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THE BELOIT REPORT

CONTINUING ITS RESURGENCE AS A GEM OF THE ROCK RIVER VALLEY

CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

SPECIAL JOINT MEETING WITH CITY COUNCIL AND TOWN OF BELOIT BOARD

This coming **Monday evening, November 12, 2012**, a special joint meeting of the City Council and the Town of Beloit Board will be held at the **Rotary River Center, beginning at 6:30 p.m.** The meeting is open to the public. The two boards will again be discussing a meeting that was held this past August involving representatives from both jurisdictions related to collaboration and joint service delivery. We will also be discussing a number of joint service activities that have been ongoing between the two jurisdictions. A copy of the agenda, along with the attached report from the joint meeting, is available on the City's website (www.ci.beloit.wi.us).

VETERANS DAY CELEBRATIONS IN BELOIT

There will be several celebrations this Sunday in Beloit to recognize Veterans Day. The local American Legion Post 48 has a ceremony planned for 1:00 p.m. on the north end of Riverside Park in the vicinity of the relocated World War I Veterans plaque. At 1:30 p.m. the Vets Roll organization has a program that will begin at the Culvers Restaurant at Cranston Road. The Beloit Daily News listed more events to honor Veterans on that date, as well.

BUDGET PREPARATION

This past Monday evening, the City Council adopted a series of resolutions approving all of the elements of the 2013 Operating and Capital Budget. The fee resolution included some modifications to Fire Department fees; however, as previously noted, substantial reductions were made by Council in the services for which fees would be charged, so that the final ordinance, although restructured, includes primarily fees for specialty services, for which charges have been billed for many years. Residents rarely use these specialty services and only a few bills are sent out each year.

The City is still working on preparation of a new pay plan for its expanded non-represented work force. We are still hopeful that the plan will be completed prior to the end of the calendar year and would like to get the plan finalized and approved by Council before the end of the year. Normally the salary plan is included in the budget as an attached document, so we are awaiting completion of the plan before posting the adopted budget document to the website, as is done each year. In the meantime, the proposed 2013 budget remains on the website and there were only a few changes, so interested residents who would like information about the 2013 budget will be able to review the proposed document for that purpose.

2013 CITY COUNCIL NOMINATION INFORMATION

Any City of Beloit resident interested in running for a two-year term on the Beloit City Council may pick up a packet of information. Please click <u>here</u> to read the full press release with more detailed information.

POHLMAN FIELD IMPROVEMENTS

The new outfield at Pohlman Field, which included relaying much of the sod in and around the infield area, has been completed. I viewed the field this week and was very impressed with the quality of the work. The whole field has been carefully surveyed and is very level, providing only slight sloping for drainage purposes. The irrigation system was also upgraded.

The Engineering Division just completed a plan for replacing the pedestrian concourses around the stadium. We are still finalizing details and will be meeting with Snappers representatives, probably within the next week, to obtain their reaction to the plan. Fortunately, we were able to create a program here that is affordable within the parameters of the current supplemental appropriation, as well as the cell phone fees available for stadium improvements, so that none of the other park operating or capital funds planned for other projects have to be used for the Pohlman Field improvements.

Once again, our parks crews will be working inside of the Clubhouse and the team spaces, as well as some of the public spaces, on making a number of improvements this winter and spring to improve not only the look but the usability of the facility.

INTERSTATE 39-90 WIDENING AND I-43 INTERCHANGE RECONSTRUCTION

We continue to plan for the Interstate widening, including reviewing various alignment options for the Interstate reconstruction. A local stakeholders committee is being formed by the Department of Transportation and there will be substantial representation from the City as well as other stakeholder groups and individuals that will be participating on this committee.

The City is still waiting for updated alignment plans, as well as detailed traffic counts for the Interchange area before we schedule a separate set of stakeholder meetings for City of Beloit residents and businesses, which we hope to hold before the end of November or early in December.

We very much appreciate the Department of Transportation's efforts to involve local stakeholders, including City officials and business owners in the decision making process regarding how this new interchange will be configured, and, of course, are most interested in how to get the greatest benefit from this new infrastructure for the City of Beloit.

EAST GRAND REDEVELOPMENT (PHOENIX) PROJECT—MEETING WITH DOWNTOWN MERCHANTS

The Downtown Beloit Association invited all downtown merchants to join City officials in a meeting to discuss various aspects of the Phoenix project, which is currently under construction downtown. The primary purpose for the meeting was to discuss snow removal along Grand Avenue, now that the south parking lane has been closed for the next several months, to be used as a construction staging area. We also made a brief presentation regarding the project construction and answered questions regarding the impact of this project on downtown.

