

CITY OF БЕЛОIT



THE БЕЛОIT REPORT

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CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

**January 13,
2017**

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from the Office of the
City Manager*

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CITY MANAGER ACTIVITIES

Meetings:

- Met with Council President David Luebke.
- Met with Councilor Mark Preuschl.
- Met with City Engineer Mike Flesch to discuss planning and implementation of the 2017 Capital Improvement Plan.
- Held one-on-one meetings with Fire Chief Liggett and Library Director Dimassis.

Activities:

- Along with Economic Development Director Andrew Janke, presented an update on city issues and economic development activities to the Greater Beloit Chamber of Commerce Ambassador's group.
- Presented an update on city issues and economic development activities to the noon Rotary Club.
- Participated in the Greater Beloit Economic Development Council Executive Committee meeting.
- Participated in School District of Beloit High School Campus Masterplan process.
- Participated in the Greater Beloit Chamber of Commerce Board meeting.

Special Note:

Friday, January 13, 2017 is Beloit City Treasurer Lillian Morrow's last day with the City, as she is retiring. Lil asked that we respect her wishes to have a quiet departure; however, I must take a moment to recognize her 42 years of service to the City and wish her well in her retirement. We'll miss you, Lil, and thank you for your dedication!

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY—JANUARY 16, 2017

In recognition of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, please be aware of the following upcoming events:

- **Saturday, January 14, 2017**—Blackhawk Technical College, 6004 S. County Rd. G, will sponsor an event to honor Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. through song, presentations, and more. "Advance the Dream" is scheduled to begin at 3:00 p.m.
- **Monday, January 16, 2017**—The City will host a table at the Beloit School District's Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Unity Banquet at the Eclipse Center, 3 Eclipse Blvd. beginning at 8:00 a.m. A quorum of Councilors may be present, see [Public Notice](#).
- **Monday, January 16, 2017**—Beloit College is sponsoring the 13th annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day Convocation, which will begin at 4:15 p.m. at Eaton Chapel, 700 College St. **This year's speaker will be Beloit City Councilor Regina Dunkin.**

BALLOT PLACEMENT FOR CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATES

Six candidates have been certified to appear on the ballot for the April 4, 2017 City Council election. A ballot placement drawing was held this week in the City Clerk's office and candidates names will appear in the following order (vote for 3):

- Clinton Anderson
- Rose Richard
- Nancy V. Forbeck
- Sherry Blakeley
- Ana Kelly
- Jeanette Hansen

PROTECT YOURSELF FROM UTILITY SCAMS

Harry Mathos, Director of Water Resources, reminds customers to always be on the alert for potential scams or other illegal activity. While we are not aware of any current utility scam attempts against residents or small businesses, to avoid being tricked in a utility scam, please remember the following:

- The Beloit Water Utility will contact you by mail if your account is overdue and your service is at risk of being terminated.
- If a caller demands a utility payment by prepaid debit card or wire transfer, it is a scam.
- Scammers can manipulate your caller ID display to show Beloit Water Utility's name or number when they call.
- If you are unsure of the status of your account, contact your service provider using the number listed on your recent water bill.

WINTERFEST ACTIVITIES PLANNED

Beloit Winterfest will take place the weekend of **January 27—29, 2017**. Both indoor and outdoor activities are planned for the whole family.

New this year will be ice sculpting at The Rock Bar and Grill, 101 Maple Ave. Master ice sculptor and professional wood carver Zoli Akacsos from Monroe, Wisconsin will work on four blocks of ice from noon to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 28th. A bonfire will keep you warm while you witness the creation of a masterpiece.

The Winterfest Favorite, FREE horse drawn sleigh rides at Big Hill Park, are scheduled for Sunday, January 29th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Some events require registration. Please see the [attached](#) schedule for more information.

