

The Beloit Report

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

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 City Council meetings and events (page 3)

CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

CITY MANAGER'S ACTIVITIES

- Met with Direct Reports as a group and on an individual basis
- Met with Council President Regina Dunkin
- Worked with staff on a variety of economic development projects

HOLIDAY MESSAGE FROM LORI S. CURTIS LUTHER, CITY MANAGER

As we wind down to the end of 2019, 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 2020. 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.

GBEDC ANNOUNCES SALE OF PROPERTY FOR PLANNED AMAZON WAREHOUSE DISTRIBUTION FACILITY

Significant work has begun on an economic development project in the City of Beloit, reaching a major milestone in the project today.

The Greater Beloit Economic Development Corporation sold the property at the southeast corner of Gateway Boulevard and Colley Road to Peyton Paisley WI, LLC. The 80-acre property closed today at a sale price of \$80.

Development has already started at the property as the builders are constructing a 1 million square-foot warehouse distribution facility. The project was started by Seefried Industrial Properties, which has assigned its interest in the property to Peyton Paisley WI, LLC, a division of USAA.

While the GBEDC and the City of Beloit can now confirm the planned tenant is Amazon, additional details about the total economic impact to the greater Beloit community, including the total number of jobs and project timeline, will be announced by the company in January 2020.

"We are thrilled that Amazon chose the Gateway Business Park to build in the stateline area," said Greater Beloit Economic Development Corporation Executive Director Andrew Janke. "A lot of hard work went into making this project a reality, and we certainly look forward to the positive impacts on the Beloit economy."

This project is located in the Gateway Business Park, which broke ground in 2001. The diverse, mixed-use business park is home to several distribution/warehouse and manufacturing companies.

There are no City subsidies to support this project.

"This development would not only provide our community with jobs and increased property value, but also a valued relationship with a household name," said City Manager Lori Curtis Luther. "A project of this magnitude is certainly a game changer for Beloit."

The Greater Beloit Economic Development Corporation and the City of Beloit will be available for interviews on this important project after Amazon publicly announces the economic impact early next year.

HOLIDAY INFORMATION

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.

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 **Wednesday**, **December 25**, and by one day starting **Wednesday**, **January 1**, **2020** due to the Christmas and New Year's Day holidays.

If your pickup day is Tuesday, collection will continue as scheduled. (Trash and recycling *will be* collected on December 24th and December 31st *if Tuesday is your pickup day.*) We return to regularly scheduled pickups the week of January 6 - 9, 2020.

The Recycling Drop Off Center at 2351 Springbrook Court will be *CLOSED* on Saturday, December 21, Saturday, December 28 and Saturday, January 4.

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.
- Holiday wreaths and garlands can be disposed of in your trash cart.

Christmas Tree Collection

- Curbside Christmas tree collection runs Monday, January 6, 2020, through Friday, January 17, on your regularly scheduled solid waste collection day.
 - ♦ Place your tree on curbside by 6 a.m. on your trash day.
 - ♦ Tree must be free of any stands, bags, lights, garlands and ornaments, etc.
- Christmas trees are accepted at the Recycling Drop Off Center, 2351 Springbrook Court, on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon, beginning January 11, 2020.

NEW OR UPDATED 2020 SOLID WASTE FEES

During the 2020 budget planning process, the City Council approved the following new or updated fees for solid waste in 2020:

- Bagged waste at Recycling Drop Off Center, \$2 per bag
- TVs and All Electronics at the Recycling Drop Off Center, \$5 each (including but not limited to monitors, PC towers, printers, laptops, DVD players, VCR players, game consoles, speakers, etc.)
- Yard waste stickers, \$2/each (Sheet of 5, \$10)
- Leaf vacuuming subscription, \$125 per season

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BELOIT CITY HALL RENOVATION NEARING COMPLETION; RIBBON CUTTING SCHEDULED

The Beloit City Council, Municipal Court and other public meetings are returning home to Beloit City Hall, 100 State Street, beginning in January, 2020.

