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JOINT VILLAGE/TOWN PUBLIC HEARING MEDIATED COOPERATIVE PLAN AGREEMENT OCTOBER 16, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.

The Village and Town of Jackson will hold a Joint Public Hearing on Monday, October 16, 2017 at Living Word Lutheran High School beginning at 7:00 p.m. regarding a Mediated Cooperative Plan Agreement between the Village and Town. This procedure is mandated by state law. Interested parties may publicly comment on the Agreement during the hearing and may submit written comments on the Agreement before, at, and within twenty days following the hearing. Comments will be considered by the Village and Town before the Agreement is finalized and submitted to the Wisconsin Department of Administration.

This new Agreement will abolish the longstanding Village and Town of Jackson Revenue Sharing Agreement and Cooperative Boundary Plan in existence since 1999, amended in 2005, and again in 2008, where the Village provided sewer and/or water, contiguous to its boundary, to areas of the Town of Jackson, in exchange for the properties being attached to the Village on January 1, 2015 (and others in 2030.) A copy of the proposed Mediated Agreement is available for viewing at either the Jackson Town Hall or at the Jackson Village Hall. Village residents, as well as Town residents, are encouraged to attend.

Contact the Village Administrator with any questions you may have.

WATER MAIN FLUSHING OCTOBER 16-20

The Jackson Water Utility will be flushing water mains throughout the water service area from October 16-20, between 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Flushing is done periodically (spring and fall) to improve the quality of your water service. There may be a temporary interruption in service. If your service is off for more than thirty minutes, please call the Village Hall.

See the Water Utility page under "Village Departments" on the Village website at: villageofjackson.com for more useful information on this and other water utility services. Thank you for understanding the Utility's continuing commitment to provide high quality water service for you.

EMERALD ASH BORER



The Metallic Green Emerald Ash Borer is an invasive, wood boring beetle. The Village of Jackson is proceeding with a plan to remove all dead and dying street trees, which will take several years to complete. Removing trees on private property is the responsibility of the property owner. Contact the Village Hall with any questions.

RECYCLING

All recyclables may be mixed together in the Village-supplied 96 gallon single-stream recycling container. Recycling pick-up is bi-weekly on the same day as garbage pick-up. Pick-up for residents on or north of Main Street is on Tuesday, and on Wednesday south of Main Street. If your refuse or recycling container is damaged or broken, contact Russ Krueger at 262-677-9001. ext. 13.





2018 ELECTIONS

February 20	Spring Primary	Possible local offices, Court of Appeals Judge, Circuit Court Judge.
April 3	Spring Election	Local offices, Court of Appeals Judge, and Circuit Court Judge.
August 14	Partisan Primary	Governor, Senator, Representative, Senate, and Assembly.
November 6	General Election	Governor, Senator, Representative, Senate, and Assembly.

Plan ahead . . . If you are not yet registered, please register in the Clerk's Office prior to Election Day. You will need proof of residency in order to register. You may also register to vote on Election Day. To receive a ballot you need to bring your photo ID. If you have additional questions, please contact the Village Hall.



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APPLY TODAY at jfdwi.com

PAYING UTILITY BILLS

The Village offers an Automatic Payment Plan (automatic withdrawal from your checking account) for your Quarterly Utility Bills. It saves you time, postage, helps avoid late charges, is easy to set up, and is easy to cancel.

For more details, visit the Village's website: www.villageofjackson.com and download an authorization form.

For any other questions, please contact us at 262-677-9001 extension 27.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME CHANGE YOUR CLOCK CHANGE YOUR BATTERIES

Daylight Saving Time ends Sunday, November 5th at 2:00 a.m. It is a good time to change the batteries in your smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors and test them to ensure they will function properly.



TRICK or TREAT



Mark your calendars for Trick or Treat on Sunday, October 29th, from 5:30—7:30 p.m. following the 13TH Annual Ghou! Gala (3:00—5:30 p.m.) at the Jackson Area Community Center.

GET FIT!

The Jackson Area Community Center offers affordable fitness memberships for EVERYONE!

Our goal is to help you achieve the quality of life you deserve without costing you a fortune! Don't miss our variety of wonderful classes that not only can improve health, but also offer opportunities to socialize and make new friends! Sign up EARLY for Fall and Winter classes. Call us today 262-677-9665 and we'll help find the perfect plan for you. The Community Center is now an approved Silver Sneakers Site!



