

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

- Met with Council President Dunkin
- Met with Councilor Leavy
- Held one-on-one meetings with direct reports
- Participated in the Joint Review Board meeting
- Attended the Rock County Breakfast with Council President Dunkin and Vice President
 Anderson
- Attended the United Way Board Meeting
- Participated in the swearing in ceremony for a new Police Officer, Noe Mar-Garcia, and deployment farewell for Officer Christopher Hoefs
- Gave the welcome at Pops on the Rock
- Attended Fire Chief Brad Liggett's retirement luncheon
- Met with Dr. Stanley Munro, School District of Beloit Superintendent

WELCOME HOME - VIETNAM WAR VETERANS TRIBUTE

Vietnam War Veterans and Gold Star families of Vietnam War Veterans were honored during the July 4th Pops on the Rocks concert at Riverside Park in Beloit. A committee headed by former City Council President David Luebke raised funds to purchase medallions which were handed out on July 4th. City Manager Lori Curtis Luther took part in the tribute and gave a warm welcome home to our Vietnam War veterans. Here is a link to the recorded event: https://tinyurl.com/y4phynf4

FIRE CHIEF BRAD LIGGETT RETIRES

We are sending our best wishes to Fire Chief Bradley Liggett who is retiring today from his 30year career with the City of Beloit Fire Department, including 16 years as fire chief.

Chief Liggett was introduced to the Beloit community and the Beloit Fire Department when he attended college at Beloit College. His grandfather was a lifelong volunteer firefighter, which helped spark an interested in emergency medical services for Liggett. He was studying at Beloit College with plans to ultimately become a physician when he went on ride-alongs with the Beloit Fire Department as part of his studies.

"When I went to my first fire, I was hooked," Liggett said. "I knew what I wanted to do the rest of my life."

Liggett joined the U.S. Navy where he received his firefighter training and became a combat medic. When it came time to finding a career as a firefighter, he had his eyes on the City of Beloit.

"Beloit is where I wanted to be," Liggett said. "I loved the community."

Liggett became a firefighter in 1989. Two years later, he became a paramedic. He was promoted to relief motor pump operator in 1994, motor pump operator in 1996, acting lieutenant in 1998, deputy chief in 2000, assistant chief in 2001, and fire chief in 2003.

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Some of the accomplishments he is particularly proud of include graduating from paramedic school and serving as a paramedic for 14 years, implementing a customer service program for the fire department, building two fire stations (Headquarters in 2001 and Station 3 in 2005), applying for and receiving grants for equipment and personnel, replacing fire apparatus equipment, and hiring all firefighters and staff members since 2003.

As he heads to Freeport, Illinois, he says he will miss the people of Beloit the most, including the team of firefighters and staff members he worked with at the Beloit Fire Department.

"I've spent 30+ years alongside all of these professionals. We all still maintain friendships and comradery," Liggett said. "The fire service is an incredible brotherhood and sisterhood. Those connections are one of the driving forces behind our teamwork. It's very rewarding, and I am going to miss those connections."

Saving the most important for last, he appreciates the sacrifices his family has made over the last 30 years as he's missed family events due to emergencies, meetings, trainings, and much more.

"It has a deep and lasting impact on our family - not just me as a firefighter," Liggett said.

CITY HALL UNDERGOING RENOVATIONS

Beginning in mid-July, City Hall will be undergoing renovations to the first floor Forum and the entire fourth floor. This past week, the last of the 4th floor staff moved to alternate locations while renovations take place. Construction is scheduled to conclude by Thanksgiving.

The City Manager and Information Technology offices are temporarily housed at 2400 Springbrook Court. The Economic Development Department has temporarily relocated to the Ironworks campus, and the City Attorney and Human Resources offices have temporarily relocated to the Big Hill Center in Big Hill Park. Please call ahead to make an appointment if you need to meet with the City Attorney's staff or Human Resources Department. Phone numbers are listed on the City's website.