Municipal Court, Beloit City Council and other public meetings were temporarily held at the city's Engineering and Utilities building while the City Hall forum was under renovation; renovations will be completed prior to January 6, 2020. The enhancements to the City Council forum room allows the city to hold all its public meetings on the first floor, as well as implementing safety and security upgrades on the first and fourth floor. Previously, public meetings were held on the first and fourth floors.

The public is invited to a ribbon cutting event to celebrate the conclusion of this project at **6 p.m. Monday, January 6, 2020**, prior to the City Council meeting. Light refreshments will be provided.

City staff previously relocated from City Hall have moved back to the fourth floor. The fourth floor includes the City Manager, City Attorney, Human Resources, Economic Development and Information Technology offices.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

CITY MEETING CALENDAR — DECEMBER 23, 2019 - JANUARY 3, 2020

Monday, Dec. 23 Cancelled Traffic Review Committee (S. Blakeley)

Monday, Dec. 23 4:30 p.m. Police and Fire Commission, 2400 Springbrook Ct.

Wednesday, Dec. 25 Cancelled Community Development Authority (K. Leavy and N. Forbeck)

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

Saturday, Jan. 4 10:00 - 2:00 p.m. Seasonal Job Fair, Beloit Public Library, 605 Eclipse Blvd. Apply in person or

online at https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/beloitwi Candidates who pass minimum qualifications will be invited to a walk-in interview immediately. Equal

opportunity employer.

Monday, Jan. 6 6:00 p.m. City Hall Renovation Ribbon Cutting, First Floor Council Forum, 100 State Street.

Celebrate the newly remodeled City Council Forum and check out the new conference room. Light refreshments will be provided. The public is invited to attend the event,

which will take place before the first Council meeting of 2020.



PUBLIC NOTICE & AGENDA POLICE & FIRE COMMISSION Engineering and Utilities Building, 2400 Springbrook Court, Beloit, WI 53511 4:30 PM Monday, December 23, 2019

- 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
- MINUTES
 - 2.a. Approval of the October 1, 2019 special meeting minutes
 - 2.b. Approval of the November 25, 2019 regular meeting minutes
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS
- 4. REPORTS
 - 4.a. Fire Department Report
 - 4.b. Police Department Report
- 5. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS
- 6. BUSINESS ITEMS
 - 6.a. Update on the Fire Chief Recruitment
- CLOSED SESSION

The Commission may adjourn into Closed Session pursuant to §19.85(1)(c), Wis. Stats. for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation of any public employee over whom the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, more specifically, to discuss the following matters. The Commission will reconvene into Open Session for possible action regarding the matters discussed in closed session.

- 7.a. Fire Department Consideration of a Resolution approving the hiring of two fire fighters
- 7.b. Fire Department Consideration of a Resolution approving the completion of probation for the following positions:
 - i. Lieutenant (1)

- ii. Acting Lieutenant (3)
- iii. Relief Motor Pump Operator (7)
- 7.c. Fire Department Consideration of a Resolution approving the promotions for the following positions:
 - i. Captain
 - ii. Lieutenant
 - iii. Motor Pump Operator
 - iv. Relief Motor Pump Operator
- 7.d. Police Department Consideration of a Resolution approving the completion of probation for two patrol officers
- 7.e. Police Department Consideration of a Resolution extending the probation for a patrol sergeant
- 7.f. Police Department Consideration of a Resolution approving the promotions for the following positions:
 - i. Inspector
 - ii. Captain
 - iii. Lieutenant
 - iv. Sergeant
- 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 Clerk's Office at 364-6680, 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511.

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CANCELLED PUBLIC NOTICE & AGENDA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY Parker Bluff, 220 Portland Avenue, Beloit, WI 53511 4:30 PM

Wednesday, December 25, 2019

MEETING CANCELLATION

The December 25, 2019 Community Development Authority meeting has been cancelled. The next meeting is scheduled for January 22, 2020.

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SEASONA

Saturday, January 4, 2020 **Beloit Public Library** 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Horticulture **Pool Manager**

Cashiers

Grounds Maintenance Camp Counselors

Lagoon Attendants Lifeguards Sports Officials

Golf Course Attendants

APPLY IN PERSON OR ONLINE AT:

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