

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



Police Department

On February 7, 2019 at 9:01 p.m., an officer stopped a vehicle for multiple violations on USH 45. When the officer exited his squad car and approached the vehicle, the driver fled the scene at a high rate of speed. A vehicle pursuit ensued. The officer terminated the pursuit near Lannon Road as the suspect vehicle was travelling at speeds in excess of 100 mph. The suspect was identified and later taken into custody at his residence in Wales. Multiple charges were filed and the suspect was transported to the Washington County Jail. In addition, a Jackson squad car sustained minor damage during the pursuit; two tires needed to be replaced.

Chief Vossekuil attended the Wisconsin Chiefs of Police Association Mid-Winter Training Conference. The training focused on professional communication for law enforcement, human resources issues, and officer wellness.

Chief Vossekuil and Lieutenant Fristed attended the West Bend School District's Community Breakfast on Friday. Jackson PD is partnering with the school district to encourage students to be respectful, responsible, and safe in our schools and in our community.

Fire Department

This week, the Jackson Fire Department responded to fourteen EMS and six fire calls, including a car accident, a fire sprinkler head that froze and burst, an alarm activated by burnt food, a fire in a cooler, and two carbon monoxide alarms, one which was activated as a result of a cracked furnace heat exchanger in a condo. The elderly couple was quickly alerted by their two functioning carbon monoxide detectors, undoubtedly saving their lives.

Monday evening several new recruits completed the second part of a three-part Certified Emergency Vehicle Operator (CEVO) class. Week one was an interactive classroom presentation. This week's class highlighted behind-the-wheel. Next week they will be touring the five closest hospitals.

Assembly of the new ladder truck continues at Pierce Manufacturing. Component installation was completed on the cab; the chassis is being prepped for engine installation. The body and pump house were staged for wiring and trim installation. Next week the cab and pump house will be installed on the chassis.

Thank you to those who cleared the snow and ice from the fire hydrant near your house or business. See our Facebook page to see just how long a buried hydrant delays the fire department in obtaining the needed water supply. Keep in mind, depending on the fuel, a fire can double in size every thirty seconds!

Joint Parks and Recreation

The 4K Site Directors meeting was held Wednesday. Our class enrollments are already looking solid for the 2019-2020 school year.

The County Bikeway & Trail Network Plan is nearing completion. Chapters were reviewed at the meeting Wednesday afternoon followed by a public forum Wednesday evening. Kelly will be giving an overview of the plan to the Village Plan Commission and the Village Board at their upcoming meetings. The final draft will be reviewed by the committee in March and presented to the County Board in April.

The Quilting Guild met Thursday at the JACC for their monthly meeting. They were able to use the new projector they purchased and donated to the JACC that works in conjunction with our projector system in the Gathering Hall. A special thanks for their generous contribution.

The WPRA Foundation Board of Directors held their state-wide meeting at the JACC on Thursday.

The cable on one of the side basketball hoops broke this week. Thanks to the Public Works lift truck and speedy response by Weimer's Specialized Installation & Repair Services; we had it repaired in time for Friday night's Jackson Hoops Night and Saturday's Park & Rec Free Throw Contest.

MONTE CARLO: Again we would like to thank our corporate sponsors: BMO Harris Bank and Bertram Internet, and all the businesses that sponsored and made donations to Monte Carlo Night. In addition, thank you for the dedication of all the volunteers that made the night possible. The 2019 event was a great success! We look forward to the 10th Anniversary Monte Carlo Night in 2020.

Building Inspection

The number of inspections picked up again this week.

Staff attended training events on fire blocking, fire stopping, and fire damper requirements, as well as plumbing code updates. Both trainings provide required continuing education credits for state issued certifications.

Staff also attended a brief yet informative presentation on alternative materials to concrete and mortar.

Public Works

The Water Utility continued with the meter changeout program between snow removal sessions. Thank you to those adopting a hydrant to keep them clear of snow. The 2019 Wellhead Protection Plan has been completed for the DNR. A new well discovered in the Well Head Protection plan is Double J Trucking on CTH P. Twenty Digger's Hotline locates were done for the month of January averaging one per day.

The Street & Parks Department conducted snow removal and salting operations this week. The snow along Main Street (STH 60) will not be removed at this time as most property owners along the route have taken the opportunity to remove the snow in front of their properties and have cleared access to their mailboxes. Removing the remaining snow/ice would cause more harm than good at this time. Most of the snow has been removed from courts, parking lots, and blind spots from Village-owned driveways. Public Works had a working lunch this week on snow plowing operations. Only minor repairs on the equipment were necessary after the week's snow removal operations.

The Sewer Utility was also involved in snow removal this week. The air compressor in the grit building required replacement. The old unit lasted five years. Staff is getting pricing on inspection services on the three large compressors in the plant. Chemtrade performed a series of jar tests using raw water samples, to compare phosphorus removal performance of poly-aluminum chloride and aluminum sulfate. The study estimates that poly-aluminum will require approximately 45% less volume than the currently used aluminum sulfate, to reduce phosphorus to current levels. Results are being reviewed to determine if a full-scale plant trial is warranted.

The Village hosted the Mid-Moraine Water Quality Collective Group this week. Discussion included: A Water Quality Trading framework; status of the group MS4 stormwater permit; and monitoring grant opportunities for planning and projects.

Clerk/Treasurer

The February tax settlement has been completed and submitted to the County. All taxing jurisdictions have been issued their payments.

The 2018 audit is underway and will continue into next week.

Paula and Jilline participated in a Workhorse training session to automate miscellaneous billing.

Paula filed form WT-7, Annual Reconciliation and LC-664, Manufacturing and Mobile Home Lottery and Game Credit Report with the DOR.

Jilline is working on scheduling, notices, and care facility absentee voting for the April 2nd Spring Election.