

# The Beloit Report

"To Become a Place Anyone Could Proudly Call Home for a Lifetime"

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# **CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES**

## CITY MANAGER'S ACTIVITIES

- Was in regular contact with Council President Kevin Leavy
- Met with Leadership Team, which includes department and division heads, to continue efforts to improve cross departmental and divisional communication.
- Met one on one with direct reports.
- Participated in the Economic Development Rapid Response Team.
- Attended a Red Hat Society® luncheon and presented the group with a proclamation naming Wednesday, April 25, 2018 at "National Red Hat Day" in the City of Beloit.
- Served on a panel presenting to the Young Professionals group.
- Toured the Beloit Domestic Violence Survivor Center.
- Met with Dorothy Harrell and Pat Majeed.
- Served as Master of Ceremonies for the Arbor Day Celebration.
- Traveled to Ripon, WI for the Main Street Dinner and Awards Ceremony.

# JOINT BELOIT CITY COUNCIL/BELOIT SCHOOL BOARD WORKSHOP

The Beloit City Council and the School District of Beloit Board of Education will hold a joint workshop on Monday, April 30, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. in the Large Conference Room at Irontek, 635 Third Street, Beloit. The purpose of the workshop is to discuss Phase 1 of the Beloit Memorial High School Campus Master Plan. The Public Notice and Agenda is <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/journal.org/">attached</a>.

# MILWAUKEE ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

Construction will begin the week of April 30th on improvements to the Milwaukee Road Gateway Corridor, from Branigan Road to Lee Lane. The Milwaukee Road improvements will address the current pavement distress, upgrade storm water management for the area, accommodate bicycle traffic, fill sidewalk gaps, and upgrade traffic signals to current standards.

Roads will remain open to through traffic during the project. Some intersections may close overnight. Any intersection closures will be posted on the city's website and on the Facebook page with information about alternate routes. For more information on the project, please see the attached press release.

# BELOIT POLICE PARTICIPATE IN ROCK COUNTY IMPAIRED DRIVING ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCE

Officers from the Beloit Police Department will participate in the Rock County Impaired Driving Enforcement Task Force on Friday, April 27 and Saturday, April 28. During this additional enforcement, the Beloit Police Department will have more officers on patrol to discourage people from driving while impaired. For more information, please see the <a href="https://example.com/attached">attached</a> press release.

## **TERRACE TREE PLANTING REQUESTS**

In recognition of Arbor Day, the City of Beloit Parks and Recreation division is currently 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, as a limited supply is available. The Parks and Recreation division will accept requests through Friday, May 11, 2018. To be placed on the list, please call the Parks and Recreation division at 608-364-2929.

#### SPRING SPECIALS AT KRUEGER-HASKELL GOLF COURSE

Get out and enjoy the spring weather with our spring golf package, which includes 18-holes of golf with a cart through April and May, 2018.

Residents: \$24.99 plus taxNon-residents: \$26.99 plus tax

Twilight Special: Daily starting at 2:00 p.m.
Residents: Golf and Cart: \$22.99 plus tax
Non-Residents: Golf and Cart: \$24.99 plus tax

Book your tee-times on-line by clicking here: <a href="https://krueger-haskell-golf-course.play.teeitup.com/">https://krueger-haskell-golf-course.play.teeitup.com/</a>

# CITY MEETING CALENDAR-APRIL 30 - MAY 4, 2018

Monday, April 30 5:30 p.m. <u>Joint meeting of Beloit City Council and Beloit School Board</u>, Irontek, 635

Third St. (All City Councilors and School Board members invited)

# **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

Saturdays May - October

Downtown Beloit Farmers' Market, 8:00 - 1:00 p.m. every Saturday from May 5 through October 27, 2018. Rain or shine, more than 100

vendors! Meet us at State and Grand, and in the Mill Street Parking Lot!

Friday, May 11 5:00 - 9:00 p.m. Downtown Beloit Art Walk, 16th Annual Handmade Market with more than 30 artists and 25 venues. Live music & free trolley.

Saturday, May 19 8:00 - 1:00 p.m. Public Works at the Farmers' Market. Join us as we kick off Public

Works Week and celebrate in beautiful downtown Beloit. Staff and equipment from all 5 Public Works Divisions will line up on East Grand Avenue. Rain Date will be at the Touch-a-Truck event on Thursday, June

28, 2018 at Riverside Park.

