June 23, 2023

Beloit Report

City Council Special Meeting - June 26



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The City Council will hold a special meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, June 26th.

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Satellite City Hall - June 24th

As part of a community outreach initiative, City Manager Gabrielatos is hosting the first "Satellite City Hall" at the Piggly Wiggly, 1827 Prairie Ave., on Saturday, June 24 from 10:00 a.m. - Noon.

Gabrielatos will set up a table to take requests for service, or chat about things in the city. "I think it's critical to meet people where they are," Gabrielatos said. "It's a great way to engage with people outside of City Hall."



Shared Revenue Bill Passes

Thank you to Gov. Evers and our local legislators for your work on the shared revenue bill that was signed into law this week! This is a game changer for our community!

Shared revenues for local government have historically remained flat in Wisconsin. Property tax levy limits also place a strain on local government budgets to fund crucial services like first responders, road repairs, and more. This new law provides at least a 20 percent increase to support most municipalities throughout the state. As a result, the City of Beloit stands to receive at least an additional \$3 million from the State of Wisconsin in 2024.

Decisions on allocation of that revenue will be done through the 2024 budget process, which will begin this fall.

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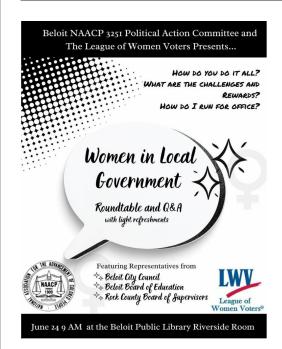
Mourning Former Councilor Walter Knight

It is with heavy hearts that we share the news of the passing of former City Council President Walter Knight. We mourn the loss of an extraordinary individual who touched the lives of so many in Beloit.

Walter he was a guiding light in our community. He served on the Beloit City Council in the 1970s and 1980s, including as president and vice-president. He also served on the Police and Fire Commission as secretary and chairman, as well as a variety of ad-hoc committees on which he served as a leader, motivator and educator. His leadership, civility and compassion made a significant impact across religious, civic, cultural, fraternal and educational aspects of our community and beyond.

To his family and loved ones, we extend our deepest condolences.

Walter's light will forever shine in our hearts, reminding us to be better and do better. You will be dearly missed, but never forgotten.



Women in Local Government

Interested in running for public office? Learn how to run and find out more about the challenges and rewards during the Women in Local Government Roundtable.

Held by Beloit NAACP 3251 Political Action Committee and the League of Women Voters, this forum will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday, June 24, in the Beloit Public Library Riverside Room. Beloit City Councilors have been invited to attend and participate.

Public Input Opportunities on Community Development Needs

The public is invited to provide input on community needs to inform 2024 CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) funding priorities.



A public hearing will be held on Wednesday, June 28 at 4:30 p.m. during the Community Development Authority meeting in the City Hall Forum. Comments and suggestions will be taken in person at the public hearing, or in written form (maximum of 300 words). Written comments may be submitted to Grants Administrator Megan McBride at mcbridem@beloitwi.gov and are due no later than Noon on Tuesday, June 27.

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Krueger Pool Expands Hours

Krueger Pool will now be open daily! The following pool schedule is now in effect:

- OPEN SWIM: 11 a.m. 6 p.m. Saturdays-Sundays (except August 19-20); 12-6 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays
- FAMILY SWIM: 3-8 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays (Children must be accompanied by an adult during family swim)

Watch for special themed days this year!

Learn more



City Seeks Input on Recreation Programming Needs

The community is invited to provide feedback on recreation programming needs in our city.

The Park, Recreation and Conservation Advisory Commission (PRCAC) will hold a listening session related to recreation programming needs:

• June 28, 6:00 p.m. - Public Meeting at Vernon Park, 934 Vernon Ave.; input on the non-profit recreation grants is scheduled to start at 7:00 p.m.

The public is encouraged to attend to give feedback. If you are unable to attend, feedback can be submitted to Director of Parks and Recreation Matt Amundson at amundsonm@beloitwi.gov.

Learn more



The City of Beloit Parks and Recreation Division is sponsoring a Pickleball Tournament at Wootton Park, 1451 4th St. on July 4th.

The courts have been refurbished and expanded, with 10 courts. Register for this doubles round robin tournament by calling 608-364-2890 by Monday, June 26th. Fee is \$25/player.

Learn more



Comprehensive Plan Update

The City of Beloit is conducting a 12-month long planning process to update the Comprehensive Plan, which was last updated in 2008 and 2018. The updated plan will guide the growth, development and preservation of the community over the next 20 years.

Public input is important! Please keep an eye out for information on how to share key priorities and goals for the future of the community.

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Pops on the Rock Returns to Riverside Park, July 4th!

The City of Beloit and Beloit Janesville Symphony Orchestra are proud to announce that Pops on the Rock, the annual patriotic concert and fireworks show, will return to Riverside Park in Beloit for 2023.

The concert will begin at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 4, with fireworks starting at dusk.

Fundraising efforts are underway and donations can be made to the Stateline Community Foundation's Fourth of July Fireworks Fundhere.

Learn more



Prevent Impaired Driving

Law enforcement officers from several Rock County agencies will be looking to prevent impaired driving. Rock County Impaired Driving Enforcement Task Force is deploying on the following days: • June 24 and 30

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

Please encourage drivers not to drive while drunk or high.





Have an impact on your community!

We are looking for a few volunteers to serve on our City Boards, Committees, and Commissions. If you would like to volunteer, <u>download the application on the city's website.</u>

Have questions? Contact communications@beloitwi.gov or call 608-364-6682.

City Meetings

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

- Monday, June 26, 1:30 p.m., Traffic Review Committee, 2400 Springbrook Ct.
- Monday, June 26, 4:30 p.m.,
 Police and Fire Commission, City
 Hall Forum
- Monday, June 26, 6:00 p.m., Special City Council Meeting, City Hall Forum
- Wednesday, June 28, 4:30 p.m. Community Development Authority, City Hall Forum
- Wednesday, June 28, 6:00 p.m., Public Meeting at Vernon Park, 934 Vernon Ave.

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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