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THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER FROM SUPERVISOR STEVE F. TAYLOR

Dear Friends,

With the holiday season officially here once again, I hope it finds you and your family both happy and healthy. As I continue my work on your behalf, I send you this newsletter highlighting the successes I have worked hard to accomplish as your representative on the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors.

It has been a great privilege serving you over the past 5 ½ years. It has undoubtedly been challenging at times. I ran for this office not because it was going to be easy, but rather because something needed to be done. You, the residents of the 9th District, were not seeing a return on the tax dollars being sent down to the courthouse: our county roads were in disrepair and crumbling and our parks were being neglected. Since I was elected and re-elected, I have worked tirelessly to fix this inequity. This summer, the residents in Oak Creek saw 13th Street repaired south of Ryan Road to the County Line with full reconstruction to come next year from Rawson Avenue to Drexel Avenue. In Franklin, North Cape, St. Martins Road, Old Ryan Road, 68th Street, and 76th Street have all been reconstructed. For those of you who use the Hales Corners Pool, you will have noticed the installation of the new pool liner and pool house roof that will assure the pool stays open for future generations.

Getting these projects approved was difficult for a number of reasons. The first being that I was not going to vote for a budget with a tax increase and I refused to support a wheel tax. The unwritten rule in politics is that if you don't support the budget your district gets nothing and that is exactly what happened the previous 10 years. This meant building relationships with my colleagues and being politically savvy.

I am thankful for the opportunity you have granted me to be your County Supervisor. There is more work to be done and I am committed to continue working hard for you. I look forward to what the next few years bring.

It is a true honor to serve you. Together, with your help, I am certain we can continue to make the necessary changes to help Move Milwaukee County Forward.

All My Best,

Supervisor Steve F. Taylor, 9th District



Supervisor Taylor at his stepson JJ's 8th grade graduation.

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Please contact my office through my website at www.county.milwaukee.gov/Taylor. Feel free to offer comments regarding any matter concerning Milwaukee County. Additionally, you may send an email to sign up for my e-newsletter "Privileged to Serve." The newsletter contains useful information pertaining to my service on the County Board, including highlights of major events, legislation and much more.

In the Community

Ensuring The Well-Being of Milwaukee County Residents

Ballpark Commons is a Home Run for Milwaukee County

On September 28th, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors approved the sale of the Crystal Ridge landfill to an affiliate of ROC Ventures (11-7). This was a major step forward for the \$100 million Ballpark Commons project in Franklin. ROC Ventures, led by Mike Zimmerman, has operated The Rock Sports Complex which has been on the property since 2011. The sale of the landfill will allow Zimmerman to move forward with his Ballpark Commons project, a \$100-million development that includes a minor-league baseball stadium, a high-tech golf driving range, and ancillary development including retail stores, restaurants, and other amenities.

"The Ballpark Commons Development is a big win for Milwaukee County financially, environmentally, and will greatly improve the quality of life for residents. For the City of Franklin, this is a game changer that will forever alter the identity of our community," Supervisor Taylor said. "I commend Mike Zimmerman and his team for enduring through this very long process and working transparently with both elected officials and surrounding neighbors to make this a first class project. I thank my colleagues for having the foresight and approving this grand venture." The project's construction is slated to begin in the spring of 2018 with the opening of the baseball stadium expected in 2019.



An artistic rendering of what the Ballpark Commons project should look like upon completion. The stadium is visible as the centerpiece while the golf facility can be seen off to the left.

Galland Henning Nopak, Inc. Celebrating 130 Years



Supervisor Taylor at Franklin's own Galland Henning Nopak presenting the company with its 130th anniversary citation.

2017 marks a special year for Galland Henning Nopak, Inc.: the company is celebrating its 130th anniversary. Galland Henning Nopak, or GHN, was founded in 1887 when Robert Nunnemacher licensed a patent held by Nicholas Galland and Julius Henning. So began GHN's notable heritage of manufacturing pneumatic malting equipment for the likes of legendary brewers such as Pabst, Schlitz, Blatz, Anheuser-Busch, Miller, and others.

When Prohibition halted beer production in 1920, GHN was at a crossroads and had a difficult decision to make: give up in the face of Prohibition or diversify and adapt to the new times. The company transformed its cylinder-based manufacturing capability to focus on a growing need for scrap metal balers which is what the company is best known for today. Once Prohibition ended, GHN was again called upon by beer companies for its trusted malting products. The end of the prohibition era meant that the company was able to resume a previously successful business while at the same time continue becoming a trusted partner for a second.

Galland Henning Nopak would go on to create another industry innovation when it launched its own line of air control valves and double-acting cylinders. GHN would also be instrumental in establishing the National Fluid Power Association in Milwaukee. Based out of Milwaukee County's very own 9th District, Galland Henning Nopak, Inc. has been an exemplary business worth emulating; the company has a rich tradition which includes overcoming unprecedented adversity. I would like to congratulate Galland Henning Nopak, Inc. on a successful 130 years of business and wish them success for many years to come.

