

**Barnesville City Council  
Special Meeting  
December 22, 2014**

Mayor Gene Prim called this special meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Council members Larry Davis, Jr, Jason Rick, Don Goedtke, Richard Sylvester, Betty Strom and Cathy Enstad. . Others in attendance were, City Administrator Mike Rietz, City Attorney John Shockley, City Clerk Jeri Reep, EDA Director Karen Lauer, Public Works Supt. Trevor Moen, Joel Paulson with KLJ Engineering, Public Works Supt. Trevor Moen, Todd Hagen with Ehlers & Associates, and Jacob Underlee with the Record Review.

Mayor Prim stated the only item on the special meeting was the discussion on the Financial Management Plan from Ehlers & Associates.

Mr. Todd Hagen with Ehlers & Associates next discussed the estimated breakdown of special assessments for the combined Northwest and North side of town. Mr. Hagen stated that the City debt levy is dropping off. Mr. Hagen discussed the two spreadsheets provided showing the difference of a 30% and 50% assessments. This shows the estimated assessment amounts for both scenarios we are looking at.

Council member Sylvester questioned what bonds are coming due.

Mr. Hagen stated that the first debt spreadsheets are the bonds that impact the General Fund. Presently we have three outstanding bonds. We recently paid off two bonds, one in 2010 and another in 2012.

The second debt spreadsheet is the bonds in the Water and Sewer funds. There are two bonds outstanding in sewer and one in water, all PFA loans. One loan matures in 2025 and the other two mature in 2031.

The third spreadsheet shows the bonds in the Cable and Telephone fund. It shows what bonds we currently have outstanding.

Mayor Prim stated that we have to address the assessment policy before we can go forward with any projects.

Mayor Prim asked if council members had any further questions for Mr. Hagen.

Mr. Joel Paulson with KLJ Engineering stated that there is no perfect assessment policy. State Statue only allows certain things; try to be fair to everybody.

Council member Sylvester stated that it's when and if we can afford to do the projects.

City Administrator Mike Rietz stated that KLJ Engineering is working on a facility plan for the January regular meeting.

Mr. Joel Paulson stated that the Facility Plan will have all the projects in place for five years.  
Mr. Paulson stated that in order to receive funding from the PFA, this plan needs to be in place.

Mayor Prim asked if there were any other questions. There were none.

Mayor Prim adjourned the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

Submitted by:

Attest:

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Jeri L. Reep  
City Clerk

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Eugene Prim  
Mayor