

CITY OF BELOIT

THE BELOIT REPORT

CONTINUING ITS RESURGENCE AS THE GEM OF THE ROCK RIVER VALLEY

CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

CITY MANAGER MESSAGE AND ACTIVITIES <u>Meetings:</u>

- Participated in the Economic Development Rapid Response Team (EDRRT) meeting. This is a cross-departmental team that works collaboratively on economic development proposals.
- Met with City Councilor Regina Hendricks.
- Met with City Councilor Ana Kelly.
- Met with members of the Beloit Property Manager's Association (BPMA) in regard to Act 176 and the City's rental property inspection program.
- Met with Community Development Director Julie Christensen for a routine update on departmental issues. In addition to weekly/bi-weekly department head meetings, I meet regularly with direct reports one-on-one.
- Met with our neighbor Regal Beloit's Human Resources staff to collaborate on employee recruitment and retention.
- Met with Michael Ramsdail, President of the Beloit Community Ministers Fellowship as we work together on community engagement efforts.

Community Events:

- Attended the YWCA Women of Distinction Awards dinner, where Councilor Regina Hendricks was honored.
- Attended the Main Street Awards Program in Marshfield, WI where Downtown Beloit Association and the Beloit International Film Festival were honored.
- Look forward to participating in the YMCA Groundbreaking event and Fun Walk on Saturday, April 9, as well as attending the Rise and Shine Event at Rotary Center.

CONGRATULATIONS TO NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS

We extend our congratulations to all of the candidates who were successful in securing public office as a result of this past Tuesday's municipal elections. We specifically want to congratulate Sheila De Forest on her re-election, as well as Regina Dunkin, Kevin Leavy, and Mark Preuschl who were selected for a new term of service on the Beloit City Council.

New Councilor orientation will be held with the City Manager and Department Heads on Friday, **April 22, 9:00 a.m.** on the 4th Floor of City Hall. The newly elected Councilors will officially be sworn in and assume their seats at the Council's reorganization meeting on **Tuesday**, **April 19, 6:30 p.m.** in the City Hall Forum. Again, congratulations to all of the successful candidates and best wishes as they assume the public trust inherent in all public elected offices.

April 8, 2016

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AUTOMATED COLLECTION—"BELOIT WE'RE ON A ROLL"

Automated collection will be here before you know it. Have you attended an informational program yet? Do you have any questions? The City of Beloit Public Works website can answer many of your questions: <u>http://www.automatebeloit.com/</u>

On that website, you can check your address for collection days and choose to sign up for reminder alerts, which can be received via text message, phone call or email!

Here are some important dates you'll want to keep in mind:

- Between May 23—June 3, 2016 each residence will be supplied with two 96-gallon wheeled carts. The garbage cart has a black lid, and the recycling cart has a gray lid. Automated collection will begin on June 6, 2016.
- Automation Public Presentations are scheduled throughout May and are open to the public:
 - May 5, 6:00-7:00 p.m. at the Beloit Public Library, 605 Eclipse Blvd.
 - May 11, 6:00-7:00 p.m. at City Hall Forum, 100 State Street
 - May 18, 6:00-7:00 p.m. at the Beloit Public Library, 605 Eclipse Blvd.
 - May 26, 6:00-7:00 p.m. at City Hall Forum, 100 State Street

ANNUAL PRESCRIBED BURNS IN BELOIT PARKS

The City of Beloit Parks and Leisure Services Division will conduct their annual Prescribed Burn Program in designated park sites during a three (3) week period of April 1—22, 2016, depending upon weather conditions. Please see the <u>attached</u> press release for more information and designated locations of the burns.

CITY OF BELOIT SPRING YARD WASTE PROGRAM

Yard waste will be collected for two weeks beginning April 4—15 on your regular trash day. A yard waste sticker will be required on all bags, bundles and/or containers. Please see <u>attached</u> for more information.

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK—APRIL 10—16, 2016

The Beloit Public Library, 605 Eclipse Blvd. is celebrating National Library Week with many exciting and fun filled activities. The public is invited to an Ice Cream Social on **Monday, April 11 from 6-7:30 p.m.**, where you will be treated to ice cream and the great sounds of the Badger Chordhawks, performing at 6:15 p.m.

FREE MULCH AVAILABLE AT KRUEGER PARK

Mike Ferger, Operations Forestry Supervisor, invites the public to help themselves to free mulch, available in the upper parking lot at Krueger Park. The mulch comes from the many Ash trees that have been cut down due to damage caused by the Emerald Ash Borer. First come, first served, and bring your own containers to transport.

