# 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**

#### JOINT CITY COUNCIL—SCHOOL BOARD WORKSHOP MONDAY, JANUARY 14, 2013

City Council and the School District Board of Education have scheduled a joint workshop for this coming **Monday**, **January 14**, **2013 at 6:30 p.m.** in the Community Room at the Beloit Public Library, 605 Eclipse Blvd. The primary purpose for the meeting will be for the School District to provide an update on the status of the school district's new facility plan implementation. The boards will also be discussing the projected growth and development in the Gateway Business Park and how that may impact the district's facility planning process. The meeting will be open and the public is invited to attend.

#### **INFRASTRUCTURE UPDATE**

Now that the holidays are concluded, we begin the process of finalizing plans and bidding documents for construction projects to be completed during the 2013 construction season. Later in January and through the months of February and March, Engineering will be letting bids for most of the projects scheduled for this season. With the conclusion of the expenditure period of TID #5 downtown, as well as the overall reduction in available resources, residents will see a more modest construction program. Planning continues for the Inman Parkway Extension; however, that project is not scheduled to go to construction until 2014. We are awaiting the next set of plans for the I-39/90– 43 interchange from the State Department of Transportation. The consulting engineers have been working on additional alignment alternatives for that critical interchange and we anticipate having more information by the end of January. Public meetings with all stakeholders will be held during the review process for that important alignment.

#### **VACANCIES WITHIN THE CITY'S MANAGEMENT RANKS**

The City recently hired a new Coordinator for the Grinnell Hall Senior Center and a new Director of Support Services for the Beloit Police Department. A new Director of Information Systems has also been hired and scheduled to start near the end of January. The Human Resources Division is working with the City Manager on the Public Works Director recruitment, which has been going well to date. The executive recruiter that is assisting with this project will be making calls to a number of candidates over the next several days and the top candidates will be brought in for interviews in early February.

# MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. COMMEMORATION SCHEDULED FOR BLACKHAWK TECHNICAL COLLEGE THIS SATURDAY, BEGINNING AT 3:00 P.M.

Blackhawk Technical College will be holding their annual Martin Luther King, Jr. commemoration this **Saturday**, **January 12 at the college from 3:00—5:00 p.m**. There will be a number of honors, as well as student performances in music so that all in attendance will have an enjoyable time. This event is open and the public is encouraged to attend. The City Manager will be in attendance, as will some of the City Councilors.

# CITY MEETING CALENDAR JANUARY 14–18, 2013

Monday, January 14	4:30 p.m.	Appointment Review Committee, City Manager's Conf. Room (C. Haynes and M. Spreitzer)
Monday, January 14	6:30 p.m.	Joint City Council/School Board Workshop, Beloit Public Library Community Room, 605 Eclipse Blvd. (All City Councilors)
Tuesday, January 15	7:00 p.m.	Landmarks Commission, Forum (C. Haynes)
Wed., January 16	4:00 p.m.	Municipal Library Board, 605 Eclipse Blvd.
Wed., January 16	5:30 p.m.	Equal Opportunities and Human Relations Commission, Forum (C. Kincaid)

# **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="https://www.visitbeloit.com">www.visitbeloit.com</a>

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

Thurs., January 17	Noon	City Center Seminar, Vision Beloit, 500 Public Avenue. The topic of the seminar is "Beloit's City Center: 2013-2020—Plans, Opportunities, Possibilities, and Threats." Open to the public.
Monday, Jan. 21	4:00 p.m.	8th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Convocation at Beloit College, Eaton Chapel. Speakers include Beloit College President Scott Bierman, local community advocate Linda Fair, a selected Beloit College student, and others, with music by the Beloit Community Ministers' Fellowship Youth Choir.
Friday, January 25	7:00 p.m.	Chills, Spills and Thrills. As part of this year's Winterfest activities, come out and enjoy the winter wonderland with music on ice at Edwards Ice Arena, 2101 Cranston Rd. DJ, skating, and games. Regular admission applies for skating; free skate rental with donation of a nonperishable food item.
January 25-27		Winterfest activities at various locations throughout Beloit. Please see attached

flyer for more information.



# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

The City of Beloit City Council will hold a joint **workshop** with the Beloit School District Board of Education on Monday, January 14, 2013, at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Room, located at the Beloit Public Library, 605 Eclipse Boulevard, Beloit, WI 53511. The purpose of the workshop is to provide a referendum update and discuss the Gateway area and pool and tennis court collaboration. A quorum of City Councilors will be present.

Larry N. Arft, City Manager

Dated: January 9, 2013 Rebecca Houseman LeMire City Clerk www.ci.beloit.wi.us



# APPOINTMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE **NOTICE AND AGENDA REGULAR MEETING**

Monday, January 14, 2013 at 4:30 p.m.

