

CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

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from the Office of
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CITY MANAGER'S ACTIVITIES

- Held Department Head meeting and one-on-one meetings with direct reports.
- Met with Councilor Sherry Blakeley.
- Was in regular contact with Council President Leavy.
- Participated in Cities and Villages Mutual Insurance Company (CVMIC) training “Managing the Employee from the Beginning to the End.”
- Enjoyed lunch and music at First National Bank Plaza as part of the “Fridays in the Park” series.
- Along with Tourism Secretary Stephanie Klett, we welcomed the VetsRoll 9 group back to Beloit late on Wednesday night. The trip would not be possible without the tireless work of Mark and John Finnegan, the volunteers, corporate partners, and of course our Veterans and “Rosie-the-Riveters.” Fundraising continues all year long; for a list of fundraising events, please see the VetsRoll.org website: <https://www.vetsroll.org/events>

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The City of Beloit Public Works Department reminds residents that trash and recycling collection will be delayed by one day the week of May 28, 2018 in observance of Memorial Day Holiday. There will be no trash or recycling collection on Memorial Day, Monday, May 28, 2018. For more information, call the City of Beloit Public Works Operations at 608-364-2929.

Residents can sign up for text, phone or email reminders for pickup information at www.beloitsolidwaste.com

City offices and the Beloit Public Library will be closed in observance of Memorial Day on Monday, May 28, 2018.

BELOIT POLICE DEPARTMENT BADGE PINNING AND PROMOTION

The Beloit Police Department announces the appointment and badge pinning of one patrol officer, the appointment of two patrol officers, the appointment of one crime analyst and the promotion of one civilian clerk. The public is welcome to attend the ceremony on **Tuesday, May 29, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.** in the City Hall Forum. Please see [attached](#) for more information.

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

“Memorial Day is a day for remembering and honoring military personnel who died in the service of their country, particularly those who died in battle or as a result of wounds sustained in battle.” The annual Memorial Day Parade to honor and remember our Veterans will step off on **Monday, May 28, 2018** at 9:00 a.m. in South Beloit and travel into Beloit, ending at Horace White Park. Our thanks to the United Veterans Memorial Day Parade Committee for their hard work in planning this memorable event.

REMINDER - NO PARKING ALONG PARADE ROUTE

The Memorial Day parade route begins in South Beloit and continues into the City of Beloit north on State Street, eastbound on East Grand Avenue until it reaches Horace White Park at the intersection of Park and East Grand Avenues. Temporary signage will be placed along the parade route to warn that vehicles could be towed if they are parked along the parade route. Vehicles that are parked along the route will be towed starting at 3 a.m. on Monday, May 28th. Parking is also prohibited in the parking stalls on Bushnell Street adjacent to Horace White Park as those stalls are reserved for buses that will be picking up band members at the end of the parade.

“CLICK IT OR TICKET” CAMPAIGN

The City of Beloit Police Department reminds motorists to “Click It or Ticket.” The national seat belt campaign will take place now through June 3rd. Participating law enforcement agencies will take a no-excuses approach to seat belt law enforcement. In the City of Beloit, the maximum penalty for a seat belt violation is \$10 for adults and \$98.80 for a child restraint violation. The Wisconsin’s state fine for a child restraint violation is \$175.30. Seat belts save lives, please buckle up. [Attached](#) is a press release with more information.

SHORE DRIVE WATER MAIN PROJECT BEGINS JUNE 4, 2018

Water main replacement and street reconstruction work along Shore Drive begins on June 4th. Shore Drive will be closed to through traffic during the duration of the project, which is expected to be completed by August 31, weather permitting. In addition to updating the existing water main, the project will also include road resurfacing with curbs and terraces, storm sewer placement, and the installation of a detention pond and sod restoration. No detour route will be posted, and no parking will be allowed at U.S. Pride Park during the project. Beloit Transit will temporarily remove the two blue route bus stops on Shore Drive during the project; a temporary stop will be located on Poole Court south of Carpenter Street.

