



# THE BELOIT REPORT

CONTINUING ITS RESURGENCE AS A GEM OF THE ROCK RIVER VALLEY

## CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

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### **Special points of interest:**

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### **YEAR END HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

Please note the adjustments in the solid waste collection schedule because of the Christmas and New Year's holidays. City of Beloit trash and recycling collection will take place on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve, but not on Christmas Day or New Year's Day. Please see the [attached](#) press release for more information.

The Beloit Public Library will be closed on December 24 and 25, December 31 and January 1. The outside book drop is open 24-hours per day and library materials may be renewed by calling Telerenew at 608-758-6614 or on the Library's website under "My Record" by using your library card and password.

City Hall will be closed for business on December 24, 25, 31 and January 1. Emergency services will, of course, continue as usual. Managers will be on duty in the public safety and public works departments to ensure adequate emergency operations coverage throughout the holiday season.

City officials routinely utilize this time of year to catch up on their annual vacation leave. The pace of business always slows during the holidays and it is a good time for the City's management team to utilize accrued vacation leave. The City Manager will be on vacation beginning Friday, December 21 and returning to the office on Wednesday, January 2, 2013, which is the first work day of the new calendar year. I will be in the area most of that time and available by both cell phone and e-mail, should the need arise.

Please note that the next City Council meeting will be held on **Monday, January 7, 2013**. Because of the New Year's holiday, the City Clerk's office will complete the agenda for that meeting, which will be posted to the City's website, generating the e-mail notification on **Thursday, January 3, 2013** as opposed to the normal Wednesday evening posting. The agenda for that meeting, at least at this time, is not particularly long so there should be more than adequate time for review of all the relevant documents on that agenda prior to the start of the meeting on Monday evening.

This will also be the final "Beloit Report" of 2012.

### **CITY FINALIZES PLANS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF BACKYARD CHICKEN ORDINANCE**

A number of interested residents attended the information sessions this past Saturday that was held at the Beloit Public Library Community Room. Residents are reminded that an information brochure and forms are available on the City's website by clicking [here](#).

### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT—CITY RECEIVES CERTIFIED SITE DESIGNATION**

The Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation recently notified the City that two of its larger development sites located in the Gateway Business Park have been reviewed and

certified by WEDC as “certified sites,” meaning they are “shovel ready” for development. Once again, these sites were carefully studied by an outside consultant who specializes in analyzing shovel ready development parcels. We are one of the first cities in the State to have sites certified under the new WEDC program and the first community to have two separate sites listed on the certified sites inventory.

## BOUNDARY AREA AGREEMENT NEGOTIATIONS UPDATE

The City is still working on developing various negotiating positions and parameters related to the planned opening of negotiations with the Town of Turtle regarding modifying and developing a longer term Boundary Area Agreement. Unfortunately, we will not be able to get a meeting with the Town officials prior to the end of December because of the various holiday related schedules. Consequently, we will be in contact with Town officials shortly after the first of the year to schedule the first meeting date.

## CASINO UPDATE

Following the recent “scoping” meeting, the BIA will now be working with the Ho Chunk Nation to finalize the parameters of their Environmental Impact Statement. Once again, we do not have any firm timeline at this point regarding the application review process.

## HOLIDAY GREETING

At this time, it is indeed a pleasure to wish all of our citizens, business owners and other interested parties a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Joyous Holiday Season. We hope that everyone has a good and productive New Year and look forward to starting the next calendar year of city business on Wednesday, January 2, 2013.



## CITY MEETING CALENDAR DECEMBER 24–28, 2012

There are no City meetings scheduled for this week.

## 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](http://www.visitbeloit.com)*

**Beloit Public Library** offers many events for youth, teens and adults. Please click [[here](#)] for more information.

Friday, Dec. 21 7:00-10:00 p.m.

**Yuletide Glide** at Edwards Ice Arena, 2101 Cranston Road. Skate to Christmas carols. Bring a non-perishable food item for free skate rental. Regular admission fees apply.

Wed., Jan. 2 6:00 p.m.

**Beloit Public Library** Book to Film showing of “Eat, Pray, Love.” Free, sponsored by “Friends At Beloit Library”, 605 Eclipse Blvd.



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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**Trash and Recycling Holiday Collection Schedule**

**December 18** – The City of Beloit’s Public Works Department reminds residents that trash and recycling collection will take place on Christmas Eve and New Year’s Eve.

Trash and recycling will not be collected on Christmas Day or New Year’s Day. Trash and Recycling collection will be delayed by one day beginning Tuesday, December 25, 2012, and again the following week beginning Tuesday, January 1, 2013.

The Recycling Drop-Off Center at 2351 Springbrook Court will be closed as of Saturday, December 22, through Saturday, January 5, in observance of the Holidays.

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

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**Police and Fire Commission  
Meeting CANCELLATION Notice  
Monday, December 24, 2012 5:00 PM  
City Hall Forum  
Beloit WI 53511**

The Police & Fire Commission meeting scheduled for Monday, December 24, 2012 has been cancelled.

Charles Losinske, President  
Beloit Police & Fire Commission

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