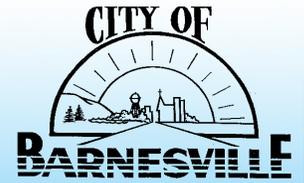


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BACK-TO-SCHOOL INTERNET SPECIAL



With kids heading back to school on Tuesday, September 1, help to maximize their learning opportunities at home with high speed internet and big savings with our Back-to-School Special.

Order any new Internet between now and Sept. 30 and we'll give you **FREE installation (\$185 value) plus credit your bill \$10 per month for the first 3 months** (requires 6 month commitment).

CHOOSE FROM 4 SPEEDS

	Down	Up**	
BRONZE	128K	128K	\$24.95
SILVER	6 M	1.5 MB	\$36.95
GOLD	10 MB	2MB	\$52.95
PLATINUM	20 MB	2 MB	\$69.95

** Speeds quoted are "up to". Actual speeds may vary.

Call us at 354-2292 for info on even faster speeds!

FALL SPECIALS AT THE GOLF COURSE

Starting September 8, enjoy some great fall days and save some money!

9 Holes of Golf & Cart \$15 Mon. - Fri.

18 Holes of Golf & Cart \$25 Mon. - Fri.

Adults can play unlimited golf for \$75 or students can purchase a fall pass for \$25; both are good until the course closes for the season in October.



SPECIAL HOURS ON LABOR DAY

City Hall will be CLOSED on Monday, Sept. 7 for the Labor Day holiday, but Firehall Municipal Liquors will be open from 10 am to 3 pm!

RUMMAGE SALES/FARMER'S MARKET

Sponsored by the Main Street Program, the Fall Areawide Rummage Sales and Farmer's Market will be held on **Saturday, September 26.**

To participate in the rummage sales, call the Record Review at 354-2259 by September 16. For info on the Farmer's Market, call Main Street at 354-2479.

WELCOME BILL BRATON!

The City of Barnesville is pleased to welcome **Bill Braton** as a full-time employee in the Public Works department

Please join us in welcoming Bill to the team!

CALL THE INTERNET HELP DESK 24/7

The Internet Help Desk is now available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week! Based on the many requests from our customers, our partner, 702 Communications, will be providing Barnesville customers with 24/7 Internet Help Desk service. Working on the computer late at night and need assistance from the help desk, someone will be available to take your call at **354-2222.**

INSURANCE RATES TO DROP

Owners of residential and commercial property should see a drop in their insurance when their policies renew. The City was just notified that our ISO rating went from Class 6 to Class 4. It will take a while for all insurance companies to catch up, although it should happen automatically. When you receive your next renewal notice, be sure to check that the declaration shows Class 4.

BRIGHT ENERGY SOLUTION REBATES

Buying light bulbs or appliances? There could be a rebate! www.brightenergy solutions.com.

BARNESVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting • July 13, 2015

This is a summary of the minutes. The complete minutes are available online at www.barnesvillemn.com or at City Hall.

- 07-13-15-01 Motion Sylvester, second Rick to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of the park permits discussion. Motion carried.
- 07-13-15-02 Motion Strom, second by Mr. Rick to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.
- 07-13-15-03 Motion Rick, second Goedtke to open the public hearing for the Gilbertson Annexation at 7:06 p.m. Motion carried.
- 07-13-15-04 Motion Sylvester, second Strom to close the public hearing for the Gilbertson Annexation at 7:07 p.m. Motion carried.
- 07-13-15-05 Motion Rick, second Goedtke to approve the 2nd reading of Ordinance 2015-09, an Ordinance Annexing land located in Clay County to the City of Barnesville. Motion carried.
- 07-13-15-06 Motion Sylvester, second Strom to approve Summary Ordinance 2015-09. Motion carried.
- 07-13-15-07 Motion Goedtke, second Sylvester to approve a resolution declaring adequacy of Petition and Ordering Preparation of Report. Voted aye: Rick, Goedtke, Strom, Sylvester and Enstad. Voted nay: none. Absent: Davis. Motion carried.
- 07-13-15-08 Motion Goedtke, second Enstad to approve the CUP for Pet Boarding as a Home Occupation for Michelle Zajac at 604 10th Ave SE. Motion carried.
- Council member Davis arrived at 7:20 p.m.
- 07-13-15-09 Motion Sylvester, second Rick to not proceed any further with the proposed Cobblestone Inn project and infrastructure to the East side of the Interstate 94 along Highway 34 at this time. Council member Goedtke stated people are in favor of this project, Barnesville has needed this for a long time. Voted aye: Rick, Strom, Sylvester and Enstad. Voted nay: Goedtke. Davis abstained due to a conflict of interest on the property. Motion carried.
- 07-13-15-10 Motion Rick, second Strom to amend or rescind motion 06-08-15-04 on June 8, 2015. Motion carried.
- 07-13-15-11 Motion Rick, second Enstad to switch the City's checking accounts to Midwest Bank. Motion carried.
- 07-13-15-12 Motion Rick, second Strom to reimburse Dana and Lindsey Bontjes \$300.00 for the property maintenance fine that was on the lot they purchased in Stoneridge Subdivision. Motion carried.
- 07-13-15-13 Motion Sylvester, second Enstad to approve extending approval to allow students of Barnesville School District 146 to golf for free at certain times at Willow Creek Golf Course thru the 2015 season. Motion carried.
- 07-13-15-14 Motion Davis, second Strom to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 2015-10 and Ordinance relating to noise control regulations. Motion carried.
- 07-13-15-15 Motion Davis, second Enstad to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 2015-11, an Ordinance relating to maintenance

