



THE БЕЛОIT REPORT

CONTINUING ITS RESURGENCE AS THE GEM OF THE ROCK RIVER VALLEY

CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

CITY MANAGER ACTIVITIES

JULY 2, 2015

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Special points of interest:

- **City Council Meeting Agenda (page 2)**
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Internal Communications

- Continued one-on-one meetings with City Council members and staff, including a behind-the-scenes tour of the Beloit Public Library

Community Events/Functions

- Participated in the monthly Rock County Breakfast with various City and County officials
- Toured the Boys and Girls Club of Beloit and met with their Chief Professional Officer Fred Buggs and staff
- Met with nursing students from Edgewood College Nursing School who are working with Rock County Health Department and conducting research on substance abuse in community youth
- Looking forward to participating in the "Pops on the Rock" event the evening of July 4th

INDEPENDENCE DAY SCHEDULES

City offices will be closed on Friday, July 3rd in observance of Independence Day.

The Beloit Public Library, 605 Eclipse, and the Recycling Drop Off Center at 2351 Springbrook Court will be closed on Saturday, July 4 in observance of the Independence Day holiday.

The City of Beloit's Public Works Department advises residents that trash and recycling collection will be on schedule Friday, July 3, 2015. There will be no delay due to the Independence Day Holiday.

The Recycling Drop-Off Center located at 2351 Springbrook Court will be closed Saturday, July 4, 2015 in observance of the Independence Day Holiday.

SLOW-NO-WAKE DECLARED ON PORTIONS OF THE ROCK RIVER ON JULY 4TH

Rock County Sheriff Robert Spoden has declared a slow-no-wake speed restriction on the Rock River from the West Beloit Rock Town Line Road Bridge to the Portland Avenue Bridge on July 4 from 8:30 p.m. to midnight. Please see the [attached](#) press release for more information.

POPS ON THE ROCKS

The 4th of July celebration at Beloit's Riverside Park has become a tradition over the past 23 years. We are fortunate to enjoy the free musical offerings of the Rock River Philharmonic beginning at 7:30 p.m., followed by the beautiful fireworks display.

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS - MONDAY, JULY 6, 2015

The City Council will hold a **Workshop** in the City Hall Forum, 100 State Street at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, July 6, 2015. The purpose of the workshop is to discuss preparation of the City's **2016 Budget**.

The City Council will hold a **Workshop** in the Forum Conference Room at 6:30 p.m. to review the agenda of the regular 7:00 p.m. City Council meeting.

The attached **agenda** is for the **Monday, July 6, 2015** regular City Council meeting beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Forum.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. Resolution authorizing an amended **Conditional Use Permit** to allow expanded Contractor Office & Storage Yard uses in a DH, Development Holding District, for property located at 2100 Newark Road. The applicant has proposed the construction of a 3,000 square foot office and storage addition to an existing storage/shop building, along with temporary use of a converted manufactured home to be used as office space during the construction process. Since purchasing the property in 2014, the applicant has performed substantial clean-up. The Plan Commission reviewed this item and voted unanimously to recommend approval of the amended Conditional Use Permit, subject to conditions recommended by Planning staff.
- b. Resolution authorizing a **Conditional Use Permit** to allow a Rooming House in a C-1, Office District, for the property located at 1105 East Grand Ave. The applicant is seeking a permit to establish and operate a rooming house consisting of four sleeping rooms as well as one efficiency apartment to house a property supervisor. The City Council considered the application at a public hearing. The Plan Commission voted to recommend approval of the CUP, subject to conditions recommended by Planning staff.
- c. Public Hearing to Solicit Input on the Community Development, Housing, and Homeless needs in the City for inclusion in the **2016 Annual Action Plan** and Resolution approving 2016 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Local Funding Priorities. The City is in the process of preparing the 2016 Annual Action Plan for submittal to the Department of Housing and Urban Development to maintain eligibility for Community Development Block Grant funding. The Community Development Authority (CDA) board recommends that City Council approve funding priorities for inclusion in the 2016 CDBG application.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of the **Minutes** of the regular meeting of June 15, 2015 and the special meeting of June 22, 2015.
- b. Application for a **Class "A" Beer License** for Dave's Bait & Tackle, 901 Bayliss Avenue. This is a new business and the application will be referred to the Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee for review and recommendation.

- c. Resolution placing **Advisory Referendum** question on April 5, 2016 ballot. The City Clerk was served with a petition from “South Central Wisconsin Move to Amend” requesting an advisory referendum be placed on the April 5, 2016 ballot. The referendum question and information is included with the City Council Agenda packet, and available for review on the City’s website.
- d. Resolution setting a date for a public hearing for the **Vacation** of Tuck-A-Way Lane Right-of-Way in the City of Beloit. The Planning and Building Services Division received a petition to vacate Tuck-A-Way Lane, which is a 142-foot dead-end street intersecting with Claremont Drive at the northern edge of the Parkmeadow North subdivision. A developer has received preliminary approval to construct a 100-unit assisted living facility, and has proposed private driveways connected that development to both Claremont Drive and West Hart Road in lieu of the public street known as Tuck-A-Way Lane. This item will be referred to Plan Commission for their review and recommendation.
- e. Proposed Ordinance to amend Sections 30.17(1)(b)2, (b)3, (b)6 and (b)7a of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Beloit pertaining to **Electronically Variable-Message Signs**. Staff has drafted an Ordinance to amend four sections of the City’s Outdoor Sign Regulations. The purpose of the proposed amendments is to allow the Central Christian Church on Milwaukee Road to use an Electronically Variable-Message (EVM) sign to notify the public of programs at the church. This item will be referred to Plan Commission for their review and recommendation.