CITY MEETING CALENDAR NOVEMBER 12–16, 2012

Monday, November 12	4:30 p.m.	Appointment Review Committee, City Manager's Conference Room (C. Haynes and M. Spreitzer)
Monday, November 12	6:30 p.m.	<u>Joint meeting</u> of the Beloit City Council and Town of Beloit Board of Supervisors, Rotary River Center, 1160 Riverside Drive
Tuesday, November 13	4:00 p.m.	Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee, Forum (K. Leavy)
Tuesday, November 13	Cancelled	Board of Appeals
Wednesday, Nov. 14	4:00 p.m.	Municipal Golf Committee, Krueger-Haskell Golf Course Clubhouse
Wednesday, Nov. 14	6:30 p.m.	Parks, Recreation & Conservation Advisory Commission, DPW Operations Center, 2351 Springbrook Court (S. De Forest)
Thursday, Nov. 15	5:30 p.m.	Rock County Stakeholders Advisory Committee on I-39/90 Reconstruction, Beloit Utilities building, 2400 Springbrook (All Councilors Invited)

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. The Library is collecting new home-made or purchased children's mittens, scarves, or hats for distribution to local families in need. If you would like to donate to the **9th Annual Mitten Tree**, please drop off your donations during regular library hours from now until December 3rd.

November 5-17		Food for Fines . Pay your Beloit Public Library fines with food! One non -perishable food item equals \$1 in fines (good up to \$10). Please make sure your donation is unexpired and unopened. All donations will be given to Beloit's food pantry, Caritas.
Friday, Nov. 16	7:00—10:00 p.m.	Turkey Trot Special Skate, Edwards Ice Arena at Telfer Park, 2101 Cranston Road. Celebrate Thanksgiving on ice! Do the Turkey Dance, join the games, music and excitement. Bring a non-perishable food item for free skate rental. Regular admission fees apply.
Friday, Nov. 23	5:00-9:00 p.m.	Grand Lighted Holiday Parade, downtown Beloit.
		5:00 p.m. Music at First National Bank6:00 p.m. Santa Arrives and Tree Lighting6:30 p.m. Lighted Parade along Grand Ave. from Bluff Street to Horace

White Park

7:00 p.m. Santa visits Vision Beloit, 500 Public Avenue



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

For more information, contact: Rebecca S. Houseman, City Clerk (608) 364-6680

2013 City Council Nomination Information

October 16, 2012 – Beloit, WI: Any City of Beloit resident interested in running for a two-year term on the Beloit City Council may pick up a packet of information including nomination papers beginning Monday, October 29, 2012. The packets are available in the office of the City Clerk on the second floor of City Hall during normal business hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

- There are seven members on the Council and three seats will be on the ballot.
- Candidates must file required forms with the City Clerk before forming a committee and raising funds.
- The first day to circulate nomination papers is Saturday, December 1, 2012.
- Between 200 and 400 valid signatures of City of Beloit residents must be submitted.
- Nomination papers and all forms must be completed and filed with the City Clerk by 5:00 p.m. on **Wednesday**, **January 2**, **2013**.
- An informational session will be held in January for all candidates who have gained ballot access.
- The Spring Election will be held on Tuesday, April 2, 2013.
- Newly-elected Councilors will take office on Tuesday, April 16, 2013.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact the City of Beloit City Clerk's office at (608) 364-6680 or by email at housemanr@ci.beloit.wi.us.



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

Monday, November 12, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.

City Manager's Conference Room 4th Floor, City Hall

- 1. Roll Call
- Minutes Regular meeting October 8, 2012
- Review of City Council appointments October 15, 2012
- 4. Review of applicants for the following vacancies with recommendations to City Council:

Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee

1 resident (Berkley) - term to expire June 30, 2015

Appointment Review Committee

1 resident (Forbes) - term to expire December 31, 2013

Board of Appeals

1 resident, 1st Alternate (Bussan) – term to expire May 31, 2014 1 resident, 2nd Alternate (Gaul) – term to expire May 31, 2015

Board of Ethics

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

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

Business Improvement District

1 Property Owner (Schlicting) - term to expire December 31, 2014

Community Development Authority

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

Disabled Parking Enforcement Assistance Council

1 resident (Ware) - term to expire October 31, 2015

1 resident (Johnson) - term to expire October 31, 2013

1 resident (Green) - term to expire October 31, 2015

Equal Opportunities and Human Relations Commission

1 resident (Bosshart) - term to expire June 30, 2014

Municipal Golf Committee

1 Youth (Sennett) - term to expire December 31, 2012

Municipal Library Board

1 resident (Vavrus) - term to expire June 30, 2015

1 resident (Witkins) - term to expire June 30, 2015

Park, Recreation & Conservation Advisory Commission

1 youth (Patel) - term to expire September 30, 2013

<u>Traffic Review Committee</u>
1 resident (Fryar) – term to expire September 30, 2013