BOARD OF REVIEW MEMBERS NEEDED

Vacancies exist on the City of Beloit Board of Review. Members of the Board of Review (BOR), including alternate members, shall be compensated at the rate of \$70 per day or fraction thereof for attendance at meetings of the Board of Review. The purpose of the Board of Review is to set tax assessment roll and to hear property valuation disputes. Meets annually in May and typically hears assessment objection cases as scheduled in June. All board members shall be residents of the City. If you are interested in applying for the BOR, please contact Lori Stottler, City Clerk for more information (364-6680) or fill out and submit the application available on the City's website: <http://tinyurl.com/jhfvdtb>

CITY COUNCIL MEETING—TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2017

At 6:30 p.m., the City Council will hold a [Workshop](#) in the City Manager's Conference Room to review the agenda of the regular 7:00 p.m. City Council meeting.

The attached [agenda](#) is for the **Tuesday, January 17, 2017** regular City Council meeting beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Forum. The entire City Council Agenda Packet is available on the City's website (click [here](#)).

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. Proposed Ordinance amending the Future Land Use Map of the City of Beloit Comprehensive Plan to change the future land use designation for the property located at 1405 Madison Road and 1402 Townline Avenue from Neighborhood Commercial to Community Commercial. This request involves a small commercial parcel with a vacant structure at 1405 Madison Road and a larger vacant parcel adjacent to an elementary school and single-family homes. The applicant is proposing storage unit development. Plan Commission recommendation for approval 6-0. First Reading.
- b. Resolution authorizing a Planned Unit Development (PUD) - Master Land Use Plan, to allow mini-storage units and duplexes, for property located at 1405 Madison Road and 1402 Townline Avenue. Plan Commission recommendation for approval 6—0.
- c. Proposed Ordinance amending the Zoning District Map to change the Zoning District Classification of the properties located at 1405 Madison Road and 1402 Townline Avenue, from C-2, Neighborhood Commercial District to Planned Unit Development (PUD). Plan Commission recommendation for approval 6-0. First Reading.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular meeting of December 19, 2016.
- b. Application for a Class "B" Beer and Reserve "Class B" Intoxicating Liquor Licenses for HRNS V Entertainment LLC, d/b/a Adiktion, 1310 Cranston Road, Edgardo Garrido Mateos, Agent. Refer to Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee for review and recommendation.
- c. Resolution Combining Polling Places for February 21, 2017 Spring Primary Election. Because of low anticipated voter turnout, the City Clerk's office is requesting that the City Council combine the regular nine polling places into two. This reduction in polling places will save several thousand dollars in personnel and material costs.
- d. Resolution authorizing Final Payment of Public Works Contract C15-10, Canterbury Crossover. The work under this contract has been satisfactorily completed and staff recommends final payment to the contractor.
- e. Resolution authorizing Final Payment of Public Works Contract C16-13, Stateline Sewer and Water Extensions. The work under this contract has been satisfactorily completed and staff recommends final payment to the contractor.

7. ORDINANCES

- a. Proposed Ordinance to amend Section 25.04(4)(d) of the code of General Ordinances of the City of Beloit pertaining to Officials authorized to Issue Citations. First Reading. The Community Development Department recently completed a restructuring of job responsibilities due to staff vacancies. A Compliance Specialist position was created and will be responsible for assisting management with federal grant programs, oversight of the rental registration certificate program, and support to the inspection officials during times of high calls for service. As such it is necessary to provide this position with the ability to issue citations of various code provisions.
- b. Proposed Ordinance to repeal Section 1.51(3)(f) and to amend Section 1.58(7) of the code of General Ordinances of the City of Beloit pertaining to the Municipal Court. First Reading. Municipal Court Judge Brooke Joos requested the

ordinances relating to the Municipal Court be clarified. The proposed ordinance makes clear the direct supervisory authority for the employees that work within the Municipal Court by providing that those employees are to be under the direct supervision of the Municipal Court Judge.

- c. Proposed Charter Ordinance to Combine the Offices of the City Clerk and the City Treasurer, to repeal and recreate Section 1.24 and to repeal Section 1.26 of the Code of General Ordinances for the City of Beloit. First Reading. The decision to combine the positions of City Clerk and City Treasurer and restructure the two divisions was made as a way to provide better customer service, increase efficiencies, and recognize a positive budgetary impact.
- d. Proposed Ordinance to amend Section 1.88(7)(a) of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Beloit pertaining to the regular meeting time for the Police and Fire Commission. First Reading. Members of the Police and Fire Commission are requesting the meeting time change from 6:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. This requires a change to the Municipal Code.

