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Beloit Report

Beloit City Council Meeting - April 15, 2024



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The Beloit City Council will hold the regular Council meeting at 7:00 p.m. on **April 15th** in the first floor Forum at Beloit City Hall, 100 State Street. The meeting will be livestreamed on Charter Channel 992 and on Beloit Access Television (BATV) YouTube channel.

Public Comments via email are welcome. If you would like to provide public comment for the Public Comment section of the Agenda, please submit those to PublicComment@beloitwi.gov by 12:00 noon on Monday, April 15, 2024.

The Beloit City Council will hold a Special Meeting on **April 16th** at 5:00 p.m. This annual "Organizational Meeting" will include newlyelected Councilors taking their Oath of Office, election of President/Vice-President, and more. Light refreshments will be served following the meeting and the public is invited to attend.

Learn more



Summit Park Renaming

The Beloit City Council voted to officially rename Summit Park to Regina Dunkin Park. An unveiling event to celebrate the park's name change will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, **April 13, 2024** at 1218 Henry Avenue. The community is invited to join this celebration, which will be held near the basketball courts on the southwest side of the park at the corner of Summit and Dewey Avenues.

Learn more

NO MOW MAY



The Beloit City Council approved an ordinance change that allows for Beloit residents to participate in "No Mow May" in 2024 to help support the presence of pollinators.

In order to participate in No Mow May, the property owner must:

- Register with the City of Beloit's Community Development Department by May 1, 2024.
- Display a city-issued sign in the yard to notify the community that the property is participating in the program.
- Ensure grass and weeds do not grow longer than 12 inches.

Registration will open Monday, April 15, 2024. In-person registration and signs are available at the Community Development Department at 100 State Street, Beloit, WI. City Hall is open Monday through Friday 8 am to 4:30 pm.

No Mow May is a voluntary program for City residents. Individuals who do not register by May 1, 2024, will need to comply with the ordinance's standards of grass and weeds to not exceed 8 inches.

Community members encouraged the City Council to create an exemption in the city's long grasses and weeds section of the ordinance to promote this sustainability initiative. Over 250 people took a community survey on No Mow May with 73.6% in support and 26.4% against the program.

Learn more about this initiative at <u>www.beloitwi.gov/nomowmay</u>.



Spring Cemetery Clean-Up

The 2024 spring clean-up of Eastlawn and Oakwood cemeteries is underway. Decorations on gravesites should be removed by Monday, April 15, 2024; new decorations may be placed on or after Wednesday, May 1, 2024.

Please note the following guidelines:

- Broken vases and vases not planted for two years will be removed.
- Artificial and cut flower arrangements must be placed in durable containers; glass, china and fragile vases are not permitted.
- Cemetery staff will dispose of excessive or inappropriate decorations, and any decorations not removed by the deadline of April 15.
- American flags that are not serviceable are removed.
- Ground wreaths and grave blankets are not permitted.

Questions? Visit https://www.beloitwi.gov/cemetery or contact us at 608-364-2867 between 10am and 2pm Monday-Friday.



Spring Yard Waste Curbside Collection - April 15-18

Yard waste must be set out by 6:00 a.m. on your regular scheduled collection date:

- Brush and shrubbery must be bundled or tied.
- Paper yard waste bags, trash containers 39 gallons or less weighing less than 60 lbs.
- Plastic bags are not permitted.
- Yard waste must be clean and litter free.
- Sticker must be attached to each bundle or container then placed at least 3 feet away from your regular trash.

Stickers are \$10 for a sheet of five. Available for purchase at Department of Public Works, ACE Hardware, Woodman's, City Hall Clerk-Treasurer, and Grinnell Hall.

Learn more



Grants to Local Non-Profits

The Beloit City Council granted six Beloit nonprofit organizations a combined \$250,000 to provide youth programming to Beloit residents through the City's American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding. Organizations receiving funding are:

- Community Action
- Welty Environmental Center
- City-Wide Youth Softball
- Stateline Boys & Girls Club
- Scouts BSA's ScoutReach program
- Beloit Boxing Foundation

Learn more



Spring Terrace Tree Planting

The City of Beloit Public Works Department is currently accepting requests from residents for terrace trees to be planted this spring. Trees will be planted on a first-come, first-served basis.

The terrace tree species selection will be determined by the city forestry supervisor

while taking into account the size of the terrace, presence of utilities and exotic invasive insects. A limited supply of trees are available. Forestry will accept requests through Wednesday, May 1, 2024.

To be placed on the list, please call (608) 364-2929.



Vacancies on City Committees/Commissions and Boards

There are several current vacancies on City Boards, Committees and Commissions. Over 100 residents of Beloit currently volunteer their time and talents by serving on a municipal committee. We sincerely thank them for their thoughtful advice and invite other interested residents to apply for open positions.

Ron Watson has served on the Police and Fire Commission since May, 2019. His term will expire at the end of April and he took some time to <u>explain his commitment to service in a</u> <u>video.</u>

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>

Current Vacancies:

- Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee
- Appointment Review Committee
- Board of Appeals
- Board of Review
- Community Development Authority
- Equal Opportunities Commission
- Police and Fire Commission

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

City Meetings

All public meeting agendas and minutes are posted online at <u>www.beloitwi.gov.</u>

- Saturday, April 13, 1:00 p.m. -Regina Dunkin Park Renaming, 1218 Henry Avenue
- Monday, April 15, 6:30 p.m. -Council Workshop to review agenda, 1st Floor Conference Room
- Monday, April 15, 7:00 p.m. City Council Meeting, City Hall Forum
- Tuesday, April 16, 5:00 p.m. -City Council Special Meeting, City Hall Forum
- Tuesday, April 16, 7:00 p.m. -Landmarks Commission, Forum
- Wednesday, April 17, 7:00 a.m. -Municipal Golf Committee, Krueger-Haskell Golf Course Club

We're Hiring

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

- Engineering Intern
- Engineering Technician
- Equipment Operator Water
- General Fleet Mechanic
- Open Records Specialist (Casual)
- Recreation Coordinator
- Seasonal Camp/Playground Counselor
- Seasonal Cashier
- Seasonal Equipment Operator-Water
 - Seasonal Golf Course Attendant
- Seasonal Golf Course Cashier
- Seasonal Grounds Maintenance I

- House, 1611 Hackett St.
- Wednesday, April 17, 1:00 p.m. -Members of the Equal Opportunities Commission invited to attend a virtual training session. No official business will take place.
- Wednesday, April 17, 5:30 p.m. -Equal Opportunities Commission, Forum
- Wednesday, April 17, 6:00 p.m. -Municipal Library Board, Library
- Wednesday, April 17, 7:00 p.m. -Plan Commission, Forum

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- Seasonal Lifeguard/Swim Instructor
- Seasonal Pool Maintenance
- Seasonal Pool Manager
- Seasonal Recreation Activity Instructor
- Seasonal Sports Official (Summer Softball)
- Seasonal Wastewater Operations & Maintenance Intern
- Swim Team Assistant Coach (Casual)

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