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COMMITTEE VACANCIES–VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Vacancies exist on Municipal Boards, Committees and Commissions for city residents. If you are interested in making a contribution of your time and talents to the City of Beloit, please click <u>here</u> for a list of City Boards and Commissions and an application. Current vacancies include:

- Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee (3 year term) Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month at 4:00 p.m. in the City Hall Forum
- Appointment Review Committee (3 year term) Meets 2nd Monday of the month at 4:30 p.m. in the City Manager's Conference Room
- **Board of Appeals** (3 year term) Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Forum
- Board of Ethics (3 year term)
 Meets as needed except annual meeting on the 3rd Thursday of January in the City Manager's Conference Room
- Board of Review (5 year term) Meets annually in May and typically hears assessment objection cases as scheduled in June in the City Hall Forum
- **Community Development Authority** (4 year term) Meets 4th Wednesday of the month at 4:30 p.m. in the Forum
- Equal Opportunities Commission (3 year term) Meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each even-numbered month at 5:45 p.m. in the Forum
- Municipal Golf Committee (including vacancy for youth representative) (3 year term) Meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month from March through November at 7:00 a.m. at the Krueger-Haskell Club House
- **Municipal Library Board** (3 year term) Meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 4:00 p.m. at Beloit Public Library
- Park, Recreation and Conservation Advisory Commission (vacancy for youth representative) (3 year term) Meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the Public Works Operations Facility
- Plan Commission (3 year term) Meets on the Wednesdays following City Council at 7:00 p.m. in the Forum
- Police and Fire Commission (5 year term) (<u>Supplemental application is required</u>) Meets on the 4th Monday of the month at 5:00 p.m. in the City Hall Forum

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CITY MEETING CALENDAR– APRIL 11–16, 2016

Monday, April 11	4:00 p.m.	Appointment Review Committee, City Manager's Conf. Room (C. Haynes and S. De Forest)
Monday, April 11	5:00 p.m.	Special Police and Fire Commission, Forum
Tuesday, April 12	4:00 p.m.	Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee, Forum (A. Kelly)
Tuesday, April 12	Cancelled	Board of Appeals
Wed., April 13	6:30 p.m.	Park, Recreation and Conservation Advisory Commission, 2351 Springbrook Ct.

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 a calendar of activities and events.

Saturday, April 9	8:45 a.m.	Rise and Shine Official kickoff for the Friends of RiverFront at the Rotary River Center, Riverside Park. Presentation of the "Silver Trowel Award," introduction of new Board members, presentation on Nature at the Confluence, and announcement of the 2016 season. Open to the public.
Saturday, April 9	10:00 a.m.	Ground Breaking for the new Stateline Family YMCA Ironworks Campus , 525 Third St., Beloit. 5K Hard Hat Hustle, 1 mile walk, and family activities. Tour the facility and free kid-friendly activities.
Saturday, April 9	10 a.m2 p.m	n. Super Second Saturday Book Sale at the Beloit Public Library, 605 Eclipse. Sponsored by Friends at Beloit Library. Hardbacks—50 cents; paperbacks and children's books—25 cents.
Monday, April 11	6—7:30 p.m.	Beloit Public Library Ice Cream Social, 605 Eclipse, in celebration of National Library Week April 10—16. As a thank you to Library patrons, enjoy ice cream and the great sounds of the Badger Chordhawks at 6:15 p.m. City Manager Lori Luther will read a proclamation and offer brief congratulatory remarks. Please join us! A complete calendar of National Library Week activities is available at the Beloit Public Library.



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

2351 Springbrook Court • Beloit, WI 53511 Office: 608/364-2929 • Fax: 608/364-2930 www.beloitwi.gov Contact: Brian Ramsey, Director of Parks & Leisure Services 608-364-2929

ANNUAL PRESCRIBED BURNS IN BELOIT PARKS April 1 – 22, 2016

March 30, 2016 -- The City of Beloit Parks & Leisure Services Division will conduct their annual Prescribed Burn Program in designated park sites during a three (3) week period of April 1-22, 2016, depending upon weather conditions.

Historically, natural wildfires played a very important role in shaping the natural prairie grassland that once covered over two million acres of Wisconsin. Today, less than 12,000 scattered acres still exist, and the use of prescribed burning programs helps protect and maintain these natural prairie grassland areas.

