



The Beloit Report

“To Become a Place Anyone Could Proudly Call Home for a Lifetime”

CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

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CITY MANAGER'S ACTIVITIES

- Participated in the Economic Development Rapid Response Team meeting.
- Met with various direct reports for departmental updates.
- Participated in a joint meeting with Town of Beloit officials.
- Participated in a special Greater Beloit Economic Development Corporation Executive Committee meeting.
- Along with Andrew Janke, Economic Development Director, presented economic development updates to the Golden Kiwanis group.
- Presented the “State of the City” to Beloit 200.
- Gave an on-air interview with Tim Bremel at WCLO regarding the potential casino development and other pertinent topics.
- Met with representatives from the League of Women Voters.
- Met with a reporter from the Beloit Daily News.

HOLIDAY MESSAGE FROM LORI S. CURTIS LUTHER, CITY MANAGER

As we wind down to the end of 2018, I would like to extend my gratitude to many people for making this past year a success! I look forward to keeping the momentum going in 2019. First, my heartfelt thanks to a supportive City Council who work together to place the interests of our entire community above all else. Secondly, I extend a big thank you to all of our staff, for working to achieve our mission to Provide Outstanding Public Service. Last but certainly not least, thank you to the residents and businesses of Beloit for whom we exist to serve. You make Beloit the best place in the world to live, work, and play.

HOLIDAY INFORMATION

Trash and Recycling

The City of Beloit’s Public Works Department reminds residents that the regularly scheduled trash and recycling collection will be delayed by one day starting **Tuesday, December 25**, and by one day starting **Tuesday, January 1, 2019** due to the Christmas and New Year’s Day holidays.

If your pickup day is Monday, collection will continue as scheduled. (Trash and recycling *will be* collected on December 24th and December 31st *if Monday is your pickup day.*) We return to regularly scheduled pickups the week of January 7 - 10, 2019.

The Recycling Drop Off Center at 2351 Springbrook Court will be **CLOSED** on Saturday, December 22 and Saturday, December 29.

Remember, residents can sign up for trash and recycling reminders at <https://beloitsolidwaste.com/pick-up-schedule/>. For more information, call the City of Beloit Public Works Operations at 608-364-2929.

If you're not sure whether to place holiday packaging and wrappings into recycling or garbage, follow these guidelines:

- **Recycle:** Paper-based wrapping paper, cardboard boxes (cut down to 3' x 3'), and cardboard shipping blocks.
- **Garbage:** Foil/metallic wrapping paper, ribbon, bows, tape, clear plastic packaging from toys, bubble wrap (or return to a local shipping store for reuse/save if you're moving in the future), inflated plastic bags, Styrofoam shipping blocks, and foam peanuts.

Beloit Public Library

The Beloit Public Library and Blender Café will be *CLOSED* on December 24 & 25 and December 31 & January 1. The outside book drop is open 24 hours a day and renewals can be done through your on-line SHARE account.

Beloit City Offices

City offices will be *CLOSED* on December 24 & 25 in recognition of the Christmas Holiday, and December 31 & January 1 in recognition of the New Year's Holiday.

ROCK COUNTY COURTHOUSE CONSTRUCTION

As part of the Rock County Courthouse security project, the back (east) entrance and parking lots are closed through approximately July 4, 2019. All visitors and members of the public should park in the front parking lot and enter through the front (west) entrance. If the front lot is full, alternate parking may be available on St. Lawrence Avenue (in Janesville), on other City of Janesville streets where allowed, or in other public lots.

We encourage tax payers to consider paying property taxes by mail to avoid parking frustrations. As stated on the back of the property tax bill, provide/include a copy of the tax bill or payment stub with your check. If requesting a receipt, make sure to enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Additional information about how to pay property taxes can be found on the Rock County Treasurer's website at www.co.rock.wi.us/treasurer.

BELOIT POLICE PARTICIPATING IN "DRIVE SOBER OR GET PULLED OVER" CAMPAIGN

Law enforcement agencies across Wisconsin will participate in the "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" campaign going on now through January 1, 2019. The City of Beloit Police Department will be joined by other agencies in the Rock County Impaired Driving Enforcement Task Force for his high-visibility enforcement period on December 21, 22, 28, 29 and 31. Last year in Wisconsin, alcohol related crashes resulted in 169 deaths and more than 3,300 injuries. The cost of a DUI varies by state, with estimates running close to \$10,000 (legal fees, bail, time off work, damages, etc.).

CHRISTMAS TREE, HOLIDAY WREATH AND GARLAND COLLECTION

City of Beloit Public Works Department relates that curbside collection of Christmas trees will take place **January 7 - 18, 2019**. To participate, place your tree curbside by 6:00 a.m. on your regular collection day. Holiday wreaths and garland can be disposed of at the curb with your trash on your regular collection day.

PLEASE NOTE: Trees must be free of stands (including wooden stands), bags, lights, garland, tinsel, ornaments, etc.

Christmas trees will be accepted at the Recycling Drop Off Center at 2351 Springbrook Court on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., beginning January 5, 2019.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

CITY MEETING CALENDAR — DECEMBER 24 - 28, 2018

*“Not a creature is stirring...”
There are no meetings on the calendar this week!*

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*

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| Friday, Dec. 21 | 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. | Friday Night Special Skate with a DJ at Edwards Ice Arena, 2101 Cranston Rd., Beloit. Winter Holidays Theme: Bring a non-perishable food item and receive a free skate rental! Skate to Christmas carols. Regular admission prices apply. |
| Saturday, Dec. 22 | 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. | Welty Full Moon Hike , Welty Environmental Center, 1201 Big Hill Court. Cost \$5 - \$7. To register: https://weltycenter.org/event/december-full-moon-hike-12-22-2018
Dress warmly! The program and hike lasts two hours. |