



THE БЕЛОIT REPORT

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CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

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CITY MANAGER MESSAGE AND ACTIVITIES

Meetings:

- Pursued an opportunity with Carol Wickersham to bring a Beloit College Duffy Program intern to City Hall
- Followed up with partners at the Beloit School District on traffic and pedestrian safety measures along Milwaukee road near Fruzen Intermediate School. New signs will be installed next week indicating 15 mph while children are present. The speed indicator signs will reflect the 15 mph during peak drop off and pick up times.

Community Meetings, Activities, and Functions:

- Prepared with Sandra Kincaid and Alyssa Whitney for the Women's fund Luncheon scheduled for October 29, 2015
- Held Community "Listening Session" at Merrill Elementary School
- Attended the Barbara Hickman Fine Arts Center Grand Opening at Fruzen Intermediate School
- Attended Governor Walker's press conference supporting I-39/90 project and the Department of Transportation's contingent bonding request that was included in the adopted budget
- Met with Visit Beloit, Rock County Trails Coalition, local biking supporters, and Bike Federation in anticipation of a 2016 overnight bike tour event
- Participated in Job Shadow Committee planning efforts for high school students to shadow local businesses

COMMUNITY LISTENING TOUR ONLINE SURVEY

An online survey is available on the City's web site to provide Beloit community residents with the opportunity to share insights and concerns into issues facing Beloit as the community looks to move forward. Please give us your feedback, allowing City leaders the opportunity to prioritize critical issues that residents think need to be addressed immediately, gather information on identifying strengths and weaknesses, and determine the community's future priorities. Please click [here](#).

HEY, HEY, HAY RIDE!

If Fall is your favorite time of year, the City of Beloit Parks and Leisure Services has got you covered! Join them at Big Hill Park this **Sunday, October 25, 2015** from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. for a relaxing hay wagon ride with the entire family. For just \$3 per person, you'll enjoy the spectacular fall colors of Big Hill Park, complete with everyone's favorite... s'mores around the fire! Fall is only here for a short time, so get out and enjoy it!

BELOIT FIRE DEPARTMENT K-9 HONORED

In September, the Beloit Fire Department's K-9 dog, Glory, was honored in Hollywood at the American Humane Association Hero Dog Awards. Glory is a certified accelerant detection canine, and works with her partner, Keith Lynn. They do the majority of their work in and around Beloit, but are nationally certified and are called to assist anywhere the need arises. Since obtaining her "celebrity status," Glory has traveled to Washington, DC to testify at a congressional hearing and will be featured on the Today Show on October 26, 2015.

The Hallmark Channel will air the September awards ceremony on **October 30, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.** Keith Lynn tells us, "It's been an honor for Glory and me to represent Beloit; support the community; and continue to raise awareness to the problem of arson."

TRICK-OR-TREAT HOURS ESTABLISHED

Halloween trick-or-treating in the City of Beloit will be from **5:00—7:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 31, 2015.** We hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable Halloween this year. The Police Department makes the following recommendations:

- Wear light colored clothing, short enough to prevent tripping, and add reflectors
- Make sure costumes are flame retardant
- Make sure children can see through face masks or head coverings
- Accompany your children and go only to homes with outside lights on
- Carry a flashlight
- Stay within the neighborhood and only visit homes where you know the residents
- Only give or accept wrapped or packaged candy and treats
- Watch for traffic
- Examine candy before allowing children to eat it

12th ANNUAL WARMING TREE

The Beloit Public Library is collecting new home-made or purchased mittens, scarves, hats, or socks for children ages birth to 18 years to distribute to local families in need. The Warming Tree collection began October 1 and runs through December 1, 2015. If you would like to help Beloit children stay warm this winter, please drop off your donations at the Library, 605 Eclipse Blvd., during library hours; Monday—Thursday from 9:30 a.m.—9:00 p.m. and Friday/Saturday 9:30 a.m.—5:30 p.m.

FALL COLLECTION OF YARD WASTE

Free Fall curbside collection of yard waste (contained leaves, grass clippings and garden debris) runs from November 2—20, 2015, on your regular trash day. [Attached](#) is an information sheet from the Public Works Department, which should answer all your questions about yard waste collection. (Some of it still needs to be bundled and tagged.)

