

To: Village Board, All Committee Members, and Others
From: John M. Walther, Administrator
Date: July 10, 2020
Re: Weekly Update



Police Department

Staff attended Succession Planning Training this week at Cities and Villages Mutual Insurance Company (CVMIC.)

The de-commissioned squad car sold for over \$7,000 at auction. After commission and clean-up costs, the Village received \$6,600.

This week the Washington-Ozaukee County Health Department decided they will no longer share COVID-19 positive addresses with local police and fire departments unless they have their own dispatch center. We are working with the Washington County Sheriff's Office to ensure that vital information will be shared with our public safety employees.

On Tuesday afternoon, two suspects took a cart full of alcohol from Piggly Wiggly without paying for it. The suspect vehicle was located by the Wisconsin State Patrol on I-41 near Germantown. A traffic stop was initiated. The vehicle stopped and the driver and passenger provided their driver's licenses to the trooper. The vehicle then fled southbound. Since the suspects were identified, the trooper did not pursue. Charges are being referred to the District Attorney's Office for Retail Theft and Bail jumping.

We would like to remind our residents that the Jackson Police Department would never call you to solicit donations. If you receive an unsolicited call seeking donations to support the police, it is likely a scam and you should hang up on the caller.

Fire Department

There were thirty-three medical and ten fire calls over the past two weeks, including three carbon monoxide (one with a high level of CO coming from a water heater); two water flow alarms, a head activation, two smoke detector malfunctions, and a stove fire contained to the stove. There was also a vehicle rollover crash with injuries on I-41.

Training has resumed in small groups. We have been exercising relay pumping and water shuttles, important for the towns we cover that have long driveways that won't allow more than one truck to drive onto the property. Relay pumping is utilized to keep water supplied to the first-arriving engine.

Our three full-time paramedics seem to be settling into their new roles providing faster twenty-four-hour first response coverage. It has been an adjustment for all members but it is working well.

We are working together to get ready for the second-half fire inspections. Three separate crews will do inspections allowing better follow-up for correction of noted violations. Along with inspections, the Fire Chief and Training Captain have been doing plan reviews, final occupancies, and rough inspections on all new buildings in the Village.

Joint Parks and Recreation

We began selling treats at the Splash Pad this week in conjunction with monitoring groups. It will be a slow year for groups but a great year to spread the word about the new group policy. So far, the smaller groups at the Splash Pad have helped to reduce the crowd making it more enjoyable for Village residents. During these hot days, stop at the Splash Pad after 10:00 a.m. and enjoy a cold treat for only \$2.00! You will also see a new friendly face at the Splash Pad, Abby Ksioszk. Welcome to our team Abby!

Our Facebook cover and profile pictures are a little different for the month of July as we help to celebrate National Parks & Recreation Month. Check it out on Facebook at the following link: [JacksonParkRec](#).

The Greater Jackson Business Alliance will meet next Wednesday (July 15th) at Jackson Shelter #1.

The CVB Board met virtually on Thursday morning. Work continues on a video production piece to promote tourism in Washington County. Weather permitting, some of the production video will be taken on Saturday at the Splash Park.

The WPRA Foundation Golf Committee met and are proceeding with the annual outing in September, with several adjustments to allow for social distancing. The outing will be Thursday, September 10th at New Berlin Hills Golf Course

Programs are beginning to pick up with our PeeWee series and adult fitness and pickleball.

Cardio Mix Upbeat starts next Saturday. If you are looking for a good workout, make sure to sign up for this class!

American Red Cross will be holding a blood drive at the JACC on July 22nd from 2:00 – 6:00 p.m. Make sure to make your appointment today by calling 1-800 Red Cross or visit [redcrossblood.org](#).

Building Inspection

Inspection volume was steady this week as was permit volume with twenty-eight permits being processed in the first three days.

An occupancy inspection was performed for WOR, Inc., opening a facility on Tower Drive. The company specializes in all hydraulic, electrical, welding, and mechanical services focusing in the compaction industry.

Rough building inspections were completed on an office building and on Buildings 1 and 2 at Premier Jackson Rosewood apartment buildings.

Public Works

The Jackson Water Utility continues valve exercising and hydrant maintenance. There were 180 Digger's Hotline locates for the month of June averaging eight per day. We-Energies is preparing to move the overhead electric to underground in the Town of Polk and Staff is preparing for the locates associated with the project. Meters were read this week with about a dozen issues that need to be addressed. The water main along STH 60 was tapped this week on the Ridgeway Drive extension project. The pressure cap associated with the tap started leaking, so the main was scheduled to be shut down at 5:00 p.m. Thursday after two businesses closed for the day. The repair took less than twenty minutes and the water was again restored. The Utility inspected the new water main installation of Laurel Springs Subdivision Addition #1 this week. A punch list was created for the necessary corrections.

The Street & Parks Department has issued seventy-four Yard Waste Site access cards to Village residents. Call 262-677-0707 for information. One of the one-ton trucks received needed wiring which was done in-house. Cold patching is scheduled for Cedar Parkway. Shelter #2 in Jackson Park is now ready for rental after half of the concrete floor was replaced. Interviews will begin next week to fill the vacate Public Works employee position. The Spring Cleanup Day, canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic, has been rescheduled as a one-time-only Autumn Cleanup Day for Saturday, October 17th. See the notice in the July Jackson Quarterly included with your upcoming utility bill. On Wednesday, a semi-truck hit the overhead phone and cable line that caused a parking lot light pole at Tennes Hardware to fall into an electric transformer. The Public Works Building was out of power for two hours on Wednesday and phone service was not restored until this afternoon at 3:00 p.m.

At the WWTP: Mower maintenance is being done. The Lakeside screen for the septage station is now working after minor repairs were made. The pump motor for washing the clarifiers has been repaired. The Jackson Sewer Utility inspected the new sewer main installation of Laurel Springs Addition #1 Subdivision this week. A punch list was created for the necessary corrections. Clarifier #3 is not functioning properly will need to be emptied and cleaned. The project is being scheduled for the end of the month.

Major earth work continues at the new Jackson Municipal Complex site. Pond excavation is about 70% complete. Onsite water main and storm sewer are being installed. Work continues to stabilize the site to begin the footings. The Spruce Street and Ridgeway Drive extensions have begun; water main has been installed on Ridgeway Drive.

Clerk

Reminder letters were sent to pet owners who have not licensed the pet for 2020 but had a 2019 license. The licensing period runs from January 1st to December 31st of each year. A late fee of \$10.00 applies to all pets not licensed on or before March 31st.

The Type E Notice, Voting by Absentee Ballot for the Partisan Primary was posted and will be published on Tuesday, July 14, 2020 in the Daily News. Pre-testing on the voting equipment was completed. Preparation continues for the Tuesday, August 11th Election.

Treasurer

The Village received its second quarter General Transportation Aids from the State in the amount of \$85,214.32.

The Village received the 2021 WRS rates from the State. The rates remained the same at 13.5% for general employees and increased slightly for protective service employees from 18.49% to 18.59%.

COVID-19 expenses have been submitted to the State for reimbursement as part of the Routes to Recovery Program.

Administrator

The 2020 July Jackson Quarterly has been sent to the printer. It will be included with the Utility bills in next week's mailing. You can click the link for an ([expanded online version](#)) already on the website.