**City Manager's Conference Room** 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, City Hall

- Roll Call
- Minutes Regular meeting December 10, 2012
- 3. Election of Officers
  - a. Chair
  - b. Vice-Chair
  - c. Secretary
- 4. Review of City Council appointment December 17, 2012
- 5. 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

1 resident (Reidenbach) - term to expire December 31, 2015

### **Board of Appeals**

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

#### **Board of Ethics**

1 resident (Fox) – term to expire December 31, 2015

1 resident (Biester) - term to expire December 31, 2015

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

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

#### Community Development Authority

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

# Equal Opportunities and Human Relations Commission

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

# Municipal Golf Committee

1 resident (Howard) - term to expire December 31, 2015

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

#### Municipal Library Board

1 resident of Beloit, Town of Turtle or Town of Beloit (Vavrus) - term to expire June 30, 2015

#### Park, Recreation & Conservation Advisory Commission

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

#### Traffic Review Committee

1 resident (Fryar) – term to expire September 30, 2013

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

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# SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA BELOIT LANDMARKS COMMISSION

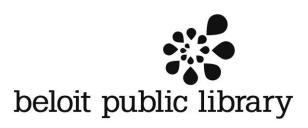
Tuesday, January 15, 2013, 7:00 PM
The Forum, 100 State Street

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Public Comments
- 3. <u>William K. Conover Certificate of Appropriateness</u>
  COA-2013-01 Review and consideration of a Certificate of Appropriateness to install a new entry door and lighting fixtures for the property located at 1014 Emerson Street.
- 4. Adjournment

If you are unable to attend this meeting, notify the Planning Office at (608)364-6700 <u>no later than</u> **4:00 PM** the day before the meeting.

Approved: Michael D. Lofton II, Assistant Planner January 7, 2013

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# MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA Beloit Public Library Board of Trustees Wednesday, January 16, 2013 @ 4pm

Beloit Public Library Board Room Beloit, WI 53511

- 1. Call to order and roll call
- 2. Approval of minutes of the December 19, 2012 Library Board meeting
- 3. Approval of minutes of the January 4, 2013 Personnel Committee meeting
- 4. Public comment
- 5. Library Director Report
  - a. Citizen's Comment on Library Materials Procedure
  - b. Strategic Plan Update Year One
- 6. Reports
  - a. Foundation
  - b. FABL
  - c. Arrowhead Library System
- d. Budget Committee
- e. Strategic Plan Committee
- f. Personnel Committee

- 7. Action Items
  - a. Job Description Updates
  - b. 2013 Salary Ranges (Pay Plan)
  - c. 2013 Wage Adjustment (COLA/Merit)
  - d. Policy Review:
    - a. Americans with Disabilities Act Personnel Policy
    - b. Discrimination Complaint Policy
  - e. Monthly financial report and approval of library bills.
- 8. Trustee Comments
- 9. Motion to adjourn

Next meeting: Wednesday, February 20, 2013

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# **MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA**

BELOIT EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES AND HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION Special Meeting

Wednesday, January 16, 2013 at 5:30 PM
The Forum, First Floor
Beloit City Hall, 100 State Street

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call
- 2. Approval of Minutes of the October 17, 2012 Meeting
- 3. Public Participation
- 4. Review of 2012 Fair Housing Complaints Summary Report
- 5. Review of RFP for Investigative Services
- 6. Review of EOHRC Bylaws Draft
- 7. Upcoming Events
- 8. Adjournment

Notice Mailed: January 11, 2013

Approved: Teri Downing

Director of Community and Housing Services

<u>Please Call 364-6650 before 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 15, 2013</u> if you are unable to attend.

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# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Beloit College Department of Economics and Vision Beloit are hosting a **City Center Seminar** on Thursday, January 17, 2013, at 12:00 p.m. at Vision Beloit, 500 Public Avenue, Beloit, WI 53511. The topic of this seminar is Beloit's City Center: 2013-2020 – Plans, Opportunities, Possibilities, and Threats. A quorum of City Council members may be present.

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## Friday, January 25

- \*Family Bingo at Grinnell Hall (631 Bluff Street) 1:00-3:00 pm, all ages welcome, fun prizes, refreshments, FREE!
- \*Chills, Spills and Thrills at Edward's Ice Arena (2101 Cranston Road) 7:00-10:00 pm, DJ, games, and fun! Bring a non-perishable food donation to receive free skate rental, regular admission fees apply
- \*Cross Country Trails, open daily, dusk to dawn, FREE!

#### Saturday, January 26

- \*4's Coed Volleyball Tournament at BMHS (pre-registration required)
- \*Snow Golf is fun for all! Registration begins at noon at Krueger Haskell Golf Course, tee times begin at 12:30 pm, bring one club, ball will be provided. Cost is \$3/person or \$10/foursome
- \*Wintery fun at the Beloit Public Library, 1:00-3:00 pm, snowflakes, games, and Frosty the Snowman -the movie! FREE!
- \*Open Skate at Edward's Ice Arena, 2:00-4:00 pm, skate rental and regular admission fees apply

# Sunday, January 27

- \*Euchre Tournament at the Krueger Haskell Golf Course Clubhouse (preregistration required)
- \*Horse Drawn Sleigh Rides at Big Hill Park, 11:00 am-2:00 pm. The Welty Environmental Center will also be hosting games and activities! FREE!
- \*Open Skate at Edward's Ice Arena, 2:00-4:00 pm, skate rental and regular admission fees apply

For more information about any Winterfest activities, please call the Leisure Services Office (608) 364-2890