

To: Village Board, All Committee Members, and Others
From: John M. Walther, Administrator
Date: December 21, 2018
Subject: Weekly Update



Police Department

On Monday, all JPD officers and staff completed CPR, AED, and Narcan refresher training. The training was hosted by the Jackson Fire Department.

On December 18, 2018 at 9:57 p.m., an officer observed a vehicle on USH 45 traveling at a high rate of speed. Radar indicated a speed of 111 miles per hour. The 17-year-old Butler man was cited for speeding and possession of THC (marijuana).

Officer Kathy Borkowski retired today. She has served for the past eighteen years with the Jackson Police Department, assigned to the night shift. She previously served with the Milwaukee Police Department for seventeen years. We thank Kathy for her service and wish her well on her retirement.

The Jackson Police Department was notified this week that it has been selected to host a four day training program in 2019. The training, "Conflict Management for Law Enforcement Professionals," is an intensive program funded entirely by the federal government. Police officers from around the country will be invited to attend.

Fire Department

Service increased again this week, with eighteen medical and two fire calls; including a carbon monoxide (CO) call and an activated smoke detector/alarm. Both calls were due to faulty (expired) detectors. When changing batteries on the detector/alarm, look on the back of the unit where the date of manufacture is marked. It should be replaced ten years from that date (not the date of purchase.)

Monday night training included the review of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA); federal law, designed to provide privacy standards, protecting patient medical records and other health information provided to health plans, doctors, hospitals, and other health care providers. Great care is taken for every patient in regard to the confidentiality of their information. Training was also provided on bloodborne pathogens, especially involving three major viruses of concern: Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C, and HIV. Special precautions are taken to always wearing protective equipment to avoid coming into contact with a patient's blood, and to avoid needle sticks. Additional discussions also focused on bed bugs, lice, MRSA, and C. diff infection; all on the rise in Washington County.

Production of the new ladder truck has begun. The cab was finished this week and will be painted later next week. The loose equipment for the truck is being ordered. Current bills are being finalized, and forms for 2019 are being developed. Department members are completing the school year and are registering for next. Five more new members are on board. The goal is for eight more. Please spread the word!

Joint Parks and Recreation

It's been a busy week for Santa, taking time out of his schedule to visit the Tot Timers and the 4K classes. All the kiddos are getting very excited for the Holidays!

The seniors enjoyed their Card Club Christmas Party on Tuesday; a great time was had by all.

Congratulations to the Shaleski family, winner of 2018 “Community Outdoor House Decorating Contest”! Thanks to Jimmy’s Restaurant in Jackson, the Shaleski family will receive a gift certificate to celebrate their victory!

Building Inspection

Inspections have been light. Work is being done to transition the department to the new building.

Public Works

The Jackson Water Utility is receiving payments from disconnection notices sent with a December 18th disconnection deadline. There were fifty-three Digger’s Hotline locates for the month of November averaging three per day. Truck maintenance, meter testing, and PSC Reports were completed this week.

The Street & Parks Department crew worked getting the roof structure ready for the new salt building. We are waiting for the concrete to cure so the project can continue. Maintenance of equipment and cold patching continues. There were ten applications for the new Street/Parks maintenance position. Interviews will begin soon.

At the WWTP, the jetter truck froze up and the suction lines broke, requiring the truck to be sent in for repair. A full maintenance check was done while the truck was there. The odor control unit is being worked on now since the equipment is not needed at this time of year.

The last storm sewer lateral has been installed on the Ridgeway Drive reconstruction. Due to the high-pressure gas main located in Ridgeway Court, storm sewer piping was unable to be installed in the street, so Reis Park was used to serve the three residential buildings at the end of the court. We took advantage of having the large equipment in the park to take down some large dead Ash trees. Weather permitting, restoration will be completed. We Energies is working on the electric service today, so hopefully street lights will soon light the area again.

Clerk/Treasurer

Property tax payments have been steadily coming in. Tax payments in the drop box as of December 31st will be processed in 2018. Include a self-addressed stamped envelope if you would like a receipt mailed.

Reminder: all dog and cat licenses expire on December 31, 2018. The pet’s rabies certificate is required before a pet license can be issued.

The PILT payment mill rate detail was filed with the WDNR.

The first day to circulate nomination papers for Village President and Trustee was December 1st. The last day to circulate papers and turn in to the Clerk’s Office is Wednesday, January 2, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

2018 Ordinances are being updated and published on the website.

Village Offices will be closed on December 24th, December 25th, December 31st, and January 1st.

Administrator

Congratulations and best wishes to Officer Kathy Borkowski on her retirement from the Jackson PD.

This will be the last Wupdate for 2018. On behalf of all of the Village of Jackson employees, we wish you a Merry Christmas and a safe and prosperous New Year!