

## CITY OF BELOIT

# THE BELOIT REPORT

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#### CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, this was a shortened work week, resulting in an abbreviated Beloit Report.

#### THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY SCHEDULES

The business offices at Beloit City Hall will be closed on Thursday, November 22 and Friday, November 23 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. There will be no change to emergency services.

The Beloit Public Library will close at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 21 and reopen on Friday, November 23 at 9:30 a.m. The outside book drop, located on the south side of the building, is open 24 hours a day. To renew your library materials, call Telerenew at 608-758-6614 or go online to "My Record" using your library card and password.

Solid Waste and Recycling Holiday Collection Schedule information is <u>attached</u>. No solid waste or recycling will be collected on Thursday, November 22 and collection will be delayed by one day. The Recycling Drop Off Center at 2351 Springbrook Court will be closed on Saturday, November 24.

#### JOINT CITY COUNCIL—TOWN OF BELOIT BOARD MEETING SCHEDULED FOR NEXT TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2012

The Beloit City Council and the Town of Turtle Board will hold their first joint meeting, certainly in the modern history of the metropolitan area. A copy of the agenda is <u>attached</u> to the Beloit Report for your information. In addition to a general "get to know you" discussion, the Boards will also discuss shared service delivery and, of course, share thoughts and comments regarding the upcoming Boundary Area Agreement renegotiations, which will begin in the near future. The meeting is scheduled for **6:30 p.m. in the Beloit Public Library Community Room, 605 Eclipse Blvd.** The meeting is open to the public.

#### DOWNTOWN TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY AND HOLIDAY PARADE

Please find <u>attached</u> a flyer describing the events scheduled for this Friday evening, November 23, 2012 in downtown Beloit. As you will note, the music begins in First National Park at 5:00 p.m. Santa will be here at approximately 6:00 p.m. and the parade begins at 6:30 p.m. Please come downtown Friday evening to participate in the official inauguration of the holiday shopping season.

#### HOLIDAZZLE SCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7

Please note the <u>attached</u> flyer on the Downtown Beloit Association's 9th annual Holidazzle Christmas shopping opportunity, featuring artists and specialty crafts people at 30(+) locations for a unique gift buying opportunity.

#### November 21, 2012

A weekly publication from the Office of the City Manager

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#### 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.

#### CITY MANAGER TO ATTEND NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES ANNUAL CONGRESS OF CITIES PROGRAM

Next week, the City Manager will be joining other officials from the League of Wisconsin Municipalities, attending the National League of Cities (NLC) 2012 Congress of Cities. The League of Wisconsin Municipalities traditionally sends its Executive Director and the President and Vice-President to the NLC Congress each year. All expenses for the conference are covered by the League of Wisconsin Municipalities and there will be no cost to the City of Beloit related to this training and public policy development activity. The Manager will leave on Wednesday, November 28 and return on Sunday, December 2. He will be back in the office on Monday, December 3.

#### CITY MEETING CALENDAR NOVEMBER 26–DECEMBER 1, 2012

Monday, November 26	1:30 p.m.	Traffic Review Committee, City Manager's Conference Room (D. Luebke)
Monday, November 26	5:00 p.m.	Police and Fire Commission, Forum
Tuesday, November 27	6:30 p.m.	Joint meeting with Beloit City Council and Town of Turtle Board, Beloit Public Library Community Room, 605 Eclipse Blvd. (All Councilors)
Wednesday, Nov. 28	7:30 a.m.	Visit Beloit Board (J. Van De Bogart)

#### 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: <a href="http://www.visitbeloit.com">www.visitbeloit.com</a>

**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.

Friday, Nov. 23	5:00-9:00 p.m.	Grand Lighted Holiday Parade, downtown Beloit.
		5:00 p.m. Music at First National Bank
		6:00 p.m. Santa Arrives and Tree Lighting
		6:30 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
Saturday, Dec. 1	1:00-4:00 p.m.	<b>Angel Museum Sponsors "Little Angel" Tea</b> . Adults, \$15, Children \$8. Advance reservations required, please call 608-362-4100.
Friday, Dec. 7	5:00—9:00 p.m.	<b>Holidazzle</b> , downtown Beloit. The stores downtown will light up with a dazzling evening of celebration, including artists, specialty crafts, music, treats, and more! A fun evening to stroll around downtown and "Shop Beloit First!"