In the Community

9th District Events & Updates

2017 Senior Citizen Hall of Fame & Volunteer Dinner

On Tuesday, August 29th, the Milwaukee County Department on Aging held its annual Volunteer Recognition Dinner and Senior Citizen Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony. As a member of the Milwaukee County Commission on Aging, Supervisor Taylor attended the event where five outstanding seniors from Milwaukee County who have served the community as volunteers and as advocates on behalf of the elderly were inducted into the Hall of Fame. The Commission on Aging appoints a committee to review nominations for the Hall of Fame Award. This committee then recommends five seniors from the applicants to be inducted into the Hall of Fame. Congratulations to this year's inductees!



Supervisor Taylor speaking at the 2017 Senior Citizen Hall of Fame Award Ceremony.

South Suburban Chamber of Commerce



Sup. Taylor presenting members of Krones, Inc. management with an honorary citation.



Sup. Taylor presenting Carlo Pedone, owner of Trattoria di Carlo, with an honorary citation.

In keeping with his annual tradition, Supervisor Taylor attended the South Suburban Chamber of Commerce's annual awards dinner on February 2nd. The proud winner of the 2016 Business of the Year was Krones, Inc., while Trattoria di Carlo won the 2016 Pride in Premises award.

Krones is the U.S. subsidiary of Krones AG Germany and is located in the Franklin Business Park. The Franklin facility was built in 1966 as the first occupant in the Business Park and celebrated its 50th anniversary last year. As a Chamber member, the company has been a strong partner with the Chamber's Manufacturer's Council and has taken part in the Heavy Metal Tour for high school students. They have welcomed high school students for tours and even into work study programs. Congratulations to Krones, Inc., a proud and growing member of the 9th District and Franklin business community.

Carlo Pedone is the proud owner and head chef at Trattoria di Carlo. Carlo was raised immersed in the restaurant business; his parents and grandparents spent more than 60 years in restaurants in Sicily and the U.S. When Carlo was young, the Pedone family moved from the Midwest back to Petrosino di Marsala in Sicily. The family stayed there until he was 16 and Carlo grew up working and cooking with his parents. Chef Carlo has always been very hands-on in the kitchen, something that sets him apart from many other restaurateurs. He hopes that Trattoria di Carlo will make people feel at home – like they are having a wonderful, authentic meal with family. Congratulations to Trattoria di Carlo on winning the Pride in Premises award, which recognizes the effort that Carlo and the rest of the staff put into ensuring their customers have a pleasant and colorful atmosphere while they are introduced to their tasty and delicious indoor Italian food.

Milwaukee County Events



Supervisor Taylor with community residents at the Hales Corners 4th of July parade



Supervisor Taylor at the keg tapping for the newly renovated South Shore Terrace Beer Garden.



Supervisor Taylor tapping the keg for the Traveling Beer Garden at Bender Park in Oak Creek.



Supervisor Taylor with the Hales Corners Lions' Club at their National Night Out celebration.



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Wisconsin State Fair



Supervisor Taylor and Governor Scott Walker attending the opening ceremonies of the 2017 Wisconsin State Fair.

Tentative Schedule of Major Public Works Projects in the 9th District

The 2018 Milwaukee County Budget includes one major capital improvement project. The total reconstruction of 13th St. from Rawson Ave. to Drexel Ave. will occur next summer with a cost of \$6.4 million. This year, you saw 13th St. south of Ryan Rd. get repaved, County Trunk Highway H (Old Ryan Rd.) reconstructed, and two bridges in Whitnall Park were rebuilt. Next spring you will see the Boerner Botanical Gardens bathroom project completed.

The tentatively scheduled dates of the listed projects will most likely depend on whether the wheel tax gets increased in this year's budget. Therefore, some of these needed improvements may be pushed back. Just like last year, I intend to vote against an increase in the wheel tax.

Road Construction Updates:

- 2018: 13th St., Rawson Ave. to Drexel Ave.
- 2018: W. Rawson Ave., intersection from 10th to 6th St.*
- 2020: W. Rawson Ave., US Hwy 45 to Hawthorne Ln.*
- 2020: W. Rawson Ave., S. 27th St. to S. 20th St.*
- 2021: S. 13th St., Drexel Ave. to Puetz Rd.
- 2022: S. 76th St., Puetz Rd. to County Line Rd.

* likely contingent on wheel tax

Arbor Day 2017

On April 28th, Supervisor Taylor was joined by fellow Milwaukee County Supervisors David Sartori and John Weishan along with Parks Director John Dargle for the 2017 Arbor Day Celebration. The annual celebration is hosted by Boerner Botanical Gardens and this year, first grade students from West Allis Jefferson Elementary School attended to help plant two new trees: a Kindred Spirit Hybrid Columnar Oak and a Shawnee Brave Bald Cypress. As part of the tree-planting ceremony, students wrote and recited wishes on slips of paper before placing them in the holes for the trees. The Arbor Day celebration marked the 2017 season opening of the Gardens.



Supervisor Taylor with students helping to plant two new trees at Boerner Botanical Gardens.

Body Worlds: Animals Inside Out

On May 4th, Supervisor Taylor attended the ribbon-cutting ceremony for Milwaukee County Zoo's brand new exhibit "Body Worlds: Animals Inside Out." Milwaukee is the first zoo in North America to display the exhibit which shows the intricate



Supervisor Taylor at the ribbon-cutting ceremony for Milwaukee County Zoo's Body Worlds exhibit.

physiology of many animals ranging from as small as a snail to as large as a giraffe. "Body Worlds" shows a much different side to animals than most people could even imagine! The exhibit was on display from May through September of this year and was a resounding success.