

To: Village Board, All Committee Members, and Others  
From: John M. Walther, Administrator  
Date: September 25, 2020  
Re: Weekly Update



### **Police Department**

On Saturday evening, Walgreens staff reported that a vehicle crashed into their building and the driver appeared to be unconscious. Available evidence suggests that the driver was experiencing a drug overdose prior to the crash. The driver was revived, received medical treatment, and was ultimately taken to the Washington County Jail. Heroin, methamphetamine, and drug paraphernalia were located in the vehicle. Several charges were requested related to the drugs and for Operating While Under the Influence (3<sup>rd</sup> Offense).

We continue to receive reports of scam attempts. This week a resident received several calls from a caller purporting to be from We Energies demanding immediate payment for an overdue bill. The resident was directed to purchase two “Money Pak” cards to make immediate payment. After providing about \$500 in Money Pak cards, the resident realized it was a scam. We Energies will not call you and demand that you use Money Pak cards to pay your bill. If you are ever in doubt, hang up and call We Energies directly. We are also happy to assist with any scam related questions by calling 262-677-4949.

### **Fire Department**

There were seventeen medical and four fire calls, including a smoking vehicle, a gas leak, and a fire alarm.

At Monday evening training, crews practiced advancing hose to the second story of the building, and fire scenarios rescuing trapped victims.

We have been scheduling area schools and daycare centers for fire prevention sessions. Goodie bags are being assembled for all children. While this year’s Open House has been canceled, check out our Facebook page for information on the Drive-Through Open House scheduled for October 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at the Washington County Fair Park.

### **Joint Parks and Recreation**

Jessica, Paula, and Kelly worked on the Travel Stimulus Grant in the hope of recouping some lost tourism revenue due to COVID-19.

Thanks to Joseph Olson for agreeing to fix up the Scout Flag Box located by the JPD to earn his “Community Service” merit badge.

Wednesday, SEPRC held a virtual facilities tour featuring the new West Allis/West Milwaukee Community Center. During their planning phase, WAWM made several information-gathering trips to the JACC. They made many favorable comments about our facility and mimicked many areas (on a larger scale) and even hired Groth Design Group for the project.

Welcome Joel Kahrs to the JACC Building Supervisor team! Joel begins his training Monday.

This is the last chance to register your Adult Volleyball team for the indoor league beginning October 7<sup>th</sup>. Call Renee for details at 262-677-9665 x104 or email her at: [rfisher@villageofjackson.com](mailto:rfisher@villageofjackson.com).

Register now for the “Halloween Outdoor House Decorating Contest.” The deadline is October 27<sup>th</sup>. Judging will be Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup> between 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

### **Building Inspection**

Permit volume remains low. Inspection volume was steady throughout the week. Rough inspections were completed on Building #6 at Rosewood Apartments. This is the final rough to be completed for this development. Occupancy inspections for the first building are slated for November.

Permits were issued for three additional homes in the Laurel Springs Subdivision Addition #1.

Masonry wall work continues at the new Municipal Complex. Pre-cast wall sections continue to be installed within Building A (Police garage.)

### **Public Works**

The Jackson Water Utility continues the valve exercising and hydrant maintenance programs. The three-year DNR required lead and copper testing has been completed. The chlorine scale was replaced at Well #1. The chlorine switch-over valve was replaced at Well #6. Two valve boxes were repaired in Stonebrooke Drive so the final lift of asphalt could be installed. The water lateral for Snow Studs was filled, chlorinated, and a water sample was taken this week. The safe water sample was received. The towers overflowed this week. Dirt was found in the pressure line mis-reading the height of the tower. Seven meters remain to be changed out. The customers have not responded and disconnection notices are unable to be sent, so the seven will be rescheduled for 2021. Forty-four accounts remain delinquent for the second quarter. If payment is not received before the third quarter meter reading, the bills will be placed on their 2020 tax bills.

The Street & Parks Department crew continues the additional building and park equipment cleaning. Yard Waste Site access cards are available to Village residents. Call 262-677-0707 for information. Bags and brush chipping were the focus this week. The Fall season curbside bag and brush pickup begins the week of October 5<sup>th</sup>. The one-ton chipper truck broke a brake line, so another truck was used to complete the task. Some dead street parkway trees were removed. Brush and weeds were cut down at the intersections of Glen Brooke Drive and Victor Lane, Hickory Lane and Eagle Drive, and Sherman Road and Jackson Drive to improve vision triangles. The Jackson Park kitchen hood has been cleaned in order to begin installation of the cooking equipment. The repair project for the sidewalk and retaining wall repair at Eagle Drive and STH 60 has begun.

At the WWTP: Badger Waste is hauling sludge from the blue tank. Thus far, 680,000 gallons of sludge have been hauled – that is eight feet of the sixteen-foot level in the tank. Soybeans now need to be harvested so hauling can continue. Lawn mower and equipment maintenance were done this week and the Village-owned streetlights on Alcan Drive were repaired. The roof replacement project will begin next week for the digester and filter buildings.

The outside walls are being installed this week at the Municipal Complex site. The Spruce Street and Ridgeway Drive Extension road base is ready for curb and gutter; we still await WisDOT permit to complete Ridgeway Drive to STH 60.

The 2020 Hunters Road Reconstruction Project is being prepared for curb and gutter. The new Village-owned streetlights are being installed.

### **Clerk**

On Wednesday, staff participated in a conference call with the Wisconsin Elections Commission regarding the November 3<sup>rd</sup> General Election.

If you have received your absentee ballot and do not want to return it through the mail, a secure white drop box has been installed for absentee ballots near the garage door at Village Hall.

In-person absentee voting will be held in the Village Board Room beginning Tuesday, October 20th through Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup>. Hours are 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. on weekdays.

### **Treasurer**

The Travel Wisconsin Grant Program was released this week. This should benefit the Community Center in recouping some of its' lost revenues due to COVID-19. Thanks to Kelly and Jess for helping to get this submittal ready.