



THE БЕЛОIT REPORT

CONTINUING ITS RESURGENCE AS A GEM OF THE ROCK RIVER VALLEY

CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

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CASINO UPDATE

This past Monday evening, the City Council approved the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Ho-Chunk Nation. On Thursday evening, the Rock County Board also approved the IGA. The document will be considered by the Nation's Legislature at a meeting scheduled for next week. With approval by the Nation's Legislature, the Tribe can complete their formal application to the US Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, to take the land into trust to be used as a Class III gaming facility. As previously noted, a great deal of work and time will be required to move through the federal application process and to obtain the subsequent governors concurrence following the hoped-for positive outcome. Current estimates are that up to two years will be required for this extensive review required for a fee-to-trust approval process. Approval of the IGA by the local governing boards, however, is an important first step.

RIVERFEST PREPARATIONS

The City has received an official letter from Riverfest requesting use of what is referred to as the Riverbend site downtown and asking for support from the City with regard to moving the Festival from Riverside Park to the downtown location. The letter has been reviewed with staff and a response is being prepared. We anticipate a meeting with Riverfest officials next week to review the response letter and coordinate planning for the event. There is ample space on the site to house the event and the crowds anticipated to be in attendance. There are also numerous public parking lots located around the downtown area that can accommodate much of the parking needed for the Festival. We are also recommending that Festival organizers contact some of the other businesses requesting permission to use some of the private parking lots which will likely get some patronage during the nighttime and weekend hours by Festival attendees. A great deal of work remains to set up and prepare a totally new site for this event however progress is being made and everything should be in readiness prior to the late June dates set aside for the Festival this year.

LABOR RELATIONS UPDATE

Council approved a new two-year collective bargaining agreement with the firefighters union this past Monday evening. The agreement provided for some operational changes within the department, most importantly related to vacation scheduling, which resulted in the Chief increasing minimum daily manning from 13 to 14 personnel, one below the 15 minimum manning standards in place before the

budget cuts needed for the 2012 fiscal year. Those changes were implemented on Tuesday morning and the west-side ambulance was moved back over to Station Three with the start of that shift. Council also authorized the City to apply for a SAFER grant which, if approved, would allow the City to restore all five firefighter positions removed from the budget this year. The grant would be for a period of two years and the City would have to assess its financial capabilities at that time regarding adjustments to permanent staffing levels within the department.

I want to also thank Local #583 of the IAFF and all the Beloit Firefighters for their cooperation in finalizing this agreement. Although there were some contentious moments over the budget cuts and during the negotiations, in the end we were able to come together and the employees agreed to this settlement resulting in the daily manning increase noted above. Once again, the community owes a debt of gratitude to the firefighters for their willingness to collaborate with the City when important changes are necessary to positively impact service delivery.

CITY MEETING CALENDAR MARCH 12-16, 2012

Monday, March 12	4:30 p.m.	Appointment Review Committee , City Manager's Conference Room (K. Leavy and J. Van De Bogart)
Tuesday, March 13	4:00 p.m.	Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee , Forum (D. Luebke)
Tuesday, March 13	Cancelled	Board of Appeals , Forum
Wednesday, March 14	6:30 p.m.	Parks, Recreation, and Conservation Advisory Council , 2351 Springbrook Ct. (S. De Forest)
Thursday, March 15,	3:00 p.m.	Consul General of Mexico , 500 Public Ave. (All Councilors)

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

Beloit Public Library offers many events for youth, teens and adults. Please click [\[here\]](#) for more information.

Saturday, March 10	8:00 p.m.	Moonlight Bowl Fund Raiser for the Beloit Fire Department Honor Guard, Viking Lanes, 210 Oak Grove Avenue. Please see attached for more information.
Tuesday, March 13	5:30 p.m.	85th Annual Greater Beloit Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner , The Eclipse Center, 100 Eclipse Center, Beloit. Please click here for more information.
Friday, March 16	6:00 p.m.	St. Patty's Gala Dinner and Auction to benefit the Beloit Historical Society. Please see attached for more information.
Friday, March 16	7:00 p.m.	Skatin' to the Oldies , Edwards Ice Arena at Telfer Park. Please see attached for more information
Saturday, March 16	10:00 a.m.	Rise and Shine , Rotary Center. Friends of Riverfront, Visit Beloit and Downtown Beloit Association will announce their schedules for the upcoming year, show highlights of the previous year, and present the Pat Jones Silver Trowel Award. FREE event.

