



THE BELOIT REPORT

CONTINUING ITS RESURGENCE AS A GEM OF THE ROCK RIVER VALLEY

CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

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Special points of interest:

- **Community Events**
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KRUEGER POOL OPENS THIS SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2013

The Krueger Municipal Pool will open Saturday June 8. Swim hours for Monday—Friday are noon to 5:30 p.m. and on Saturday and Sunday the facility will be open from Noon—6:00 p.m. The pool is also available for rental during the summer evenings and, of course, the Krueger Swim Team and Water Aerobics programs will be ongoing again this year. For more information on season passes, Krueger Swim Team, swim lessons, water aerobics and pool rentals, please contact Spencer Waite at 608-364-2890 Ext. 2 or visit the website at www.ci.beloit.wi.us.

GOT ART! EVENT

Just a reminder that the "Got Art!" event is scheduled for June 5th -15th. A number of arts related events are scheduled to occur throughout the City of Beloit. For more information on Got Art! and the events that will be sponsored during that period of time please visit www.friendsofriverfront.com/

BUDGET PREPARATION UPDATE

Departments and divisions continue to work on their submittals for the 2014 Operating Budget. The Capital Projects Review Committee completed their work on the 2014 element of the Capital Spending Plan last week and will be meeting later in the summer to validate that the project's selected will continue to fit within that capacity of parameters for next year.

Actual review of the Operating Budget will not begin until the early July, the next public meeting regarding the 2014 Budget preparation process is a workshop scheduled with City Council for **Monday, June 17 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.**, prior to the regularly scheduled City Council meeting.

GRINNELL HALL SENIOR CENTER UPDATE

I was honored to be invited to join the seniors for lunch at Grinnell Hall this past Monday. The hot meal program is excellent, with very high quality, nutritious food and eligible seniors in the community who have an interest should contact Grinnell Hall at 364-2875.

Following lunch, we toured the entire facility and I was very pleased with some of the changes that Paula Schutt, the new Senior Center Director, has underway. The recent transition process with the changes in Center Directors has gone extremely well and we were happy to see the continued growth and development of one of the City's most successful senior services.

CUNNINGHAM SCHOOL GROUND BREAKING

This past Wednesday at noon, I joined School Superintendent Steve McNeal and School Board President Shannon Scharmer at the groundbreaking ceremony for the new Cunningham School addition. Cunningham is the last of the existing buildings to begin the reconstruction

process. A substantial building addition, along with related site improvements will be completed, substantially expanding the capacity of the Cunningham campus. Once again, there was a very enthusiastic crowd of students, parents, staff and interested neighbors present for the event.

CITY CENTER COMMITTEE CONTINUES PLANNING AND CONNECTIONS ACTIVITIES

The City Center Committee met this past Thursday morning and continued their planning and coordination of various City Center improvement projects in both Beloit and South Beloit. Following the meeting, a number of the members actually toured the confluence site, viewing the potential for the anticipated future development of this site as a park to permanently preserve the Turtle Creek/Rock River confluence, which has played such a prominent role in the City's history.

FIRST MAJOR RECONSTRUCTION ON THE I-39/90 CORRIDOR TO BEGIN NEXT WEEK

On Thursday, June 13, we have been invited to join a number of State, County and other municipal officials at the ground breaking ceremony for the Hwy. 11/Racine Avenue interchange on I-39/90. This interchange, located in the City of Janesville, is actually the first major piece of infrastructure to undergo reconstruction along the 39/90 corridor. The entire interchange will be rebuilt, including the use of traffic circles to facilitate safe turning movements coming on and off the highway.

VACANCIES ON CITY COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS

Residents of Beloit are encouraged and welcome to volunteer to serve on municipal advisory committees. By participating, you will have a voice in helping to make the community an even better place to live. [Attached](#) is an application form and more information on each committee. At the present time, we are looking for volunteers to fill vacancies on the following:

- Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee
- Appointment Review Committee
- Board of Appeals
- Board of Ethics
- Board of Review (Alternate)
- Business Improvement District (Owner Occupant)
- Community Development Authority (Public Housing resident)
- Equal Opportunities & Human Relations Commission
- Municipal Golf Committee (Youth)
- Park, Recreation & Conservation Advisory Commission (Youth)
- Plan Commission
- Traffic Review Committee

CITY MEETING CALENDAR— JUNE 10-14, 2013

Monday, June 10	4:30 p.m.	Appointment Review Committee , City Manager's Conf. Room (C. Haynes and M. Spreitzer)
Tuesday, June 11	4:00 p.m.	Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee , Forum (K. Leavy)
Tuesday, June 11	Cancelled	Board of Appeals
Wednesday, June 12	6:30 p.m.	Parks, Recreation & Conservation Advisory Commission , DPW Operations Center, 2351 Springbrook Ct. (S. De Forest)

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.

