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THE БЕЛОIT REPORT

CONTINUING ITS RESURGENCE AS THE GEM OF THE ROCK RIVER VALLEY

CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

BEЛОIT INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL A MAJOR SUCCESS

The expanded schedule for the Beloit International Film Festival seems to have been a major success. Preliminary numbers indicate that participation was up and many films played to sold out audiences. There was standing room only at the silent film presentation on Saturday evening. Our thanks and congratulations to the BIFF Board; Rod Beaudoin, Executive Director; and all the hundreds of volunteers who have made BIFF a success.

POLICE DEPARTMENT STUDY

The consulting firm of Hillard Heintze will be in the City next week for some preliminary meetings prior to the start of the Police Department's study and analysis recently authorized by City Council. They are still finalizing dates for the initial round of meetings and interviews, which will likely occur later this month.

I-39/90/I-43 RECONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Plans are now being finalized to submit the EA report to the Federal Highway Administration. We have another meeting of the planning committee next week to receive a full update on project activities.

BEЛОIT TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The Beloit Transit System is in the process of developing a five-year plan. The primary goals of the plan are to:

- Evaluate existing BTS service, as well as local population and employment characteristics
- Identify service needs and opportunities for improvement or expansion
- Develop alternatives that improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the system

After a recent open house to gather feedback on the Beloit Transit Development Plan, it was suggested an online survey be created. Please click on the link to participate in the survey:

www.surveymonkey.com/r/BeloitTDP

CITY MANAGER TO ATTEND WINTER WISCONSIN CITY/COUNTY MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

The City Manager will be gone for a portion of this week, attending the City Manager's Association Winter Conference in Pewaukee. In addition to a business meeting, a number of educational sessions are scheduled for Thursday and Friday.

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Because of the press of business, City Council will hold a **Special City Council Meeting on Monday, March 9, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Forum.** (agenda [attached](#))

2 & 3. The agenda will include creation of a governing **Board of Directors and Officers for the Gateway Business Park Association**, as well as a **Review Board for the Gateway Business Park Association**. The organization was created some time ago but since our private sector partner, MLG, owned most of the land, it was never activated. In 2012, the City bought out MLG's interest and among other things, became the declarant to appoint the initial board and the Board of Review related to Business Park activities. The primary purpose of the meeting will be to deal with a series of variances needed from the original covenants, which were created at the time the park was established and recorded to run with title to the land. The initial concept for the park was somewhat different and there are use restrictions that could impact the Pratt Industries project. There are also some height and area restrictions in the covenants which are more restrictive than City Ordinance standards. Many of those need to be waived in order for this project to go to construction. The actual waivers themselves will be considered by the Board of Review at a later meeting; however, as declarant, the "City" (meaning the City Council) must appoint these two boards so that the review process can begin.

It should also be noted that the waivers will not impact any City of Beloit Ordinances relative to land use and/or site or building plan review. The waivers will have the effect of eliminating development standards that were in excess of the City Code that could adversely impact the Pratt Industries proposed development.

4. The City's current contract for **Solid Waste Disposal Services** is set to expire on September 30, 2015. In searching for alternatives (there are very limited disposal options within a reasonable distance of the City of Beloit), discussions were opened with the City of Janesville, which operates a landfill in close proximity to the City of Beloit. Those negotiations were deemed successful by staff in that we received a much better price for disposal of our solid waste than we are getting from our current disposal site. Further, the distance is much closer to the City, generating a savings in the cost of time and hauling to access this disposal facility. This proposal and a staff analysis will be presented to the City Council at this meeting for their review and discussion. While this is a good deal for the City, both from a cost and proximity perspective, the City of Janesville has included in their proposal a note that they are not likely to participate in competitive bidding or Request for Proposal processes against private sector disposal sites. Consequently, if the City wishes to take advantage of this offer and the savings that it would generate, that would be done through an Intergovernmental Agreement as authorized by State law. If Council concurs with the proposal, an IGA will be drafted and submitted to Council, probably in April for final action.

CITY MEETING CALENDAR— MARCH 9—13, 2015

Monday, March 9	4:30 p.m.	Appointment Review Committee , City Manager's Conf. Room (M. Spreitzer and C. Haynes)
Monday, March 9	6:30 p.m.	Special City Council Meeting , Forum (All City Councilors)
Tuesday, March 10	4:00 p.m.	Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee , Forum (A. Kelly)
Tuesday, March 10	Cancelled	Board of Appeals , Forum
Wed., March 11	6:30 p.m.	Park, Recreation & Conservation Advisory Commission , 2351 Springbrook (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.

