

**Barnesville City Council**  
**Special Meeting**  
**May 29, 2012**

Mayor Dahnke called this regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Mayor Dahnke and Council members Darin Allmaras, Betty Strom, Richard Sylvester, Cathy Enstad, Larry Davis, Jr. and Jason Rick. Others in attendance were, City Administrator Mike Rietz, Chris McShane with Ohnstad Twichell, City Clerk Jeri Reep, Public Works Supt. Terry Ystenes, Gary & Joleen Randklev, and Pam Aakre with the Record Review.

Mayor Dahnke called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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 items on the agenda was the establishment of a Public Works Worker position, appointment of a Public Works Worker and authorization to advertise for a Maintenance I opening in the Public Works Department.

City Administrator Mike Rietz informed council members that the Personnel and Finance Committee recommends establishing a position in the Public Works Dept. that does not require a CDL license. This position would pay \$12.00 per hour. Mr. Rietz stated that the Public Works Committee was split between the two options.

The three options were:

1. Keep the staffing level of the department at the current 5, all with CDL requirements and reduce the Public Works budget accordingly.
2. Change the currently budgeted, but unfilled 6<sup>th</sup> position to one that does not require a CDL.
3. Create a position that provides 20hours per week in Public Works and 20 hours per week at the Recycling Center.

The Public Works committee was evenly split between options 1 and 2, and the Personnel & Finance committee favored option 2.

Council member Sylvester questioned how many trucks, with CDL license requirement do we use for snow removal.

Public Works Supt. Terry Ystenes stated presently they use 3, but it depends on the snowfall.

City Administrator Mike Rietz stated that we have a position that has not been filled.

Council member Strom questioned if we've been without a CDL license employee since January 2, 2012, could we continue as we have, with the department only having 3 CDL license requirements.

**05-29-12-01** Motion by Mr. Allmaras and second by Mrs. Enstad to establish a Public Works Worker position, which is a full time position, with benefits at a rate of pay of \$12.00 per hour. Motion carried.

**05-29-12-02** Motion by Mr. Allmaras and second by Mr. Rick to appoint Mr. Gary Randklev to the Public Works Worker position. Motion carried.

**05-29-12-03** Motion by Mr. Rick and second by Mr. Davis to authorize staff to advertise for a Maintenance 1 position. Council member Sylvester questioned why we needed more than 3 employees with a CDL license requirement. Council member Strom questioned if we could hire a part time employee, rather than a full time employee. The following voted aye: Council members Rick, Strom, Davis, Sylvester, and Enstad. The following voted nay: Council member Allmaras. Motion carried.

**05-29-12-04** Motion by Mr. Davis and second by Mr. Rick to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 p.m. Motion carried.

Submitted by:

Attest:

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Jeri Reep  
City Clerk

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Fred Dahnke  
Mayor