Beloit Snappers season is underway! Please click [\[here\]](#) to view their website for game schedules, special promotions, and more.

Beloit Farmers Market every Saturday through October, 300 block of State Street, 400 block of East Grand Ave. and the Gantry Area. Produce, jams, honey, baked goods, fish, meet, flowers and more!

Fridays in the Park free Summer concert series every Friday through the end of August. Gantry Park in downtown Beloit, 11:30—1:30 p.m. Lunch available for purchase, \$6.

June 5—15 **7th Annual Edge of the Rock Plein Air Painting Events.** Please see <http://www.friendsofriverfront.com/>

**CITY OF BELOIT
MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE SYSTEM**

BOARDS

Appeals
Ethics
Municipal Library
Review (Assessments)

COMMITTEES

Alcohol Beverage License
Control & Advisory
Appointment Review
Municipal Golf
Traffic Review

COMMISSIONS

Equal Opportunities and
Human Relations
Landmarks
Park, Recreation &
Conservation
Plan
Police & Fire

OTHER BODIES

Business Improvement
District (Downtown
Beloit Association)
Community
Development Auth.

Descriptions of their respective functions and membership qualifications, where applicable, are given below:
Please note that meetings may be cancelled or rescheduled. See specific posted agenda for details.

ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE CONTROL & ADVISORY COMMITTEE - Recommends action to City Council regarding liquor licensing. Meet on 2nd Tuesday of the month at 4:00 p.m. in the Forum, City Hall. Members must be over legal drinking age. Term: 3 years.

APPOINTMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE - Recommends to City Council nominees for vacancies on municipal committees. Meets monthly at 4:30 p.m. on 2nd Monday in Manager's Conference Room. Term: 3 years.

BOARD OF APPEALS - Hears and acts upon variances to the zoning and floodplain ordinances and appeals of administrative decisions regarding enforcement of the zoning and floodplain ordinances. Meets monthly at 7:00 p.m. on the 2nd Tuesday in the Forum, City Hall. Term: 3 years.

BOARD OF ETHICS - Hears charges against the conduct of public employees and recommends local Ethics Code amendments. Meets on notice except annual meeting 3rd Thursday in January. Term: 3 years.

BOARD OF REVIEW - Sets tax assessment roll and hears property valuation disputes. Meets annually at 10:00 a.m. on 2nd Monday in May in the Forum. Term: 5 years.

BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (DOWNTOWN BELOIT ASSOCIATION) - Implements the operating plan for the development, redevelopment, maintenance, operation and promotion of the downtown business improvement district. The annual plan and changes are submitted to the City Council for approval. Meets monthly at 8:00 a.m. on the 4th Thursday at 500 Public Ave. Term: 3 years.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY Plans and implements economic redevelopment and housing initiatives; oversees the operations of the public housing office. Meets monthly at 4:30 p.m. on 4th Wednesday at Beloit City Hall Forum, 100 State Street. Term: 4 years.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES & HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION - Created to improve the quality of life by the elimination of racism in the Beloit community. Encourages compliance with municipal, state and federal laws providing for equal opportunities in housing, employment public accommodations and education. Studies and recommends solutions to local social, economic and cultural problems to ensure equal opportunities for all people residing or working in the City of Beloit. Meets at 5:30 p.m. on the 3rd Wednesday of each even-numbered month. Term: 3 years.

LANDMARKS COMMISSION Designates historic landmarks and regulates construction in historic districts. Members: 1 City Councilor; 1 representative from the Bluff St. or Merrill St. Historic District; 1 rep from the College Park/Near East Side Historic District; 1 rep each with expertise in construction, real estate and history/archeology and 2 citizens at large. Meets monthly as needed on the 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in the Forum. Term: 3 years.

MUNICIPAL GOLF COMMITTEE - Reviews the operations, maintenance and financing of the Municipal Golf Course and makes recommendations regarding operation of the same. Meets on the 3rd Wed. of the months of March through October at 4:00 p.m. Term: 3 years (1 year for youth rep.).

MUNICIPAL LIBRARY BOARD - Sets library policies; monitors finances; employs staff. Meets monthly at 4:00 p.m. on 3rd Wednesday at Beloit Public Library, 605 Eclipse Blvd. Term: 3 years.

