



# THE БЕЛОIT REPORT

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## CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

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### **PARTICIPATION IN MAYORS FOR MEALS PROGRAM**

I was again honored to participate in the local Beloit Meals on Wheels component of the National Mayor's for Meals program. In addition to the Manager, Beloit City Councilors Jim Van De Bogart and Chuck Kincaid, State Representative Amy Loudenberg, and Town of Beloit Administration Brian Wilson also participated in this year's program. Each of us went out with a veteran volunteer and delivered meals to a half dozen plus needy households. All of the residents were very gracious and very appreciative of the service. It is a great opportunity to get out of the office and to visit with program participants. We also received a briefing from Executive Director Marcy Berner-Reedy about the current status of the program. Marcy was very concerned about the shrinking federal appropriations for important programs like Meals on Wheels. In recent year's foundation and donor funding has been covering an increasing share of program costs. Please keep the Meals on Wheels program on your list of significant local programs worthy of community support.

### **CITY WINS THE GREEN CITY AWARD**

The City of Beloit was the award winner within its population category for the Green City Award presented this year at the Residential Recycling Conference held in Chicago, IL. This conference is sponsored by the Waste and Recycling News, a trade publication, includes a 2 ½ day educational program along with numerous exhibitors from the waste and recycling industries. Because of the success of the City's recycling initiatives plus some of the extra efforts we've done to market the program, the City decided to submit for recognition at this year's conference. Of the three finalists in our population class, Beloit was selected as the winner for 2013. The actual award will be presented to the Public Works employees most responsible for the recycling initiative at the April 1st City Council meeting.

### **WELLHEAD PROTECTION ORDINANCE—BRIEFING SESSION**

At the request of Council, Water Resources staff is going through the list of all business properties located within the wellhead protection areas or overlay district as proposed by the Wellhead Protection Ordinance. As it turned out only a few businesses would be directly impacted by the requirements of the protection program and those businesses have been invited to a briefing session beginning at 6pm on Tuesday March 26, 2013. The meeting will be held in the Utilities/Engineering Building at 2400 Springbrook Court in the City. All businesses impacted by the ordinance have been invited however; other interested parties are welcome to attend.

### **COMPENSATION PLAN IMPLEMENTATION CONTINUES**

This week we had a significant teleconference with the consultant and walked through the draft language for a number of sections of the final non-representative compensation plan report. Meetings were also held for the non-representative employees on Thursday and Friday to present the plan and offer those employees an opportunity to comment on the draft before the document is finalized.

**BELOIT HOUSING AUTHORITY RELOCATES OFFICES**

The Beloit Housing Authority did complete relocation of their offices to the BHA Administrative facility located at the corner of Portland and 5th Street, as planned. The offices were closed this Thursday and Friday and normal operations will resume at the new Portland Avenue office at 8am on Monday, March 25, 2013. All contact information including email addresses, fax and telephone numbers will remain the same.

**ABSENTEE VOTING IN PERSON FOR THE SPRING ELECTION BEGAN MARCH 18, 2013**

This absentee voting in person for the spring election began on March 18, 2013. Residents wishing to vote can vote in person on an absentee basis prior to the Tuesday, April 2, 2013 election and will be able to cast a ballot in the Beloit City Hall. City Hall is open from 8am to 5pm weekdays. Please see the attached press release for more information.

**CITY OFFICES TO CLOSE NEXT FRIDAY, MARCH 29TH**

All city offices will be closed next Friday, March 29, 2013 for the City's annual Spring Holiday. The exception will be provision for absentee voting, which will be open on the first floor of City Hall that day.

**CITY MEETING CALENDAR— MARCH 25-29, 2013**

Monday, March 25	1:30 p.m.	<a href="#">Traffic Review</a> , City Manager's Conference Room (D. Luebke)
Tuesday, March 27	4:30 p.m.	<a href="#">Community Development Authority</a> , Forum

**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.

Saturday, March 23	<b>Mushing for Meals 5K Run, 1 Mile Walk &amp; Kids Fun Run</b> , sponsored by Beloit Meals on Wheels. Please click <a href="#">here</a> for race information or to register online.
Saturday, March 23	<b>28th Annual Casino-Raffle Night</b> , Stateline Boys and Girls Club Fundraiser event. Please click <a href="#">here</a> for more information.
Friday, March 29	<b>Beloit City Hall and Beloit Public Library closed for Spring Holiday.</b>
Saturday, March 30	<b>Welty Environmental Center Whimsies</b> , Adult Rustic Art/Nature Crafts, Bill Hill Park in the Rustic Cabin. Cost \$35. 1-4 PM, class size is limited, sign up by March 27th.
Saturday, March 30	<b>Belated St. Patty's Day Extravaganza Dance</b> , Beloit Hendricks Center for the Arts—East Grand Ave. and Pleasant St. 7-10 PM, free community dance!