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#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

For more information contact: Jodine Saunders, Solid Waste Supervisor (608) 364-2929 Ext.7009

#### Solid Waste and Recycling Holiday Collection Schedule

November 15, 2012 – City of Beloit residents are advised that solid waste and recycling will not be collected on Thursday, November 22, in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. Collection will be delayed by one day. Thursday collection will take place on Friday, November 23. Friday collection will take place on Saturday, November 24.

The Recycling Drop Off Center at 2351 Springbrook Court will be closed Saturday, November 24, to accommodate equipment/staff needs for Saturdays solid waste and recycling collection.

For more information, call the City of Beloit Public Works Operations Division at (608) 364-2929.



#### JOINT MEETING OF THE BELOIT CITY COUNCIL AND TOWN OF TURTLE BOARD

Date: November 27, 2012

**Time:** 6:30 p.m.

Location: Beloit Public Library Community Room 605 Eclipse Blvd.

#### AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order and Approval of Agenda
  - Charles Haynes, Beloit City Council President
  - Roger Anclam, Town of Turtle Chair
- 2. Introductions
- 3. Discuss collaboration and joint service delivery issues (Chairs)
- 4. Open discussion regarding upcoming Boundary Area Agreement negotiations (Chairs)
- 5. Open discussion or further comments by Councilors or Board members
- 6. Adjournment

#### Larry N. Arft, City Manager

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Dated: November 20, 2012 Rebecca S. Houseman City Clerk

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Downtown Beloit Friday, November 23, 2012 5:00 - 9:00 pm

Join us on Grand to spark off the season with this 20<sup>th</sup> annual holiday tradition!

# GRAND LIGHTED HOLIDAY PARADE

5:00 pm Music at First National Bank 6:00 pm Santa Arrives and Tree Lighting 6:30 pm Lighted Parade along Grand Ave. from Bluff St. to Horace White Park 7:00 pm Santa Visits Vision Beloit, 500 Public Ave. Photos with Santa & Mrs. Claus will be offered!



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Downtown Beloit Association - 500 Public Ave. - Beloit, WI 5351 - 608.365.0150 - www.downtownbeloit.com

Downtown Beloit Friday, December 7, 2012 5:00 - 9:00 pm

Businesses sparkle and light up Downtown Beloit for the award-winning, 9<sup>th</sup> Annual

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A dazzling evening of celebration featuring artists, and specialty craftspeople in thirty-plus locations as they display one-of-a-kind gifts and unique pieces of art. Live music, children's events and holiday treats make this a truly special evening for the entire family.





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#### **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 <u>housemanr@ci.beloit.wi.us</u>.



#### MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA Traffic Review Committee Monday, November 26, 2012 1:30 P.M. City Manager's Conference Room (4<sup>th</sup> Floor) Beloit, WI 53511

- 1. Roll Call.
- 2. Approval of the minutes from the June 25, 2012 Traffic Review Committee meeting.
- 3. Public Participation.
- 4. Discussion regarding alternate parking on Olympian Boulevard between Sixth Street and Hackett Street.
- 5. Discussion regarding 4-way stop signs at the intersection of Central Avenue and Keeler Avenue.
- 6. Discussion regarding the 1<sup>st</sup> phase of the School District's reconstruction and the impact on traffic near Merrill, Converse, and Robinson schools.
- 7. Committee Member participation.
- 8. Next meeting –Due to the holidays in December, the next meeting is scheduled for January 28, 2013.
- 9. Adjournment
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#### Police and Fire Commission Meeting Notice and Agenda Monday, November 26, 2012 @ 5:00 PM City Hall / Public Forum 100 State St

The monthly meeting of the Police and Fire Commission is scheduled. If you are unable to attend, please notify Joe Simpson at 364-6685.

#### AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order and roll call
- 2. Approval of October 22, 2012 meeting minutes
- 3. Reports
  - A. Police Department
  - B. Fire Department
- 4. Citizen Participation
- 5. Commissioner Comments
- 6. Action/Discussion Items
- Commission will adjourn to closed session in accordance with WI State Statutes 19.85(1)(c) to discuss firefighter consideration of employment; probationary reviews
- 8. Commission will reconvene to Open Session
- 9. Possible vote to approve appointment of probationary firefighter
- 10. Adjourn.

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