PARK, RECREATION & CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMISSION - Recommends action regarding parks, recreation programs and facilities use as well as local conservation issues. Meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the DPW, 2351 Springbrook Ct. Term: 3 years.

PLAN COMMISSION - Produces master plan regulating physical community development; recommends action on zoning, subdivision and planning. Meets bimonthly in Forum at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays following Council meetings. Term: 3 years.

POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSION - Hears disputes regarding Police and Fire Depts; recruits and employs staff. Meets monthly at 5:00 p.m. on 4th Monday in the Forum or other designated area. Term: 5 years. (Supplemental application necessary, please contact City Manager's Office, 364-6614.)

TRAFFIC REVIEW COMMITTEE - Studies traffic conditions in the City and makes recommendations to City Council on local traffic-related issues. Meets monthly at 1:30 p.m. on 4th Monday in Manager's Conference Room. Term: 2 years.

Please complete an application and **return it to the Appointment Review Committee, c/o City Manager's Office, City Hall 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511-6234**

Revised February 4, 2013

APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT

Would You Like to Serve in Beloit's Municipal Committee System?

The Municipal Committee System is a way for citizens to take part in city government and local decision making. **All applications will be kept in an active file for 2 years.** After that time we encourage you to complete a new application. Please note that by City Ordinance, it is not possible to serve on more than one committee at a time.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS [HOME]: _____

PHONE [HOME]: _____ **E-MAIL:** _____

OCCUPATION: _____ **EMPLOYER:** _____

WORK PHONE: (____) _____ **ADDRESS:** _____

How long have you been a resident of the City of Beloit? _____

MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE PREFERENCES: (see attached summary of committees)

1st Choice: _____ **2nd Choice:** _____

3rd Choice: _____ **4th Choice:** _____

WORK EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION: pertaining to choices above.

PREVIOUS COMMITTEE EXPERIENCE OR AFFILIATIONS: (City, School, Church and Social clubs) Include dates and a brief description of each.

According to the City Ordinances: No person may be appointed to the committee if any member of that person's family is a municipal employee whose job is affected, directly or indirectly, by the work of the committee. Family is defined as: mother, father, spouse, brother, sister and natural or adopted son or daughter. Therefore, we need to ask the following question:

Is any member of your family (as listed above) a City employee? YES _____ (please list below) NO _____

NAME

DEPARTMENT

List any additional information you feel is relevant to your application for appointment to the Beloit Municipal Committee System.

If you are appointed to serve, please be aware that Wisconsin State Statutes require you to take an Oath of Office and file a Statement of Economic Interest before attending your first meeting.

OPTIONAL INFORMATION

The City of Beloit is a very diverse community comprised of people from all ages; social, educational and economic levels; racial and ethnic groups; religious faiths; and lifestyles. The Appointment Review Committee seeks to promote greater participation of persons from those segments of the community currently under represented throughout Beloit's Municipal Committee System. In an effort to achieve that goal, the following supplementary information is requested:

GENDER: Please Check One

Male Female

AGE: _____

RACE/ETHNIC GROUP: Please Check One

White/Caucasian

Black/African-American

Hispanic/Latino

Asian-American/Pacific Islanders

Native American Indian/Alaskan Native

Other:

Thank you very much for taking the time to complete this application for appointment. Your interest in participating in the Municipal Committee System is greatly appreciated. **If you have any question, please contact us at (608) 364-6614. Return application to Appointment Review Committee, c/o City Manager's Office, 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511.**



**APPOINTMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE
NOTICE AND AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
Monday, June 10, 2013 at 4:30 p.m.
City Manager's Conference Room
4th Floor, City Hall**

1. Roll Call
2. Minutes – Regular meeting May 13, 2013
3. Consideration and review of existing and upcoming vacancies (July, 2013)
4. Review of City Council appointments May 20, 2013
5. Review of applicants for the following vacancies with recommendations to City Council:

Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee

- 1 resident (Marsden) – term to expire June 30, 2014
- 1 resident (Berkley) – term to expire June 30, 2015

Appointment Review Committee

- 1 resident (Forbes) – term to expire December 31, 2013
- 1 resident (Reidenbach) – term to expire December 31, 2015

Board of Appeals

- 1 resident (Zibert) – term to expire May 31, 2016
- 1 resident, 1st Alternate – term to expire May 31, 2014
- 1 resident, 2nd Alternate – term to expire May 31, 2015