MILWAUKEE ROAD PROJECT UPDATE

Jason Dupuis, Traffic Engineer, sent out updates on the Milwaukee Road project:

- Travel lanes are limited to one lane for each direction; however, the corridor is open and access to businesses remains throughout the project.
- Hydrant relocation has been completed, work on concrete pavement and joint repairs continues, removals and grading for new sidewalks has begun and work related to storm pipes and structures is on-going.

Work scheduled for the upcoming week will include:

- Storm sewer pipe work - a storm sewer relay across Milwaukee Road is scheduled to begin May 29th and may necessitate a slight detour to the frontage road for the duration of the work. (See [attached](#) map.) It is anticipated the work will last between 2-4 days.
- Continued work related to the sidewalks.
- Continued repairs to the concrete pavement.

Drivers are urged to use caution and have patience while driving through the construction zone.

I-39/90 EXPANSION PROJECT UPDATE FROM WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Construction work on most major highway projects throughout the state will be suspended during the three-day Memorial Day weekend to help travelers reach their destinations safely and efficiently. Construction in highway work zones, including most operations related to the I-39/90 project, stopped by noon today (May 25) and will not resume until 6 a.m. on Tuesday, May 29.

Heavy traffic volumes are anticipated throughout the holiday weekend, which may cause delays on I-39/90 between Beloit and Madison. Please plan ahead, consider alternate routes and allow extra time to safely reach your destination. For everyone’s safety, please eliminate distractions and focus on the road ahead.

HOPE PARK RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY

The public is invited to join the Department of Public Works on **Thursday, May 31, 2018** at 3:30 p.m. for the dedication of new playground equipment at Hope Park, located on the corner of Bellevue and Wisconsin Avenues. Children who attend the event will have the opportunity to actively participate in the ribbon cutting ceremony. [Attached](#) is a media release for more information.

BELOIT POLICE PARTICIPATE IN ROCK COUNTY IMPAIRED DRIVING ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCE

Officers from the Beloit Police Department will participate in the Rock County Impaired Driving Enforcement Task Force on the following dates in May:

- Friday, May 25 and Saturday, May 26

During this additional enforcement, the Beloit Police Department will have more officers on patrol to discourage people from driving while impaired.

PROTECT WISCONSIN WATERWAYS

The Rock River Stormwater Group is a consortium of communities across the Rock River basin working together to keep pollutants out of local waterways. One way you can help out is by keeping grass clippings off of the street. Grass clippings can clog storm drains and put harmful nutrients into our waterways. Blow clippings back onto the grass if they do land on the street. Beloit's City Ordinance reads (in part): "No person shall place any solid waste, yard waste, liquid waste, hazardous waste, human waste, animal waste or litter upon the streets, alleys, highways, public parks or other property of the City or upon any private property not owned by him or upon the surface of any body of water within the City. In this subsection, the phrases "solid waste," "hazardous waste," and "yard" waste in any park waste receptacle except waste generated by picnic or other park activities." (Location: Ch 15.20)

ANNUAL ENVIRONMENTAL AWARDS BANQUET

The City of Beloit held their 15th Annual Environmental Awards Banquet luncheon on May 16, 2018. The City appreciates the efforts of all Beloit businesses in protecting our local environment. Congratulations to the 2017 award winners:

- Beloit Box Board - Facility of the Year
- Allan Swenson from Genencor - Contact Person of the Year
- Significant Industrial User (SIU) Consistent Compliance - Beloit Box Board, Beloit Memorial Hospital, Fairbanks, Genencor, Beloit Krueger Pool
- SIU General Environmental Compliance - Kerry
- Commercial Environmental Stewardship Awards - Wisconsin Knife Works, Merrill & Houston and Bryden Motors

CITY MEETING CALENDAR – MAY 28 - JUNE 1, 2018

Monday, May 28	9:00 a.m.	Memorial Day Parade begins in South Beloit, proceeding north to State Street, then east on Grand Avenue to Horace White Park.
Tuesday, May 29	6:00 p.m.	Beloit Police Department Badge Pinning and Promotion ceremony, Forum (Open to the public)
Thursday, May 31	3:30 p.m.	Hope Park Ribbon Cutting , corner of Bellevue and Wisconsin Avenues (All City Councilors invited, open to the public)

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

Saturdays May - October	Downtown Beloit Farmers' Market, 8:00 - 1:00 p.m. every Saturday from May 5 through October 27, 2018. Rain or shine, more than 100 vendors. Meet us at State and Grand, and in the Mill Street Parking Lot.
Fridays, May 25 - Sept. 21	Fridays in the Park , Downtown Beloit. See attached schedule for more information.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEDIA RELEASE 18-015

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Beloit Police Department Holding Ceremony for New Hires, Promotion

May 24, 2018 - The City of Beloit Police Department proudly announces the appointment and badge pinning of one patrol officer, the appointment of two patrol officers, the appointment of one crime analyst and the promotion of one civilian clerk.