8. APPOINTMENTS

- a. Appointment Review Committee
Lynn Vollbrecht, (replacing Mardell Jacobsen) to a term ending December 31, 2019

11. REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND CITY OFFICERS

- a. Resolution Authorizing Extension of Lease Agreement with Congressman Mark Pocan. Congressman Mark Pocan leases office space at City Hall and requested the lease agreement be extended. Staff recommends approval.
- b. Resolution awarding Contract C16-21R and amending the 2016 Capital Improvements Budget to provide additional funding for the Beloit Public Library Blender Café Project. Two bids were received for this project. The Library will fund \$100,000 from CIP bond proceeds that were approved in 2016 and the Library Foundation will fund the remaining portion of \$130,600.
- c. The City Council will adjourn into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. 19.85 (1)© to consider the employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of a public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

12. ADJOURNMENT

CITY MEETING CALENDAR—JANUARY 16—20, 2017

Tuesday, January 17	6:30 p.m.	Agenda Review , City Manager's Conference Room (All City Councilors)
Tuesday, January 17	7:00 p.m.	City Council meeting , Forum (All City Councilors)
Tuesday, January 17	Cancelled	Landmarks Commission (M. Sloniker)
Wed., January 18	4:00 p.m.	Municipal Library Board , Beloit Public Library
Wed., January 18	6:00 p.m.	Special Police and Fire Commission meeting, Forum
Wed., January 18	Cancelled	Plan Commission , Forum (K. Leavy)

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

January 14	10:00-2:00 p.m.	Book Sale at Beloit Public Library warehouse, 605 Eclipse Blvd. Two bags for \$1.00!
January 27—29		Beloit Winterfest , packed full of family fun, including outdoor and indoor festivities. See attached schedule of activities.



PUBLIC NOTICE

The School District of Beloit is hosting a **Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Unity Banquet** on Monday, January 16, 2017, from 8:00-10:00 a.m. at the Eclipse Center, 3 Eclipse Blvd, Beloit, WI 53511. A quorum of City Council members may be present.

Lori Curtis Luther, City Manager

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Dated: January 12, 2017
Lorena Rae Stottler
City Clerk
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PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Beloit City Council will hold a **Workshop** on Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 6:30 p.m., in the 4th floor City Manager's Conference Room, City Hall, 100 State Street, Beloit WI 53511. The purpose of the workshop is to review the agenda of the regular 7:00 p.m. City Council meeting.

Lori S. Curtis Luther, City Manager

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**AGENDA
BELOIT CITY COUNCIL
100 State Street, Beloit WI 53511
City Hall Forum – 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, January 17, 2017**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY/ANNOUNCEMENTS
4. PUBLIC HEARINGS
 - a. Proposed Ordinance amending the Future Land Use Map of the City of Beloit Comprehensive Plan to change the future land use designation for the property located at 1405 Madison Road and 1402 Townline Avenue from Neighborhood Commercial to Community Commercial (Christensen) Plan Commission recommendation for approval 6-0
First Reading
 - b. Resolution authorizing a Planned Unit Development (PUD) - Master Land Use Plan, to allow mini-storage units and duplexes, for property located at 1405 Madison Road and 1402 Townline Avenue (Christensen) Plan Commission recommendation for approval 6-0
 - c. Proposed Ordinance amending the Zoning District Map to change the Zoning District Classification of the properties located at 14 Madison Road and 1402 Townline Avenue, from C-2, Neighborhood Commercial District to Planned Unit Development (PUD) (Christensen) Plan Commission recommendation for approval 6-0 First Reading
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 December 19, 2016 (Stottler)
- b. Application for a Class "B" Beer and Reserve "Class B" Intoxicating Liquor Licenses for HRNS V Entertainment LLC., d/b/a Adiktion, 1310 Cranston Road, Edgardo Garrido Mateos, Agent (Stottler) Refer to ABLCC
- c. Resolution Combining Polling Places for February 21, 2017 Spring Primary Election (Stottler)
- d. Resolution authorizing Final Payment of Public Works Contract C15-10, Canterbury Crossover (Boysen)
- e. Resolution authorizing Final Payment of Public Works Contract C16-13, Stateline Sewer and Water Extensions (Boysen)