**CITY OF BELOIT
APPOINTMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE
NOTICE AND AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
Monday, March 12, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.
City Manager's Conference Room
4th Floor, City Hall**

1. Roll Call
2. Minutes – Regular meeting February 13, 2012
3. Review of applicants for the following vacancies with recommendations to City Council:

Appointment Review Committee

1 resident (Threinen) – term to expire December 31, 2014

Board of Ethics

1 resident (Stephens) – term to expire December 31, 2014

1 resident (Murry) – term to expire December 31, 2014

1 former City Councilor – term to expire December 31, 2013

Community Development Authority

1 resident (Nee) – term to expire December 31, 2015

Disabled Parking Enforcement Assistance Council

1 resident (Ware) – term to expire October 31, 2012

1 resident (Johnson) – term to expire October 31, 2013

Municipal Golf Committee

1 Youth (Sennett) – term to expire December 31, 2012

Municipal Library Board

1 resident (Seitz) – term to expire June 30, 2013

Park, Recreation & Conservation Advisory Commission

1 youth (Patel) – term to expire September 30, 2012

Traffic Review Committee

1 resident (Fryar) – term to expire September 30, 2013

4. Member Participation
5. Citizen Participation
6. Adjournment

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**NOTICE & AGENDA
ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE CONTROL COMMITTEE**

Beloit City Hall - The Forum
100 State Street, Beloit, WI
March 13, 2011 - 4:00 p.m.

1. Roll call
2. Motion for approval of minutes of the regular meeting of December 13, 2011.
3. Consideration of a Change of Agent for MF Oil, Inc. d/b/a Beloit Citgo, 1888 Shopiere Road, to Parvinder Singh.
4. Consideration of a New Class "A" Beer License for Profuel Seven, Inc., d/b/a Beloit Citgo, 1888 Shopiere Road, Parvinder Singh, Agent.
5. Consideration of a Retail License Transfer of Class "B" Beer and "Class C" Wine License of Nikki's Café of Beloit, LLC, Lloyd M. Smith, Agent, 604 Pleasant Street., Suite 140. to 431 East Grand Avenue.
6. Consideration of a Class "B" Beer and "Class C" Wine License for La Kebrada Restaurant, Corp., Eduardo Cobos, Agent, 2648 Prairie Avenue.
7. Consideration of an Application for Amendment of "Class B" Fermented Malt Beverage & Intoxicating Liquor License for an outdoor premise extension for Kline's Club 88, David Kline, Sr., Agent, 65 Portland Avenue in compliance with Conditional Use Permit approved by the City Council on February 20, 2012.
8. Consideration of a Class "A" Beer License for Tristar Beloit LLC, d/b/a Star Quick Mart, Narendra Patel, Agent, 2158 Prairie Avenue.
9. Consideration of Class "A" Beer License for Liberty Gas Inc., d/b/a Liberty Gas, Gurcharan Singh, Agent, 1407 Liberty Avenue.
10. Citizen Comments
11. Committee Comments

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Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee

12. Police Department Comments

13. Attorney Comments

14. Motion to Adjourn

March 7, 2012
Rebecca S. Houseman
City of Beloit City Clerk

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Appeals Members

FROM: Drew Pennington, Director of Planning & Building Services

DATE: March 7, 2012

SUBJECT: Cancellation of Board of Appeals Meeting

Since no applications have been submitted, the regularly scheduled **March 13, 2012** meeting of the Board of Appeals has been cancelled. The next Board of Appeals meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 10, 2012.

Please contact me at (608) 364-6711 or penningtond@ci.beloit.wi.us if you have any questions or require more information.

cc: City Clerk's Office
City Manager's Office
Media

PARKS, RECREATION, AND CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2012
6:30PM
DPW OPERATIONS CENTER
2351 SPRINGBROOK COURT, БЕЛОIT, WI

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AGENDA

- 1.) Call to Order
- 2.) Review Minutes of: February 8, 2012
- 3.) Citizens Participation
- 4.) Special Presentation: Beloit-Janesville Bike Trail Master Plan
Presented by: Blake Theisen, SAA Design Group
- 5.) Director's Report
 - a.) Correspondence
 - b.) Parks Report
 - c.) Horticulture Report
 - d.) Grinnell Hall Senior Center Report
 - e.) Special Projects
 - f.) Leisure Services/Recreation Report
- 6.) Old Business - None
- 7.) New Business – Action Report Item
 - a.) Review and discussion of the Ken Hendricks Monument and consideration of installing it in Wootton Park.
 - b.) Consideration of adopting a Resolution Supporting the Beloit-Janesville Bike Trail Master Plan.
 - c.) Discussion and consideration of Honoring former Parks Patrol employee Tina Lomax by retiring her Patrol Badge.
- 8.) Committee Members Comments
- 9.) Adjournment

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

- * *Commissioners unable to attend are encouraged to contact Brian Ramsey @ 608/364-2919 or Matilda Purifoy @ 608/364- 2929 prior to the meeting.*
- ** *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 or to request this service, please contact the Parks & Leisure Services Division located at 2351 Springbrook Court, Beloit, WI 53511 or by calling 608/364-2929.*



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PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Beloit City Council will meet with the Consul General of Mexico, Mr. Eduardo Arnal Palomera, on Thursday, March 15, 2012 at 3:00 p.m. at Vision Beloit, 500 Public Avenue, Beloit, Wisconsin 53511. The purpose of this meeting is to introduce the Council and the Consul General and discuss the services that the Mexican Consulate in Chicago provides to the Mexican community in the area. A quorum of City Councilors may be present.

