

The Beloit Report

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CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

CITY MANAGER ACTIVITIES

Meetings:

- Participated in City Council meeting on Monday, July 17, 2017 and a special meeting on July 20th.
- Several days were spent meeting individually with Department and Division heads to review budget submissions.

Activities:

Several days last week were spent in Washington, D.C. with Council President Leavy and representatives from the Ho-Chunk Nation to meet with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, White House and Wisconsin Congressional members to discuss the status of the Nation's application to locate a casino in Beloit. Please see the attached Joint Statement from the City of Beloit and Ho-Chunk Nation for more information.

KRUEGER PARK NEIGHBORHOOD PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

There was a very positive response for the recent playground meeting with approximately 30 people in attendance (the majority of them being kids) who cast their votes overwhelmingly for the proposal as submitted by Lee Recreation representing Playworld Systems. We hope to have the new playground installed at Krueger Park by the first of October, if not earlier. We appreciated the turnout and especially enjoyed having the input and participation of our future voters.

BELOIT HOUSING CONFERENCE 2017

The City of Beloit Planning Division and the Greater Beloit Economic Development Corporation are sponsoring a housing conference to promote discussion and "brainstorm strategies to encourage the development of various housing types in the City of Beloit." The complimentary conference is scheduled for Wednesday, August 23, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and will be held at the Beloit Public Library Community Room. The conference is open to the public, but advanced registration is required by August 1, 2017. To RSVP, send an e-mail to planning@beloitwi.gov or call 608-364-6711. See attached for more information.

34th ANNUAL NATIONAL NIGHT OUT—TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2017

National Night Out is a community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie. Residents are encouraged to lock their doors, turn on and display outside lights and spend the evening outside with their neighbors. All neighborhood blocks participating in this year's National Night Out activities should register with the Police Department. Applications are available at the Beloit Police Department, 100 State Street and at the Beloit Fire Station Headquarters, 1111 Church Street. The application is also attached to the Beloit Report. The registration deadline has been extended to Wednesday, July 26 at 5:00 p.m.

The local Kick-Off is scheduled for 5:00 p.m. on August 1 at the Beloit Rotary River Center, 1160 S. Riverside Drive. The public is invited to attend. Please see attached.

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BELOIT DIRTY DASH—YOUTH MUD RUN/WALK

The Beloit Dirty Dash is scheduled for Saturday, August 19, 2017 at Big Hill Park, 2101 Big Hill Road. <u>Register your</u> child, ages 4—18 by July 31st to guarantee a t-shirt on race day! Online registration at <u>https://beloitdirtydash2017.eventbrite.com</u>

This is a fun and challenging adventure with age appropriate divisions. Kids should wear clothes and shoes that can get dirty (we really mean "muddy") as mud pits and nature trails are part of the course. Rinse station available. For more information, contact the "Mud Team" at 608-364-2890 Ext. 3.

DIRTY DASH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Sonya Baden, Recreation Coordinator, is looking for volunteers to help out with the Dirty Dash on August 19, 8:00— Noon at Big Hill Park. She hopes to have 100 volunteers line the course and guide 500+ muddy youth participants through the custom built course. Two types of volunteers are needed—"keep me clean" or "don't mind if I get muddy." If you would like to help, please contact Sonya at 364-2890 Ext. 3 or <u>badens@beloitwi.gov</u>

CITY MEETING CALENDAR-JULY 17-21, 2017

Monday, July 24	Cancelled	Traffic Review Committee (S. Blakeley)
Monday, July 24	Cancelled	Police and Fire Commission
Wednesday, July 26	11:00 a.m.	Visit Beloit Board (M. Preuschl)
Wednesday, July 26	4:30 p.m.	Community Development Authority, Forum (K. Leavy and N. Forbeck)
Thursday, July 27	8:30 a.m.	Downtown Beloit Association Board of Directors (M. Preuschl)

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: <u>www.visitbeloit.com</u>

July 21, 28 8	•	usic at Harry's Place, Riverside Park in Beloit. Food available at 5:30 p.m., free concert from 00—9:00 p.m. Bring your lawn chair, meet your friends!
August 4	8:00—2:00 p.m.	Downtown Beloit Sidewalk Sales and kids activities
	11:30—1:30 p.m.	Fridays in the Park, music by Don Collins & The Nightshift, corner of State and Grand
	5:30—7:30 p.m.	Street Dance Opens, \$5 admission. Food vendors on site. Top Flight band featuring pop, funk, R&B and more! 300 block of State Street.
	8:00 p.m11 p.m.	Street Dance Headliner: Rebel Reign. Rock, pop, country, a high energy band covering all of the favorites from the 80's until now.
August 5	8:00—1:00 p.m.	Farmers' Market and Sidewalk Sales, Downtown Beloit