aid call to Slinger with our Rapid Intervention Team (RIT), and a carbon monoxide leak with elevated levels believed to be caused by a resident warming his car up in the garage.

On Wednesday, Pierce Fire Apparatus brought two demo ladder trucks to the station for us to inspect and operate. The truck committee spent a good portion of the day looking at different configurations and discussing options with factory representatives.

Over \$700 was donated to "Chix 4 a Cause", a local cancer support non-profit organization. Money will go to help a local Jackson resident battling cancer. Funds were raised from employees purchasing JFD cancer t-shirts.

Two firefighters will be taking their station certification practical exam on Saturday at WCTC for Motor Pump Operator. Another member has passed his Fire Officer 2 and Fire Inspector 1 state certification tests. The twelve EMT students are finishing up some remaining unit tests and are scheduling their EMT National Registry written exam.

### **Joint Parks and Recreation**

Kelly is working on the WCCVB events and information for the 2018 Washington County Guide.

The winch for the east end / main court basketball hoop had to be replaced – Happy New Year!

Kelly and John have been meeting with other ADRC meal sites and have also met with Washington County officials to try to negotiate the new County Cooperative Agreement.

Monte Carlo Night tickets are now available at the Community Center for \$10 in advance. They will be \$15 at the door. Tickets sales are limited to 225 to ensure that everyone has a great time! The event is in need of corporate sponsors, table sponsors, and silent auction and raffle items. Please call Kelly if you can help out: 677-9665 x103. Thanks!

### **Building Inspection**

Catching up on year-end reports, complaints, data entry, etc.

A temporary occupancy was granted for T4 Insurance at the old Post Office location.

### **Public Works**

The Jackson Water Utility received a call Thursday morning from a multi-tenant building that they had no water. It was discovered that an overhead door had been left open overnight. The building fire suppression system, along with the water meters supplying the building, had frozen. The Water Utility shut the water off so the building owner could warm the building and thaw the lines. An investigation also revealed that the bypass to the meter was open, allowing approximately 20,000 gallons of water to escape billing; it will be invoiced now. The FlexNet system showed the bypass had been opened sometime in May of 2017.

The booster station is running more than usual, so a leak is being investigated on the County Fair Park site. The cold weather has caused a few water costumers to call, thinking their water service had been disconnected due to non-payment. Their pipes had actually frozen. Finally, there were fifty-four Digger's Hotline locates for the month of December averaging three per day.

The cold weather and minimal snowfall has allowed the Street & Parks Department crew to build work benches, install air lines, and complete other various jobs at the new street and water building.

At the WWTP, the SCADA Upgrade Project is in the final stages with the generator and power to the plant being some of the last items to be converted to the new system. The phosphate analyzer failed over the holiday period. The reason is being investigated. The gravity thickener has frozen up due to the cold weather. The crew awaits warmer weather to reactivate the process.

The Tree City USA application has been sent and approved. The Village of Jackson has now been a "Tree City" community for twenty-four years!

### **Clerk/Treasurer**

Payment of 2017 property tax payments has finally slowed to a trickle.

Preparations are being made for the Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup> Special Election for Assembly District #58 at the Village Hall.

### **Administrator**

The Village and town of Jackson are now each going to have to approve additional forty-five day extensions so that the Wisconsin Department of Administration (DOA) can follow their procedure in reviewing the Mediated Cooperative Plan Agreement, after the Jackson Town Residents Against Attachment (JTRAA) requested the DOA to hold an additional Public Hearing. The hearing is being scheduled for Monday, February 26, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at Living Word, 2230 Living Word Lane, in the town of Jackson.