

To: Village Board, All Committee Members, and Others
From: Jen Keller, Village Administrator
Date: October 30, 2021
Re: Weekly Update



Police Department

The Jackson Police Department experienced another excellent turnout for the JPD fall drug takeback day on Saturday. JPD collected over 224 pounds of medications for proper disposal. We've also collected 92 pounds of medications in our lobby drop box since April. Once collection was complete, Staff transferred a total of 316 pounds of medications to the DEA disposal site this week. If you missed the JPD drug takeback event, we have a collection box in our lobby available during regular business hours, or at any time by contacting the on-duty officer.

Sgt. Brinks and Officer Trevarthen spent a significant amount of time testifying at a criminal trial at the Washington County Courthouse this week. The trial centered around a March 2021 incident where the officers were searching for a reckless vehicle on Highway 45. The officers located the suspect vehicle and the driver, a 36-year-old Milwaukee man which ended after a pursuit that led to Pioneer Plaza in the Village of Richfield. The man was charged with several criminal charges including resisting/ failure to stop, operating while under the influence (pbt .38), and resisting/ obstructing an officer. After the jury deliberated, the man was found guilty on all counts. Sentencing is scheduled for next week.

Officer Gerke attended the Wisconsin Crime Prevention Practitioners Association annual conference this week in Oshkosh. Training topics included: social media for law enforcement, fraud investigations for seniors, and a de-briefing of the Jayme Closs abduction investigation.

Special Notice: Municipal Court operations will take place at the new Jackson Municipal Complex starting with the November 10th court date.

Fire Department

This week JFD responded to 26 medical calls and six (6) fire calls. The first fire call was to respond to Kerry Ingredients where a fire had started in the dust collector and was contained to a large room until JFD arrived. The fire was knocked down quickly and smoke removal efforts took place for several hours. The fire is still under investigation. The second fire call was in response to an explosion that occurred as a result of a propane gas leak. Lastly, JFD responded to two (2) carbon monoxide calls and two (2) fire alarms.

Monday night training was canceled as the apparatus bay flooring is currently being sealed. The JFD fleet is currently being kept to just one half of the apparatus bay to allow for phased completion of sealing. A few trucks are also being stored at the old JFD fire station on Jackson Drive until the sealing is completed. Training will resume Monday, November 1st. Additionally, JFD sent a crew up to Newburg for a propane training to learn how to operate fire suppression in these types of emergencies. It takes a lot of knowledge and skill to stay safe. Lastly, JFD personnel continue to work on settling in at the Municipal Complex. There are a lot of things to learn and procedures that had to be changed from our old way, but the new station is amazing!

Parks and Recreation

The Village of Jackson Trick or Treat will occur Sunday, October 31st from 5:30PM -7:30 PM in the Village and Town of Jackson. Seven (7) homes have entered the Community Outdoor Halloween Decorating Contest. Residents are encouraged to drive to view each home on [the map](#) between Friday, October 29th through Sunday, October 31st. Visitors can share photos of the entries on Facebook and tag JACC (@JacksonParks&RecreationDepartment) on Facebook! Please cast your vote for the home you like the most via email to parkrec@villageofjackson.com. Be sure to include the address of the home that you enjoyed the most by Monday, November 1st.

Those looking to purchase books as gifts for the holiday season are encouraged to support JCC by purchasing via scholastic so you can support JCC classrooms! Purchases can be shipped directly to your home. Orders can be placed online at www.scholastic.com/bookclubs. Once signed in, please enter Class Code: J9DW2 so classrooms can receive free books!

Public Works

The Jackson Water Utility completed flushing of the entire water system this week. Next week the crew will prioritize fire flows and flushing the mud valves on both towers. The crew repaired two (2) curb stops on Willow Ridge Drive damaged by the contractor. There are an additional two (2) curb stops that need to be repaired by the contractor.

The Street and Parks Department Crew continue to pick up bags and curbside brush chipping. Yard Waste Site access cards are still available for pickup at the DPW, Utilities, and Building Inspection facility located on Eagle Drive. Those interested in learning more can call the Public Works Office at 262-677-0707. Finally, Staff assisted with the move from the Old Village Hall to the Municipal Complex, where Administrative Office Staff will now operate alongside the Jackson Police and Fire Departments.

The Willow Ridge Drive Reconstruction Project sidewalks are being installed, with hopes of completed before Trick or Treating on October 31st. The roadway will be paved by mid-November. In TID #6, Caymus Court utility installation has begun.

Building Inspection

Final occupancy inspections were completed for the four-family apartment building on Georgetown Drive this week, conditional occupancy was granted pending completion of exterior sitework. Occupancy was granted following inspection of the new single-family home at N172 W19470 Highland Road. Building plans were submitted and permits issued for a new two-family condominium building in The Crossings at Sherman Meadows Subdivision. Excavation work has begun on the new HDI Wholesale building on Caymus Court.

Clerk

Clerk Dobratz received her Wisconsin Certified Professional Clerk (WCPC) certification from the Wisconsin Municipal Clerks Association (WMCA). Out of 1,850 municipal clerks in Wisconsin, 58 Clerks have earned this certification since 2005.