Board of Ethics

- 1 resident (Fox) – term to expire December 31, 2015
- 1 resident (Biester) – term to expire December 31, 2015
- 1 resident (Murry) – term to expire December 31, 2014
- 1 former City Councilor – term to expire December 31, 2013

Board of Review

- 1 resident, Alternate (Zoril) – term to expire December 31, 2014

Business Improvement District

- 1 Owner Occupant (Reynolds) – term to expire December 31, 2013

Community Development Authority

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

Equal Opportunities and Human Relations Commission

- 1 resident (Siatos) – term to expire June 30, 2016
- 1 resident (Lawrence) – term to expire June 30, 2016
- 1 resident (Valdez) – term to expire June 30, 2016
- 1 resident (Finnegan) – term to expire June 30, 2016

Municipal Golf Committee

- 1 Youth (Sennett) – term to expire December 31, 2013

Municipal Library Board

- 1 resident (McKevett) – term to expire June 30, 2016
- 1 resident (Johnson) – term to expire June 30, 2016
- 1 resident (Milsap-Morrow) – term to expire June 30, 2016

Park, Recreation & Conservation Advisory Commission
1 youth (Patel) – term to expire September 30, 2013

Plan Commission
1 resident (Smith) – term to expire April 30, 2015

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

6. Member Participation
7. Citizen Participation
8. Adjournment

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

Beloit City Hall - The Forum
100 State Street, Beloit, WI
June 11, 2013 - 4:00 p.m.

1. Roll call
2. Motion for approval of the minutes of the meeting of May 14, 2013.
3. Change of Agent for Domenico's Pizza & Restaurant, Inc., 547 East Grand Avenue, from Cindy Ross to Nathan D. Lipps for license period beginning July 1, 2013.
4. Change of Agent for Rockford Pizza, LLC, d/b/a Pizza Hut, 2787 Prairie Avenue, from Ryan Bennett to Juan Mendoza-Ochoa for license period beginning July 1, 2013.
5. New Class "B" Beer and Reserve "Class B" Liquor License for Hourglass Media, LLC, d/b/a The Castle, 501 Prospect Street, John Wittnebel, Agent for license period beginning July 1, 2013.
6. Renewal of Class "B" Beer and "Class C" Liquor License of Fraternal Order of Eagles #557, 302 State Street, new Agent Ronald Minnick.
7. Consideration of a recent increase in police calls for service at Turtle Tap, 1344 East Grand Avenue, Curtis Brannon, Agent, Police Reports 13-2816, 13-2828, and 13-3385
8. Consideration of incidents at Adiktion, 1310 Cranston Road, Jaime Hernandez, Agent, Police Incident Report #13-2818 on May 3, 2013 and an incident of shots fired in the parking lot during the early morning hours of May 12, 2013.
9. Citizen Comments
10. Committee Comments
11. Police Department Comments
12. Attorney Comments
13. Motion to Adjourn

June 5, 2013
Rebecca Houseman LeMire
City of Beloit City Clerk

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Appeals Members

FROM: Drew Pennington, Director of Planning & Building Services

DATE: June 4, 2013

SUBJECT: Cancellation of Board of Appeals Meeting

Since no applications have been submitted, the regularly scheduled **June 11, 2013** meeting of the Board of Appeals has been cancelled. The next Board of Appeals meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 9, 2013.

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

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

PARKS, RECREATION, AND CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, June 12, 2013
6:30PM
DPW OPERATIONS CENTER
2351 SPRINGBROOK COURT, БЕЛОIT, WI

AGENDA

- 1.) Call to Order
- 2.) Review Minutes of: May 8, 2013
- 3.) Citizens Participation

- 4.) Director's Report
 - a.) Correspondence
 - b.) Parks Report
 - c.) Horticulture Report
 - d.) Grinnell Hall Senior Center Report
 - e.) Leisure Services/Recreation Report
 - f.) Special Projects

- 5.) Old Business - None

- 6.) New Business
 - a.) Review and consideration of a new building addition on the Pohlman Field Clubhouse in order to facilitate the new batting cage area for the Snappers.
 - b.) Review and consideration of support of a proposed City Resolution that would acknowledge July as National Parks and Recreation Month as designated by the National Parks & Recreation Association.

- 7.) Committee Members Comments
- 8.) Adjournment

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SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

- * *Commissioners unable to attend are encouraged to contact Brian Ramsey @ 608/364-2919 or the Parks Administrative Secretary @ 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*