7. ORDINANCES

- a. Proposed Ordinance to amend Section 25.04(4)(d) of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Beloit pertaining to Officials authorized to Issue Citations (Christensen) First Reading
- b. Proposed Ordinance to repeal Section 1.51(3)(f) and to amend Section 1.58(7) of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Beloit pertaining to the Municipal Court (Krueger) First Reading
- c. Proposed Charter Ordinance to Combine the Offices of the City Clerk and the City Treasurer, to repeal and recreate Section 1.24 and to repeal Section 1.26 of the Code of General Ordinances for the City of Beloit (Miller) First Reading
- d. Proposed Ordinance to amend Section 1.88(7)(a) of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Beloit pertaining to the regular meeting time for the Police and Fire Commission (Krueger) First Reading

8. APPOINTMENTS

The individuals named below have been nominated for a seat on a city board, committee or commission. Each nomination is subject to confirmation by the City Council. Approval of appointments will be accomplished by one motion unless a council member requests to take up a nomination separately, in which event the nomination will be removed from the General Order of Business and considered at this point on the agenda

- a. Appointment Review Committee
Lynn Vollbrecht, (replacing Mardell Jacobsen) to a term ending December 31, 2019

9. COUNCILOR ACTIVITIES AND UPCOMING EVENTS

10. CITY MANAGER'S PRESENTATION

11. REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND CITY OFFICERS

- a. Resolution Authorizing Extension of Lease Agreement with Congressman Mark Pocan (Krueger)
- b. Resolution awarding Contract C16-21R and amending the 2016 Capital Improvements Budget to provide additional funding for the Beloit Public Library Blender Café Project (Dimassis)
- c. The City Council will adjourn into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. 19.85 (1)(c) to consider the employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of a public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility (Luther)

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Lorena Rae Stottler
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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.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Landmarks Commission Members

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

DATE: January 6, 2017

SUBJECT: Cancellation of Landmarks Commission Meeting

Since no applications have been submitted, the regularly scheduled **January 17, 2017** meeting of the Landmarks Commission has been cancelled. The next Landmarks Commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 21, 2017.

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
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beloit public library

MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA
Beloit Public Library Board of Trustees
Wednesday, January 18, 2017 @ 4pm
Beloit Public Library Board Room
Beloit, WI 53511

1. Call to order and roll call
2. Approval of the December 21, 2016 Library Board minutes.
3. Public comment
4. Library Director Report
5. Reports
 - a. Foundation
 - b. FABL
 - c. Arrowhead Library System
 - d. Budget Committee
 - e. Strategic Plan Committee
 - f. Personnel Committee
6. Action Items
 - a. Stateline Literacy Council Partnership
 - b. Memo of Understanding with Wisconsin Library Services (WiLS) regarding the Best Beloit Model consulting.
 - c. Circulation Policy
 - d. Monthly financial report and approval of library bills.
7. Trustee Comments
8. Motion to adjourn

Next meeting: Wednesday, February 15, 2017

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. To request this service, please contact the library at 364-2908, 605 Eclipse Blvd., Beloit, WI

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**Police and Fire Commission
Meeting Notice and Agenda
Wednesday, January 18, 2016 @ 6:00 PM
City Hall / Public Forum
100 State St, Beloit, Wisconsin**

A special meeting of the Police and Fire Commission is scheduled. **If you are unable to attend, please notify Marianne Marshall, HR Director at 364-6612.**

AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Initial Hearing regarding the complaint filed against Firefighter Jake Fehrenbach

During the course of this item the Commission may adjourn into Closed Session pursuant to 19.85(1)(a), Wis Stats., deliberating concerning a case which was the subject of a quasi-judicial hearing; §19.85(1)(f), Wis. Stats., considering financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons); and 19.85(1)(g), Wis. Stats., conferring with legal counsel with respect to litigation; specifically for the purposes of this item. The Commission may thereafter reconvene into open session to continue its proper business, to schedule further meetings of the Commission, and for other lawful purposes.

