

RESOLUTION #24-09

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION OF SERVICE TO KEN KLUMB

The Village Board of the Village of Jackson, Washington County, Wisconsin, does resolve the following:

WHEREAS, the Village of Jackson Board Members, the Jackson Fire Department, the Village of Jackson Employees and the Citizens of the Village of Jackson would like to express their appreciation to Ken Klumb for his public service, contributions, and dedication while serving the Village of Jackson as a member of the Jackson Fire Department for the last 65 years; and

WHEREAS, Ken has served in many roles on the Jackson Fire Department including Motor Pump Operator, Lieutenant, Training Officer, Communications Officer, 1st Assistant Chief and, most recently, Active Specialist, through which he is sharing his six decades of knowledge with the next generation of firefighters; and

WHEREAS, Ken revolutionized the limited communications systems of the Jackson Fire Department from a fire bell and ringing home-based phone to the far reaching base radio system by implementing a dedicated FCC licensed radio system, constructing an antenna for the radios on the Village Hall, programming and servicing Fire Department radios, and in 1972, implementing pagers to contact firefighters from the far reaches of Washington county; and

WHEREAS, Ken has served as the Jackson Fire Department treasurer and started a program to fund major truck purchases by saving the money prior to the purchase. This fund has served to provide the Jackson Fire Department with the best firefighting apparatus available while also saving the Village of Jackson tens of thousands of dollars in interest payments by eliminating or reducing the need to finance major equipment purchases; and

WHEREAS, Ken has offered freely his time and talents to the Village of Jackson, volunteering hundreds of hours each year for the past 65 years in service to the community of Jackson. He has responded to any call for service from the small hours of the early morning interrupting his sleep to setting aside his personal life during the dinner hour responding to fire and EMS calls; and

WHEREAS, Be it recognized how rare and special an accomplishment it is to not only serve 65 years as a volunteer for the Village of Jackson, but to serve those 65 years with vigor and involvement in all aspects of the department and that this achievement will most likely never be seen again by anyone in the volunteer/paid on call fire service.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Jackson does hereby honor Ken Klumb and expresses its deep and sincere appreciation for this remarkable accomplishment of service.

Introduced by: Pres. Heckendorf Seconded by: Tr. Emmrich

Vote: 7 ayes 0 nays

Passed and Approved: 05/14/2024



Brian Heckendorf - Village President

Attest: 

Anastasia Gonstead - Village Clerk

Proof of Posting:

I the undersigned, certify that I posted this Resolution on bulletin boards at the Village Hall, Post Office, and one other location in the Village.



Village Official

05/15/2024

Date