Larry N. Arft, City Manager

Dated: March 12, 2012
Rebecca S. Houseman
City Clerk
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2011 HONOR GUARD EVENTS

- * Partnered with the Department of Military Affairs to honor our Veterans by welcoming them back from Vets Roll.
- * Assisted the American Legion by revitalizing statues and gravestones at Oakwood cemetery.
- * Provided continued support for the region by assisting other Fire and EMS agencies.
 - * Assisted two families during their time of loss by providing Honor Guard support
 - * Participated in two local parades
 - * Memorial Day
 - * Christmas
- * Stateline Firefighters' Memorial in Roscoe
- * Participated in 10-year remembrance of 9-11 at Town of Beloit FD
- * Hero's Challenge Champions in Greenbay Wisconsin
- * Two Culvers Scoopie nights



The Honor Guard continues to serve the area fire departments with Duty, Pride, and Tradition.

1111 Church Street
Beloit, WI 53511

CITY OF БЕЛОИТ FIREFIГHTERS
HONOR GUARD, INC.

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6th annual
moonlight bowl
fund raiser

SATURDAY
MARCH 10, 2012



Viking Lanes
210 Oak Grove Avenue
South Beloit, IL 61080
Check in 8:00 –9:00 pm

CITY OF БЕЛОIT FIREFIGHTERS HONOR GUARD, INC.

Duty, pride, and tradition are words the City of Beloit Firefighters do not take for granted. In its sixth year of existence, the City of Beloit Firefighters Honor Guard continues to progress and is now prominently known for its professionalism and dedication to the fire service and Stateline Area.

The City of Beloit Firefighters Honor Guard includes fifteen dedicated



individuals whom volunteer their time for service at firefighter funerals (active and retiree), parade activities, Military Veteran functions, along with a host of civic and community events. It is the dedication and pride of its membership which makes this the professional organization it has become.

All training, uniforms, and equipment for use at these functions are



purchased and maintained through fundraising activities, donations, or purchased by the members.

6TH ANNUAL MOONLIGHT BOWL

Free beer for bowlers starting at 8:00 pm!



Drink Specials!



Door prizes given away all night long!



REGISTRATION FORM

Team 1

Name 1 _____ Name 2 _____

Team 2

Name 1 _____ Name 2 _____

Team 3

Name 1 _____ Name 2 _____

\$25 per team. Shoes are free.

Amount Paid _____

LANES FILL FAST!!! SIGN UP ASAP!!!

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

**Registration form and fee must be received by
Monday March 5, 2011**

Entries are on a "first come, first serve" basis

Two people required per team

If you are unable to attend and would like to donate please call us at (608)364-2900

**CITY OF БЕЛОIT FIREFIGHTERS
HONOR GUARD, INC.**

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Beloit, WI 53511

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Fax: 608-364-2925



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E-Mail: pkerr@beloithistoricalsociety.com Website: www.beloithistoricalsociety.com

PRESS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

Date: February 8, 2012

Contact Information: Nancy Wallace 608-364-0060

Email: 26e10@charter.net

BELOIT, WI – The Beloit Historical Society is hosting an exciting event on Friday, March 16, 2012 at La Casa Grande in Beloit. The “Gala Dinner & Auction” features a live auction with well-known auctioneer Rich Ranft. Tickets are \$50 per person and include dinner, complimentary drink, raffle ticket for prizes and free admission to the live auction. All proceeds benefit the Beloit Historical Society. This event only takes place once every two years on the Friday prior to St. Patrick’s Day. You won’t want to miss it!

One item in particular being auctioned during the live auction will interest quite a few people in attendance – an autographed guitar from Lindsey Buckingham of Fleetwood Mac. Also included are weekend getaways to Milwaukee and Door County, a one-of-a-kind gold necklace from famous New York artist Robert Lee Morris, and much more! Tickets are limited. Go to the website at www.beloithistoricalsociety.com and scroll down to the Gala link for more information and to purchase tickets online.