March 10		Greater Beloit Chamber of Commerce 88th Annual Dinner , The Eclipse Center, 3 Eclipse Blvd., Beloit. \$75 per person, RSVP no later than March 6th. www.greaterbeloitcommerce.org
	5:00—6:00 p.m.	Cocktails
	6:00—8:00 p.m.	Dinner and Program. Keynote speaker: Bob Lally.
March 13	7:00—9:00 p.m.	Skatin' to the Oldies Night at Edwards Ice Arena, 2101 Cranston Road. Wear a costume and receive a free skate rental! 60's through 80's music, costume contest. Regular admission prices apply.



NOTICE AND AGENDA

Special Meeting

Monday, March 9, 2015

6:30 p.m.

The Forum

City Hall – 100 State Street

Beloit, WI 53511

CALL OF MEETING OF CITY OF BELOIT COUNCIL
CITY OF BELOIT, WISCONSIN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in accordance with Section 2.02(3) of the City of Beloit Municipal Code of Ordinances, a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Beloit, Rock County, Wisconsin, is being called.

1. Roll Call
2. Resolution appointing **Board of Directors and Officers for the Gateway Business Park Association** (Janke)
3. Resolution appointing the **Review Board for the Gateway Business Park Association** (Janke)
4. Discussion of a proposal from the City of Janesville to provide **Solid Waste Disposal Services** for the City of Beloit (current contract expires September 30, 2015) (Boysen)
5. Adjournment

Larry N. Arft, City Manager

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**APPOINTMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE
NOTICE AND AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
Monday, March 9, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.
City Manager's Conference Room
4th Floor, City Hall**

1. Roll Call
2. Minutes – Regular meeting February 9, 2015
3. Consideration and review of existing and upcoming vacancies (March and April, 2015)
4. Review of City Council appointments February 16, 2015
5. Review of applicants for the following vacancies with recommendations to City Council:

Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee

1 resident (Metter) – term to expire June 30, 2017

Appointment Review Committee

1 resident (Jacobsen) – term to expire December 31, 2016

Board of Appeals

1 resident, 2nd Alternate – term to expire May 31, 2015

Board of Ethics

1 resident (Brown) – term to expire December 31, 2016
1 resident (Murry) – term to expire December 31, 2017
1 resident (Peterson) – term to expire December 31, 2017
1 former City Councilor – term to expire December 31, 2016

Board of Review

1 resident (Jessen) – term to expire December 31, 2019
1 resident, Alternate (Daskam) – term to expire December 31, 2019
1 resident, Alternate (Borgogni) – term to expire December 31, 2019

Community Development Authority

1 Public Housing Resident (G. Johnson) – term to expire December 31, 2018

Equal Opportunities Commission

1 resident (Valdez) – term to expire June 30, 2016

Municipal Golf Committee

1 resident (Lenz) – term to expire December 31, 2017

Park, Recreation & Conservation Advisory Commission

1 Youth (Charles) – term to expire September 30, 2015
1 resident (Geistwalker) – term to expire September 30, 2015

Traffic Review Committee

1 resident (Cole) – term to expire September 30, 2015

1 resident (Dowd) – term to expire September 30, 2016

6. Member Participation
7. Citizen Participation
8. Adjournment

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

Beloit City Hall –The Forum
100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511 Tuesday,
March 10, 2015 – 4:00 p.m.

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting of February 10, 2015.
3. Application for a Class “B” Beer and Reserve “Class B” Liquor License for The Local, LLC, d/b/a The Local Sports Bar and Grill, 443 East Grand Avenue, Michael C. Dutter, Agent.
4. Application for a Class “B” Beer and Reserve “Class B” Liquor License for Kyotai Corp., d/b/a Zen Sushi & Grill, 430 East Grand Avenue, Suite 101, Tai K. Park, Agent.
5. Citizen Comments
6. Committee Comments
7. Police Department Comments
8. Attorney Comments
9. Adjournment

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Appeals Members

FROM: Drew Pennington, AICP, Director of Planning & Building Services

DATE: March 5, 2015

SUBJECT: Cancellation of Board of Appeals Meeting

Since no applications have been submitted, the regularly scheduled **March 10, 2015** meeting of the Board of Appeals has been cancelled. The next Board of Appeals meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 14, 2015.

Please contact me at (608) 364-6711 or penningtond@beloitwi.gov if you have any questions or require more information.

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

PUBLIC MEETING

PARKS, RECREATION, AND CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2015

6:30PM

DPW OPERATIONS CENTER

2351 SPRINGBROOK COURT, BELOIT, WI

AGENDA

- 1.) Call to Order
- 2.) Review Minutes of: January 14, 2015
- 3.) Citizens Participation

- 4.) Old Business – None

- 5.) New Business
 - a.) Update(s) and review the plan for the new Bike Trail Path in Big Hill Park.
 - b.) Review and consideration of the marketing strategies of the City of Beloit Cemeteries.
 - c.) Review and consideration of removing the old swings in Big Hill Park.

- 6.) Director's Report
- 7.) Committee Members Comments
- 8.) Adjournment

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 calling 608/364-2929.*

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