After about two months of waiting, and planning, an area Powerball player officially gets his jackpot.

Jay Johnson of Holmen was awarded a million-dollar lottery check today at the Festival Foods store where he bought the lucky ticket in August. Persistence has paid off for Johnson, a frequent lottery player. He's among the minority of winners who choose their own numbers, instead of taking a Quick Pick. Jay says he didn't even tell his wife about the winning combination for the first couple of days, so he could figure out what to do. Johnson used the Power Play option to multiply what would normally be a 200-thousand dollar prize to an even million, or under 700-thousand dollars after taxes.