

### CITY OF BELOIT

# THE BELOIT REPORT

CONTINUING ITS RESURGENCE AS THE GEM OF THE ROCK RIVER VALLEY

### CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

#### **13TH ANNUAL ART WALK**

The 13th Annual Art Walk comes to Downtown Beloit on Friday, May 15 from 5:00-9:00 p.m. and Saturday, May 16 from 10:00—2:00 p.m. Again this year there will be numerous artists in various businesses throughout Beloit's downtown. Restaurants and lounges will also be open throughout Friday evening. Please see the <u>attached</u> flyer for additional information.

#### MANAGER COMPLETES EMPLOYEE BRIEFINGS

The City Manager has completed some 12 separate meetings with various groups of City employees, presenting an update on the first ten years of implementation of the City Center Plan. A PowerPoint presentation includes a mix of public infrastructure and private investment completed throughout the seven City Center Districts that were first identified in the City Center Plan, which was sponsored and facilitated by Beloit 2020. Following the presentations, the Manager also briefed employees on the upcoming transition to a new City Manager. The presentation has also been shared with the City Center Committee, the City Council, and several other local organizations, as well. If you would like to see the retrospective look at ten years worth of improvements and changes in Beloit's City Center, feel free to contact the City Manager's office at 608-364-6614 to request a presentation.

#### CITY OF BELOIT RECEIVES RECOGNITION FROM THE ROCK RIVER COALITION

The Rock River Coalition has notified the City that we will be receiving an award, both for strategies the City has implemented to reduce salt usage, which ultimately ends up in the State's waterways, as well as the tremendous improvements that we have made along the Rock River, including the extensive flood mitigation and Shoreline Stabilization projects that have been completed in the last several years. Staff directly responsible for those program initiatives will be joining the City Manager at the Coalition's annual meeting and awards ceremony next week for the presentation. We will place this recognition on an upcoming agenda to share with the entire community.

#### LEAGUE OF WISCONSIN MUNICIPALITIES MEETINGS

Next Wednesday, May 13, the City Manager will travel to Madison to participate in a number of League sponsored activities. The League's Lobby Corps will meet at 9:30 a.m. to receive a briefing on legislative initiatives. Following that session, we will meet with our State Legislative delegation to review the League's legislative priorities. Following the legislative briefings, the League's annual Legislative Luncheon will be held at Monona Terrace. This is a regular annual event, where all

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of the State Representatives and Senators are invited and the League discusses its legislative priorities. We also have guest speakers from among the legislative leadership explaining the status of various bills, particularly the budget bill undergoing review at the present time.

Following that luncheon, the Urban Alliance will meet during the afternoon, followed by a League Board meeting starting at 4:30 p.m. It will be a long day in Madison; however, this is a very critical time with the biennial budget bill moving through the Joint Finance Committee.

#### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

The new owner of the **Cub Foods building** has already begun some clean up and demolition work on the site on Park Avenue. A meeting is being arranged to go through proposed plans for the site. The new owner is very serious about completing most of the planned improvements to this building and site yet this year.

**Pratt Industries** continued with construction on their site in the Gateway Business Park. The City's structural engineer has concluded and approved their submittal for a building permit. The footing and foundation permits have been issued and only a few site plan issues remain to conclude review before a full building permit will be issued for the project.

**Chicago Fittings** is also continuing with their construction and **Buffalo Wild Wings** is also moving forward with the building renovation for their new restaurant on Milwaukee Road.

Lucy's Burger Bar opened for business on Grand Avenue and the sushi bar and grill is undergoing interior build out with an opening yet to be scheduled later this summer.

#### SPRING TREE PLANTING

The City of Beloit's Department of Public Works is accepting requests from residents for terrace trees to be planted this spring. The terrace tree species selection will be determined by the City Forestry Supervisor while taking into account the size of the terrace, presence of utilities and exotic invasive insects. Trees will be planted on a first-come, first-served basis. Public Works will accept requests through Friday, May 22, 2015. To be placed on the list, please call the Department of Public Works at 608-364-2929.

#### BELOIT PARKS AND LEISURE SERVICES PUBLISHES SUMMER 2015 PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES GUIDE

The 2015 Summer Programs and Activities Guide will be an insert in the Sunday, May 3, 2015 Stateline News. The 23 page guide lists information on park rentals, summer activities, Grinnell Senior Center, and more. The program guide is also available on-line, please click <u>here</u>.