**Tuesday, May 29, 2018
6 p.m.
City of Beloit Public Forum
100 State St.
Beloit, WI 53511**

The ceremony will begin with a welcome and remarks from Police Chief David B. Zibolski, after which we will warmly welcome the newest members of the Beloit Police Department team.

Promotion:

Laurie Hazeltine will be promoted to administrative assistant. She worked as a records clerk for the past three years.

New Hires:

Roman Bailey is joining the Beloit Police Department as a patrol officer; he will be sworn in as an officer during the ceremony. Bailey will attend the police academy at Blackhawk Technical College. He achieved a Bachelor of Science in criminal justice from UW-Oshkosh in May 2017. Bailey has expressed a strong desire to work with Beloit youth as a police officer.

Lee Robinson is joining the Beloit Police Department as a patrol officer; he will be sworn in as an officer during the ceremony. Robinson will attend the police academy at Blackhawk Technical College. He achieved a Bachelor of Science in criminal justice from UW-Oshkosh in June 2015. Robinson was attracted to our community because of its diversity and is highly motivated to make a positive impact on our community.

Juan Rocha Jr. is joining the Beloit Police Department as a patrol officer; he will be sworn in as an officer and receive his badge during the pinning ceremony. He recently graduated from the police academy at Blackhawk Technical College and had previously achieved an associate's degree in criminal justice from

Gateway Technical College in 2014. Rocha is interested in someday becoming a training officer and his bilingual language skills will be a great asset.

Jessica Vance is joining the Beloit Police Department as a crime analyst. Vance achieved a Bachelor of Science in criminal justice/forensic investigation from UW-Platteville.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEDIA RELEASE 18-014

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Beloit Police Department Participating in “Click it or Ticket” Campaign

May 23, 2018 - As the unofficial start of summer, the Memorial Day holiday weekend is a busy time for Americans. Each year, the highways fill with families in vehicles, on their way to start their summer vacations.

To help keep drivers and passengers stay safe, the City of Beloit Police Department is reminding motorists to *Click It or Ticket*. Aimed at enforcing seat belt use to help keep families safe, the national seat belt campaign will take place now through June 3, concurrent with the busy travel season.

“Buckling up is such a simple task that can keep you and your family safe in the car,” said Sgt. Matthew Donovan “But it’s more than that. Buckling up is the law. Our law enforcement personnel see the consequences of not buckling up. We see the loss of life. Often, it could have been prevented with the simple click of a seat belt. This should be automatic.”

“As the Memorial Day weekend approaches and the summer vacation season ramps up, we want to keep our community members safe, and make sure people are doing the one thing that can save them in a crash: buckling up,” said Donovan. “If the enforcement crackdown wakes people up to the dangers of unrestrained driving, we’ll consider it a success.”

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, nearly half (48%) of the passenger vehicle occupants killed in crashes in 2016 were unrestrained. At night from 6 p.m. to 5:59 a.m., that number soared to 56 percent of those killed. That’s why one focus of the *Click It or Ticket* campaign is nighttime enforcement. Participating law enforcement agencies will be taking a no-excuses approach to seat belt law enforcement, writing citations day and night. In City of Beloit the maximum penalty for a seat belt violation is \$10 for adults and \$98.80 for a child restraint violation. The Wisconsin’s state fine for a child restraint violation is \$175.30.

“If you know a friend or a family member who does not buckle up when they drive, please ask them to consider changing their habits,” said Donovan. “Help us spread this life-saving message before one more friend or family member is killed as a result of this senseless inaction. Seat belts save lives, and everyone—front seat and back, child and adult—needs to remember to buckle up—every trip, every time.”

