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Special points of interest:

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THE BELOIT REPORT

CONTINUING ITS RESURGENCE AS A GEM OF THE ROCK RIVER VALLEY

CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY INFORMATION

The United Veterans Memorial Day Parade will begin in Beloit at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, May 27, 2013. We remember and thank all veterans who have served in the United States Armed Forces.

City Hall and the Beloit Public Library will be *CLOSED* on Monday, May 27 in observance of the Memorial Day holiday. City of Beloit residents are reminded that trash and recycling collection will be delayed by one day the week of May 27, 2013 in observance of the holiday. There will be no trash or recycling collection on Memorial Day.

The Recycling Drop Off Center at 2351 Springbrook Court will be *CLOSED* on Saturday, June 1, 2013 to accommodate equipment/staff needs for Saturday trash/recycling collection.

VETS ROLL

Once again, the Greater Beloit community turned out on the evening of Wednesday, May 22 to give the Veterans an extremely warm "welcome home" as part of their return from Washington, D.C. The group visited and toured both the WWII and Korean Conflict Monuments. I was honored to be a part of the program, welcoming all of the Veterans back to Beloit and thanking them for their service to our country. Once again, we thank all those who turned out to share this significant evening with returning Veterans.

SPRING TREE PLANTING AVAILABLE

The City's Department of Public Works would once again like to remind everyone they are now accepting requests from residents for terrace trees to be planted this spring. Species will be determined by the City Forestry Supervisor. There is no cost and trees will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. For additional information, please contact the Department of Public Works at (608) 364-2929. All requests must be received by Friday, May 31, 2013 to participate in the spring planting for this year.

FRIDAYS IN THE PARK

The "Fridays in the Park" noon luncheons and entertainment event started this Friday and will continue throughout the summer season with a different restaurant and different entertainment each week. The events this year will be held in Gantry Park which is located directly across the street from the First National Park Plaza. The first event held earlier today was well attended. If you are available in the downtown area on Fridays, please stop by to enjoy lunch with the Downtown business community.

GOT ART! EVENT

Just a reminder, the "Got Art!" event is scheduled for June 5th -15th. A number of arts related events are scheduled to occur throughout the City of Beloit. For more information on Got Art! and the events that will be sponsored during that period of time please click [here].

2014 BUDGET PROCESS

The CIP Review Committee met this week for a first look at the proposed 2014 Capital Improvement's Budget. There are always more projects than there are available funds. Next week, the committee will meet with representatives from the various departments and divisions that have submittals, and we will begin to "size" the budget to match projected available revenue for infrastructure upgrades in 2014.

CITY REVENUE BOND REFUNDING BID REJECTED

Based on a recommendation from Ehlers, our financial consultant, the City opened bids this past Wednesday on a refunding of approximately \$1.4 million in storm water bonds. The consultant recommended that this be done off of the Monday schedule because of a number of bids that were outstanding for that particular date. The resolution authorizing the bidding process included certain parameters that would need to be met in the bidding in order for an award to be made. The City received only one bid and, while the interest rate was attractive, the bond discount was higher than anticipated, thereby failing to meet the parameters included in Council's resolution. Consequently, the bid was rejected and the consultant will be doing some additional research to determine whether or not it would make financial sense for the City to rebid the refunding for this bond issue in the near future. If the consultant determines that it is still advantageous, then an additional resolution will appear on a subsequent Council agenda authorizing the rebid process.

PLANNING CONTINUES FOR THE I-39/90 WIDENING AND I-43 INTERCHANGE RECONSTRUCTION

This past week, we had yet another meeting in Madison with the design team who is working on the 39/90 widening, which includes the I-43 Interchange reconstruction. At the meeting, we continued reviewing design options, which were requested by the Federal Highway Administration before they can allow the consultants to complete the interchange design alternatives. While we reviewed and commented on the material submitted, we still do not have a final set of design alternatives for this interchange. We will be meeting again in June to continue work on this process which, unfortunately, has taken considerably longer than initially anticipated.

LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES

As noted last week, the City Manager spent all of Wednesday, May 22, 2013 in Madison engaged in various legislative activities. We had our Lobby Day meeting in the morning and I met with three of our four elected representatives, along with a staff person from the fourth office to go over a number of issues of importance to municipalities across Wisconsin. Following the meeting, we reconvened for this year's annual legislative luncheon. Governor Walker was the key note speaker this year. Before the Governor spoke, he did meet briefly with the Board of Directors for the League and we had an opportunity to speak with the Governor. Most of the discussion centered around economic development and job creation initiatives currently underway in the State. The Urban Alliance met after the luncheon and we had an additional update on various legislative initiatives underway in the Capitol, most of which center around various elements of the State's proposed biennial budget, which is currently under review by the Joint Finance Committee. All in all, it was a productive day and time well spent discussing issues with concern to Beloit and other municipalities.