10. CITY MANAGER’S PRESENTATION

- a. Presentation “**Hearing Loops Program**”. Nick Dimassis, Library Director, will give a presentation and information on a grant awarded to several public libraries allowing public meeting rooms at the library to be fitted with a device to enhance the hearing experience for those who have hearing aids with T-coils.
- b. **2014 Audit Report**. The City of Beloit’s 2014 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) is available on the City’s website. Representatives from Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP will present their report on the audit to the City Council at the July 6, 2015 regular Council meeting. The information is also attached to the City Council agenda packet for this meeting, available on the City’s website.

CITY MEETING CALENDAR— JULY 6—11, 2015

Monday, July 6	5:30 p.m.	Workshop , Forum (All City Councilors)
Monday, July 6	6:30 p.m.	Agenda Review , Forum Conference Room (All City Councilors)
Monday, July 6	7:00 p.m.	City Council meeting , Forum (All City Councilors)
Wednesday, July 8	4:30 p.m.	Parks, Recreation and Conservation Advisory Commission Regular Meeting and Parks Tour, Edwards Center in Telfer Park, 2101 Cranston Road (All Councilors Invited)
Wednesday, July 8	7:00 p.m.	Plan Commission , Forum (C. Kincaid)

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.

Downtown Beloit Farmers' Market. Over 85 vendors every week and live music at Gantry Park in downtown Beloit. Every Saturday until the end of October. For more information, please contact the Downtown Beloit Association at 365-0150.

July 2	6:30 p.m.	Movie Night at Riverside Park "Big Lawn." Showing "The LEGO Movie" at dusk. Games before the movie, please bring a blanket or lawn chairs. FREE
July 3	7:00—9:00 p.m.	Music at Harry's Place , featuring Moonlight Jazz Orchestra, sponsored by Friends of RiverFront. FREE. Food and beverages available for purchase. This event is at the Harry Moore Pavilion, Riverside Park, Beloit.
July 4	9:00 a.m.	Mixed Doubles Tennis Tournament at Wootton Park, Beloit. Any age welcome, \$10 per team. Register at Beloit Leisure Services, 1003 Pleasant St., 364-2890.
July 4	9:30 a.m.	Pickleball Independence Day Celebration Tournament , Krueger Park Tennis Courts. \$20 per person, includes Jimmy John's lunch and water. 1st through 3rd place medals. Ages 18 and up. Register at Beloit Leisure Services, 1003 Pleasant St., 364-2890.
July 4	7:30 p.m.	Pops on the Rock , Riverside Park, Beloit. Free concert by the Rock River Philharmonic, followed by fireworks. Bring your lawn chair and/or blanket and join family and friends for an evening of patriotic music.
July 6	7:00 p.m.	Dancing at Harry's Place , Harry Moore Pavilion, Riverside Park, Beloit. FREE dance lessons every Monday through the end of August!

ROBERT D. SPODEN
ROCK COUNTY SHERIFF

BARBARA J. TILLMAN
CHIEF DEPUTY

NEWS RELEASE

Slow-No-Wake Declared on Rock River for 4th of July Celebration

For Immediate Release

July 2nd, 2015

Contact Person

Deputy Christopher Krahn
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Following discussions with officials from the City of Beloit and Town of Beloit, Sheriff Spoden is declaring a slow-no-wake speed restriction on the Rock River from the West Beloit Rock Town Line Road Bridge to the Portland Avenue Bridge on July 4 from 8:30 p.m. to midnight. This area of the Rock River becomes very chaotic and dangerous due to the large number of boats on the Rock River for the 4th of July fireworks celebration. The slow-no-wake restriction will insure all boaters are traveling at a safe speed before and after the event.

The Sheriff's Office and Town of Beloit Boat Patrol units will be on the water on July 4th, and will be enforcing safety violations including the slow-no-wake ordinance.

The Sheriff's Office is providing public notice of the Rock River's Fourth of July's slow-no-wake status. Deputies will place slow-no-wake signs along the river at all public access points between the West Beloit Rock Town Line Road Bridge and the Portland Avenue Bridge the morning of July 4.

Boat Safety Tips

- When boating between sunset and sunrise navigation lights must be displayed. Navigation lights must be functional and meet visibility requirements, as required by state law.
- Boats anchored are required to display a white light visible in all directions.
- No other lights (including docking lights) may be used which could be mistaken for or interfere with those required above.

For additional boating laws and requirements visit,
<http://dnr.wi.gov/files/PDF/pubs/LE/LE0301.pdf>

ROBERT D. SPODEN
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By: Deputy Christopher Krahn

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Beloit City Council will hold a **Workshop** on Monday, July 6, 2015 at **5:30** p.m. in the Forum, Beloit City Hall, 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511. The purpose of the workshop is to discuss preparation of the City's **2016 Budget**.

