

To: Village Board, All Committee Members, and Others
From: Jen Keller, Village Administrator
Date: February 11, 2022
Re: Weekly Update



Police Department

The 2022 Jackson Police Department Snowman Building Contest is happening now. We are crossing our fingers for measurable snowfall (sorry to the DPW crew). There are plenty of prizes to be handed out. Visit the Jackson Police Department Facebook Page for more information.

Contractors were at the Municipal Complex this week to install an additional interior camera within the Police Department. This additional camera will ensure that all public spaces are now monitored and recorded. This week, Staff attended the Wisconsin Chiefs of Police Mid-Winter Training Conference. In addition to meeting with various vendors, training topics included: legal updates, leadership during difficult times, and a debrief of the Jayme Closs child abduction investigation. On Thursday, officers arrested three (3) separate suspects during three (3) separate incidents for various charges including: probation violations, felony bail jumping, and operating while revoked.

Fire Department

In the last two weeks, JFD responded to 15 medical calls and two (2) fire calls. The fire calls included a mutual aid call to Slinger for a structure fire and a carbon monoxide alarm call for a property on Pleasant Valley Road.

Monday night's training included a review of new mechanical equipment and devices located at the new station, such as the hose lift, garage door operations, floor cleaner, truck fill stations, kitchen stove, SCBA compressor, station compressor, elevator operation, elevator emergency operations, gear washer, and cleaning product dispensary.

On Tuesday night, the Village Board approved an RFP for a fire department efficiency study to be performed. In the coming months, Staff will hope to review proposals from interested parties and selecting a firm for recommendation to the Village Board.

Parks and Recreation

Staff is working on getting Silver N Fit at the Jackson Community Center! Similar to Silver Sneakers and Renew Active, we will be able to accept members to the fitness center with Silver N Fit. Watch for updates on how to sign up for free if your insurance offers Silver N Fit!

The DCF (Wisconsin Department of Children and Families) completed an inspection of the Head Start classroom at the Community Center on Wednesday. It is a requirement for the West Bend School District to receive funding for this very important program.

The Jackson Parks and Recreation Scholastic book orders were given out this week in the classrooms. If you are looking for any books for your family or for gifting to others, please consider checking Scholastic. Classroom can receive free books, supplies and classroom items from this program. Purchases can also be shipped directly to your house. To order online please visit, [scholastic.com/bookclubs](https://www.scholastic.com/bookclubs), sign in or create an account, and be sure to enter Class Code: J9DW2.

The Jackson Parks and Recreation Department will be holding our regional free throw contest on Saturday, February 12th. Held in cooperation with local schools, finalists from each division will qualify for the Southeastern Wisconsin Free Throw Championships at West Allis Central High School on Saturday, March 19th. "Thank you" to the West Bend Optimist Club for their 12 years of sponsorship to this program!

Registration is open for Be Active Wisconsin. Compete as one team with the Village of Jackson, achieve the most active minutes, and Jackson could win the title of "Fittest Community". Register today for \$10 for your chance to compete. Everyone registered will be entered into a drawing to win a free 2022 Family Fitness Center Membership! For questions regarding registration, please call (262) 677-9665.

The new Village Parks and Recreation Commission will meet next Tuesday, February 15th, at the Jackson Community Center. The meeting begins at 6:00 PM, with the Friends of Jackson Parks & Recreation meeting immediately following. The public is welcomed and encouraged to attend either meeting. Recently appointed members of the Jackson Park and Recreation Commission are: Casey Latz, Sue Rank, Brian Mekka, Brittany Rathke and Village Trustee Tim Engelhardt.

Public Works

The Street and Parks Department crew continues to address vehicle and building maintenance. The SnowEx Liqui-Max High Volume Liquid Spraying System is being calibrated and was used for the first time during recent snow falls. The other salt trucks were re-calibrated for salt use as well. Tree trimming was also completed this week, in light of the warmer weather. The New Municipal Complex is experiencing issues with sidewalks rising due to frost in the ground. Signs have been installed at all public and employee entrances warning of trip hazards. Staff are hoping to identify long term solutions, so that warning signs placed annually during colder months are not a long-term way to address the safety hazard.

The Jackson Water Utility continues with the 2022 meter changeout program along Main Street. On Tuesday, February 8th, the sanitary lateral was repaired for a house on Highland Road that was damaged by a gas line installed in 1997. The damage was found during the meter change out and televising process. During the repair, the storm sewer lateral was accidentally dug up and found to have AT&T fiber line bored through the pipe. Crews completed the work to address the issue and laterals are repaired and working properly. Lastly, work continued this week at the Wastewater Treatment Plant on work orders, maintenance, and emptying of the two secondary clarifiers for repairs.

Administration

The Spring Primary Election for the Germantown School District will take place on Tuesday, February 15th. The polls for the Spring Primary are open from 7:00 AM – 8:00 PM, and the polling location for the Village of Jackson is now the Jackson Municipal Complex located at N168W19851 Main Street. Resident are reminded this primary is only for electors residing within the Germantown School District. For more information on upcoming elections, voter registration, or to request an absentee ballot, please visit <https://myvote.wi.gov/en-us/> or call (262) 677-9001 Ext. 213.

The February tax settlement was sent to the Washington County Treasurer. Payments to taxing jurisdictions are due by February 20th. The Washington County Treasurer will now be responsible for collecting all remaining Real Estate tax payments. Personal Property tax payments will still be collected paid to the Village of Jackson.