END

PUBLIC SKATE SCHEDULE

Friday 7 -10:00 p.m. Oct 14-Mar 16
Saturday 2 - 4:00 pm Oct 15-Feb 11
Sunday 2 - 4:00 pm Oct 16-Feb 19

PLEASE NOTE: NO SATURDAY OR SUNDAY PUBLIC SKATE IN MARCH

CLOSURES:

November 24 - Thanksgiving
December 24 - Christmas Eve
December 25 - Christmas
December 31 - New Year's Eve
January 1 - New Year's Day

Additional School Break Skating Dates:

(2:00-3:30 p.m.)

Friday	October 21
Thursday	October 27
Friday	October 28
Wednesday	November 23
Wednesday	December 14
Thursday	December 22
Wednesday	January 11
Monday	January 16
Friday	January 20
Wednesday	February 8
Wednesday	March 14

BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Have your Birthday Party at the Ice Rink.
The package offers:
Admission and skate rental for up to 15 guests.
We will provide the party with:
2 large one topping pizza's
(you choose your topping)
2-2 liters of soda
Paper plates, napkins, cups, and forks.
The birthday room in the Mezzanine or Conference Room is available during Public Skate hours:
Friday nights from 7-10, through March and Saturday and Sundays 2 - 4:00pm. through February 11th.
Birthday Package - \$135.00

INTRO TO ICE SKATING

This program is for kids that are looking to learn the basics of Ice Skating.

Program Dates/Times: Choose

Saturdays or Sundays from 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Session 1:(Saturday Only) Oct 22nd, Oct 29th,
November 5th, 12th, 19th 26th.

Session 2:(Sunday only) October 23rd, 30th,
November 6th, 13th, 20th, and 27th

Session 3:(Saturdays Only) January 7th, 14th,
21st, 28th, February 4th, and 11th

Session 4:(Sundays Only) January 8th, 15th,
22nd, 29th, February 5th and 12th.

Program Fees:

W/ REC Card: 65.00 (per 6 week session)

W/O REC Card: 70.00 (per 6 week session)

Rental Skates included if needed.

Ages: 5 - 12

Questions or to Register please visit

City of Beloit Leisure Services

1003 Pleasant St.

608.364.2890

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2011-2012 Edwards Ice Arena Schedule



City of Beloit Parks &
Leisure Services Division

Edwards Ice Arena
2101 Cranston Rd.
Beloit, WI 53511

City of Beloit Leisure Services
1003 Pleasant St.
Beloit, WI 53511
608.364.2890

SPECIAL SKATES

Halloween Skate

Friday, October 28, 7:00–10:00 p.m.



We'll be waiting to greet all scary monsters with games, candy, costume contests and music. Free skate rental to those in costume. Regular admission fees apply.

Turkey Trot



Friday, November 18, 7:00-10:00 p.m. Come and celebrate Thanksgiving on ice! Experience the Turkey Dance, join the games, music and excitement. Bring a non-perishable food item with you for free skate rental. Regular admission fees apply.

Yuletide Glide



Friday, December 16, 7:00-10:00 p.m. Skate to Christmas carols. Bring a nonperishable food item for free skate rental. Regular admission fees apply.

Chills, Spills, and Thrills



Friday, January 27, 7:00-10:00 p.m.

As part of this year's Winterfest activities, come out and enjoy the winter wonderland with music. Regular admission and rental fees apply.

Heartthrob Holiday



Friday, February 10, 7:00-10:00 p.m.

Bring your sweetheart for a whirl on the ice. Games, candy and music provided. 2-for-1 skate rental. Regular admission fees apply.

Skatin' To The Oldies



Friday, March 16, 7:00-10:00 p.m.

Join in the retro craze! 60/70/80's costume contest and prizes, games and music. Free skate rental for costumes. Regular admission fees apply.



2011-2012 Prices w/ REC Card

Youth (17 and Under)	\$4.50
Adult	\$5.00
Family (of 4)	\$12.00
Youth Season Pass	\$32.00
Adult Season Pass	\$37.00
Family Season Pass (OF 4)	\$80.00
Skate Rental	\$4.00

Without REC Card

Youth (17 and Under)	\$5.00
Adult	\$6.00
Family (of 4)	\$17.00
Youth Season Pass	\$37.00
Adult Season Pass	\$43.00
Family Season Pass (OF 4)	\$90.00
REC Card	\$6.00
REC Cards (Family of 4)	\$20.00

If you are a City of Beloit resident:

Purchase your REC Card in order to get resident rates on daily admission fees for the ice arena. The cost is \$6.00 each or \$20.00 for a family of 4, over 4 add \$6.00 each. You can purchase your REC Card at the City of Beloit Leisure Services Office Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 2:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.. Season passes are also available for purchase at this time. Please bring your drivers license, State ID, or utility bill. REC Cards can be renewed at no charge each year as long as you have the card. It is also good for resident rates at the Krueger Pool (in season).