The Leaf Vacuum Service begins November 2 through November 20, 2015. The City will vacuum the leaves on a scheduled basis (but can't guarantee the leaves will fall during that time period)! There is a fee of \$100 for the Leaf Vacuum Service, and a subscriber form is included on the attached information sheet.

CITY MEETING CALENDAR— OCTOBER 26—30, 2015

Monday, October 26	1:30 p.m.	Traffic Review Committee , City Manager's Conf. Room (D. Luebke)
Monday, October 26	5:00 p.m.	Police and Fire Commission , Forum
Wednesday, October 28	8:00 a.m.	Visit Beloit Board of Director's (R. Hendrix)
Wednesday, October 28	4:30 p.m.	Community Development Authority , Forum (C. Kincaid and A. Kelly)

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.

Downtown Beloit Farmers' Market. Over 85 vendors every week and live music at Gantry Park in downtown Beloit. Every Saturday until the end of October. For more information, please contact the Downtown Beloit Association at 365-0150.

Friday, October 23 7:00—9:00 p.m. **Open Skate** at Edwards Ice Arena, 2101 Cranston Rd., Beloit

Saturday, Oct. 24 10:00 a.m. **Peace Trail Introduction.** Join Rock Trail Coalition for the Peace Trail Introduction, featuring a walk and fun-run to explore the new 1.6 mile Peace Trail from Big Hill Park to Duggan Road. Meet at the Goose Creek Bridge at the base of the park. Follow the yellow Rock Trail Coalition signs. No fees, no shirts, no awards...just fun!

Sunday, Oct. 25 1:00-4:00 p.m. **Family Hay Wagon Rides** at Big Hill Park, Beloit. \$3.00/person includes s'mores around the fire. For more information, contact Leisure Services at 364-2890.

Saturday, Oct. 31 10:00-1:00 p.m. **Downtown Beloit Halloween Parade & Party.** Meet at Horace White Park (College & Grand) at 9:45 a.m., parade begins at 10:00 a.m. Please see [attached](#) for more information.

Free Fall Curbside Collection of Yard Waste

Free Fall Curbside Collection begins November 2 through November 20, 2015
on your regular trash day.

- Free collection includes ONLY contained leaves, grass clippings and garden debris.
- All brush and shrubbery must be bundled or tied, each must include a \$1.50 tag and should be no larger than 4 feet long and /or 4 inches in diameter.
- Use only paper yard waste bags, Back to Nature Biodegradable bags or clean trash containers.
 - Plastic bags of any type CANNOT be used for yard waste.
 - Set yard waste curbside on your regular trash day during the collection dates.
 - Place yard waste a few feet away from your regular trash.
- Tags for bundles are available for sale at City Hall Treasurer's Department, the Department of Public Works Operation Facility, Grinnell Hall, and Leisure Services Office.
 - Yard waste must be clean - NO LITTER!

For further information call the City of Beloit Department of Public Works Operation Facility at 364-2929.

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Leafan Compost Center

6711 W. St. Lawrence Ave, Beloit WI 53511
For hours and information call 364-1909

LEAF VACUUM SERVICE

Subscriber's rake or blow leaves to the terrace (do not contain them in cans or bags). The City will vacuum the leaves on a scheduled basis several times for a one-time fee of \$100.00. The Vacuum Service Program will begin on Monday, November 2 through Friday, November 20, 2015.

Please complete the subscription form below, including the name of the subscriber, property address to be vacuumed (include additional information that might be helpful, i.e. corner of Lee and Blarney Stone) and a daytime telephone number (in case there is a problem). Enclose a check or money order in the amount of \$100.00, made payable to the City of Beloit. Mail the form and payment to **City of Beloit, Department of Public Works Operations, 2351 Springbrook Court, Beloit, Wisconsin, 53511.** Attention: Leaf Vacuum Service. You may also subscribe/pay in person at the Department of Public Works Operations Facility, 2351 Springbrook Court, Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE: The City of Beloit is not responsible for the timeliness in which leaves fall from the trees or weather related cancellation of the Leaf Vacuum Program. No refunds will be issued on **this program, no spring service will be offered!**

QUESTIONS? CALL 364-2929

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PLEASE HELP KEEP OUR CITY STORM SEWERS CLEAN!