All Beloit City Council meetings, Municipal Court and other public meetings will be held in the large conference room at the Engineering and Utilities building, 2400 Springbrook Court. In addition to being open to the public, City Council meetings will be recorded and livestreamed on YouTube at https://www.youtube.com/user/BeloitAccessTV

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CITY MEETING CALENDAR – JULY 8 - 12, 2019

Monday, July 8	4:30 p.m.	Appointment Review Committee, 2400 Springbrook Court (R. Dunkin and C. Anderson)
Tuesday, July 9	4:00 p.m.	Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee, 2400 Springbrook Court (C. Anderson)

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

May 4 - October 26 8 am - 1 pm	Downtown Beloit Farmers' Market, State Street, Grand Avenue and Mill Street Parking Lot. Produce, eggs, cheese, honey, live music and more! SNAP Benefits accepted.
Monday, August 12	2019 WPPA Golf Tournament at Krueger Haskell Municipal Golf Course . Two- person scramble format and limited to the first 144 golfers. The fee is \$85 and includes 18 holes of golf, cart, box lunch, hole event prizes, the banquet and smoker. Deadline to register has been extended to July 12, 2019. Sign up at <u>https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2019-wppa-golf-tournament-tickets-57846488404</u> For additional questions, contact Lorenzo Henderson at 773-791-1006 or Matt Donovan at 608-751-0297.



PUBLIC NOTICE & AGENDA APPOINTMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE Large Conference Room - Engineering and Utilities Building 2400 Springbrook Court, Beloit WI 53511 4:30 PM Monday, July 08, 2019

- 1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL
- 2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
 - 2.a. May 13, 2019 Minutes Attachment
 - 2.b. June 10, 2019 Minutes Attachment
- 3. CONSIDERATION AND REVIEW OF EXISTING AND UPCOMING VACANCIES
 - 3.a. July and August, 2019 Attachment
- 4. REVIEW OF RECENT CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS
 - 4.a. June 17, 2019 Attachment
- 5. REVIEW OF APPLICANTS FOR VACANCIES WITH RECOMMENDATION(S) TO CITY COUNCIL
 - 5.a. ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE CONTROL COMMITTEE 1 School District Representative - regular term to expire June 30, 2022
 - 5.b. BOARD OF APPEALS
 1 resident (M. Bussan) regular term to expire May 31, 2022
 1 resident (C. Hansen) regular term to expire May 31, 2022
 1 resident (J. Schroer) regular term to expire May 31, 2022
 - 5.c. BOARD OF ETHICS 1 resident (A. Henning) - regular term to expire December 31, 2021
 - 5.d. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY 1 resident (C. DeBrock) - regular term to expire December 31, 2020

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- 5.e. EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES COMMISSION 1 resident (M. Weaver) - regular term to expire June 30, 2022
- 5.f. MUICIPAL GOLF COMMITTEE 1 Senior's Club Representative - Ex Officio Member
- 5.g. MUNICIPAL LIBRARY BOARD
 1 resident (L. Berrones) regular term to expire June 30, 2022
 1 resident (M. Densch) regular term to expire June 30, 2022
 1 School District Representative regular term to expire June 30, 2022
- 5.h. PARK, RECREATION AND CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMISSION 1 School District Representative - regular term to expire June 30, 2022
- 6. COMMITTEE COMMENTS
- 7. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 8. ADJOURNMENT
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PUBLIC NOTICE & AGENDA ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE CONTROL COMMITTEE Large Conference Room - Engineering and Utilities Building 2400 Springbrook Court, Beloit WI 53511 4:00 PM Tuesday, July 09, 2019

- 1. ROLL CALL
- 2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS
- 3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
 - 3.a. Consider approval of the Minutes of the regular meeting of June 11, 2019 Attachment
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 5. LICENSES
 - 5.a. Consideration of late renewal for Beloit Fine Art Incubator Inc., d/b/a Beloit Art Center, 520 E. Grand Avenue, Ben N. Henthorn, Agent for license period July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020 Attachment
- 6. CHANGE OF AGENT
 - 6.a. Consideration on a Change of Agent on the Class "B" Beer license for Board of Trustees of Beloit College, d/b/a Beloit College Coughy Haus, located at 708 Clary Street from Darryl C. L. Smith to Nathan A. Brault for period ending June 30, 2020 Attachment
- 7. COMMITTEE COMMENTS
- 8. POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT/COMMENTS
 - 8.a. Alcohol Compliance Report and Calls for Service for the Month of June 2019 Attachment
- 9. CITY ATTORNEY COMMENTS
- 10. ADJOURNMENT

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