

To: Village Board, All Committee Members, and Others
From: John M. Walther, Administrator
Date: October 25, 2019
Re: Weekly Update



Police Department

A hit and run crash was reported Tuesday evening on Main Street. The suspect vehicle fled the scene after crashing into an occupied vehicle in traffic. An alert citizen recorded the license plate of the vehicle. JPD officers located the suspect vehicle Thursday at a repair shop in West Bend. Thanks to the alert citizen and some good police work, the suspect was arrested and taken to jail Thursday evening. Charges are pending with the District Attorney's office for hit and run and several counts of bail jumping.

An early morning traffic pursuit reached speeds of over 100 mph on Monday before the suspect crashed just south of West Bend. A JPD officer attempted to stop the vehicle for a traffic violation when the suspect fled. The 14-year-old driver was taken into custody and turned over to juvenile authorities. There were no injuries and no damage to the involved JPD squad car.

Chief Vossekuil met with State Representative Rick Gundrum to discuss issues impacting the Village.

We attended the Mid-Moraine Municipal Court annual meeting in West Bend. The court is requesting additional court room security, which we will provide when court is held in Jackson.

Reminder: Tomorrow (Saturday, October 26th), is Prescription Drug Take Back Day from 9:00 a.m. until Noon at the Jackson Police Department garage. An officer will help you dispose of the acceptable items (see list below) – No Questions Asked.

Please – No Plastic Pill Containers. Remove all medications from pill containers (except blister packs,) drop into a clear sealable plastic bag, and bring to the Police Department for disposal.)

Bring your unused prescriptions (controlled and non-controlled) and over-the-counter medications, ointments, creams, vials, patches, non-aerosol sprays, inhalers, and pet medications.

NO illegal drugs, needles/sharps, acids, aerosol cans, bio-hazardous materials (anything containing blood or bodily fluids,) or personal care products (such as shampoo, soaps, lotions, or sunscreens), mercury thermometers, or household hazardous waste (such as paint, pesticides, oil, or gasoline).

Liquids without the original packaging will not be accepted.

Fire Department

During the last week, the Jackson Fire Department responded to fifteen EMS and four fire calls, including mutual aid for a commercial structure fire in Germantown, a natural gas leak at a road construction project, an explosion (later determined to be a controlled burn,) and a downed power line caused by the high winds earlier in the week.

Cold and windy weather is blamed for the low turnout for Firefighters & Fries at Culver's of Jackson Monday night. It was a great opportunity to interact with the public and distribute fire prevention materials.

The master battery switch on Water Tender 1291 failed putting the truck out of service. A replacement switch was quickly located and installed by on-duty firefighters.

Five new pagers were put in service this week compliments of the DNR grant. New portable radios will be ordered shortly with partial funding also coming from the DNR grant.

Fire Marshal Chuck Ruetten spent three days this week attending the Fire State Fire Inspectors Association Conference. Sessions included various topics on code and fire prevention. This is also a great opportunity to meet and network with fire inspectors from around the state.

Joint Parks and Recreation

Home School Girls Basketball is in full swing at the JACC at 6:30 a.m.

Reminder: Open Walking in the gym is Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from Noon – 3:00 p.m., and Tuesday and Thursday from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Welcome to our new Tai Chi instructor Diane Redman and our new Yoga Instructor Anita Odekirk. We're happy to have you both on our Park & Rec team!

Youth Flag Football ended Thursday night. The awards banquet is October 31st. Thanks again to all the volunteer coaches and Dena's Specialty Candy for continued sponsorship of this wonderful program!

The Village held a welcome luncheon for our newest full-time employees Grant Demaa with the Jackson Police Department and Gregg Rathke with the Jackson Fire Department. Welcome to you both!

The Jackson Tourism Commission met Thursday to review revenue and expenses from 2019 and to review the draft 2020 budget. After discussion the budget was approved as presented.

Sunday is the Ghoul Gala Pre-Trick or Treat Party from 2:30 – 5:30 p.m. We are still looking for a few more volunteers for the event. Please contact Jess if you or your group can help at 262-677-9665 ext. 102 or email her at: parkrec@villageofjackson.com. Reminder: The Best Dressed Family receives all kinds of goodies including a 2020 Private Hickory Lane Splash Park Party!

Jackson Trick or Treat follows the Ghoul Gala, from 5:30 – 7:30 for both the Village and the town.

Building Inspection

Inspection volume was steady this week while permit volume slowed.

The Wisconsin Association for Floodplains, Stormwater and Coastal Management (WAFSCM) held its annual conference this week in Rothschild. The conference provides educational training and continued education credits which are applied towards the Certified Floodplain Manager (CFM) certification.

General site utility work (water, sanitary and storm sewer) for Jackson Rosewood Apartments was completed this week. Contractors are working to extend water and sewer connections to each of the seven buildings. Concrete flatwork also continues. Road construction will begin once this work is completed.

Public Works

The Jackson Water Utility crew flushed the entire water system this week. Some valves were failed to be reopened after the program caused which caused some customers to be out of water a short time during the process. The closed valves were located and reopened. Fire flows will be completed next week. The season's valve exercising data entry has been completed; 667 of the 1,480 water valves north of STH 60 were exercised.

The Street & Parks Department crew continues to pick bags and chip brush. Collection took two days or less. Landscaping at the new playground in Hickory Lane Park area slowed due to the wet weather. The sand volleyball courts have been converted to grassy areas. Other items completed this week were cold- patching, tree trimming, prepping the flag football field, and shouldering on Highland Road. Fencing is being installed at the new yard waste site. The plan is to work on the card reading program over the winter months and get people signed up for the 2020 spring season. The generator at the Village Hall needs a new head gasket. It will be repaired since the Village Hall operation will not relocate for at least another year and a half.

At the WWTP: The heavy rains in early October caused Clarifier #4 to plug along with the grit tank. Both were placed back online this week. Even with the limited staff at the plant, three quarters of the equipment has been winterized. Interviews will continue next week for the vacant Jackson Sewer Utility position.

Jackson Drive adjacent to the Laurel Springs addition remains closed due to road condition concerns. The curbing has now been installed and pulverizing has begun. The roadway subgrade in the subdivision is too wet to pass a compaction test. Stone material will be installed to move the project along.

Curbing and sidewalk have been installed on the Hickory Lane reconstruction project has. Paving and landscaping will follow. Storm sewer and storm laterals have been installed on the Chateau Drive reconstruction project. Grading and curbing will follow.

Curbing has been installed on the Jackson Park alley project. The alley is being prepared for paving.

Clerk

Three recently approved ordinances were sent Municode to update our Municipal Code (available on the website.)

Village Trustee candidacy forms were updated for the 2020-2022 term. The 2020 Spring Election will be held Tuesday, April 7th.

Treasurer

Open Enrollment ended today. Health insurance changes needed to be received 4:00.

Information will be going out next week regarding AFLAC and TASC benefits for 2020.