FALL SEASON CHIPPING AND BAG PICK UP

Fall brush chipping and bag pick up began Monday, October 2nd and will continue each Monday until, November 20th. **Do not** rake or deposit leaves or other yard waste into the streets.



Questions or Comments?

Email John Walther-Administrator
jwalther@villageofjackson.com
 or call the Village Hall at:
 262-677-9001

If you would like a printed copy of the Jackson Quarterly, please call the Village Hall or send your email request to:
info@villageofjackson.com.

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WISCONSIN HOME ENERGY PLUS

Heating bills a struggle? Applying for the Wisconsin Home Energy Plus program is the answer! The WHEAP program runs from October 1, 2017 – May 15, 2018. The program offers a one time payment per household, per heating season, to assist with your utility cost.

All applicants must meet the income eligibility limits. Example, the income limit for a single person is \$2,217 per month. The income limit for a couple is \$2,899 per month. The size of the benefit will depend on household size, income, and heating costs. Assistance is available whether you heat your home with wood, fuel oil, propane, natural gas, or electricity. The payment generally is sent directly to the energy provider.



The WHEAP program also partners with the Weatherization Program and may be able to provide assistance if your furnace should break down during the season. This is a program available to you at NO cost. The Weatherization Program will also offer an evaluation of your home to help you reduce your energy costs. If you choose to participate in the Weatherization Program, a representative from Weatherization will contact you to do an audit of your home. Once the audit is complete, you may be eligible for assistance in the form of air sealing, insulating and repair/replacement of mechanicals such as water heaters, furnaces and ventilation fans. Energy Assistance will be offered in West Bend, Germantown, Hartford, and Jackson. Contact your local Home Energy Plus Agency at 262-335-4677 for more information or to apply.

WINTER PARKING RULES BEGIN DECEMBER 1st

Beginning December 1st, on-street parking will be prohibited from 2:00—6:00 a.m. in order to facilitate rapid and economical snow removal.

The seasonal parking ban ends April 1st. If you have a question about parking, call the Jackson Police Department on the non-emergency line, 262-677-4949.



STOCKBOX PROGRAM HUNGER TASK FORCE

This program is FREE and provides a full box of healthy foods for those who are 60 years and older that meet income requirements.

Registration is REQUIRED, but it is minimal and confidential. Pick-up for qualified candidates is every 2nd Wednesday of the month from 10:00—11:00 am at the Jackson Area Community Center. For more information, call 262-677-9665 x104.

FIRE PREVENTION

This year's Fire Prevention Week campaign, "Don't Wait – Check the Date! Replace Smoke Alarms Every 10 Years," represents the final year of our three-year effort to educate the public about basic but essential elements of smoke alarm safety.

Why focus on smoke alarms three years in a row? Because the National Fire Protection Association's survey data shows that the public has many misconceptions about smoke alarms, which may put them at increased risk in the event of a home fire. For example, only a small percentage of people know how old their smoke alarms are, or how often they need to replace them.

As a result of those and related findings, we're addressing smoke alarm replacement this year with a focus on these key messages:

- Smoke alarms should be replaced every ten years.
- Make sure you know how old all the smoke alarms are in your home.

To find out how old a smoke alarm is, look at the date of manufacture on the back of the alarm; the alarm should be replaced ten years from that date.

SAVE THE DATE for MONTE CARLO NIGHT! SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2018

Tickets go on sale Thursday, December 15, 2017.
Tickets are limited to the first 225.



From the Desk of Mike Schwab—Village President

Greetings from the Village of Jackson!

On September 22, I attended the Washington County Heroin Task Force Legislative meeting sponsored by Elevate. Some interesting facts shared at the meeting:

- Overdose deaths are still on the rise in Wisconsin.
- People appearing in Waukesha County's drug court for the first time had already been revived with Narcan 7 times.
- Almost everyone who OD's on heroin started by using alcohol or marijuana.
- The fastest growing segment of the population overdosing on heroin is middle-aged men (this was interesting, because this was probably the smallest demographic represented at the meeting!)
- 80% of people addicted to heroin started their drug use with prescription medications.
- 70% of those prescriptions came from a family member's or friend's medicine cabinet.
- In 2015, the state of Wisconsin collected 275,000 pounds of "extra" prescription drugs for proper disposal.

