

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



### **Police Department**

A Saturday evening traffic stop resulted in the recovery of two stolen handguns (one from Oklahoma City, OK and one from Green Bay.) Two West Bend residents were transported to the Washington County Jail.

On Wednesday afternoon the BMO Harris bank was robbed. The suspect fled the area with an undisclosed amount of cash. A suspect was later identified and arrested. More information will be released when charges are filed.

We assisted Jackson Elementary School with their intruder/evacuation drills this week. A great deal of planning has gone into the school's safety drills and we were glad to assist them.

Several officers shared lunch with the students at Jackson Elementary on Friday as part of our "Lunch with the Law" program. Lunch with the Law is a new program in Jackson where officers have lunch with students in the K-4<sup>th</sup> grade. The goals are to enhance our relationship with the youth in the community and to help children to understand that police officers are their friends, while encouraging respectful behavior in school. To earn "Lunch with the Law" the students have to show respectful and responsible behavior.

The 2015 Ford Interceptor squad car required over \$2,000 in repairs to replace brakes, a faulty door handle and two directional light assemblies.

A Wi-Fi router was added to the office of the police department. This will allow the ability to network printers and access the internet inside the building from the squad computers.

### **Fire Department**

Fire Prevention Week has been busy with calls. There have been fifteen medical calls. The lone fire call resulted from a natural gas leak on a gas stove in a home just north of the Village. Upon returning home from work and school, the family realized the smell was coming from their home. They did the right thing by moving far away from the house.

Fire Prevention week was a success. Over 600 hundred area elementary school children learned about fire prevention and life safety from our JFD staff; hopefully returning home to practice with their families what they learned.

Monday night the station was cleaned and trucks were waxed in preparation for this week's Open House. Approximately 800 people showed up Wednesday evening for the event, which featured a great skit and vehicle extrication. Many new events piqued the crowd's interest: games for the kids, free t-shirts, cookies and refreshments, hands-only CPR, stroke and cardiac awareness, how to stop the bleed and, of course, a tour of the fire station, trucks, and ambulances. There was lively participation by the children. Special thanks to the participating Froedtert team (doctors, trauma and stroke coordinators, and nurses), who ran many of the events. Thanks also to Westbury Bank for donating their time to help with the refreshments. Thank you to all the retired fire department members that helped with the different stations; and finally, thanks to our active members who are ready at all times of day or night to protect our community!

### **Joint Parks and Recreation**

The "Friends" would like to sincerely thank all the businesses and volunteers who made the 2018 GloRun and the AfterGlo Party a great success. To all the folks at Trinity Church – Thanks for making the GloRun your community service project. It was great having all of you as route marshals!

Chili Cook-off: Congratulations to Fire Marshal Chuck Ruetten for winning the 2018 GloRun Chili Cook-off for the second straight year. Also, congratulations to the Jackson 4K program for taking second place and the "Friends Group" for taking third. It was a great event!

Monday the JACC hosted a blood drive for the Blood Center of Wisconsin.

On Tuesday, Jackson Elementary School held their "Evacuation Drill", which directs the entire school to the JACC. Everything ran smoothly, thanks to Principal Hanson.

Indoor Adult Volleyball began Wednesday and will run through March.

October is "Open Enrollment" for Medicare. The JACC is hosting a Medicare Information Class on October 17<sup>th</sup>. The session will provide valuable information and help answer any questions you may have prior to enrolling. If you are interested in attending, call 262-677-9665 x102 to register, as there are still a few open spots.

The Inclusive Playground construction is off to a slow start due to all the wet weather. The demolition has now been completed. Grading and base preparation is now taking place. The new equipment has arrived and has been placed into storage at the Public Works building.

Thank you to the Beekman family for presenting a check to Casey Latz, President of the Friends Group, in the amount of \$1,900 – one-half the proceeds from the “härmənē rə'tərnz!” benefit concert held at Trinity Lutheran Church in West Bend on Saturday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, in memory of their son Matthew. The equally divided proceeds will benefit the Hickory Lane Park Inclusive Playground in the Village, and the Washington County Heroin Task Force.