3. Adjourn

Mardell Jacobsen, President
Police and Fire Commission

Dated: January 11, 2017
Marianne Marshall
Human Resources Director
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Plan Commission Members

FROM: Julie Christensen

DATE: January 13, 2017

SUBJECT: **Cancellation of Plan Commission Meeting**

Since no applications have been submitted, the regularly scheduled **January 18, 2017** meeting of the Plan Commission has been cancelled. The next regularly scheduled meeting is **February 8, 2017**.

Please call me at 364-6703 or e-mail at christensenj@beloitwi.gov with any questions or comments.

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Beloit Winterfest



FRIDAY, JANUARY 27:

- Kick off Winterfest with Family Bingo! Grinnell Hall (631 Bluff Street) from 9:00 am to 11:00 am, all ages welcome! Join us for fun bingo, prizes, snacks and refreshments! FREE!
- Edwards Ice Arena Open Skate with a DJ from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Bring a non-perishable food item donation and receive a FREE skate rental. Regular admission fees apply.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28:

- The Beloit Public Library (605 Eclipse Blvd.) 10:00 am to noon will be offering winter crafts, puzzles and games, snacks, an indoor snowball fight and much more! A family event for all ages. Registration is not necessary. FREE!
- The Welty Environmental Center will be showing off their new home at The Big Hill Center, noon to 2:00 pm. Try out snowshoeing with the family, winter themed crafting for the younger kids and hike the trails to see what Big Hill residents are enjoying winter at the park. FREE!
- **NEW in 2017!** Ice Sculpting at The Rock Bar & Grill (101 Maple Ave) with master sculptor Zoli! Zoli will work on 4 blocks of ice, noon to 4:00 pm, bonfire will keep you warm while you witness the creation of a masterpiece! FREE!
- Open Family Swim at the BMHS pool (1225 4th Street) 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm, \$3.00/person or \$10.00/Family of 4
- Open Skate at Edwards Ice Arena from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Bring a non-perishable food item donation and receive a FREE skate rental. Regular admission fees apply.
- 4's Co-Ed Adult Volleyball Tournament at Beloit Memorial High School. Competitive level (A/B) entry fee of \$100.00 (cash payout, trophy, & champion t-shirts). Recreational level (C/D/E) entry fee of \$50.00 (trophy & champion t-shirts). Pre-register by January 20th, for more information call Sonya at (608) 364-2890 x3.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29:

- **Winterfest Favorite!** Horse Drawn Sleigh Rides at Big Hill Park, 11:00 am to 1:30 pm. FREE!
- The Welty Environmental Center invites all to warm up from the sleigh rides inside the Big Hill Center, 11:00 am to 1:30 pm. Learn about animal signs, practice your tracking skills out on the trails, weather permitting! FREE!
- Open Family Swim at the Stateline Family YMCA (1865 S. Riverside Drive) 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm, \$3.00/person or \$10.00/Family of 4
- Open Skate at Edwards Ice Arena from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Bring a non-perishable food item donation and receive a FREE skate rental. Regular admission fees apply.
- Euchre Tournament at Krueger Haskell Golf Course's Club House at 12:45 pm. \$5.00 entry fee and quarter bumps. **PLEASE pre-register by calling** (608) 364-2890 x3 no later than Wednesday, January 25th.

DAILY: * The Sledding Hill, Hospital Hill on Olympian Blvd * All City Trails are open for Cross Country Skiing
* Snow Shoes of all sizes, available for rent! Call for more information, (608) 361-1377.



For further information on Winterfest activities, feel free to call the Leisure Services Office at 608-364-2890 or come visit us at 1003 Pleasant Street. Office hours are from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Monday through Friday.
www.beloitrecreation.com