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WATCH TOURNAMENTS - CHANNEL 12

Once again this year, Barnesville Cable TV is pleased to provide live coverage of High School Sports Tournaments on Channel 12. Tournament coverage dates are:

Boys Hockey.....March 5-8

Girls Basketball.....March 13-15

Boys Basketball.....March 20-22

The live feed will begin a few minutes before the games and end once the game is over.

CHECK OUT NEW CABLE CHANNELS!

New channels have just been added to both the Digital and HD line-up at NO ADDITIONAL COST to our subscribers. If you don't have a set top box, be sure to reprogram your television so you are able to enjoy all the new channels:

96 - CNBC

97 - National Geographic Wild

251 - MSNBC HD

263 - Bravo HD

290 - OWN

296 - CNBC HD

297 - National Geographic Wild HD

Coming the beginning of March are:

100 - Fox Movie

101 - Fox Soccer

300 - Fox Movie HD

301 - Fox Soccer HD

For only \$ 9.99 per month you can enjoy HD programming in the comfort of your living room!

A HD set box is required, contact City Hall for details on rental or purchase pricing.

2 YEAR PROPERTY TAX REBATE!

Thinking about building a new home? Now is the time. Receive a 2 year property tax rebate for homes built in 2014, in addition to a free utility incentive, valued at up to \$1,500. Over 20 lots to choose from with lots including specials starting at \$16,744. Call the EDA office at 354-2145 for all the details on making your dream come true!

VALUABLE COUPON

FIREHALL MUNICIPAL LIQUORS

Front door parking at 104 Main Avenue West

**10% OFF
TOTAL PURCHASE**

Limit one coupon per household. Coupon may not be used with other offers, sales or specials. Original coupon only - no photocopies.

Coupon expires March 31, 2014

WELCOME BROOKE ROEDER

The City of Barnesville is pleased to welcome **Brooke Roeder** as a part-time EMT for Barnesville Ambulance. This part-time position is crucial in helping provide coverage during the weekdays when so many people travel to work. Welcome, we're glad to have you as part of our team!

WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBERS!

The Barnesville Economic Development Authority (EDA) is pleased to welcome two new members to their board, **Ryan Tonsfeldt** and **Bruce Albright**.

Joining the Parks, Recreation & Forestry Advisory Board are **Sheila Carlson** and **Brock Walseth**.

The City of Barnesville appreciates the willingness of these new individuals, as well as past members of the board, to contribute their time and talent to Barnesville's future!

SAVE \$10 ON SEASON GOLF PASSES

Believe it or not, golf season is just around the corner. Purchase your season membership between now and **April 15** and you will save \$10.

A 2014 Season Pass for a husband and wife is only \$ 350, an adult membership is only \$ 250, immediate family living in the same household is \$ 390 and students are \$ 85. Stop by City Hall during regular business hours to purchase your discounted pass - **hurry discount ends April 15!**

**BARNESVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting • January 13, 2014**

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

Mayor Dahnke called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Mayor Dahnke and Council members Betty Strom, Richard Sylvester, Larry Davis, Jr, Don Goedtke, Cathy Enstad and Jason Rick.

01-13-14-01 Motion Davis, second Sylvester to approve the agenda with the following additions: Approval of Payment No. 3 for Improvement District 2013-1, Approval of Change Order No. 3 for Improvement District 2013-1, Request for bids for fiber to the home project-outside plant and Request to advertise for fiber to the home project-equipment. Motion carried.

01-13-14-02 Motion Rick, second Strom to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.

01-13-14-03 Motion Davis, second Enstad to approve the board and commission reports as presented. Motion carried.

01-13-14-04 Motion Sylvester, second Goedtke to approve the following council representatives and appointments. The following voted aye: Rick, Goedtke, Strom, Davis, and Sylvester. Voted nay: Enstad. Motion carried.

01-13-14-05 Motion Sylvester, second Goedtke to approve the City officers. Motion carried.

01-13-14-06 Motion Davis, second Strom to approve the following official depositories for the City of Barnesville: Wells Fargo, Wells Fargo Investment Services, Midwest Bank, MN Municipal Money Market Funds, Ehlers Investment Partners. Council member Sylvester questioned if the city is getting the rate of return we should be with Ehlers. Mr. Sylvester suggested looking at our local banks. City Administrator Mike Rietz stated that the Personnel & Finance committee can review this. Motion carried.