For more information on the *Click It or Ticket* mobilization, please visit www.nhtsa.gov/ciot.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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City of Beloit Holding Hope Park Playground Dedication

May 24, 2018 - The City of Beloit is holding a public dedication and ribbon cutting ceremony to celebrate the installation of a new playground and swings at Hope Park, 826 Bellevue Place, at 3:30 p.m. Thursday, May 31.

The playground is located at the corner of Wisconsin Avenue and Bellevue Place. The playground was installed in early May. Children who attend the event will have the opportunity to actively participate in the ribbon cutting ceremony.

“This new playground will be enjoyed by the families and children in the surrounding neighborhoods for years to come,” said Mark Edwards, Interim Director of Parks & Recreation. “We look forward to celebrating this great new addition to the city - a beautiful space for kids to stay active and play outside in the fresh air.”

The public dedication will be attended by local dignitaries, including Public Works Director Laura Pigatti Williamson and City Manager Lori Curtis Luther.

“We encourage the area neighbors and the greater Beloit community to join us at this celebration - and to spend time playing on the new playground,” said Pigatti Williamson.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE & AGENDA
PUBLIC NOTICE
DOWNTOWN BELOIT
9:00 AM
Monday, May 28, 2018**

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The United Veterans Memorial Day Parade will take place in Downtown Beloit starting at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, May 28, 2018 and several City Council members have indicated they will be walking in the parade, thus a quorum may be present.

Lori S. Curtis Luther, City Manager

Dated: May 24, 2018
Lorena Rae Stottler
City Clerk-Treasurer
www.beloitwi.gov

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Thursday, May 31, 2018**

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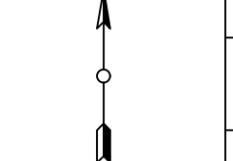
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	PROJECT AREA		WORK AREA
	BIKE PATH		

CITY OF **Beloit**
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PLOTTED BY: TODD, NICHOLAS	DATE: 4/24/2018
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PROJECT NAME: MILWAUKEE ROAD CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS		
PROJECT OVERVIEW		
ID: C17-02	SHEET	E

FRIDAYS *in the* PARK



Enjoy Lunch & Live Music on Fridays

11:30 am- 1:30 pm for \$7 at First National Bank Plaza

Corner of State Street & Grand Avenue • Lunch served until 1 pm

MAY 25 | **BMHS JAZZ BAND**
THE BRASS RAIL

JULY 06 | **BROTHERS QUINN**
SUD'S O'HANAHAN'S

AUG 17 | **THAT GURL**
LA CASA GRANDE

JUNE 01 | **JUSTIN JONES & BRIAN OLSON**
FRESCO FAJITA HOUSE

JULY 13 | **BLUEGRASS REUNION BAND**
BAGELS & MORE LOCAL CAFE

AUG 24 | **BROTHERS QUINN**
SUD'S O'HANAHAN'S

JUNE 08 | **STATELINE PLAYBOYS**
BAGELS & MORE LOCAL CAFE

JULY 20 | **STATELINE PLAYBOYS**
THE BRASS RAIL

AUG 31 | **SUSAN PICKING & THE LEG UP BAND**
DOMENICO'S ITALIAN RISTORANTE

JUNE 15 | **BACKROADS TRIO**
DOMENICO'S ITALIAN RISTORANTE

JULY 27 | **GARY THE BAND**
MERRILL & HOUSTON'S STEAK JOINT

SEP 07 | **FRANK & CO. BAND**
FRESCO FAJITA HOUSE

JUNE 22 | **GARY THE BAND**
MERRILL & HOUSTON'S STEAK JOINT

AUG 03 | **DANIELLE**
ZEN SUSHI & GRILL

SEP 14 | **JUSTIN JONES & BRIAN OLSON**
LUCY'S #7 BURGER BAR

JUNE 29 | **HARLAN JEFFERSON TRIO**
LA CASA GRANDE

AUG 10 | **HARLAN JEFFERSON TRIO**
DOMENICO'S ITALIAN RISTORANTE

SEP 21 | **ZWEIFEL BROTHERS**
ZEN SUSHI & GRILL

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