Saturday, May 19 11:00 a.m. Special service of Thanksgiving and recognition for Beloit Police and

Fire Responders at First Congregational Church, 801 Bushnell St. Reception

to follow.





# PUBLIC NOTICE & AGENDA Special Joint Workshop of the Beloit City Council and the School District of Beloit Board of Education

The City of Beloit City Council will hold a Joint Workshop with the School District of Beloit Board of Education on April 30, 2018 at 5:30 p.m., in the Large Conference Room at Irontek, located at 635 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Beloit 53511. The purpose of the workshop is to discuss Phase 1 of the Beloit Memorial High School Campus Master Plan. Following the Workshop a social event will be held at the Iron Works Golf Lab, located at 625 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Suite 100. A quorum of City Councilors may be present.

Lori S. Curtis Luther, City Manager

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#### PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## MILWAUKEE ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECT BEGINS NEXT WEEK

**April 26, 2018** - Work crews will be improving the Milwaukee Road Gateway Corridor from Branigan Road to Lee Lane beginning the week of April 30-May 4. The project is expected to be completed by Aug. 2.

The Milwaukee Road improvements are to address current concrete pavement distress, upgrade storm water management for the area, accommodate bicycle traffic, fill sidewalk gaps, and upgrade traffic signals to current standards. The existing concrete pavement is 40 years old.

Cranston Road will also be under construction for .3 miles northwest of Milwaukee Road as part of that project.

Branigan Road will also be realigned near the Walmart and Menards entrance; that portion of the project is expected to be completed in June.

The Branigan Road portion of the project will correct the offset intersection to create a more direct and safer intersection. The project includes new asphalt, curb and gutter, storm sewer, pavement markings, and a sidewalk.

The road will remain open to through traffic during the project. Some intersections may close overnight. Any intersection closures will be posted on the city's website and on the Facebook page with information about alternate routes. The city will post weekly updates on Thursdays on <a href="www.beloitwi.gov">www.beloitwi.gov</a>. Scroll down to "Public Works construction updates" to get the updates.

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### POLICE DEPARTMENT

# MEDIA RELEASE 18-008

For Additional Information, Contact: Sarah Millard Director of Strategic Communications

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# Beloit Police Officers Participating in Rock County Impaired Driving Enforcement Task Force in April

April 20, 2018 - Officers from the Beloit Police Department will be participating in the Rock County Impaired Driving Enforcement Task Force on Friday, April 20, Saturday, April 21, Friday, April 27, and Saturday, April 28.

During this additional enforcement, the Beloit Police Department will have more officers on patrol to discourage people from driving while impaired. The Beloit Police Department will have zero tolerance for driving under the influence, open intoxicants, seatbelt violations and improper use of child safety restraints.

"Impaired drivers are putting the lives of everyone around them at risk," said Sgt. Christian Dalton. "Our goal is send the message that driving under the influence is never acceptable. We hope this enforcement will help reduce the number of people who choose to drive while impaired."

Driving under the influence includes the use of alcohol, illegal drugs or prescription medication. The Beloit Police Department suggests all motorists take steps to protect themselves and others:

- Ensure everyone in your vehicle is buckled up every day, every trip. Watch your speed, be patient and alert.
- If you plan to use any alcohol, drugs or prescription medication that will impair your driving, choose a sober designated driver.
- If you're feeling buzzed, you likely are over the 0.08 BAC limit and should not drive. Take public transit, a taxicab, or ask a sober friend to drive you home.
- The Wisconsin DOT offers a free Drive Sober mobile app that includes a blood alcohol estimator, designated driver selector, and find-a-ride feature that uses a smart phone's GPS to locate alternative transportation.
- Some taverns and restaurants have programs to provide patrons with a safe ride home. Visit www.tlw.org/ and click on Safe Ride.
- Report impaired drivers to law enforcement by calling 911. Provide as much detail as possible on the driver, vehicle, and location.

The Rock County Impaired Driving Enforcement Task Force includes the Rock County Sheriff's Department and the Janesville, Town of Beloit and City of Beloit police departments. Funding for the special enforcement periods is provided via a grant from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation.

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produce • eggs • cheese • honey • baked goods • seafood meat & poultry • fun zone • food trucks • live music • & more!































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