The purpose of prescribed burns is multi-faceted and provides the following benefits:

- Reduces the amount of dead and dying plant material that hinders new plant growth in the spring.
- Recycles nutrients from old plant growth for use by growing plants.
- Promotes germination, growth, and flowering of native plants.
- Increases the diversity of native plant life.
- Controls encroachment of woody brush and trees into grasslands, including invasive species such as garlic mustard.

Prescribed burn areas are generally conducted in the spring after snow melt and/or in the autumn after leaf fall has concluded. These designated sites are typically burned on a 2-5 year interval, and in some cases annually to prevent overgrowth of a defined area.

This year, the Parks Division will only conduct prescribed burns in the following designated locations:

- Harper's Prairie (aka West Side Detention Pond), located at 2201 Whipple Street
- Stateline Restoration Prairie, located at 540 Colby Street
- Big Hill Park, located at 1101 Big Hill Road
- Various areas at the Krueger Haskell Golf Course, located at 1611 Hackett Street
- Various areas in Riverside Park, located at 1160 Riverside Drive
- NE corner of Riverside Drive & Eclipse Drive near the Beloit Public Library
- Water Tower Park, located at 1002 White Avenue

Consistent with practices developed and conducted by the Wisconsin DNR and the US Fish and Wildlife Service, each park site is appropriately supervised and monitored by trained staff or volunteers from the City's Parks Division. These prescribed burns will only be conducted under appropriate weather conditions, as safety is the top concern in implementation of this practiced program. If weather conditions are not appropriate for these prescribed burns, they will be postponed until a later date when the weather conditions are considered acceptable for this practice.

Additional information regarding these prescribed burns may be obtained by calling the Parks & Leisure Services Administrative Office at (608) 364-2929.

2016 City of Beloit Yard Waste Program

Yard waste consists of leaves, grass clippings, garden debris, brush and shrubbery, no larger than 4 feet long and/or 4 inches in diameter.

Two Week Yard Waste Collection Program

Yard waste will be collected for two weeks in Spring, April 4-15 on your regular trash day. A yard waste sticker will be required on all bags, bundles and/or containers.

Monthly Curbside Collection

Curbside collection of yard waste will take place the 2nd full week of each month, May through October, on your regular trash day. A yard waste sticker will be required on all bags, bundles and/or containers.

The following are dates of service for Monthly Curbside Collection:

May 9 through 13 June 13 through 16 July 11 through 14 August 15 through 18 September 12 through 15 October 10 through 13

TRASH

COMIN

IN JUNE



Locations To Purchase Yard Waste Stickers/Tags Walgreens ACE Hardware Public Works Operations Facility City Hall Treasury Grinnell Hall Leisure Services Office

Please Note: Yard waste stickers remaining from your previous purchases will be honored in 2016.

- Residents must purchase yard waste stickers to place on bags, bundles and/or containers. See locations above.
- Stickers are sold 5 to a sheet for \$7.50
- Use only paper yard waste bags, Back-to-Nature Biodegradable bags or clean trash containers 39 gallons or less.
- Yard waste containers must weigh no more than 60 pounds.
- All brush and shrubbery must be bundled, tied or contained and tagged.
- Plastic bags CANNOT be used for yard waste.
- Place yard waste curbside on your regular trash day during the collection dates.
- Place yard waste 3 feet away from your regular trash.
- For more information about yard waste, including Fall Progam, please visit www.automatebeloit.com

New For 2016! Compost Center

City of Beloit residents can haul leaves, grass clippings, twigs, small quantities of brush, yard and garden debris to the City of Janesville Compost Site. A \$50 season pass is required.

- A \$50 Season Pass will be available for purchase at City of Beloit Department of Public Works Operations Facility, City Hall Treasury, Grinnell Hall, and Leisure Services Office.
- Season Passes CANNOT be purchased in Janesville.
- Items NOT accepted at the Compost Site: Christmas trees, stumps, roots and shrubs.

The Season Pass is for leaves, grass clippings, twigs, small quantities of brush, yard and garden debris.

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City of Janesville Compost Site 525 Black Bridge Road (608) 755-3105 Fee's apply www.ci.janesville.wi.us

Compost Site Hours

April – October Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Saturdays 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

November Monday- Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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2351 Springbrook Ct., Beloit, WI 53511 608-364-2929 Mon-Fri: 7:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m .

