

November 5, 2021

Beloit Report



Welcome to New City Clerk-Treasurer

The City of Beloit is pleased to announce the selection of Marcy Granger as Clerk-Treasurer. Granger began her role on Monday, November 1, 2021.

Granger will oversee the City Clerk-Treasurer Division, and has previous experience as a clerk in the Town of Milton.

[Learn more](#)



Veterans Day, observed annually on November 11, is a tribute to military veterans who have served in the U.S. Armed Forces. Veterans Day is a day to honor all military veterans, including those still with us.

To all of our Veterans: We salute you and sincerely thank you for your service!



Citizen Self Serve Portal

As of October 28, the Online Utility Bill Pay is currently unavailable. Please call 608-364-6663 to make utility bill payments by phone. If the line is busy, please leave a message and we will return your call.

Payments can also be deposited in the drop box located on the first floor of City Hall (M-F, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.) or the drop box located in the circle drive (Watson Lane) outside of City Hall.

Thank you for your patience.

City Manager Attends Training

This past week, City Manager Lori Curtis Luther attended a half-day session on Implicit Bias Training.

The session was focused on raising awareness of implicit bias and steps to take to prevent biased attitudes and behaviors from interfering



with decisions and interactions.

Several Councilors, the City Manager and staff members also attended the 7th annual YWCA Racial Justice Conference this week. The topic of the virtual conference was "Be the Bridge to Eliminate Racism: Small steps create big changes!"

As part of the strategic framework of the City of Beloit, we strive to move our organization and community toward inclusion and an environment where all individuals feel they can be authentic and belong.



Spring Ahead/Fall Back

Residents are reminded that daylight savings time ends this weekend. Make sure to set clocks back an hour when you go to bed on Saturday. (Daylight savings time ends Sunday, November 7 at 2:00 a.m.)

This is also a good time to check smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors, while also making sure your home emergency kit is ready for the upcoming winter.

[Learn more](#)



Beloit Transit Introduces Minor Route Changes

Beloit Transit has adjusted its routes, effective November 1, 2021, with minor updates to the schedule and routes. Service times will begin as early as 5:30 a.m. on some routes. All service will end at 6 p.m. Monday - Friday. Saturday service will continue running from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and will continue to be offered on demand. Call 608-364-2870 before Friday at 3:00 p.m. to schedule an on-demand ride.

[Learn more](#)

[Link to rider's guide](#)



Events at Grinnell Hall Senior Center

Grinnell Hall Senior Center will host a free "Stepping Up Your Nutrition Workshop" in partnership with the Rock County Council on Aging from 1-3:30 p.m. on **Wednesday, November 10**. The class is led by Amy Karas, a Registered Dietician. Open to the public; please call Grinnell Hall at 608-364-2875 to reserve your spot.

Grinnell Hall Senior Center invites the public to

attend a free Veterans Day ceremony at 10:00 a.m. on **Thursday, November 11**. Charles Jones, Army Master Sergeant and Eugene Leech, Marine Gunnery Sergeant, will share their background and what the Disabled American Veterans means to them. Please call 608-364-2875 to reserve your seat.

Face coverings are required in all city buildings.



Beloit Winter Farmers' Market

While the outdoor Farmers' Market has concluded for this year, the indoor Winter Farmers' Market will open this Saturday, November 6th inside the Downtown Beloit Association, 557 E. Grand Ave.

From 9 a.m. to noon, vendors will be selling produce, cheese, baked goods, and more. Visit the Downtown Beloit Association website for a full list of vendors.

[Learn more](#)



I-39/90 Expansion Project

From the I-39/90 Project Communications Manager:

Exciting news to share about the I-39/90 Expansion Project between Beloit and Madison! All lanes are **OPEN** on I-39/90 northbound for 45 miles from the Illinois state line to Madison. Please continue to follow the reduced speed limit of 60 mph in the work zones. Four lanes are **OPEN** on I-39/90 southbound through Janesville, and three lanes on I-39/90 southbound in Madison and Beloit anticipated to open in mid-November.

Weather-permitting on Wednesday (Nov. 10), the I-43 southbound flyover ramp to I-39/90 southbound will **OPEN**.

- In the meantime, I-43 southbound traffic wishing to enter Beloit or access I-39/90 southbound must exit at County X/Hart Road (Exit 2). Temporary detour routes:
 - Access to Beloit via Gateway Blvd. and Cranston Road.
 - Access to I-39/90 southbound via Gateway Blvd. to the IL 75 interchange.
- Pay attention to the signs and watch for new traffic patterns!
- The I-39/90 southbound flyover ramp to I-43 northbound and I-39/90 northbound ramp to I-43 northbound are expected to open by mid-November.
- [Download the I-39/90 and I-43](#)

[interchange navigation map](#) for the permanent configuration starting by late November.

[Learn more](#)



Free Fall Curbside Yard Waste Collection

The FREE fall curbside yard waste collection will take place from **November 1 - 18**. Free collection only includes bagged leaves, grass clippings and garden debris. All other items require a yard waste sticker.

[Learn more](#)



New Beloit COVID-19 Testing Location

The Rock County Public Health Department will host a COVID-19 RT-PCR testing site at its Beloit location at 61 Eclipse Avenue in partnership with Summit Clinical Laboratories beginning November 8, 2021.

Walk-in and by-appointment testing will be available Monday - Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Testing will be available for all ages, including newborns. Patients should bring along ID and, if insured, insurance or Medicare cards. COVID-19 testing will be provided at no out-of-pocket cost to anyone who is having symptoms or thinks they have been exposed.

For faster service, clients wishing to test at the new RCPHD-Summit Labs Beloit testing site may pre-register with the Wisconsin Department of Health Services COVID Connect website at register.covidconnect.wi.gov.

Calling for Volunteers!

We are looking for a few volunteers to serve on our City Boards, Committees and Commissions. Learn about our current vacancies and [download the application on the city's website](#). Have questions? Contact Pam Lathrop at lathropp@beloitwi.gov or call 608-364-6614.

City Meetings

All public meeting agendas and minutes are posted online at www.beloitwi.gov.

- Monday, November 8, 4:30 p.m. - Appointment Review Committee
- Tuesday, November 9, Cancelled - Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee
- Tuesday, November 9, Cancelled - Board of Appeals
- Wednesday, November 10, 5:30 p.m. - Equal Opportunities

We're Hiring

The City of Beloit is hiring for various positions. Job openings and applications can be found online at www.beloitwi.gov. Equal Opportunity Employer.

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