- on exterior structures. Motion carried.
- 07-13-15-16 Motion Goedtke, second Sylvester to acquire the Gunness Building when it becomes available from Clay County. Motion carried.
- 07-13-15-17 Motion Davis, second Rick to approve the Farmer's Co-op Oil purchase agreement for \$12,000 contingent on Attorney review. Motion carried.
- 07-13-15-18 Motion Davis, second Strom to remove all pipes at the ground level, not to exceed \$2500 for the former Farmer's Co-op Oil property. Motion carried.
- 07-13-15-19 Motion Davis, second Sylvester to authorize up to \$1500 for delivered crushed concrete for the former Farmer's Co-op Oil property. Motion carried.
- 07-13-15-20 Motion Rick, second Sylvester to approve the following changes to the Personnel Policy. Motion carried.
1. Vacation, holiday and sick leave benefits commence, or begin to accrue, on the first day of employment. Health insurance starts on the first of the month following the date of hire or qualifying event.
 2. When using any vehicle owned by the city it is the users responsibility to ensure that the vehicle is clearly marked as a city vehicle. Employees are required to operate city vehicles in compliance with all applicable laws related to operation of a vehicle on public roadways. Failure to do so is a violation of this policy.
 3. A Selection Committee for the City Administrator, TEC Manager and department head level positions will review applications and conduct interviews for those positions. This committee will consist of the City Administrator, and at least two members of the applicable issue area committee. A Selection Committee consisting of the applicable department head and the City Administrator will review applications and conduct interviews for all other positions.
- 07-13-15-21 Motion Rick, second Sylvester to approve the purchase of a new cooler for the Liquor Store from Dakota Refrigeration in the amount of \$4,809.38. Motion carried.
- 07-13-15-22 Motion Rick, second Sylvester to approve the proposal from OpenGov, Inc. in the amount of \$5,000.00. Motion carried.
- 07-13-15-23 Motion Enstad, second Strom to approve and authorize TEC Manager Guy Swenson to participate in the National Cable TV Cooperative (NCTC) pre-commitment Model for the A & E Networks negotiations. Motion carried.
- 07-13-15-24 Motion by Strom, second Sylvester to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 2015-12, an Ordinance regarding the rental of picnic shelters in the City Parks. Motion carried.
- Mayor Prim adjourned the meeting at 8:32 p.m.

\$500 HOUSING INCENTIVE.....

If you purchase an existing home within the city limits between now and November 1, 2015 you will qualify for a \$500 Utility Credit. Call the EDA office at 354.2145 for all the details

TECHNOLOGY INSIGHTS with Guy Swenson, City of Barnesville TEC Manager

Which High Speed Internet speed is right for me?

You need to consider a number of things when selecting your internet speed:

1. **How do you use your service?** The more online activity you have - including downloading music, watching movies, responding to e-mails, browsing the web, etc. - the more data you are using which may require more speed.
2. **How many devices does your household use?** If you're connecting multiple smartphones,

tablets, smartTV's and computers to your network, a faster internet connection may be needed to keep up with the demand.

3. **Do you like having the newest technology?** New generations of devices and applications often require faster speeds. If you've added new devices to your home or business and noticed a change in your service, you may need to upgrade.

Have more questions on the right speed?
Just call City Hall at 354.2292.