One speaker at the meeting related that Washington County kids are prime targets for drug dealers. That's because so many Washington County kids have enough time and enough money to do drugs, and so many Washington County parents raised their kids well and assume there will never be any problems.

According Attorney General Brad Schimel, one of the most dangerous attitudes people have regarding addiction and overdose is "It can't happen to me."

The sponsor of the meeting was Elevate, which is based here in Jackson. Elevate's website (Elevateyou.org) has a whole lot more great information.

A public hearing has been scheduled for 7 PM on October 16, at Living Word Lutheran High School (2230 Living Word Lane, Jackson) by the Town of Jackson and the Village of Jackson.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to receive comments from the public regarding a Mediated Cooperative Plan Agreement Between the Village of Jackson, Wisconsin, and the Town of Jackson, Wisconsin, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 66.0307(4m) ("Agreement"). Interested parties may publicly comment on the Agreement during the hearing and may submit written comments on the Agreement before, at, and within 20 days following the hearing. Comments will be considered by the Village and Town before the Agreement is finalized and submitted to the State of Wisconsin Department of Administration. Residents are encouraged to attend.

Additionally, the Village Board continues to consider plans and concepts for further development within the Village.

Village commissions and boards are in the early stages of considering establishing a tax increment district for the development of a plot of land on the west side of the Village. This plot of land was made available for improvement well over a decade ago but nothing ever developed. The boom in the Southeast Wisconsin economy has sparked a renewed interest in residential and business development in that area.

The board continues to consider possibilities for a public safety building to serve as a base of operations for the Village of Jackson Police and Fire Departments. The existing spaces the departments occupy are outdated and undersized by current standards, and are, frankly, due for an upgrade.

The village needs to provide facilities that allow our police and fire departments to do their important work safely, efficiently, and comfortably. We have benefitted from capable and responsible leadership in our departments that weigh their requests and recommendations carefully. (continued next page)

Because of their careful consideration, the Board has, to my knowledge, never turned down a request from either department for improved equipment and training.

That being said, the Board will need to carefully consider how it proceeds in the planning and construction of a new public safety building.

Designers and builders are happy to assist the Village in building the finest and most expensive safety building in the region. If we're willing to provide it, I'm certain our police and fire departments would both gratefully and gladly serve in a facility like that. I don't blame them.

The board will need to carefully consider if and how items that increase project costs beyond the norm actually improve public safety. We dare not skimp or provide any less than is needed for the dedicated people in our police and fire departments to do their work.

On the other hand, spending 15% more than necessary doesn't make the people in the Village of Jackson 15% safer.

On a project of this size, virtually all the funds needed for the purchase of property, the construction of the facility, the furniture, fixtures, and equipment will need to be borrowed. The Village of Jackson's current debt is low in comparison to many other Washington communities, and is well below the state-imposed debt limit. On that basis, the Village could move forward with a facility that far exceeds our needs.

I am thankful to be serving with thoughtful Village Staff and Board members who are willing to take the time and effort to consider and discuss the reasonable balance between providing for public safety and over-obligating Village taxpayers to long term debt.

That attitude of striving to achieve balance appears in sharp contrast to Washington County government.

Recently Washington flatly refused to even consider a request by county municipalities to share 25% of the county-wide sales tax with municipalities for road improvements.

The tax was imposed in 1999 to provide funds for economic development, but in recent years the county has used sales tax funds for operating funds and capital purposes.

Having more money always makes things easier. That's true at home, at work, at church, and in government. For the sake of Washington County taxpayers and not just the ease of Washington County governance, I will continue to urge Washington County leaders to give these municipal requests the consideration they deserve.

As always, we encourage our residents to get involved in our community. Formally or informally, every person has the ability to contribute to making our community the best it can be.

Thank you for your time, your dedication, and your support!

