



THE VILLAGE VIEW

The Village of Jackson Center Newsletter

January 2022

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas with family and friends.

With January here, I want to discuss with you the upcoming utility rate adjustments you will be seeing in your Feb. 1, 2022 utility bill.

The Village completed a Cost-of-Service Study for the Water and Sewer Departments in 2018 to check their financial wellness. Results show that there was a need to also have a rate adjustment to keep these departments on track. A couple of points for the need of these adjustments are, we have a utility agreement with Plastipak from when we ran water and sewer utilities to their facility. The Village received their final payment of that agreement this year. So, going forward that revenue source will not be available for both of these funds. The adjustment for water this year will be an additional \$1.42 a month for the 5000-gallon minimum. For Sewer the adjustment for this year will be an additional \$1.28 a month for the 5000-gallon minimum.

For example, I will show the monthly adjustment using the minimum 5000 gallon. In 2021, the minimum for water was \$23.72 and in 2022 - \$25.14. An additional of \$1.42 a month. Sewer, in 2021, is \$42.63 and in 2022 - \$43.91. An additional \$1.28 a month. For a customer using the 5000-gallon minimum will see an additional total cost of \$2.70 for their water and sewer bill a month. There will be no increase in the customer charge for Water and Sewer.

Council has done a good job keeping our rates down, but at the same time realize these utilities need to be able to sustain operations on their own.

The Village also plans to have another Cost-of-Service Study done in 2022 to check our financial wellness in the Water and Sewer Departments. Council will also be considering reducing the monthly minimum down to 2000 gallons for 2023 and beyond.

If anyone has any questions on either of these rate adjustments, please give me a call at the Village Office at (937) 596-6314.

(Next month: 2022 Outlook)

Village crews salt and plow the village streets with each storm. You can assist the crews by moving your vehicle(s) off the street. It is difficult to get the plows down the streets with cars parked along each side of the street, especially in cul-de-sacs and narrow streets.

Please be considerate of others when removing snow from your property. For the safety of our residents, it is imperative that property owners take responsibility to clear their own sidewalks. There are many children who walk to school and other residents who use the sidewalks frequently. When they are clogged with snow, residents are forced to walk in the street.

When clearing snow from your property, it should remain on your property. Do not blow snow from your property onto a neighbor's property or onto the road. Putting additional snow on the roads costs the village additional money as it forces crews to work longer to keep the road clear. When you clear your driveway, stack the shoveled snow to the right side of your driveway to reduce the amount of snow plowed in front of your driveway.

If you need assistance with snow removal, please call one of the local residents or businesses below:

Airpark Excavating: (937) 596-6167

Jerry J. Davis: (937) 596-0615

Lotz Service: (937) 596-6700

Reichert Excavating: (937) 843-6527

Wannemacher Construction: (937) 538-6007

DT Contracting LLC - Darren Myers: (937) 538-0370

Christmas Light Winners

The Village of Jackson Center is honored to recognize Jackson Center residents who best contribute to the Christmas atmosphere and beauty of Jackson Center during the Christmas season through the use of lights and decorations. Congratulations along with free/reduced electric for the month goes to the winners of our Annual Holiday Display Contest:

1st Place: David & Misty Shields @ 207 James St. (All of December's electric bill paid by the Village of Jackson Center (up to \$250))

2nd Place Tie: Brandon & Janet Whipp @ 115 Birch St. and Bracy & Neoma Halker @ 116 Birch St. (½ of December's electric bill paid by the Village of Jackson Center (up to \$125))

3rd Place: Ryan & Brittany Wells @ 204 North Fork (¼ of December's electric bill paid by the Village of Jackson Center (up to \$75))

Thank you all for your Christmas displays and the amount of time and effort you put forth to make everyone's holidays a little brighter!

2022 Dog Tags available at the Napa Store until January 31st.

JACKSON CENTER AMERICAN LEGION CHICKEN FRY

January 8th, 2022

4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

DRIVE THRU ONLY

Pre-Sale Tickets available at:

J.C. Pro Hardware

Village of J.C. Office

Also, day of the event at drive thru door.

\$ 9.00 per dinner - 1 pint coleslaw \$ 2.00

Thank you for supporting our Veterans

Jackson Center Fire Department
Soup & Sandwich Meal
January 15, 2022 from 3:00 - 7:00pm
at the Jackson Center Legion

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **January 8**
 - Legion Chicken Fry 4:30-6:30
- **January 10**
 - Council Meeting at 7pm
- **January 12**
 - Fish Pond Food Pantry 11-2pm
- **January 17**
 - No School
 - School Board Meeting at 7pm
- **January 20**
 - Jackson Township Trustee Meeting at 7pm
- **January 24**
 - Council Meeting at 7pm
- **January 26**
 - Fish Pond Food Pantry 11-2pm

Trash Collection Dates

January 4, 11, 18, 25

Recycling Collection Dates

January 11 & 25

Dear Friends in Christ,
As we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus, we reflect on all the blessings we have and continue to be given. We take so much for granted but all we have is given out of His love for us. May you and your family have a blessed CHRISTmas and a safe and healthy New Year. As we say good bye to 2021 and welcome 2022, We, the American Legion and Sons of the American Legion want to thank you for supporting us in 2021. Because of your help we have been able to meet our financial obligations. We hope you can continue to help us in 2022.

*Happy New Year
2022*

*Wishing you a Happy New Year
with the hope that you will
have many blessings in the
year to come!*

