

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



## **Police Department**

The Jackson Police Department participated in a large-scale emergency management exercise at Sysco Jackson on Monday evening. The simulated hazmat spill exercise was sponsored by Washington County Emergency Management. It was a great opportunity to train with other law enforcement and fire departments from the area and ensure that we are well prepared to respond to a serious incident within our manufacturing community.

Officer Kyle Henning received a lifesaving citation from the Jackson Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) on Monday evening at the Community Center. The VFW also made a donation of \$250 to charities of Officer Henning's choice. Officer Henning chose to divide the donation between the Washington County Humane Society and the victim advocate group, Friends of Abused Families.

We assisted Morning Star Lutheran School with their emergency safety drills on Thursday.

On Sunday afternoon a Jackson officer was dispatched to Green Valley Mobile Home Park for a suspicious person complaint. A 47-year-old West Bend man was arrested for his 7<sup>th</sup> offense of OWI. His PBT was .27 at 3:30 p.m. He was transported to the Washington County Jail and charges are pending.

We are reminding Village residents that JPD offers vacation home checks. If a Village resident is going to be away for an extended period of time, feel free to stop by the police department and fill out a form so the officers know to check on your home. This service is free and the officers will check the home when time permits.

## **Fire Department**

There were eleven medical and three fire calls this week; including a carbon monoxide call, a motor vehicle crash, and an industrial accident. The motor vehicle crash was due to an impaired driver striking a trailer, then crashing into the median divider. One victim was taken to the hospital. The industrial accident was due to an employee getting his hand caught between two strong magnets. Crews freed his hand and transported him to the hospital.

Monday night training included a full-scale hazardous materials incident at Sysco Jackson, involving a simulated ammonia leak. The Jackson Police, Washington County Hazmat team, Hartford, Boltonville, Slinger, and Richfield Fire Departments, Froedtert West Bend Hospital, and the Sysco response team all participated in the incident. A live incident would also require evacuation of the downwind population using additional (minimum of seven) police department personnel. Teams must be prepared to enter the premises and alleviate the problem, with outside personnel ready to decontaminate anyone affected. This type of scenario could require many fire units. In a large facility like Sysco, many employees and others could potentially be contaminated, requiring numerous transport vehicles. The hospital also needs to be prepared to handle a significant incident like this as numerous victims may need to be transported.

## **Joint Parks and Recreation**

We have been busy working on repairs to the JACC. The double gym doors are being replaced after numerous repairs. It was great to see Reliable Door in Jackson come in with the best price for the project.

Youth Flag Football will have its awards banquet next week. Despite the cold fall, the kids had a blast.

The public input meeting for the Parks, Recreation & Open Space Plan revision was held Wednesday. The Friends and committee members were present. Although there was no quorum for the Park & Rec Committee meeting, the Friends still held their annual meeting and election of officers. Casey Latz will remain President, Renee Kreiter, Vice President, Sue Rank, Secretary, and Gloria Teifke, Treasurer.

The Boys & Girls Club held their Halloween Party in West Bend today at noon.

**GHOUL GALA: Sunday, October 28<sup>th</sup> – WE REALLY, REALLY, REALLY NEED VOLUNTEERS!**  
– Especially to help run the games from 2:30 to 5:30. This is an event where high school kids are encouraged to help and can receive community service hours. Contact Jess to help at 262-677-9665 x102.

## **Public Works**

The Jackson Water Utility flushed the entire water system this week. High water usage complaints are being reviewed since the last quarterly billing. The 3% water rate increase will take effect November 1<sup>st</sup>.

The Street & Parks Department completed the week's bag pick-up and chipping, along with mowing. Thermo bonding maps are being completed. A tree removal list is being created for proposals from tree removal companies. The crew removed the worn out American Flags on Main Street and will reinstall replacements before Veterans Day.

At the WWTP: Dan W., Jeff, and Brian attended the 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference of Wisconsin Wastewater Operators' Association in Lake Geneva this week. Topics included "Real Truths behind the RFP Process," and Phosphorus Trading – a Real WWTP to WWTP Solution."

Hickory Lane Park playground area has been prepared for installation of the new play ground equipment.

## **Clerk/Treasurer**

Absentee voting at Jackson Crossing was facilitated by Special Voting Deputies on Wednesday.

Election inspectors were trained to assist the Clerk's Office for in-person absentee voting at the Village Hall from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> to Friday November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Friday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> is the last day to complete an absentee ballot in the Clerk's Office – from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Election Inspectors for the General Election on November 6<sup>th</sup> participated in training on Thursday. We are pleased to have six new inspectors assisting us.

Jilline attended an Election Security Training exercise on Wednesday at the County Clerk's office, and also a Wisconsin Elections Commission webinar on reminders for the November General Election.

The Republican Party of Wisconsin sent out a mailing regarding Absentee Ballot Requests. It is required that you submit photo identification if you are requesting an Absentee Ballot by mail.

## **Administrator**

Budget preparation continues.