

To: Village Board, All Committee Members, and Others
From: Jen Keller, Village Administrator
Date: August 20, 2021
Re: Weekly Update



Police Department

Staff attended the Personnel Committee meeting on Thursday morning to negotiate a three-year contract with the Jackson Professional Police Association. After several hours of negotiations, a tentative agreement was reached and will be brought before the Village Board for review at the September 14th meeting.

On Thursday morning at 5:32 AM, a black BMW was reported to be driving northbound on Interstate 41 with just one (1) tire intact. Because the vehicle was traversing the road on three (3) rims, the vehicle was emitting sparks and smoke. The vehicle exited the Interstate onto Highway 60 and continued traveling through Jackson, where Officer Mueller was able to stop the vehicle. The driver, a 38-year-old Milwaukee man, was under the influence and ultimately arrested for operating while under the influence.

Fire Department

This week, JFD responded to 28 medical calls, two (2) fire calls, and conducted 28 inspections. The first fire call involved a two-vehicle accident with a roll over on Highway 60 and Eagle Drive, which required a patient transport to a local hospital. The second call was for assistance with a car that was attempting to operate with only one (1) tire intact on Highway 60 and Tillie Lake Road, causing the vehicle to emit sparks and smoke.

Monday night training took place at the Washington County Fair Grounds and included a second review of rural firefighting operation. This was the first week on duty for our new intern, who is a high school student from Living Word High School. It is the intention of the JFD to train the intern on all operations of the Fire Department in preparation for a future career in Fire Protection Services. Staff would also like to congratulate Vicky Obst, Sam Budnik, and Matt MacRae for completing their probationary period with JFD. All three (3) individuals passed EMT Basic, HazMat operations and Fire Fighter 1 certifications. They are now able to perform all basic duties of the department.

Chief Swaney had the honor of being a part of the Froedtert West Bend Hospital stroke care level recertification review process. Froedtert West Bend Hospital ranked well in all categories and will receive their official recertification in a couple of weeks. JFD EMS crews were ranked high in performance with stroke patient care, response times, and improved pre-arrival notification.

Parks and Recreation

“Welcome” Jackie Beers to the Jackson Parks and Recreation (JPR) team! Starting Fall 2021, Jackie will be the 4K long-term substitute teacher at the Jackson Community Center (JCC).

The Hickory Park Splash Pad is open daily from 10:00 AM – 7:00 PM through Labor Day. Visit us over the lunch hour on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday for ice cream sales at \$1 each! JPR is looking for 3rd- 6th grade Flag Football Coaches for the upcoming season starting Mid-September. Please call Renee at (262) 677-9665 ext. 104 to volunteer. Also, registration for indoor volleyball will be available starting October 6th.

Those planning to visit the Wisconsin Dells next week are reminded that August 20th - August 22nd are Wisconsin Park and Recreation Association (WPRA) Days at Noah's Ark. Tickets can be purchased at a discounted rate of \$28.99 at the JCC for use during those dates. Also, next week, the Circus will be at Hickory Lane Park on August 26th and August 27th. Those interested in attending can visit JCC for more details. Staff would like to thank the businesses that sponsored Circus tickets. Advanced tickets may be purchased at the JCC through Wednesday, August 25th at 7:00 PM. Tickets at the gate may be available but are not guaranteed.

Wednesday was the WPRA Region IV meeting at West Allis-West Milwaukee Recreation. We were able to tour their new community center. They visited the JCC several times for information and ideas while they were in the planning and development of their community center, so it was interesting to see the completed project.

If you are interested in advertising in the upcoming JPR Fall/Winter Activity Guide, please email Jessica at parkrec@villageofjackson.com or call (262) 677-9665 before September 1st.

Public Works

The Jackson Water Utility continues with the training of new employees. Diggers Hotline locates, hydrant maintenance, and meter installation continued this week. The Utility Clerk sent email reminders regarding delinquent second quarter utility payment to 366 customers out of 3,470 customers total.

The Street and Parks Department Crew completed curbside pick-up of bags and brush this week. The next curbside pickup is the week of September 20th. In the meantime, residents are reminded to obtain a yard waste card at the Eagle Drive office. Mowing was completed for all parks, buildings, and right of ways this week. Tree stumps were grounded out and landscaping followed. The 2021 5-yard patrol truck is currently at Lakeside International for service to address a coding issue which is causing a low coolant warning to appear.

At the Wastewater Treatment Plant, the Crew continues to televise the sanitary sewer along Highway 60/Main Street from County Road P to Eagle Drive, in preparation for the resurfacing project scheduled for 2024. A tour was given to the local Boy Scout Troop this week. Hopefully, a few Scouts were interested in becoming the next Waste Operators!

The Willow Ridge Reconstruction Project was started on Thursday, August 19th. The Coffee Connection Trail has received all the necessary WisDOT permits to start the project.

Building Inspection

Permits and plans were submitted for a 70,000 sq. ft. commercial warehouse building on the corner of County Road P and Caymus Way. Foundation work has begun on several new homes in the Cobblestone Meadows, Morning Meadows, and Laurel Springs subdivisions this week. Permit submittals have reached 800 for the year, continuing the trend of extremely elevated levels of permitting this year.

Clerk

On Wednesday, Staff participated in a Wisconsin Elections Commission (WEC) Advisory Committee meeting regarding election training. The Local Redistricting process has begun. Clerk Dobratz and Administrator Keller joined a meeting hosted by the Washington County Clerk to discuss planning efforts underway and anticipate partnering with Washington County to complete the redistricting process.

Treasurer

The Village received the August Property Tax Settlement from Washington County in the amount of \$1,248,773.71. This amount includes what the County collected for the 2020 second-half installments, as well as any unpaid taxes. The County will continue to collect the delinquent unpaid taxes, along with interest and penalties. The Village received the 2021 second quarter Franchise Fee from Charter Communications in the amount of \$15,388.39.

Administrator

Administrator Keller attended the Wisconsin City/County Manager's Association (WCMA) Summer Conference last week. In addition to meeting with other Municipal Managers and Administrators in the State of Wisconsin, there was also plenty of training on the topics of employee engagement, attorney updates from recent court cases, 2022 budgeting updates, and legislative updates from the League of Wisconsin Municipalities.

SAVE THE DATE

Village of Jackson Municipal Complex Open House

N168 W19851 Main Street
Jackson, WI 53037

Tuesday, October 5th, 2021
2:30 PM - 5:00 PM

All members of the public are welcome

Reminder: Email Us Your Photos of Jackson!

Your photos of the Village of Jackson could be featured at the Open House, on the Village Website, or in our newsletter. We are looking for:

*** Historical Photos * Naturescapes * Photos of Village Events ***



Submit your photos of the Village of Jackson to admin@villageofjackson.com by **September 1st**.

More details available on our website:
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