- 5. Member Participation
- 6. Citizen Participation
- 7. Adjournment

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JOINT MEETING OF THE BELOIT CITY COUNCIL AND TOWN OF BELOIT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Date: Monday, November 12, 2012

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: ROTARY RIVER CENTER

1160 Riverside Drive Beloit, WI 53511

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order and Approval of Agenda
 - Charles Haynes, City Council President
 - Jim Stevens, Town Chairman pro tem
- 2. Introductions
- 3. Presentation of report on the August 24, 2012 joint management team meeting to review shared service delivery options (Arft and Wilson)
- 4. Open discussion regarding additional ideas for collaboration and areas of possible shared service delivery (Board Chairs)
- 5. Other ideas or topics of interest that Councilors or Board members would like staff to investigate
- 6. Discuss follow up meeting schedule (Board Chairs)
- 7. Adjournment

Larry N. Arft, City Manager

Dated: November 7, 2012 Rebecca S. Houseman City Clerk

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NOTICE & AGENDA ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE CONTROL COMMITTEE

Beloit City Hall - The Forum 100 State Street, Beloit, WI November 13, 2012 - 4:00 p.m.

- 1. Roll call
- 2. Motion for approval of minutes of the regular meeting of October 9, 2012
- 3. New aupplication by Mexico Dominicana LLC for a Class "B" Beer License for 854 Henry Avenue, Juan Carlos Taveras, Agent/Owner.
- 4. New application of BMC Property Management LLC d/b/a Rivals Bar & Grill, for a Class "B" Beer and Reserve "Class B" Liquor License at 443 East Grand Avenue, Michael Jero, Agent.
- 5. Citizen Comments
- 6. Committee Comments
- 7. Police Department Comments
- 8. Attorney Comments
- 9. Motion to Adjourn

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Appeals Members

FROM: Drew Pennington, Director of Planning & Building Services

DATE: November 8, 2012

SUBJECT: Cancellation of Board of Appeals Meeting

Since no applications have been submitted, the regularly scheduled <u>November 13, 2012</u> meeting of the Board of Appeals has been cancelled. The next Board of Appeals meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 11, 2012.

Please contact me at (608) 364-6711 or <u>penningtond@ci.beloit.wi.us</u> if you have any questions or require more information.

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cc: City Clerk's Office City Manager's Office

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MUNICIPAL GOLF COMMITTEE

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, November 14, 2012, 4:00 p.m.

Krueger-Haskell Golf Course Clubhouse

1611 Hackett Street, Beloit, WI

AGENDA

- 1. Approve Minutes from October 17, 2012 Meeting
- 2. Citizen Participation
- 3. Club Reports
 - Men's
 - Women's
 - Senior's
- 4. Manager of Golf Operations Report
 - 2012 October Revenue Report
 - Pond Repair Status
 - 2013 Adopted Budget Fees
- 5. Director's Report
- 6. Comments by committee members

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PARKS, RECREATION, AND CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2012 6:30PM

DPW OPERATIONS CENTER 2351 SPRINGBROOK COURT, BELOIT, WI

AGENDA

- 1.) Call to Order
- 2.) Review Minutes of: October 10, 2012
- 3.) Citizens Participation
- 4.) 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
- 5.) Old Business
 - a.) Consideration and appointment of a new Chairperson for the Commission.
- 6.) New Business Action Report Item
 - a.) Policing of City Parks Report, presented by the City of Beloit Police Department.
 - b.) Consideration of naming the Auditorium at Grinnell Hall in honor of John Kalkirtz, as presented by the Grinnell Hall Advisory Board.
- 7.) Committee Members Comments
- 8.) Adjournment

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SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

- * Commissioners unable to attend are encouraged to contact Brian Ramsey @ 608/364-2919 or the Parks Administrative Secretary @ 608/364-2929 prior to the meeting.
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- *** 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.



PUBLIC NOTICE

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) will be conducting a meeting for the Rock County Stakeholder Advisory Committee on Thursday, November 15, 2012, at 5:30 p.m. at the Beloit Utilities and Engineering Building, located at 2400 Springbrook Court, Beloit, WI 53511. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the process for **the design and reconstruction of I-39/90** along with other projects in the Rock County area. A quorum of Beloit City Councilors may be present.

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