VACANCIES ON CITY COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS

Residents of Beloit are encouraged and welcome to volunteer to serve on municipal advisory committees. By participating, you will have a voice in helping to make the community an even better place to live. Attached is an application form, along with more information on each committee. At the present time, we are looking for volunteers to fill vacancies on the following:

Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee

Appointment Review Committee

Board of Appeals

Board of Ethics

Board of Review (Alternate)

Business Improvement District (Owner Occupant)

Community Development Authority (Public Housing resident)

Equal Opportunities & Human Relations Commission

Municipal Golf Committee (Youth)

Park, Recreation & Conservation Advisory Commission (Youth)

Plan Commission

Traffic Review Committee

CITY MEETING CALENDAR— MAY 27—JUNE 1, 2013

Monday, May 27 Cancelled <u>Traffic Review Committee</u> (D. Luebke)

Monday, May 27 Cancelled Police and Fire Commission

Tuesday, May 28 7:00 p.m. Landmarks Commission, Forum (C. Haynes)

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.

Beloit Snappers season is underway! Please click [here] to view their website for game schedules, special promotions, and more.

Farmer's Market, from 8:00—1:00 p.m., Saturday's throughout the summer, downtown Beloit.

2013 Parks & Leisure Services Division Summer Program Guide. Please click [here].

Monday, May 27 9:00 a.m. **Memorial Day Parade**, Downtown Beloit

Saturday, June 1—Sunday, June 2 Free Fishing Weekend at Welty Environmental Center, Beckman Mill

County Park. Call the Welty Environmental Center for more information

and to ask about borrowing equipment. 608-361-1377

Wednesday, June 5 6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m. "Silver Linings Playbook" Adult Event at the Beloit Public Library, 605 Eclipse

Blvd. Sponsored by FABL. Refreshments will be served. Free and open to all

adults.

Featuring our highlight event:

EDGE OF THE ROCK PLEIN AIR PAINTING EVENTS

JUNE 5-15, 2013 BELOIT, WISCONSIN



June 5-13 — throughout the community Visit artists at their easels throughout the community as they capture a broad spectrum of Beloit settings, ranging from its meandering riverfront and confluence with Turtle Creek, its Great American Main Street, award-winning Farmers' market, and the Beloit College campus with effigy mounds and historic New England-style architecture.

B-PLEIN AIR WORKSHOPS

Friday, June 7 — along the Rock River Instructors Tina Duemler and Gordon France teach oil painting and watercolor techniques.

Q-PLEIN AIR EXHIBIT | SALE

Saturday, June 15 — 9am-1pm Hendricks Center for the Arts, 409 Pleasant Street Conclusion of Plein Air exhibit and sale.



O-EDGE OF THE ROCK AWARDS | EXHIBIT | SALE

Friday, June 14 — 5pm-8pm Hendricks Center for the Arts, 409 Pleasant Street

Event organizers announce the winners of the judged competition of original Plein Air creations painted during the previous week. The awards ceremony is followed by a public exhibit and sale of all work.



Nancie King Mertz, To Go



Kathie Wheeler, Old Friends



Carolyn Larkin, Early Bloomers

Experience beautiful Beloit through the eyes of skilled plein air painters!



Beloit Arts Event June 5-15



Mark Zelten, Fridays in the Park

C—FRIDAYS IN THE PARK 11:30am-1:30pm Gantry Park,

Corner of State and Grand

Listen to live local music while enjoying food from one of Downtown Beloit's vendors.

D-A LITTLE NIGHT MUSIC

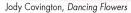




E-WISCONSIN **REGIONAL ARTS** PROGRAM (WRAP) **OPENING**

5:30pm-8:30pm Beloit Fine Arts Incubator, 520 E. Grand Avenue

WRAP opening reception for its monthlong exhibit and sale.



F-ART EXHIBIT

6am-3pm Bagels & More, 324 State Street

Month-long exhibit featuring the work of Tom Linden.





aturday, June

Carmen Goralski, Pottery Demonstration

G-POTTERY DEMO

8am-Noon Nikki's Café, 431 E. Grand Avenue

Carmen Goralski demonstrates how to "throw" clay pieces on a potter's wheel.



Jason Prigge, Beloit Farmers' Market

H-FARMERS' MARKET

8am-1pm City Center Award-winning market with over 90 area vendors.



The Armadillo is a recently founded independent campus arts journal at Beloit College.