The Youth Flag Football season has been extended due to the rain-saturated fields. Thankfully, we don't get hurricanes!

The Washington County Home Energy Assistance program held meetings on Wednesday with residents that may benefit from the program. The Hunger Task Force Stock Box program also met, working well alongside the Energy Assistance program. Both programs have had a positive impact on residents (especially seniors) in need.

The 4k Directors met Wednesday afternoon. The school year is off to a wonderful start. We are fortunate to have an extraordinary staff in Jackson! Congratulations to Lauren Dohman, our 4K Teacher for being the District “Queen Bee” last week.

The WPRF Foundation Board of Directors met at the JACC on Thursday.

Ghoul Gala Sunday, October 28<sup>th</sup> – Volunteers are desperately needed – We are in need of approximately thirty volunteers to successfully run this event. Please consider helping us out with any the following needs: 1.) Decorating crew from 12:30 to 3:00 p.m. 2.) Running a kids game from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m.; or 3.) Working in the concessions area from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. The Park and Rec would like to thank Scout Troop #765 for being our dependable event “cleanup crew” – you are the BEST!

### **Public Works**

The Jackson Water Utility will be flushing the entire water system beginning on Monday (October 15<sup>th</sup>.) The valves maintained this year were entered into the Workhorse computer system; 814 of the total of 1,491 valves in the system were maintained. This week the crew helped the Washington County Fair Park staff to winterize the fairground buildings by shutting off water valves in the seasonal buildings. They helped the Street Department again with bag pick-up and chipping this week. The Water Utility has engaged Edge Consulting Engineers, Inc. and R.A. Smith Engineering for a structural analysis of the blue water tower for the proposed installation of radio antennas on top of the tower. Johnson and Sons Paving paved areas of Valleywood and Sherman Parc Subdivisions this week around areas of sewer and water valve repairs. Two driveways in the construction areas will be paved next week, along with an area at the new Street/Water Building, if the fence will have been relocated.

The new equipment for the Hickory Park Inclusive Playground was delivered week; it is being stored in the cold storage building until the site is ready. Cold patching, setup and cleanup for the Fire Department Open House, mulching, seeding around the soccer goals, and winterizing the park buildings were completed this week. Bag pick-up, chipping, and mowing in the wet parks continue to be a challenge.

At the WWTP, the shaft in the washer compactor is back online but now has a crack in the adaptor plate. The repair part has been ordered. The plant is treating an average of one and a half to two million gallons per day. Some of the staff will be attending the WWOA Conference next week.

A walkthrough inspection was held for the Ridgeway Drive reconstruction project, to develop the final punch list. Still waiting for the delivery of the streetlights for the installation.

The line painting has been completed on Cedar Creek Road. Shouldering should soon be complete.

### **Clerk/Treasurer**

Wednesday, October 17<sup>th</sup> is the deadline to register by mail or online at [myvote.wi.gov](http://myvote.wi.gov) for the November 6<sup>th</sup> General Election. After this date, voters must register in person at Village Hall or at the polling place on Election Day. Jilline participated in an Elections Commission webinar regarding Election Day topics.

Staff continues work on the budget in preparation for the first budget workshop scheduled for Tuesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>.

### **Administrator**

The October printed edition of the Jackson Quarterly and monthly calendars were mailed this week, along with the utility bills. Many thanks to volunteers Billie Vaughan, Sally Lipski, Cheryl Jeske, Leona Ksioszk, and Nancy Skinner for stuffing approximately 3,000 envelopes for delivery to the area utility customers. The Jackson Quarterly may also be found on the Village's website under “Publications.” Utility bills are due November 5<sup>th</sup>.

Tuesday evening the Village Board approved an Offer to Purchase for the property necessary to construct a new long-awaited Public Safety building.