608-364-292

QUESTIONS? 608-364-2929



APPOINTMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE NOTICE AND AGENDA REGULAR MEETING Monday, April 11, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. City Manager's Conference Room 4th Floor, City Hall

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Minutes Regular meeting March 14, 2016 and Special Meeting, April 4, 2016
- 3. Consideration and review of existing and upcoming vacancies (April and May, 2016)
- 4. Review of City Council appointments March 21, 2016
- 5. Review of applicants for the following vacancies with recommendations to City Council:

Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee 1 resident (R. Berkley) – term to expire June 30, 2018

Appointment Review Committee 1 resident (M. Erickson) – term to expire December 31, 2018 1 resident (M. Jacobsen) – term to expire December 31, 2016

Board of Appeals 1 resident (1st Alternate) – term to expire May 31, 2017

1 resident (2nd Alternate) – term to expire May 31, 2018

Board of Ethics

- 1 resident (Brown) term to expire December 31, 2016
- 1 resident (Murry) term to expire December 31, 2017
- 1 resident (L. Peterson) term to expire December 31, 2017
- 1 resident (T. Tann) term to expire December 31, 2018
- 1 resident (P. Shields) term to expire December 31, 2018

Community Development Authority 1 resident (E. Moffitt) – term to expire December 31, 2016

Equal Opportunities Commission 1 resident (G. Lee) – term to expire June 30, 2016

1 resident (M. Sloniker) - term to expire June 30, 2018

Municipal Golf Committee

1 resident (W. Howard) – term to expire December 31, 2018 1 resident (A. Insko) – term to expire December 31, 2016

<u>Municipal Library Board</u> 1 resident (L. Dotson) – term to expire June 30, 2016

<u>Plan Commission</u> 1 resident (A. Moore) – term to expire April 30, 2019 1 resident (M. Finnegan) – term to expire April 30, 2019

Police and Fire Commission

1 resident (T. Link) – term to expire April 30, 2018 1 resident (C. Zastrow) – term to expire April 30, 2019 1 resident (M. Densch) – term to expire April 30, 2021

- 6. Member Participation
- 7. Citizen Participation
- 8. 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 Manager's Office at 364-6614, 100 State St., Beloit, WI 53511.



The 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. Consideration of a Resolution Appointing David B. Zibolski as Chief of Police
- 3. Adjourn

Martin Densch, President Police and Fire Commission

Dated: April 8, 2016 Marianne Marshall Human Resources Director www.beloitwi.gov

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NOTICE AND AGENDA ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE CONTROL COMMITTEE

Beloit City Hall –The Forum 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511 April 12, 2016 – 4:00 p.m.

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of March 8, 2016.
- 3. Consideration of a new application for a Class "A" Beer and "Class A" Liquor License of Arp Petroleum, LLC, d/b/a Beloit Mobil on the Run, 2883 Milwaukee Rd., Akbir Kang, Agent.
- 4. Consideration of a new application for Class "B" Beer and "Class C" Wine License of The Flying Pig Treat Shops, Inc., d/b/a Flying Pig, 431 East Grand Avenue, Debra Nelson, Agent.
- 5. Consideration of a Change of Agent on the Class "B" Beer and "Class B" Liquor License of Domenico's Pizza, 547 East Grand Avenue to Olsie Ekleberry.
- 6. Consideration of a Change of Agent on the Class "B" Beer and Reserve "Class B" Liquor License of La Casa Grande, 618 Fourth Street to Olsie Ekleberry.
- 7. Consideration of a Change of Agent on the Class "B" Beer and "Class B" Liquor License of Palermo Enterprise, 648 Fourth Street to Olsie Ekleberry.
- 8. Citizen Comments
- 9. Committee Comments
- 10. Police Department Comments
- 11. City Attorney Comments
- 12. Adjournment

April 6, 2016 Lorena Rae Stottler - City of Beloit, 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:** April 5, 2016
- SUBJECT: Cancellation of Board of Appeals Meeting

Since no applications have been submitted, the regularly scheduled <u>April 12, 2016</u> meeting of the Board of Appeals has been cancelled. The next Board of Appeals meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 10, 2016.

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

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

PUBLIC MEETING

PARKS, RECREATION, AND CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 2016 6:30PM DPW OPERATIONS CENTER 2351 SPRINGBROOK COURT, BELOIT, WI

AGENDA

- 1.) Call to Order
- 2.) Review Minutes of: March 9, 2016
- 3.) Citizens Participation
- 4.) Old Business None
- 5.) New Business
 - a.) Discussion and review of the proposed Rock County Super Pass at the Krueger Pool.
 - b.) Discussion and consideration of a new location for the new Playground in Vernon Park.
- 6.) Director's Report
- 7.) Committee Members Comments
- 8.) Adjournment

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.