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	CITY MEETING CALENDAR- MAY 11 -15, 2015	
Monday, May 11	4:30 p.m.	Appointment Review Committee, City Manager's Conf. Room (C. Haynes and S. De Forest)
Monday, May 11	5:00 p.m.	Police and Fire Commission Special Meeting, Forum
Tuesday, May 12	4:00 p.m.	Alcohol Beverage License Control Comm., Forum (A. Kelly)
Tuesday, May 12	Cancelled	Board of Appeals
Wednesday, May 13	6:30 p.m.	Park, Recreation & Conservation Advisory Comm., 2351 Springbrook Ct. (S. De Forest)

### 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.

Downtowr	n Beloit Farmers'	Market—every Saturday (rain or shine) until October 31st at State and Grand
		Avenues. Enjoy our fabulous market, purchase fresh produce, smoked fish, meats, cheeses, and more. Meet your friends and neighbors at this beautiful market—the place to be on a Saturday morning! Please see <u>attached</u> for more details.
May 15	5:00—9:00 p.m.	<b>13th Annual Artwalk</b> , Downtown Beloit. Enjoy a weekend of art and entertainment as Downtown businesses transform into fine-art galleries. Free trolley rides!

- May 16 10-2:00 p.m. 13th Annual Artwalk continues in Downtown Beloit.
- May 29 11:00 a.m. Beloit Area Crime Stoppers Golf Event, Krueger-Haskell Golf Course. Event will be 18 holes played in a 4-person team scramble format. Please see <u>attached</u> for more details and to register.

# 13<sup>th</sup> Annual GRINIALK Downtown Beloit

# FRIDAY, MAY 15TH 5-9PM SATURDAY, MAY 16TH 10-2PM

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#### **APPOINTMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE** NOTICE AND AGENDA **REGULAR MEETING** Monday, May 11, 2015 at 4:30 p.m. **City Manager's Conference Room** 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Citv Hall

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Minutes – Regular meeting April 13, 2015
- 3. Consideration and review of existing and upcoming vacancies (May and June, 2015)
- 4. Review of City Council appointments April 20, 2015
- 5. Review of applicants for the following vacancies with recommendations to City Council:

#### Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee

1 resident (Metter) – term to expire June 30, 2017

1 School District Representative (Goecks) - term is the 2015-2016 school year

#### **Appointment Review Committee**

1 resident (Jacobsen) - term to expire December 31, 2016

#### Board of Appeals

- 1 resident (Gaul) term to expire May 31, 2018
- 1 resident, 1<sup>st</sup> Alternate (Wilks) term to expire May 31, 2017 1 resident, 2<sup>nd</sup> Alternate term to expire May 31, 2015

#### Board of Ethics

- 1 resident (Brown) term to expire December 31, 2016
- 1 resident (Murry) term to expire December 31, 2017
- 1 resident (Peterson) term to expire December 31, 2017
- 1 former City Councilor term to expire December 31, 2016

#### Board of Review

- 1 resident (Jessen) term to expire December 31, 2019
- 1 resident, Alternate (Daskam) term to expire December 31, 2019
- 1 resident, Alternate (Borgogni) term to expire December 31, 2019

#### **Community Development Authority**

1 resident (Moffitt) - term to expire December 31, 2016

#### Equal Opportunities Commission

- 1 resident (Valdez) term to expire June 30, 2016
- 1 resident (Sloniker) term to expire June 30, 2015

**Municipal Golf Committee** 

1 resident (Lenz) - term to expire December 31, 2017

Park, Recreation & Conservation Advisory Commission

1 Youth (Charles) – term to expire September 30, 2015

#### Traffic Review Committee

1 resident (Cole) - term to expire September 30, 2015

1 resident (Dowd) - term to expire September 30, 2016

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

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A special meeting of the Police and Fire Commission is scheduled. If you are unable to attend, please notify Marianne Marshall, HR Director at 364-6612.

#### AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order and roll call
- 2. Adjourn into closed session per WI State Statutes 19.85(1)(c) to discuss the permanent assignment of a probationary employee and to discuss potential employment for a new patrol officer.
- 3. Commission will reconvene to Open Session
- 4. Possible approval to authorize permanent status and authorize employment for a new patrol officer.
- 5. Adjourn.

