### CITY OF BELOIT



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# THE BELOIT REPORT

CONTINUING ITS RESURGENCE AS A GEM OF THE ROCK RIVER VALLEY

#### **CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES**

#### **BUDGET PREPARATION**

The proposed 2012 Operating and Capital Budgets were presented to the City Council and the community this past Monday evening at the regular City Council Meeting. Work is still continuing on various aspects of a very difficult budget process. In addition to continuing to explore options and alternatives, I have also scheduled a number of meetings to speak directly to all City employees as well as provide them with an opportunity to ask questions or make comments on their concerns about the budget preparation process. Obviously a great deal of time and effort will be devoted to reviewing the budget by both Council and the community. The following schedule has been established for that purpose:

- October 10<sup>th</sup> City Council Workshop to discuss proposed 2012 General Fund Budget, 2400 Springbrook Ct. beginning at 8:00 am
- October 17<sup>th</sup> City Council Workshop to discuss all non-General Fund Budgets, Beloit Public Library beginning at 8:00 am
- October 17<sup>th</sup> City Council Public Hearing on 2012 proposed operating and capital budgets, City Hall Forum beginning at 7:00 pm
- October 24<sup>th</sup> Town Hall Meeting, Rotary River Center beginning at 6:30 pm
- October 25<sup>th</sup> Town Hall Meeting, Grinnel Hall Senior Center beginning at 6:30 pm

#### **CONSTRUCTION UPDATES**

Work did continue this week on the **downtown streets**. Restoration work is now underway at a number of locations.

Work is also proceeding on the **Cranston Road** as well as the **Henry Avenue Bridge**.

The engineering division is also assembling materials and making plans for the 2012 construction season as well.

#### SENIOR HEALTH FAIR ANOTHER SUCCESS

I also had an opportunity to stop by the Senior Health Fair on Tuesday, which was held at Central Christian Church again this year. Once again I was very impressed with the quality of the program, the variety of services and information available to seniors and of course the entire session was very well attended. My thanks to John

Kalkirtz, his Committee, and the many volunteers who assisted in making this event a reality. The exhibitors were especially great this year. Many City departments were instrumental in helping put together this year's event including; Transit, Parks and Recreation, Police, Public Works, and the Library.

#### RIBFEST AT THE ROCK BAR & GRILL AND WELTY FALL FESTIVAL AT BECKMAN MILL

This weekend we have two events scheduled which will benefit local organizations. This coming Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup> beginning at 12:00 pm, the RibFest will again be sponsored to benefit Beloit Regional Hospice. Also this coming Sunday afternoon, beginning at 1:00 pm, the Welty Environmental Center will hold their Fall Festival. Beginning at 2:00 pm we will have the pie judging for which duty I have volunteered, without reservation, again this year.

#### **HALLOWEEN TRICK OR TREATING TIMES**

Please note attached the press release from the Chief of Police and the City Manager's Office announcing that official Trick or Treating times for this Halloween will be from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. The press release also contains a number of helpful hints to ensure that you and your children have a safe and enjoyable Halloween this year.

#### **BELOIT / JANESVILLE COLLABORATION**

Just a quick note to the community regarding continuing efforts between officials of the City of Beloit and Janesville to find ways to work together to improve service delivery and save resources. The parks directors from both communities have had a meeting discussing Golf Course operations and are reviewing alternatives to look for the most cost effective way to manage that important resource. Operations personnel have also scheduled a meeting to specifically discuss joint purchasing alternatives. Again, we will continue the dialogue with regard to this significant initiative.

#### CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP - MONDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2011

At **8:00 a.m.** the City Council will hold a <u>Workshop</u> session in the Large Conference Room at the Utilities and Engineering Facility located at 2400 Springbrook Ct. to discuss the proposed 2012 General Fund Budget.

