



**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BELOIT CITY COUNCIL**  
**100 State Street, Beloit WI 53511**  
**Monday, February 16, 2015**

Presiding: Mark Spreitzer  
Present: Sheila De Forest, Charles M. Haynes, Regina Hendrix, Ana Kelly, and Chuck Kincaid  
Absent: David F. Luebke

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Forum at Beloit City Hall.
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY/ANNOUNCEMENTS
  - a. Vice President Haynes presented a proclamation celebrating the **10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Beloit International Film Festival** to Ron Nief, President of the BIFF Board of Directors. Mr. Nief thanked the City Council, the volunteers, and the community for their continued support. BIFF Marketing Director Kristin Peterson invited the Council and the public to the opening Block Party on February 20<sup>th</sup> in Downtown Beloit. File 7148
  - b. President Spreitzer indicated that he will present the **State of the City** Address at the meeting on March 2<sup>nd</sup>.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. Community Development Director Julie Christensen presented a resolution authorizing a **Conditional Use Permit** to allow indoor alcohol sales in a C-2, Neighborhood Commercial District, for the property located at 412 Liberty Avenue. It was noted that the Plan Commission recommended denial 4-2. Ms. Christensen said that the Police Department surveyed the neighborhood and found 14 area residents in favor of the use and 10 opposed. She indicated that the Plan Commission held a public hearing and recommended denial due to the residential nature of the neighborhood. Ms. Christensen said that the resolution is worded in the affirmative and that the conditions were recommended by staff. Councilor Spreitzer opened the public hearing.
  - Lufti Quotum, operator of Liberty Mart, 412 Liberty Avenue, said that he has a new piece of equipment that will help him differentiate between real and fake identification cards. He said that, if the CUP is approved, his dad will not work in the store.Councilor Spreitzer closed the public hearing. Councilor De Forest said that she appreciates the applicant's efforts but that she is concerned about the opposition of the 10 residents and the residential nature of the area. Councilor Haynes made a motion to adopt the resolution, and Councilor De Forest seconded. The motion failed by a vote of 0-6. File 8489

5. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION – none

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Councilor Haynes made a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda, which consists of items 6.a. through 6.e. Councilor Kelly seconded, and the motion carried that the Consent Agenda be accepted, approved, adopted, or referred and acted upon as required by state and local codes by a vote of 6-0.

- a. The **Minutes** of the regular meeting of February 2, 2015, were approved.
- b. The application for a **Conditional Use Permit** to allow an outdoor seating area and indoor and outdoor sales, possession and consumption of alcohol in a C-2, Neighborhood Commercial District and MRO, Milwaukee Road Overlay District, for the property located at 2747 Milwaukee Road (Buffalo Wild Wings), was referred to the Plan Commission. File 8229
- c. The proposed **Sale of Right-of-Way** to Rock County for the Inman Parkway Extension Project was referred to the Plan Commission. File 8558



- d. The resolution approving a **Relocation Order** for easements along Milwaukee Road Corridor to the City of Beloit was adopted. File 8463/8630
- e. The resolution approving a **Change of Agent** for Kline's Club 88, Inc., d/b/a Rooney's Pub and Grub, located at 65 Portland Avenue, from Kim M. Eggers to Glenda G. Kline, was adopted. File 8645

7. ORDINANCES – none

8. APPOINTMENTS

Councilor Spreitzer announced the openings and submitted the following appointments to City Committees, Boards, and Commissions for approval. Councilor De Forest made a motion to approve the appointments, and Councilor Hendrix seconded. The motion carried 6-0.

- a. **Community Development Authority:** David G. Baker for a term ending December 31, 2015. File 6054
- b. **Equal Opportunities Commission:** Jennifer L. Perreault for a term ending June 30, 2016. File 7465

9. COUNCILOR ACTIVITIES AND UPCOMING EVENTS

- Councilor De Forest said that she attended several community events and that she is looking forward to attending BIFF and the Beloit Transit System Open House events on February 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Councilor Kincaid said that he attended the Legislative meeting at the Beloit Public Library.
- Councilor Hendrix thanked the public for their support of the Minority Excellence Organization Soul Food Luncheon. She said that she attended several community events and is looking forward to BIFF.
- Councilor Kelly said that she attended several community events over the last two weeks.
- Councilor Haynes said that he presented at the Wisconsin Department of Transportation public hearing regarding the interstate interchange reconstruction project and that he is looking forward to BIFF.
- Councilor Spreitzer said that he attended several community events.

10. CITY MANAGER'S PRESENTATION

- a. Ms. Christensen presented an update on **Neighborhood Revitalization** Activities. Ms. Christensen and Community and Housing Services Director Teri Downing presented information regarding the City's Acquisition/Rehabilitation Program, the Acquisition/Demolition Program, and the Housing Rehabilitation Assistance Program. Councilor De Forest asked if the City is breaking even on the rehabilitated and sold properties, and Ms. Downing indicated that the program is in good financial shape and that these are investments in the homes and the community.
- b. Alex Blazer, Landmarks Commission Chairperson, presented the Annual **Landmarks Commission Report – 2014**. He thanked Planner Stephanie Hummel for creating the presentation. Councilor De Forest asked if the City works with individuals whose applications are denied. Mr. Blazer said that the Landmarks Commission provides advice to applicants and that most come back to the Commission with more appropriate applications.

11. REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND CITY OFFICERS – none

12. At 7:56 p.m., Councilor Hendrix made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Councilor De Forest seconded. The motion carried 7-0.

  
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Rebecca Houseman LeMire, City Clerk