

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



Police Department

The annual rifle training at the Washington County firearms range has been completed. All officers have re-certified with the AR-15 patrol rifle.

The Wisconsin Department of Justice provided JPD with free Narcan. This opiate antidote will be carried with the officers while on patrol. We have been carrying and deploying Narcan for several years, but this is the first time we have received it at no cost from the state.

The Police and Fire Commission met on Wednesday evening and interviewed four candidates for our opening. An eligibility list was certified and background investigations have begun. The PFC also approved the promotion of Sergeant Todd Fristed to Lieutenant, effective January 1, 2019. He has been a valued officer and supervisor for the Village of Jackson for twenty-three years and this promotion is well deserved. Be sure to congratulate Lieutenant Fristed if you get the opportunity.

Fire Department

This week's call volume has significantly increased, with seventeen medical and seven fire calls, including a broken sprinkler head, stove fire, carbon monoxide leak, sprinkler activation, and three mutual aid structure fires. The stove fire was limited to the stove itself. No major damage was noted. We assisted Hartford with a house fire near STH 60 early Wednesday morning, a four-unit apartment complex fire in Grafton, and a response with an ambulance and ladder truck to Hartford for another structure fire.

Monday night training involved vertical ventilation. Ventilation is used to systematically remove heat, smoke, and fire gases from a structure. It also helps in victim survival rates, increases visibility reducing the chances of crews becoming lost or disoriented, and helps reduce the spread of the fire and the chance of a flashover, allowing time for firefighters to do a rapid search of the scene.

Some members went to the Medical College of Wisconsin for Obstetrics, Pediatrics, and Mental Health Education on Thursday. They covered topics such as hypothermia in newborns, delivery complications, and dealing with postpartum depression. They also learned different mental health policies and practices, how to spot sex trafficking of minors, and suicide assessment and intervention.

Joint Parks and Recreation

Thanks to Rytec for their annual sponsorship of the Kids Rummage and Cookies with Santa. There was a fantastic turnout thanks to all our youth vendors and direct sales people. We also thank Jackson Family Dentistry for donating the cookies for the kids to decorate, and to US Cellar of Jackson for providing the complimentary shopping bags for the shoppers. The event was made special by all the performers under the direction of the teachers and staff. Great job everyone! Special thanks to Wendy Iverson (our youth dance instructor) for decorating the stage area so beautifully! Thanks to all of the volunteers that worked the event, baked items for the bake sale, and helped decorate; the 4-H Explorers helping with the cookie decorating and ornament making; and Scout Troop #765 for being such awesome "post event" cleaners!

Tuesday morning Kelly and Brian met with Ericka at Northland Recreation to walk through the Hickory Lane Inclusive Playground and create the punch list for the things left to complete in the spring. Overall, we have an incredible jump start on the project. It will be exciting to see it completed in the spring!

Also on Tuesday, Kelly met with Gordon Goggin to discuss the 2019 Beer Garden. We will have details worked out soon.

Mark Your Calendars for the 2019 Action in Jackson event - June 7 and 8. We are excited to have Wolverine Fireworks (formerly Bartolotta) back for a show on Saturday the 8th, Wenzel Amazements back to provide an awesome Carnival, and a local favorite "The UnXpected" band, booked for Saturday night. It's going to be a fantastic event in 2019!

Renee held the always enjoyable Adult Christmas cookie making class on Wednesday afternoon.

Kelly attended the Washington County Convention & Visitors Bureau Board meeting on Thursday.

Today the JACC hosted the Jackson Elementary School "Kindness Retreat."

Registration is open for Adult Indoor Volleyball Leagues beginning in January.

Sponsor packets will go out next week for Monte Carlo Night, scheduled for Saturday, February 2, 2019.

Building Inspection

An erosion control permit was issued for the Supply One building addition. Site work is underway.

A building permit was issued for an 8-unit building at the Twin Bridges Condominium development. This project will utilize an existing foundation that has remained in place for over a decade.

Public Works

The Jackson Water Utility completed the large meter testing for the year with the last two meters being at Kerry Ingredients and Washington County Fair Park. The new bulk water station will now allow the large meters to be tested indoors, even during the winter months. A meter testing company helped with the setup. The chlorine analyzer at the Village Hall (not currently hooked into the SCADA system) will be moved to the Washington County Fair Park and be reconnected to the system.

The Street & Parks Department completed cold patching and salted slippery roads reported on Monday morning. All Village streets are scheduled to be swept next week. New park benches have been installed in Meadowview Park by means of an Eagle Scout project.

At the WWTP, another field opened this week so the remaining sludge (twenty-one loads) was able to be hauled from the blue storage tank. This will be the last time until next spring. The crew helped with hydro excavation of holes for the streetlights located at Hickory Lane and Sherman Road, and at the intersection of Georgetown Drive and Ridgeway Drive. A Digger's Hotline ticket was received for KS Energies to energize the services in the next few days.

The final walkthrough inspection was completed for Cobblestone Meadows on Tuesday. Once We Energies installs the electric and gas utilities, the Developer will begin constructing a house using one of the three early start permits.

Clerk/Treasurer

The 2018 property tax bills will be mailed early next week. They have already been posted on Washington County's website.

The General Election participation information has been entered and the reconciliation of the election is being finalized.

Administrator

In a brief meeting Monday evening, the Village Board approved the 2019 budget, levy, and fee schedule.