#### CITY MEETING CALENDAR OCTOBER 10-14, 2011

Monday, October 10 8:00 a.m.
 Monday, October 10 4:30 p.m.
 Appointment Review Committee, City Manager's Conf. Room (K. Leavy and J. Van De Bogart)
 Tuesday, October 11 4:00 p.m.
 Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee, Forum (D. Luebke)
 Tuesday, October 11 Cancelled Board of Appeals, Forum
 Wednesday, October 12 5:30 p.m.
 Equal Opportunities and Human Relations Commission, Beloit Public

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Library (M. Spreitzer)

Wednesday, October 12 6:30 p.m. Parks, Recreation, and Conservation Advisory Commission, Public Works

2351 Springbrook (S. De Forest)

#### **UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS**

This is just a sample of events coming up in Beloit. A more complete listing is available on the Visit Beloit website: www.visitbeloit.com

Beloit Public Library offers many events for youth, teens and adults. Please click

[here] for more information.

Saturday's through Oct. 29 Downtown Beloit Farmer's Market, 8:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. State and Grand.

Over 100 vendors participating.

Sunday, Oct. 9 12:00 p.m. **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Ribfest**, The Rock Bar & Grill, 101 Maple Ave. FREE Admission. Rib

Tickets are \$5, sides and drinks additional \$2. Karri Daley of Madison will be

performing. All proceeds go to Beloit Regional Hospice.

Sunday, Oct. 9 1:00 p.m. Welty Fall Festival, Beckman Mill County Park. There will be pumpkin carving,

apple cider pressing, scarecrow constructing, fall flower and seed art projects and guided nature walks. Bakers are invited to enter a fruit or vegetable pie contest. Admission is \$7/member, \$10/non member or family prices \$20/member or \$25/

non member. Contact Welty at 361-1377.

Saturday, Oct. 29 9:30 a.m. Downtown Beloit Halloween Parade. Meet at Horace White Park at 9:45 a.m.

to line up for the parade down Grand Avenue.

Monday, Oct. 31 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Trick or Treating hours announced.

Saturday Nov. 21 6:00 p.m. Annual Freedom Fund Banquet to celebrate the 92<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of

NAACP, which was the first NAACP branch in Wisconsin. Banquet will be

held at the South Beloit Inn. Cost is \$60 for adults (which includes

membership in NAACP), and \$30 for children. Please contact 362-1103 for

more information.



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#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Beloit City Council will hold a Workshop on Monday, October 10, 2011 at 8:00 a.m. in the Large Conference Room at the Utilities and Engineering Facility located at 2400 Springbrook Court, Beloit, WI 53511, to discuss the proposed **2012 Operating, Library, and Capital Improvements Budgets**.

Larry N. Arft, City Manager

Dated: October 5, 2011 Rebecca S. Houseman City Clerk http://www.ci.beloit.wi.us

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# CITY OF BELOIT APPOINTMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE NOTICE AND AGENDA REGULAR MEETING

Monday, October 10, 2011 at 4:30 p.m.

City Manager's Conference Room

4<sup>th</sup> Floor, City Hall

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Minutes Regular meeting September 12, 2011
- 3. Review of applicants for the following vacancies with recommendations to City Council:

#### Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee

- 1 resident (Marsden) term to expire June 30, 2014
- 1 School District Representative (Dax) for 2011-2012 School Year

#### **Board of Appeals**

- 1 resident (Jensen) term to expire May 31, 2013
- 1 resident (1st Alternate) (Fiore) term to expire May 31, 2014

#### Board of Ethics

1 former City Councilor - term to expire December 31, 2013

#### **Board of Review**

1 resident (Alternate)(Murphy) - term to expire December 31, 2014

#### Disabled Parking Enforcement Assistance Council

- 1 resident (Marzette) term to expire October 31, 2014
- 1 resident (Ware) term to expire October 31, 2012
- 1 resident (Johnson) term to expire October 31, 2013
- 1 resident (Spenle) term to expire October 31, 2014

#### Equal Opportunities and Human Relations Commission

- 1 resident (Guadarrama) term to expire June 30, 2013
- 1 resident (Roy) term to expire June 30, 2014

#### Landmarks Commission

- 1 resident (McGrath) term to expire October 31, 2014
- 1 resident (Carley) term to expire October 31, 2014

#### Municipal Golf Committee

1 Youth (Sennett) - term to expire December 31, 2011

#### Municipal Library Committee

1 resident (Hernandez) - term to expire June 30, 2013

#### Park, Recreation & Conservation Advisory Commission

- 1 resident (Marino) term to expire September 30, 2014
- 1 youth (Patel) term to expire September 30, 2012

#### Traffic Review Committee

- 1 resident (Fryar) term to expire September 30, 2013
- Member Participation
- 5. Citizen Participation
- 6. Adjournment

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# NOTICE & AGENDA ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE CONTROL COMMITTEE

Beloit City Hall - The Forum 100 State Street, Beloit, WI October 11, 2011 - 4:00 p.m.