Mike Schwab,
Village of Jackson President



JACKSON FIRE DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE

**Wednesday, October 11, 2017
from 6:00—8:00 p.m.**

JACKSON

Jt. Parks & Recreation

Fall 2017

Jackson Area Community Center



KIDS RUMMAGE SALE & Direct Sales Expo FEATURING COOKIES/PICTURES WITH SANTA



Saturday, December 2nd, 9:00am to 12:00pm
at the Jackson Area Community Center

SELLERS: Kids - now is the time to clean out your room. Bring all those old toys and games to the KIDS Rummage SALE and make some money for new things or Holiday presents for your family and friends!!! Be sure to bring a container or shoe box with change, and if you plan on doing some shopping yourself - make sure to have someone responsible to help with your booth. Feel free to leave unsold toys & games behind, we will take them to the needy. Registration fee to hold a booth is R:\$5.00/NR: \$10.00. For ages 8 to 13 or younger with parent. *Booths are Limited to the first 50 kids & vendors!!*

SHOPPERS: The sale will be in cooperation with our Cookies/Pictures with Santa. We encourage families to bring their own cameras for pictures. Kids will decorate picture frames and have fun shopping the KIDS RUMMAGE SALE, supporting our young entrepreneurs while enjoying their cookies with Santa! Don't miss the DIRECT SALE VENDORS! The event is FREE for those shopping and coming to visit Santa!

**There will be live music,
direct sale specials, bake
sale, and entertainment!**

**Kids have made over
\$300.00 in the past!!!!
Reserve your spot TODAY!**

**5K ENERGY
GLO RUN**

The more you run,
the more you glo!

OCTOBER 7, 2017
JACKSON, WISCONSIN
6:30 - 10 pm * RUN STARTS 6:30 pm

\$25 - 12 years and older
\$15 - Under 12 (2 and under free)
\$60 - Family Package (2 adults and 2 children)

EASY ONLINE REGISTRATION AT
jacksonparkrec.recdesk.com
or at the Jackson Area Community Center
(262) 677-9665
www.facebook.com/JacksonParks&Recreation

INCLUDES:
T-SHIRTS & GLO STATIONS
FREE AFTER GLO PARTY
LIVE MUSIC & BLACKLIGHTS
SPECIAL DRAWINGS
(CHILI COOKOFF, CONCESSIONS, BEER,
WINE, & SODA AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE)

Chili Cookoff Contest!
It will hit the spot after the 5K!

UP DATE

All Proceeds Benefit: The Friends of Jackson Jt. Parks & Recreation.
CURRENTLY FUNDRAISING TO BUILD THE HICKORY LANE INCLUSIVE PLAYGROUND.
SPECIALLY DESIGNED FOR KIDS OF ALL AGES AND ABILITIES!

Sorry, but registrations received after Saturday, September 30th will increase to Adults \$30 & Child \$20 (no fam. pack.) and cannot be guaranteed a t-shirt.
For more information please call (262) 677-9665.

INVITATION TO ATTEND THE FRIENDS OF JACKSON JT. PARKS & RECREATION ANNUAL MEETING

**Wednesday,
October 18, 2017
6:00pm**
Refreshments will
be served.

**Discussion: Hickory Lane
Park All-Inclusive
Playground Project and
the Election of Officers.**

JACKSON JT. PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT PRESENTS THE:

GHOUL GALA

Annual Family
Pre-Trick or Treat Party
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2017

3:00 to 5:30 pm at the JACKSON AREA COMMUNITY CENTER
(Village & Town Trick or Treat is from 5:30 to 7:30pm)

No Charge to Attend, .25 cent tickets with great prizes!
(Games, food and projects range from .25 to \$2.00.)

Dance Party!

Costume Contest - each kiddo gets to come on stage!

Best Dressed Family Contest - winners could win a 2018 PRIVATE SPLASH PARK PARTY!

Photo Album & Cupcake Decorating!

Awesome food and refreshments!

Great For All Ages!

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**2017 FALL & WINTER
ACTIVITY GUIDE**
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Many More Opportunities!
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Jackson Parks & Recreation Department
Village & Town

Hickory Lane Park
Jackson Parks & Recreation

**HELP US MAKE THE NEW
HICKORY LANE PARK INCLUSIVE
PLAYGROUND A REALITY!**
See Page 41 & 42 For Playground Details & Special Fundraising
Opportunities for the "2017 Fall & Winter Activity Guide"
See Page 41 for the "2017 Fall & Winter Activity Guide"

**VILLAGE AND TOWN
2017 FALL/WINTER
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