**Police and Fire Commission  
Meeting CANCELLATION Notice  
Monday, March 25, 2013 5:00 PM  
City Hall Forum  
Beloit WI 53511**

The Police & Fire Commission meeting scheduled for Monday, March 25, 2013 has been cancelled.

Charles Losinske, President  
Beloit Police & Fire Commission

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**MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA**  
**Traffic Review Committee**  
**Monday, March 25, 2013 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 February 25, 2013 Traffic Review Committee meeting.
  3. Public Participation.
  4. Ordinance to remove the 1-Hour parking time limit on the both sides of Pleasant Street from East Grand Avenue to Public Avenue.
  5. Ordinance to change several 1-Hour parking stalls to an undesignated time limit along Grand Avenue.
  6. Ordinance to change the direction of one-way travel on Locust Street from Westbound to Eastbound.
  7. Committee Member participation.
  8. Next meeting –the next meeting is scheduled for **April 22, 2013**.
  9. Adjournment
- \*\* 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 to request this service, please contact the City Clerk's Office at 364-6680, 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511.



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**MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA**  
**Community Development Authority**  
**March 27, 2013 at 4:30 pm**  
**The Forum**  
**Beloit City Hall**  
**100 State Street**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Citizen Participation
3. Review and Consideration of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 6, 2013
4. Housing Authority
  - a. Presentation of February Activity Report (Pollard)
  - b. Presentation of February Financial Report (Pollard)
5. Community Development
  - a. Review and Consideration of Resolution 2013-08, Awarding the Rehab Contract for 1310 West Grand Avenue (Schneider)
6. Appointment of a CDA member to the Greater Beloit Economic Development Corporation (Christensen)
7. Adjournment

*If you are unable to attend this meeting, notify the Housing Authority Office at 364-8740 **no later than 4:00 PM the day before the meeting.***

Notice E-Mailed: March 21, 2013

Approved: Julie Christensen, Ex. Director

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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

**Absentee Voting In Person for the Spring Election**  
**Available Starting March 18, 2013**

**March 11, 2013 – Beloit, WI:** Beginning Monday, March 18, 2013, electors registered to vote in the City of Beloit may cast an absentee ballot in person for the April 2, 2013 Spring Election. Electors who are not registered to vote and those who need to change their names and/or addresses must bring proof of residence to register. Please find the acceptable forms of proof of residence on the following page.

Late registration and absentee voting in person will be available from **Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>** in the City Clerk's office on the second floor of City Hall. In celebration of the Spring Holiday, City Hall will be closed on Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup>. However, electors may still register and vote by absentee ballot on **March 29<sup>th</sup>** on the first floor of City Hall, outside The Forum. Electors who would like an absentee ballot mailed to them must make the request in writing via email to [lemirer@ci.beloit.wi.us](mailto:lemirer@ci.beloit.wi.us); via mail to 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511; or in person at the City Clerk's office.

Photo identification or other proof of identity will **not** be required to obtain an absentee ballot or to obtain a regular ballot on Election Day at the polling place for this Election.

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

## ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF PROOF OF RESIDENCE

One of the following is required to register to vote in the Clerk's office during the closed registration period or on Election Day at the Polling Place:

- A current and valid Wisconsin driver's license
- A current and valid Wisconsin identification card
- Any other Official ID Card or license issued by a Wisconsin Governmental body
- An ID card with your photo issued by an employer during the normal course of business (not including a business card)
- A real estate tax bill or receipt (for the current year or year before the election)
- A residential lease which is effective for a period that includes Election Day
- A university, college, or technical college identification card (must include photo) together with a fee payment receipt issued to the cardholder by the university, college or technical college dated no earlier than 9 months before the date of the election at which the receipt is presented
- A utility bill for a period starting no earlier than 90 days before Election Day
- A bank statement or current pay check
- A government check or any other official document issued by a unit of government

**NOTE:** all of the above must contain a current and complete name, including both first and last name; and a current and complete residential address, including numbered street address, if any, and the name of the municipality. If the form has an expiration date, it must be valid on Election Day. **An individual may not register or vote without one of the above forms of proof of residence.**