

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



Police Department

Sergeant Fristed attended the Wisconsin Chiefs of Police training conference. The chief opted to attend two days of training in Fond du Lac next week, instead. Officer Mueller's field training is continuing.

Jodi and Jed finalized the 2017 Uniform Crime Reports submission, which took many hours.

Two air cards which connect the squad computers to the internet began to fail, and were replaced. One of the squad computers died and will be returned to Panasonic, still under warranty.

The new squad was striped. The old squad is going to General Communications this week to be decommissioned, and the new squad should be set up next week.

On Thursday afternoon, Detective Foeger and Officers Laabs, Gerke, and Henning attempted to apprehend a 50-year-old Green Valley man who was wanted as a felony absconder by the Department of Corrections. A witness reported that the man, with whom we are familiar, had just left on foot. Trooper Perales spotted him in Northwest Business Park near Highway P and arrested him after a brief foot chase. The man was found in possession of heroin.

On Tuesday, a 30-year-old man with a history of behavioral health issues was arrested for domestic violence/disorderly conduct.

Fire Department

There were nine medical and four fire calls this week. Among the fire calls was a motor vehicle accident, a fire alarm, a mutual aid call with West Bend for a fire, and a carbon monoxide call in the business park. It is important to have CO detectors in your home and business. You cannot smell CO, the "silent killer."

The EMT Basic students are wrapping up their national registry test. Four members have successfully completed the exam. We are waiting for the remainder of the students to take the examination. Driver training was provided this week for the new recruits. They have all been deemed competent to begin driving the emergency vehicles on a regular basis.

Joint Parks and Recreation

Kelly had a 4k Directors meeting Wednesday. The JACC enrollment for 2018-2019 is well above that of the past two years, this early in the process. That's great news!

There was a meeting with Jim Bartolotta of Wolverine Fireworks to discuss the new Action in Jackson Fireworks Show. We also met with Brian Kober and Fire Chief Swaney to make sure everyone is in the loop regarding the logistics. All is shaping up nicely.

A Big Thank You goes out to Connect Cell of Jackson, the US Cellular store, for sponsoring the Irish Family Dinner coming up on Saturday, March 3rd. This is a reminder to get your tickets early – Only 150 dinner tickets will be sold. You can purchase them at the JACC and online at parkrec.recdesk.com. Don't miss the sumptuous homemade corned beef dinner and the wonderful and lively entertainment.

Fitness A Thon – Please sign up to help raise money for the playground with the Fitness A Thon on Saturday, February 24th from 8:00 – 11:00 a.m. You don't have to exercise the whole time. It's a chance to try different fitness classes, have fun, relax with some treats, have a chance to win some raffles, and mainly support our wonderful youth dance and fitness instructor Wendy Iverson in her goal to raise money for the Hickory Lane Inclusive Playground. Register with your kids and make it a family fun

fitness morning for a great cause! Register at the JACC or online at parkrec.recdesk.com. Hope to see you. Reminder: Next week Wednesday, February 21st is the Parks & Rec Committee meeting followed by the Friends of Jackson Parks & Rec meeting. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Building Inspection

With the break in the weather, exterior footings were restarted at the JD Laser building new addition.

A rough inspection was completed at the Green Valley self storage building this week.

The 2017 end of year reports are being completed.

Public Works

At the Jackson Water Utility: During a meter changeout of a 1½ inch meter (which is performed every four years), the bypass valve was discovered to have been opened; thus no water usage was being recorded. The investigation revealed that water usage had not been billed for eleven quarters. The customers had been receiving the basic minimum meter charges only for sewer and water during the past eleven quarters. The Water Utility is preparing an invoice for sewer and water charges for the unmetered water. A meter tampering charge will not be assessed at this time.

The Street & Parks Department crew continues to work on the new building, cold-patching potholes, cutting/trimming trees, and maintaining the trucks. Another two loads of salt were received. The 2009 five yard patrol truck was found to have a cracked hydraulic tank and was leaking oil. The tank was emptied, and the Jackson Water Utility (Scott G.) welded the tank. The 1998 five yarder patrol truck received service work from Lakeside International. Both trucks are back in service.

At the WWTP: Sewer laterals are being televised during the water meter changeouts. The crew cleaned out the gravity thickener in preparation for the scraper arm. The new septic and holding receiving rates have been sent to the haulers with the new rates scheduled to begin March 1st. The septic meter head has been replaced in order for the new key pad to work with the SCADA System.

This week two Kewaskum High School students enrolled in a government law class needed to log two hours of volunteer time, so two hours were spent reorganizing the Engineering Department files prior to their relocation to the new building.

Clerk/Treasurer

Preparations continue for the important Primary Election, which is scheduled for next Tuesday (February 20th) for State Supreme Court Justice and West Bend School District School Board Members. Absentee voting at the Village Hall ends today at 5:00 p.m. Of the 148 absentee ballots distributed, 117 have been returned so far. Thanks to Dave T. for setting up the polling location in the boardroom at the Village Hall.

The late water bills that have been trickling in have slowed to a drip.

Administrator

The Administrator attended the CVMIC Board of Directors meeting on Wednesday. It has been a challenging year for the member-owned company with the related liability costs associated with the increased level of police-involved shootings, as well as the rash of police and emergency vehicle crashes.

Looking ahead – The Wisconsin Department of Administration Public Hearing regarding the Mediated Cooperative Plan Agreement between the Village and town of Jackson is scheduled for Monday, February 26, 2018 from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. at Living Word Lutheran High School.

Looking further ahead – The Village of Jackson Candidate Forum has been scheduled for Thursday, March 15, 2018 at the Jackson Community Center, beginning at 6:30 p.m. There are four candidates on the ballot for three spots on the Jackson Village Board for the Tuesday, April 3rd Spring Election.