■—THE ARMADILLO THIRD **EDITION LAUNCH PARTY**

10am-4pm Gallery ABBA, 439 E. Grand Avenue

Original art, poetry, graphic literature, and more from contributors and founders of Beloit College's art journal.



Photographic Narrative

J—LIFE COURSE INITIATIVE

10am-1pm Vision Beloit, 500 Public Avenue

Photographic Narrative of the African American community in Beloit.



Pam Moller, Fiber Art

K-QUILTING EXHIBIT **AND DEMOS**

10am-1pm Attic Quilts, 322 State Street

Exhibit by the Art Quilt Club, small traditional quilts, demo of "stitch and paint" by Pam Moller, and weaving demo by Emily Nie.

L-ART FAIR AT THE ROCK

11am-8pm — The Rock Bar & Grill, 101 Maple Avenue The Beloit Fine Arts Incubator will hold an Art Fair offering fine art, jewelry, pottery, woven art, photography, and high-grade crafts.



Dancin' at Harry's

Photo credit: Mark Preusch

M-DANCIN' AT HARRY'S

7pm-9pm Harry C. Moore Pavilion, 1240 Riverside Drive

Free swing dancing lessons down by the riverside.



Fridays in the Park

Photo credit: Mark Preuschl

N-FRIDAYS IN THE PARK

11:30am-1:30pm Gantry Park, Corner of State and Grand

Listen to live local music while enjoying food from one of Downtown Beloit's vendors.



John Linguist, Main Street America

O—EDGE OF THE ROCK PLEIN AIR PAINTING EXHIBIT, AWARDS & SALE

5pm-8pm Hendricks Center for the Arts, 409 Pleasant Street

Public exhibit and sale of original paintings created during the previous week. Paintings for sale after the awards ceremony.



Farmers' Market

Photo credit: Mark Preuschl

P-FARMERS' MARKET

8am-1pm City Center Award-winning market with over 90 area vendors.



Michael Reif, Leave The Light On

Q—EDGE OF THE ROCK PLEIN AIR PAINTING EXHIBIT & SALE (CONTINUED)

9am-1pm Hendricks Center for the Arts, 409 Pleasant Street

Exhibit and sale.

R-ART EXHIBIT

9am-1pm — The Villager Gallery, 429 E. Grand Avenue Original artwork.

S-FIBER ART

Saturday, June 15

10am-1pm — Attic Quilts, 322 State Street Long-arm machine quilter demo by Sally McFerren and weaving demo by Emily Nie.



Family fun around the Community Mural.

T-COMMUNITY MURAL

10am-2pm Bushel & Peck's Local Market, 328 State Street

Everyone is invited to create this mural using styrofoam blocks and stencils on a large canvas. Instruction provided by MaryAnn Inman.



Make and Take Workshop at The Villager

U-HANDS-ON "MAKE AND TAKE" WORKSHOP

11am My Apartment @429, 429 E. Grand Avenue (above The Villager Gallery)

Family-style workshop transforming discarded paperback books into beautiful three dimensional folded paper flowers.



Susan Swedlun, Pottery Demonstration

V-POTTERY DEMO

1pm and 3pm Beloit Fine Arts Incubator, 520 E. Grand Avenue

Susan Swedlun demonstrating slab-building techniques with clay to create clay tiles.



Michael Julian, Systemic Diptych Drawing

₩ −56th ANNUAL BELOIT & VICINITY EXHIBITION

4:30pm Beloit College Wright Museum of Art, 700 College Street

One of Wisconsin's oldest continuous juried art shows showcasing a wide range of media, styles and subjects.



Look for our white venue flags!

Beloit Arts Event

June 5-15, 2013 Beloit, Wisconsin

Schedule at a Glance

7th Annual Edge of the Rock Plein Air Painting Events

FRIDAY, JUNE 7

- Edge of the Rock Plein Air Workshop
- Fridays in the Park
- A Little Night Music
- WRAP Opening

SATURDAY, JUNE 8

- Art Exhibit
- Pottery Demo
- Farmers' Market
- Beloit College Student Art Exhibition
- Life Course Initiative
- Quilting Exhibit and Demos
- Art Fair at The Rock

MONDAY, JUNE 10

M Dancin' at Harry's

FRIDAY, JUNE 14

- Fridays in the Park
- Edge of the Rock Plein Air Exhibit, Awards & Sale

SATURDAY, JUNE 15

- Farmers' Market
- Edge of the Rock Plein Air Exhibit & Sale (Continued)
- Art Exhibit
- 5 Fiber Art
- Community Mural
- "Make and Take" Workshop
- V Pottery Demo
- 56th Annual Beloit & Vicinity Exhibit

All venues located in Beloit's City Center.