- 1. Roll call
- 2. Motion for approval of minutes of the regular meeting of September 13, 2011.
- 3. Consideration of an additional area added to the Class "B" Beer and "Class B" Liquor License of PRD Saloon of Beloit, Inc., d/b/a Patti's Road Dawg Pub, 2956 Milwaukee Road, Patti Vance, Agent.
- 4. Discussion of activity and calls for service at Pitchers Mound, 2745 Prairie Avenue, from 01/01/11 through 9/30/11, Donna Nass, President and Terrence Nass, Agent.
- 5. Citizen Comments
- 6. Committee Comments
- 7. Police Department Comments
- 8. Attorney Comments
- 9. Motion to Adjourn

October 5, 2011 Rebecca S. Houseman City of Beloit City Clerk

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# PUBLIC NOTICE BELOIT EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES AND HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

Wednesday, October 12, 2011 at 5:30PM

The Beloit Public Library 605 Eclipse Boulevard, Beloit

The City of Beloit Equal Opportunities and Human Relations Commission (EOHRC) will hold a **Workshop** regarding the preparation of the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing. Community leaders have been invited for discussion and input regarding fair housing issues in the City of Beloit.

The Beloit City Council has been invited and there may be a quorum present.

Notice Mailed: October 5, 2011 Approved: Teri Downing

**Grants Administrator** 

#### <u>Please Call 364-6650 before 3:00 p.m. on Friday, October 10, 2011</u> if you are unable to attend

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# PARKS, RECREATION, AND CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2011 6:30PM DPW OPERATIONS CENTER 2351 SPRINGBROOK COURT, BELOIT, WI

#### **AGENDA**

- 1.) Call to Order
- 2.) Review Minutes of: August 10, 2011 & September 14, 2011
- 3.) Citizens Participation
- 4.) SPECIAL PRESENTATION: 2011-16 Parks & Open Space Plan Presented by Design Perspectives
- 5.) Director's Report
  - a.) Correspondence
  - b.) Parks Report
  - c.) Horticulture Report
  - d.) Grinnell Hall Senior Center Report
  - e.) Special Projects
  - f.) Leisure Services/Recreation Report
- 6.) Old Business
- 7.) New Business Action Report Items
  - a.) Consideration of Electing Officers for the Parks & Recreation Commission.
  - b.) Consideration of Adopting the 2011-16 Parks & Open Space Plan.
- 8.) Committee Members Comments
- 9.) Adjournment

#### **SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

- \* Commissioners unable to attend are encouraged to contact Brian Ramsey @ 608/364-2919 or Matilda Purifoy @ 608/364-2929 prior to the meeting.
- \*\* Please note that, upon reasonable notice, at least 24 hours in advance, efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of disabled individuals through appropriate aids and services.
- \*\*\* For additional information or to request this service, please contact the Parks & Leisure Services Division located at 2351 Springbrook Court, Beloit, WI 53511 or by calling 608/364-2929.



#### **BELOIT POLICE DEPARTMENT**



Norm Jacobs Chief of Police 100 State Street Beloit, WI 53511 Business: (608) 364-6801 Administration: (608) 364-6807 Facsimile: (608) 364-6608

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#### PRESS RELEASE

Date: September 30, 2011

For Additional Information Contact: Office of the Chief: 608-364-6807

**BELOIT, WISCONSIN** – Chief Norm Jacobs and City Manager Larry Arft announced today that Halloween will be observed on Monday, October 31, 2011. The official hours for Trick or Treating in the City of Beloit will be from 5:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M.

The following precautions are recommended:

- Wear light colored clothing, short enough to prevent tripping, and add reflectors.
- Make sure costumes are flame retardant.
- Make sure children can see well through face masks or head coverings.
- Accompany your children and go only to homes with outside lights on.
- Carry a flashlight.
- Stay within the neighborhood and only visit homes where you know the residents.
- Only give or accept wrapped or packaged candy and treats.
- Watch for traffic.
- Examine candy before allowing children to eat it.

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