Keep leaves out of the curb and gutter.

It is a violation of City of Beloit Ordinance 11.14 to rake or blow leaves/grass into the street.



Subscriber Name _____	Date _____
Address of Property to be Vacuumed _____	
Additional Comments _____	
Daytime Phone Number _____	Amount Enclosed _____



**MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA
Traffic Review Committee
October 26, 2015 1:30 P.M.
City Manager's Conference Room (4th Floor)
Beloit, WI 53511**

1. Roll Call.
2. Introduction of new citizen members (Thomas Nee and Robert Norder)
3. Approval of the minutes from the July 27, 2015 Traffic Review Committee meeting.
4. Public Participation.
5. Discussion of traffic concerns along Milwaukee Road.
6. Request to install Autistic Child signs in 1500 block of Forest Avenue.
7. Discussion of traffic concerns near Porter Avenue.
8. Committee Member participation.
9. Next meeting –The next meeting is scheduled for **November 23, 2015**.
10. 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 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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**Police and Fire Commission
Meeting Notice and Agenda
Monday, October 26, 2015 @ 5:00 PM
City Hall / Public Forum
100 State St, Beloit, Wisconsin**

A 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. Approval of the September 28, 2015 meeting minutes
3. Reports
 - A. Police Department
 - Update of current Hiring Process
 - Lifesaving Award presentation to Officer Kerry Daugherty
 - B. Fire Department
4. Citizen Participation
5. Commissioner Comments
6. Action/Discussion Items
 - Consideration of a Resolution adopting a proposed amendment to Section 5.03(A) of the Rules and Regulations of the Police and Fire Commission.
 - (Second and Final Reading)
7. The Commission may adjourn into Closed Session pursuant to §19.85(1)(c), Wis. Stats. for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation of any public employee over whom the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, more specifically, to discuss the permanent assignment of two (2) Patrol Officer probationary employees
8. Reconvene into Open Session for possible action regarding the matter discussed in closed session.
9. Case administration regarding the pending complaint against Chief Norman Jacobs and Deputy Chief Tom Dunkin.
 - a. Consideration of and action on the possible engagement of Atty. Scott Herrick as legal counsel to the Commission.
 - b. Initial Hearing on the pending complaint

During the course of item 9. the Commission may adjourn into Closed Session

pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(a), deliberating concerning a case which was the subject of a quasi-judicial hearing; §19.85(1)(f), considering financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons); and WS 19.85(1)(g). conferring with legal counsel with respect to litigation; specifically for the purposes of item 9 The Commission may thereafter reconvene into open session to continue its proper business, to schedule further meetings of the Commission, and for other lawful purposes.

10. Adjourn

Martin Densch, President
Police and Fire Commission

Dated: October 21, 2015
Marianne Marshall
Human Resources Director
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AMENDED MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA
Community Development Authority
October 28, 2015 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 September 29, 2015
4. Housing Authority
 - a. Presentation of September Activity Reports (Pollard)
 - b. Presentation of July Financial Reports (Pollard)
 - c. Review and Consideration of Resolution 2015-17, Approval of the Beloit Housing Authority 2016 Annual Public Housing Authority Plan and the Five Year Plan (Pollard)
 - d. Review and Consideration of Resolution 2015-18, 2015 Third Quarter Write-Offs (Cole)
5. 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 Mailed: October 23, 2015

Approved: Julie Christensen, Exec. Director

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Downtown Beloit

HALLOWEEN

parade & party

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31ST | 10 AM - 1 PM

BRING THE KIDS in their favorite costume for a parade and trick-or-treating with businesses and Farmers' Market vendors.

Meet at Horace White Park (College & Grand) at 9:45 am
Parade begins at 10 am

Look for the orange flags!

AFTER THE PARADE, STAY FOR THE PARTY!



free

The Mr. Steve Show @ 10:45 (45 min. show)
Balloon fun with Mr. Steve after the show

Free pumpkins from Brad & Cindy Paulson!
(while supplies last)

Pumpkin decorating with Doodles

Spooky Stories at Turtle Creek Bookstore
from 11 am - 1 pm

Face painting with Dabadooya

Have pictures taken in costume for \$5

FUN ZONE with a bounce house, obstacle course, cotton candy and more at the corner of State and Grand!

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