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#### NOTICE AND AGENDA ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE CONTROL COMMITTEE

Beloit City Hall –The Forum 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511 Tuesday, May 12, 2015 – 4:00 p.m.

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting of April 14, 2015.
- 3. Application for a Class "B" Beer and Reserve "Class B" Liquor License for Blazin Wings, Inc., d/b/a Buffalo Wild Wings, 2747 Milwaukee Road, David Babcock, Agent. License period through June 30, 2015.
- 4. Application for a Class "B" Beer and "Class B" Liquor License for Danny R. Hatch, Jr., d/b/a Alumni House, 863 Fifth Street. License Period through June 30, 2015.
- 5. Consideration of a Change of Agent for Rockford Pizza, LLC, d/b/a Pizza Hut, 2787 Prairie Avenue for the license period 7/1/15 to 6/30/16 to William C. Allen.
- 6. Consideration of a Change of Agent for Beloit Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a Madison Road BP, 1343 Madison Road, for the license period 7/1/15 to 6/30/16 to Pyarali Punjwani.
- 7. Consideration of renewal applications for license period 7/1/15 6/30/16
  - Class "B" Beer and "Class B" Liquor
  - Class "B" Beer and Reserve "Class B" Liquor
  - Class "A" Beer and "Class A" Liquor
  - Class "A" Beer
  - Class "B" Beer
  - Class "B" Beer and "Class C" Wine
- 8. Citizen Comments
- 9. Committee Comments
- 10. Police Department Comments

#### 11. Attorney Comments

#### 10. Adjournment

May 7, 2015 Judith A. Elson City of Beloit Deputy City Clerk <u>www.beloitwi.gov</u>

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### **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Board of Appeals Members

**FROM:** Drew Pennington, AICP, Director of Planning & Building Services

- **DATE:** May 5, 2015
- SUBJECT: Cancellation of Board of Appeals Meeting

Since no applications have been submitted, the regularly scheduled <u>May 12, 2015</u> meeting of the Board of Appeals has been cancelled. The next Board of Appeals meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 9, 2015.

Please contact me at (608) 364-6711 or <u>penningtond@beloitwi.gov</u> if you have any questions or require more information.

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cc: City Clerk's Office City Manager's Office Media

#### **PUBLIC MEETING**

#### PARKS, RECREATION, AND CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2015 6:30PM DPW OPERATIONS CENTER 2351 SPRINGBROOK COURT, BELOIT, WI

#### <u>AGENDA</u>

- 1.) Call to Order
- 2.) Welcome New Commissioners:
  - Anthony Stewart
  - Carl Lange
- 3.) Review Minutes of: March 11,, 2015
- 4.) Citizens Participation
- 5.) Old Business None
- 6.) New Business
  - a.) Review and consideration of a proposal from Lori Muller to fund a new Memorial Garden, in honor of her late mother, Elsbeth Heaney.
  - b.) Review and consideration of the proposed schedule for the annual Parks Tour.
  - c.) Review and consideration of projects proposed for the 2016 CIP Plan.
- 7.) Director's Report
- 8.) Committee Members Comments
- 9.) Adjournment

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#### **SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

- Commissioners unable to attend are encouraged to contact Brian Ramsey @ 608/364-2919 or the Parks
  Administrative Secretary @ 608/364- 2929 prior to the meeting.
- \*\* 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 Parks & Leisure Services Division located at 2351 Springbrook Court, Beloit, WI 53511 or by calling 608/364-2929.



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## Beloit Area Crime Stoppers Golf Event

DATE: May 29, 2015

TIME: Registration at 11:00 AM. Shotgun Start at Noon

PLACE: Beloit Krueger-Haskell Golf Course

ENTRY FEE: \$55.00 (includes: green fees, cart & lunch)

\$25.00 Season Pass Holders (non-cart pass holder fees to be paid day of event)

Entry Fee Due: May 18, 2015 (no pay no play)

Make Checks Payable to: Beloit Area Crime Stoppers, 100 State Street, Beloit WI 53511

Format: Event will be 18 holes played in 4-person team scramble format.

If you do not enter a team list, you will be placed with others.

#### Cancellation Policy:

- 1. If golf tournament is canceled due to weather player will not receive a refund.
- 2. If player is a "no-show", entry fee is non-refundable.

NAME and EMAIL:	Player 1
	Player 2
	Player 3
	Player 4

### **ALL PROCEEDS GO TO BELOIT AREA CRIME STOPPERS**

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