

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 and Fire Departments participated in a joint training exercise at Morning Star Lutheran School on Monday evening. We practiced our response to a critical incident under the “Rescue Task Force” model. The goal is to respond as quickly as possible to a critical incident and render aid to anyone that may be wounded. The departments will continue to train together in the future to ensure the highest level of service to our residents.

Chief Vossekuil was invited to serve on the Wisconsin Department of Justice, Office of School Safety Advisory Committee. A meeting was held Thursday at the State Capitol in Madison. Although much of the school safety grant money has been distributed to school districts statewide, there is much work to be done to set standards and work with schools to review safety planning.

The department’s computers have been upgraded to Microsoft Office 365. This upgrade offers an increased level of security, better remote access, and the ability to properly archive email to comply with the public records laws.

Fire Department

There were nine medical and two fire calls this week. We were called to a fire in West Bend but were canceled just prior to arrival.

Monday night training involved active shooter preparedness together with the Jackson Police Department; allowing JFD personnel to team up with our police on a large scale incident. As more shootings occur in the country, it is imperative that we train together to save lives. This is the second time this year we have worked together, and plan to bring in other agencies next time. See our Facebook page for some pictures.

The Chief attended a fire/EMS focus group meeting at CVMIC with a number of chiefs from around the state. We discussed peer support, insurance, firefighter fitness, grants, and training for the future.

The SCBA study is wrapping up. We will meet with West Bend, Richfield, Hartford, and Allenton next week to work on a group purchase to reduce price and provide some consistency with area departments.

Joint Parks and Recreation

Renee had the youth teams’ flag football banquet Thursday. Thank you to Dena’s, the players, coaches, many volunteers, parents, and the Green Bay Packers for their continued support of another great season!

Reliable Door is scheduling the replacement of the gym doors for next week. There have been problems with the center mullion for years. The locking mechanism has begun to fail. Reliable Door will complete the entire project. They have been great to work with and we are pleased they are a local business.

Please consider donating baked goods to our bake sale on Saturday, December 1st at the Kid's Rummage Sale. Baked goods can be dropped off at the Community Center by November 30th in time for the sale.

The Tot Time class is taking Scholastic Book Orders again this year. If you are in need of any books or gifts for Christmas, please consider ordering from our "classroom." You can create an account and order online at: www.scholastic.com/bookclubs using our 5- digit Class Code: J9DW2. We have received a free mini fridge, a book shelf, and many free books for our classroom library using this educational program.

GHOUL GALA: This Sunday, October 28th – **WE STILL NEED VOLUNTEERS!** (We could use some volunteers to set up on Sunday from 12:00 – 3:00 p.m. and a few more volunteers to help with games from 2:30 – 5:30 p.m.) High school kids are encouraged to volunteer. It is a great chance to pick up community service hours. Please contact Jess if you can help at: 262-677-9665 x102.

Public Works

The Jackson Water Utility chlorinated the newly installed water main for the Cobblestone Meadows single family development. We are waiting for a safe water sample which will allow the line to be pressure tested. Private well owners within the Jackson Water Utility System were sent permit renewal letters. A well permit is valid for three-years. The City of Marinette is struggling with the idea of serving water to properties outside of the city limits. Marinette officials have begun discussions with the Jackson Water Utility on the feasibility of providing water service outside of a municipality's limits.

The Street & Parks Department has been picking bags and chipping brush this week. The crew will shoulder (east) Highland Road next week. Thermo bonding of manholes and water valve boxes will be done next week. Furnaces are now working in the park building. The crew is helping the Community Center with the GhouL Gala event.

At the WWTP, the crew helped with the installation of Village-owned streetlights on the Ridgeway Drive reconstruction project. The annual inspection and maintenance of all air exchange units and heaters were completed for all plant buildings. Three air exchange units and one heater need to be replaced.

A temporary construction fence has been installed around the Hickory Lane Park playground area. The new playground equipment is scheduled to be installed in the next few weeks.

Clerk/Treasurer

The first week of in-person Absentee Voting and voter registration has been steady. Hours next week are Monday to Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Friday, November 2nd from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. NO voter registration or absentee voting is allowed the day before the November 6th election. The deadline to request an absentee ballot by mail is 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 1, 2018.

The public test of voting equipment for the General Election is scheduled for Tuesday, October 30th at 1:30 p.m. Observation of the test is open to the public.

Jilline participated in a webinar on elections security hosted by the Wisconsin Elections Commissions.

Administrator

Work continues on the 2019 budget (awaiting crucial numbers from the state,) the PSCW water service complaint, interviews, land acquisitions, ordinances, etc.