

**Barnesville City Council  
Special Meeting  
October 3, 2013**

Mayor Dahnke called this special meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Council members Betty Strom, Richard Sylvester, Cathy Enstad, Larry Davis, Jr. and Jason Rick. Others in attendance were, City Administrator Mike Rietz, John Shockley with Ohnstad Twichell, City Clerk Jeri Reep, Police Chief Dean Ernst, Leah Baker, Eric Newell, Joel Paulsen with KLJ, Jacob Underlee with the Record Review.

Mayor Dahnke asked City Administrator Mike Rietz to take roll call.

The next item on the agenda was the pledge of allegiance. All rose to recite the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Dahnke stated the only item on the agenda was the discussion on future use of the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of Old City Hall.

**10-03-13-01** Motion by Mr. Davis and second by Mr. Rick to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

KLJ Engineering next handed out the survey results of the survey taken asking residents what they would like to see Old City Hall used for. KLJ stated that there were 55 surveys returned. Mr. Joel Paulson with KLJ stated that the time frame for the surveys was very short, suggested extending the time frame, and advertising in the local paper for a public meeting.

Council member Sylvester questioned who authorized the survey. Mayor Dahnke stated that he authorized the survey. Mayor Dahnke stated that he wants to see what the community wants to do with the building.

Mr. Paulson stated that they could run the survey for a month. See if they receive any more surveys returned.

City Administrator Mike Rietz stated that at the October regular meeting staff could present the framework for what this project would look like.

Council member Rick questioned if the time frame would work for Mr. Newell, who wants to rent the space.

Mr. Eric Newell stated the sooner he finds out if he can rent the space, the sooner he can make a decision. Mr. Newell stated that as a citizen, he would like to see the space used.

Council member Sylvester stated that he would like to see a young and upcoming business utilize this space.

Council member Rick stated that this survey was too short of a time frame. This is delaying and only hurting Mr. Newell and his business.

Mr. Joel Paulson with KLJ Engineering stated that a public hearing can be very beneficial.

Mayor Dahnke asked if there were any other comments. There were none.

**10-03-13-02** Motion by Mrs. Enstad and second by Mr. Rick to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 p.m. Motion carried.

Submitted by:

Attest:

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Jeri Reep  
City Clerk

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Fred Dahnke  
Mayor