

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



Police Department

Officer Mueller continues to progress during his field training.

Nine police chief candidates will be interviewed by a panel of area chiefs on May 1st and 2nd.

Harris Radio will start testing the upgraded “state of the art” radio system in late June or early July. All tests will be done outdoors. A device will be used to simulate in-building reception; no tests will actually be done inside buildings. At least 95% coverage will mean the system has met the design specifications, which is the same definition that was applied to the first “state of the art” system that never worked. Once the system is operational, the police department will borrow a radio and test indoor coverage for various buildings. This will help determine if the Village should invest in new radios. If a building amplifier would be needed to assure connection in a critical building, for example, the Village hall, the cost would be entirely ours.

Significant progress has been made in the investigation of the attempted strong-arm robbery at the Village Mart. Detective Foeger is working with a team of investigators from other communities that were hit by the suspects.

Fire Department

There were ten medical calls this week.

There was an officers meeting Monday evening.

The Village Board gave its approval for a new ladder truck on Tuesday evening. The committee has been working very hard on the design, trying to keep the cost down. The purchase should have little effect on tax roll as all other apparatus has been paid off. The truck payments will come from the reserve account.

Joint Parks and Recreation

The indoor adult volleyball season has ended. Registrations are coming in for the Summer Sand Leagues.

Thanks to all who supported the “Friends” Inclusive Playground fundraiser at Culver’s of Jackson on Wednesday. Mark your calendars for the upcoming “Culver’s Playground Days”, May 30th, July 25th, and September 12th. We hope to see you there. Many thanks to Culver’s of Jackson for their incredible support!

The 16th Annual Scotty Schoen Kids Fish Derby is coming up on Saturday, May 5th. The event is FREE; however, please pre-register so we can make enough packets for the kiddos attending. The poster with details is available on line at: parkrec.recdesk.com! Thanks to Jackson Auto and JCL & Sons for continuing to sponsor this awesome event!

Arbor Day Celebration and Jackson Elementary “Park Spruce It Up” day is Friday, April 27th. Volunteers Needed – Please consider volunteering for the Kids Fish Derby on May 5th from 8:15 a.m. until Noon (you’ll get donuts!). We can also use help with Arbor Day and “Spruce It Up”– exact times TBA. The Tree Planting will be in Jackson Park at 9:30 a.m.

Deadline for Village employees to sign up for the “30 Day Wellness Challenge” is Monday, April 23rd. There will be incentives for those who participate! RSVP to the Park & Rec at: 262-677-9665.

Building Inspection

Liquor license inspections are scheduled for Wednesday, May 2nd from 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. The Washington County Health Department has backed out from our inspections due to lack of staff and funding issues.

Met with the developers on the Center Street Mill project this week.

Public Works

The Jackson Water Utility: There were 115 Digger’s Hotline locates for the month of March averaging 5.5 per day. The meter test bench has been re-piped so the test results for the 1½ inch meters will be more accurate. The emergency generators at all Water Utility sites are receiving their periodic maintenance. The bi-annual water system flushing will begin Monday and last about a week. The north water system serving the fair park and the hospital will be flushed after the water main along CTH P is lowered.

The Street & Parks Department crew continues to cold patch potholes, has created an access road to the Village’s fill site, and is readying the parks for the soccer and baseball leagues. Little League baseball starts next week. Weather permitting, the ball diamonds will be prepared for play. The fall protection equipment has been inspected for the annual certification. The final cleanup of the barn has begun; the material will be removed using dumpsters.

At the WWTP, a sludge sample was taken for testing to begin the spring hauling of the blue tank. Sludge decanting will begin again if the weather does not allow hauling. The yard water system has been changed over to tank and compressor instead of a bladder system. For the third time, holes were found in the bladder. The manufacturer is being contacted for a refund.

The Ridgeway reconstruction project was advertised for the second time on Thursday. The bid opening is scheduled for Thursday, April 19th. A preconstruction meeting was held for the 2018 Miscellaneous Utility Project on Monday, April 9th at 10:00 a.m.

A meeting was held with the Washington County Highway Department, the TID #6 developer, the design engineer, and the Village for the scheduling of, and any potential conflicts with the CTH P reconstruction project and the TID #6 development project. Construction will begin in this area in May. There is a pre-construction meeting scheduled for May 1st for the CTH P reconstruction project with a scheduled May 14th start date.

Administrator

The Wisconsin Department of Administration is scheduled to issue their decision next Thursday, April 19th regarding the Mediated Cooperative Plan between the Village and town of Jackson.

The Special Village Board – Annual Organizational Meeting of the Village of Jackson will take place Tuesday, April 17 at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall.