

To: Village Board, All Committee Members, and Others
From: Jen Keller, Village Administrator
Date: September 23, 2022
Re: Weekly Update



Police Department

JPD was able to connect with the community this week, starting with a "Custard with Cops" event sponsored by Culver's in Jackson. Staff provided squad car tours and handed out public relations items to those in attendance. "Thank you" to all who joined the JPD, especially Tesla and the Staff at Culver's for their support. Wednesday evening was the third night of the 7-week "Citizen's Police Academy" course, which focused on de-escalation, use of force, utilizing a taser and O.C. (pepper spray). Colin Brown, Cheryl Gelhar, and Village Trustee Traci Wells volunteered for a 5-second exposure to the taser. JFD intern Jayden Lamm bravely volunteered to demonstrate the effects of pepper spray. JPD also provided active attack and emergency response training this week to Village Staff and Living Word Lutheran High School Staff. Lastly, JPD would like to say a special "thank you" to Jim Dolehide at Supply One for providing lunch on Friday for the department. It was very much appreciated after a busy week.

Fire Department

Last week, Jackson Fire and EMS personnel responded to 29 medical calls and three (3) fire calls, which consisted of a fire alarm, a suspected gas leak, and an assist to Cedarburg. Monday night training included hazmat instruction, which was held at Sysco. The Washington County Hazardous Material Team, along with the Jackson Fire Department, participated in a tour of the facility followed by ammonia emergencies training. JFD also hosted a Federation of Fire Chaplains (FFC) class this week. The FFC supplied the on-duty crews with lunch each day, in conjunction with donations from Culver's and Pizza Station.

The JFD Breast Cancer Fundraiser T-shirts have been delivered to the fire department and are ready to be picked up by those who ordered apparel. JFD also received the pizzas ordered by community members for the Fitness Room fundraiser. The pick-up date for pizzas was on September 21st at Jackson Park. Those who were unable to pick-up pizzas on September 21st will be contacted by JFD when a second pick-up date is determined.

Parks and Recreation

"Congratulations" to this year's Summer Co-Ed Sand Volleyball Champions, "Team Kikkert"! A special "thank you" to Kerry Ingredients and the Jackson Police Department for sponsoring the Youth Flag Football League. Practices are in full swing, with games beginning next week under the lights in Jackson Park. Also, don't forget to sign up for the Village of Jackson's Halloween House Decorating Contest by Tuesday, October 20th. Decoration judging will occur on Thursday, October 27th.

The October 8th Glo Run event sponsor forms and registration are now available [online](#). Registrations will be accepted until run time. Registrations received after the early bird deadline will not receive a t-shirt or medal. Proceeds from the event benefit the Friends of Jackson Parks and Recreation and the Jackson Parks and Recreation. There will also be a chili cookoff in conjunction with the Glo Run event, which is open to all individuals and businesses in the community. Those interested in participating or volunteering may contact Renee via [email](#) or by calling (262) 677-9665 for details. Lastly, save the date for the upcoming GhouL Gala on Friday, October 28th, from 5:30PM - 7:30PM at the JCC, and sponsors include Master Printwear and Network Photography. Sign up to volunteer at the GhouL Gala [here](#)!

Building Inspection

A plumbing permit was issued this week for stormwater work on the Sysco expansion. Additional permits are anticipated in the coming weeks, as additional construction activity commences. Staff have completed the indexing of the thousands of building plans recently scanned. This will allow for easy searching of the files for future reference. Over 800 permits have been issued year-to-date.

Public Works

The Street and Parks Department Crew collected curbside yard waste bags and completed curbside brush chipping this week. Grass cutting, stump grinding, and thermal bonding were among other tasks completed as well. The two (2) battery powered lifts are in for repair. Staff are tub grinding the material in the yard waste site, so the yard will be temporarily closed until completed. A confined space safety meeting will be conducted on Thursday, September 29th. The first of two (2) approvals for awarding federal grant money to the Village for the Eagle Drive and STH 60 roundabout project was granted this week. The recommendation now goes to the Governor for approval, which is anticipated to occur by the end of October.

The Jackson Water Utility Crew continued with locates and meter changeouts. Disconnection day occurred on Tuesday, September 20th, with 31 customers being disconnected. There are three (3) customers remaining with no service. The crew continues to fill the water main located in the Maple Fields Subdivision to achieve a safe sample. The supply chain issues are causing a limited supply of the water meter radios for installation on new homes, which has resulted in changes being made to the meter installation process. At the Wastewater Treatment Plant, Staff replaced raw pumps seals and check valves. A meeting was held with Town and Country Engineering, continuing the process of completing the Facility Plan for the plant.

Administration

This week, Staff continued budgeting efforts and prepared meeting packet materials for three (3) public meetings next week. The Village was also notified by Moody's of an upgraded bond rating from A2 to A1. On Thursday, phone and internet services were disrupted for the majority of the day at the Public Works building, Community Center, and the Municipal Complex. Staff believe the internet provider, Midwest Fiber Networks, isolated and corrected the issue. No further outages are expected. Also, this week, supplies for the November 8th General Election were received from the Washington County Clerk's Office and 285 absentee ballots were mailed on Thursday for the Election. As future requests are received in writing, ballots will be mailed until the deadline of Thursday, November 3rd at 5:00PM. Requests for ballots can be submitted online at myvote.wi.gov.

“Congratulations” to HDI Wholesale, Jackson’s newest addition to the Northwest Business Park, for a terrific ribbon cutting and grand opening on Thursday! This facility marks an exciting milestone for the company as their first location in Jackson and now the organization’s headquarters. The facility is located at the intersection of CTH P and Caymus Court. Photos from the event are below.



Rating Action: Moody's upgrades Village of Jackson, WI's GO rating to A1

20 Sep 2022

New York, September 20, 2022 -- Moody's Investors Service has upgraded the Village of Jackson, WI's outstanding general obligation unlimited tax (GOULT) rating to A1 from A2. As of fiscal 2022, the village has about \$21 million in GOULT debt outstanding.

RATINGS RATIONALE

The upgrade to A1 reflects the village's improving financial position. The rating also incorporates above average resident income and a favorable location near the City of Milwaukee (A3 negative). The primary credit challenges include an elevated debt burden, high fixed costs and state-imposed levy limits.

RATING OUTLOOK

Outlooks are typically not assigned to local governments with this amount of debt.

FACTORS THAT COULD LEAD TO AN UPGRADE OF THE RATINGS

- Material growth in the village's reserves
- Continued growth and diversification of the tax base
- Significant moderation of debt burden

FACTORS THAT COULD LEAD TO A DOWNGRADE OF THE RATINGS

- Growth in debt burden beyond planned issuance
- Material decline in reserves
- Weakening of tax base or resident incomes

LEGAL SECURITY

The general obligation unlimited tax (GOULT) bonds are supported by the village's full faith and credit pledge and the authority to levy a dedicated property tax unlimited as to rate and amount.

PROFILE

The Village of Jackson is located in eastern Wisconsin (Aa1 stable), just northwest of the City of Milwaukee (A3 negative) with a population of roughly 7,100 residents. The village provides contracted police and fire, water, sewer, street maintenance, parks and recreation and other general municipal services.

METHODOLOGY

The principal methodology used in these ratings was US Local Government General Obligation Debt published in January 2021 and available at <https://ratings.moodys.com/api/rmc-documents/70015>. Alternatively, please see the Rating Methodologies page on <https://ratings.moodys.com> for a copy of this methodology.

REGULATORY DISCLOSURES

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