Friends of RiverFront would like to thank the underwriters of our 2013 Season [Music & More]: ABC Supply, Beloit Health System, Fairbanks Morse, First National Bank, and Kerry Ingredients & Flavours.

















Ingrid Dohm, The Bridge





JUNE 5-JUNE 15



Martha Hayden, Green Bridge

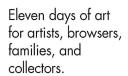


Jason Prigge, Austin's

Watch it. Create it. **Buy it!**

Beloit Arts Event

June 5-15, 2013 Beloit, Wisconsin



Make beautiful Beloit your Wisconsin arts destination in early June!

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CITY OF BELOIT MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE SYSTEM

BOARDS

Appeals
Ethics
Municipal Library
Review (Assessments)

COMMITTEES

Alcohol Beverage License Control & Advisory Appointment Review Municipal Golf Traffic Review

COMMISSIONS

Equal Opportunities and Human Relations Landmarks Park, Recreation & Conservation Plan Police & Fire

OTHER BODIES

Business Improvement
District (Downtown
Beloit Association)
Community
Development Auth.

Descriptions of their respective functions and membership qualifications, where applicable, are given below: Please note that meetings may be cancelled or rescheduled. See specific posted agenda for details.

ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE CONTROL & ADVISORY COMMITTEE - Recommends action to City Council regarding liquor licensing. Meet on 2nd Tuesday of the month at 4:00 p.m. in the Forum, City Hall. Members must be over legal drinking age. Term: 3 years.

APPOINTMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE - Recommends to City Council nominees for vacancies on municipal committees. Meets monthly at 4:30 p.m. on 2nd Monday in Manager's Conference Room. Term: 3 years.

BOARD OF APPEALS - Hears and acts upon variances to the zoning and floodplain ordinances and appeals of administrative decisions regarding enforcement of the zoning and floodplain ordinances. Meets monthly at 7:00 p.m. on the 2nd Tuesday in the Forum, City Hall. Term: 3 years.

BOARD OF ETHICS - Hears charges against the conduct of public employees and recommends local Ethics Code amendments. Meets on notice except annual meeting 3rd Thursday in January. Term: 3 years.

BOARD OF REVIEW - Sets tax assessment roll and hears property valuation disputes. Meets annually at 10:00 a.m. on 2nd Monday in May in the Forum. Term: 5 years.

BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (DOWNTOWN BELOIT ASSOCIATION) -Implements the operating plan development. the redevelopment, maintenance, operation and promotion of the downtown business improvement district. The annual plan and changes are submitted to the City Council for approval. Meets monthly at 8:00 a.m. on the 4th Thursday at 500 Public Ave. Term: 3 years.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMEN

DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
Plans and implements economic
redevelopment and housing
initiatives; oversees the
operations of the public housing
office. Meets monthly at 4:30
p.m. on 4th Wednesday at Beloit
City Hall Forum, 100 State
Street. Term: 4 years.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION - Created to improve the quality of life by the elimination of racism in the Beloit community. Encourages compliance with municipal, state and federal laws providing equal opportunities in for housing, employment public accommodations and education. and recommends Studies solutions to local social. economic and cultural problems to ensure equal opportunities for all people residing or working in the City of Beloit. Meets at 5:30 p.m. on the 3rd Wednesday of each even-numbered month. Term: 3 years.

LANDMARKS COMMISSION Designates historic landmarks and regulates construction in historic districts. Members: 1 City Councilor, 1 representative from the Bluff St. or Merrill St. Historic District; 1 rep from the College Park/Near East Side Historic District: 1 rep each with expertise in construction, real estate and history/archeology and 2 citizens at large. Meets monthly as needed on the 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in the Forum. Term: 3 years.

GOLF MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE - Reviews the operations, maintenance and financing of the Municipal Golf and makes Course recommendations regarding operation of the same. Meets on the 3rd Wed. of the months of March through October at 4:00 p.m. Term: 3 years (1 year for youth rep.).

MUNICIPAL LIBRARY BOARD - Sets library policies; monitors finances; employs staff. Meets monthly at 4:00 p.m. on 3rd Wednesday at Beloit Public Library, 605 Eclipse Blvd. Term: 3 years.

PARK, RECREATION & CONSERVATION
ADVISORY COMMISSION Recommends action regarding parks, recreation programs and facilities use as well as local conservation issues. Meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the DPW, 2351 Springbrook Ct. Term: 3 years.

PLAN COMMISSION Produces master plan regulating
physical community
development; recommends action
on zoning, subdivision and
planning. Meets bimonthly in
Forum at 7:00 p.m. on
Wednesdays following Council
meetings. Term: 3 years.

POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSION - Hears disputes regarding Police and Fire Depts; recruits and employs staff. Meets monthly at 5:00 p.m. on 4th Monday in the Forum or other designated area. Term: 5 years. (Supplemental application necessary, please contact City Manager's Office, 364-6614.)

TRAFFIC REVIEW COMMITTEE - Studies traffic conditions in the City and makes recommendations to City Council on local traffic-related issues. Meets monthly at 1:30 p.m. on 4th Monday in Manager's Conference Room. Term: 2 years.

Please complete an application and return it to the Appointment Review Committee, c/o City Manager's Office, City Hall 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511-6234

Revised February 4, 2013

APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT

Would You Like to Serve in Beloit's Municipal Committee System?

The Municipal Committee System is a way for citizens to take part in city government and local decision making. All applications will be kept in an active file for 2 years. After that time we encourage you to complete a new application. Please note that by City Ordinance, it is not possible to serve on more than one committee at a time.

ADDRESS [HOME]:		_
	E-MAIL:	
OCCUPATION:	EMPLOYER:	
VORK PHONE: ()	ADDRESS:	
Iow long have you been a resident of the C	ity of Beloit?	
MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE PREFERE	NCES: (see attached summary of committees)	
st Choice:	2nd Cholce:	<u>.</u>
	4th Choice: ON: pertaining to choices above.	
WORK EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION		
WORK EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION	ON: pertaining to choices above.	clude dates a

According to the City Ordinances: No person may be appointed to the committee if any member of that person's family is a municipal employee whose job is affected, directly or indirectly, by the work of the committee. Family is defined as: mother, father, spouse, brother, sister and natural or adopted son or daughter. Therefore, we need to ask the following question:					
Is any member of your family (as listed above) a City	employee? YES	(please list below)	NO		
NAME	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>				

List any additional information you feel is releva Committee System.	nt to your application	on for appointment to the Bel	oit Municipal		
If you are appointed to serve, please be aware tille a Statement of Economic Interest before a			ke an Oath of Office and		
OPTIONAL INFORMATION					
The City of Beloit is a very diverse community c levels; racial and ethnic groups; religious faiths; greater participation of persons from those segme Municipal Committee System. In an effort to ac	and lifestyles. The ents of the commun	Appointment Review Comm ity currently under represente	ittee seeks to promote ed throughout Beloit's		
GENDER: Please Check One		RACE/ETHNIC GROUP:	Please Check One		
[] Male [] Female AGE:		[] White/Caucasian [] Black/African-America [] Hispanic/Latino [] Asian-American/Pacific [] Native American Indian [] Other:	: Islanders		

Thank you very much for taking the time to complete this application for appointment. Your interest in participating in the Municipal Committee System is greatly appreciated. If you have any question, please contact us at (608) 364-6614. Return application to Appointment Review Committee, c/o City Manager's Office, 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511.



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

UTILITIES AND ENGINEERING FACILITY
2400 Springbrook Court, Beloit, WI 53511
www.ci.beloit.wi.us

NOTICE OF MEETING CANCELLATION

To:

All Traffic Review Committee Members and Other Interested

Parties

From:

Jason Dupuis, Transportation / Project Engineer

Date:

May 20, 2012

RE:

Meeting Cancellation

Due to the Holiday, the Traffic Review Committee meeting which was scheduled for Monday, May 27, 2013 has been cancelled. Our next meeting is scheduled to be held on **June 24, 2013 at 1:30 p.m**.

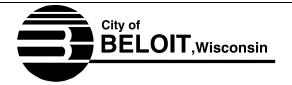
Please feel free to contact me at 364-6735 if you have any questions.

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Jason Dupuis, P.E.

Transportation Engineer

City of Beloit



Police and Fire Commission Meeting CANCELLATION Notice Monday, May 27, 2013 5:00 PM City Hall Forum Beloit WI 53511

The Police & Fire Commission meeting scheduled for Monday, May 27, 2013 has been cancelled.

Charles Losinske, President Beloit Police & Fire Commission

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SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA BELOIT LANDMARKS COMMISSION

Tuesday, May 28, 2013, 7:00 PM The Forum, 100 State Street

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Public Comments
- 3. <u>Michael Brady Certificate of Appropriateness</u>
 COA-2013-11 Review and consideration of a Certificate of Appropriateness to install new windows, reroof, and reside historic buildings located on the Beloit College Campus.
- 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 May 22, 2013

** 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 or to request this service, please contact the City Clerk's Office at 364-6680, 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511.

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