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Following this workshop, or at 6:30 p.m., the Council will hold another **Workshop** in the Forum Conference Room on the first floor of City Hall, to review the agenda of the 7:00 p.m. City Council Meeting

Lori S Curtis Luther, City Manager

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Dated: July 1, 2015
Lorena Rae Stottler
Deputy City Clerk
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**AGENDA
BELOIT CITY COUNCIL
100 State Street, Beloit WI 53511
City Hall Forum – 7:00 p.m.
Monday, July 6, 2015**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY/ANNOUNCEMENTS
4. PUBLIC HEARINGS
 - a. Resolution authorizing an amended **Conditional Use Permit** to allow expanded Contractor Office & Storage Yard uses in a DH, Development Holding District, for property located at 2100 Newark Road (Christensen)
Plan Commission recommendation for approval 7-0
 - b. Resolution authorizing a **Conditional Use Permit** to allow a Rooming House in a C-1, Office District, for the property located at 1105 East Grand Avenue (Christensen)
Plan Commission recommendation for approval 6-0-1
 - c. Public Hearing to Solicit Input on the Community Development, Housing, and Homeless needs in the City for Inclusion in the **2016 Annual Action Plan** and Resolution approving 2016 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Local Funding Priorities (Christensen)
5. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION
6. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the General Order of Business and considered at this point on the agenda.

- a. Approval of the **Minutes** of the regular meeting of June 15th and special meeting of June 22, 2015
- b. Application for a **Class "A" Beer License** for, Dave's Bait & Tackle, 901 Bayliss Avenue, David C. Huyck, Owner (Stottler) Refer to ABLCC
- c. Resolution placing **Advisory Referendum** question on April 5, 2016 Ballot (Stottler)
- d. Resolution setting a date for a public hearing for the **Vacation** of Tuck-A-Way Lane Right-of-way in the City of Beloit, Rock County, Wisconsin (Christensen) Accept and Refer to Plan Commission
- e. Proposed Ordinance to amend Sections 30.17(1)(b)2, (b)3, (b)6 and (b)7a of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Beloit pertaining to **Electronically Variable-Message Signs** (Christensen) Refer to Plan Commission

- 7. ORDINANCES – none
- 8. APPOINTMENTS – none
- 9. COUNCILOR ACTIVITIES AND UPCOMING EVENTS
- 10. CITY MANAGER’S PRESENTATION
 - a. Presentation “**Hearing Loops Program**” (Dimassis)
 - b. 2014 **Audit Report** (Miller)

11. REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND CITY OFFICERS

12. ADJOURNMENT

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<p>You can watch this meeting live on Charter PEG digital channel 992. Meetings are rebroadcast during the week of the Council meeting on Tuesday at 1:00 p.m.; Thursday at 8:30 a.m.; and Friday at 1:00 p.m.</p>
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PUBLIC MEETING

PARKS, RECREATION, AND CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 2015

4:30PM

EDWARDS CENTER IN TELFER PARK

2101 CRANSTON ROAD, BELOIT, WI 53511

AGENDA

- 1.) Call to Order
- 2.) Review Minutes: Postponed
- 3.) Citizens Participation
- 4.) Old Business - None
- 5.) New Business
 - a.) Review and consideration of the new Veterans Marker in Riverside Park as proposed by the Beloit American Legion.
 - b.) Review and consideration of the Rock River Bank Armoring Project as presented by the City of Beloit Engineering Division to place Rip Rap along the west bank of the Rock River from the dam to Liberty Avenue.
- 6.) Director's Report – Annual Parks Tour, 2015
- 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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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Parks, Recreation, and Conservation Advisory Commission will hold the **Annual Parks Tour** on Wednesday, July 8, 2015, beginning at 4:30 p.m. at Telfer Park-Edwards Pavilion, 2101 Cranston Road, Beloit WI 53511. The City Council has been invited to attend, and a quorum may be present. This is an information tour and no City business will be acted on at this event.

Lori S. Curtis Luther

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**MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA
Beloit City Plan Commission
Wednesday, July 8, 2015 at 7:00 PM
The Forum
Beloit City Hall, First Floor
100 State Street, Beloit**

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call**
- 2. Approval of the Minutes of the June 17, 2015 Meeting**
- 3. Sign Ordinance Amendment – Allowing EVM Signs in C-1 and PLI Zoning Districts**
Public hearing, review and consideration of an Ordinance to amend Sections 30.17(2)(b)2, (b)3, (b)6 AND (b)7a of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Beloit pertaining to Electronically Variable-Message Signs
- 4. Discussion of the Sign Ordinance Update**
- 5. Status Report on Prior Plan Commission Items**
- 6. Adjournment**

If you are unable to attend this meeting, please contact Ashley Rosenbaum in the Planning Office at 364-6700 **no later than 4:00 PM the day before the meeting.**

Notice Mailed: July 2, 2015

Approved: Julie Christensen, Community
Development Director

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