01-13-14-07 Motion Davis, second Sylvester to designate the Barnesville Record Review as the official City newspaper. Motion carried.

01-13-14-08 Motion Rick, second Strom to approve the 2nd reading of Ordinance 2013-12., an ordinance regarding setbacks in the C-2, C-3 and I-1 Zoning districts. Motion carried.

01-13-14-08 Motion Rick, second Davis to authorize staff to purchase the 2014 John Deere 524K loader from RDO Equipment in the amount of \$138,420.00. The city will trade in the 2007 New Holland with bucket and forks in the amount of \$46,000.00. Total amount due will be \$92,420.00. Motion carried.

01-13-14-09 Motion Davis, second Sylvester to approve the recommended changes to the Personnel Policy regarding sick leave and the FMLA law. Motion carried.

01-13-14-10 Motion Sylvester, second Goedtke to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 2014-01, with changing from the five-sixth vote of all members of the Council members to majority of the council members voting. An Ordinance to establish the rate for transfer of revenues from Barnesville Municipal Telephone to the City of Barnesville general fund. Mayor Prim questioned why we would

want someone else to have control of our own money. TEC Manager stated that this ordinance is in effort to receive a better interest rate for the Fiber to the Home project. Motion carried.

01-13-14-11 Motion by Mr. Sylvester and second by Mr. Rick to approve the 1st reading of ordinance 2014-02, an ordinance to establish the rates and charges for Broadband and internet service with changing from the five-sixth vote of all members of the Council members to majority of the council members voting. Motion carried.

01-13-14-12 Motion Davis, second Enstad to approve the 702 Communications Internet helpdesk contract for service Addendum #2 increase our bandwidth to 1 Gig and lowers our bandwidth cost to \$1,500.00. Motion carried.

01-13-14-13 Motion Strom, second Sylvester to authorize TEC Manager Guy Swenson to advertise for Fiber to the Home for the outside plant bids. Motion carried.

01-13-14-14 Motion Davis, second Sylvester to authorize TEC Manager Guy Swenson to advertise for Fiber to the Home for the equipment bids. Motion carried.

01-13-14-15 Motion Davis, second Sylvester to appoint Duane Morey and Jan Nasstrom to the HRA Board. Motion carried.

01-13-14-16 Motion Davis, second Goedtke to approve the 2014 Home Housing Incentive Program. Mayor Prim stated that this program has been very successful. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned by Mayor Prim at 7:59 pm.

In addition to attending City Council meetings, City Council representatives are expected to carry a portfolio of City departments which involves serving on various committees related to these departments. The Mayor makes these appointments in January every two years.

2014 Portfolio Holders and Committee Assignments

Admin, Finance & Personnel	Rick & Sylvester
Liquor, Ordinances, & Buildings	Sylvester & Davis
Water/Wastewater	Davis & Goedtke
Streets & Parks	Davis & Goedtke
Police, Fire, & Ambulance	Prim & Rick
TEC Advisory Board	Rick & Sylvester
Planning Commission	Goedtke
Airport Advisory Board	Sylvester
Park Board	Strom & Sylvester
Community Education	Enstad
Barnesville HRA	Enstad
EDA	Goedtke & Prim
WACCO	Strom (Enstad-Alternate)
Emergency Operations Director	Davis & Prim
Joint Powers Zoning Board	Goedtke & Davis
JP Board of Adjustment	Enstad & Strom
Library Board	Strom
Development Control Board	Davis & Goedtke
Clay County Collaborative Board	Enstad

**WARNING
PREVENT WATER
LINE FREEZE-UPS!**

To Insure That The Water Line To Your Home Does Not Freeze, Check The Water Temperature Regularly. If It Drops Below 40 Degrees, Leave One Faucet Open To Run A Trickle About The Size Of A Pencil.

Frozen Water Lines Are The Responsibility Of The Property Owner, Not The City!



Due to the continuous extremely cold weather this winter, the frost table is lower than most years. This is resulting in widespread frozen water service lines in many parts of Minnesota, including a few instances in Barnesville.

An indicator of an impending water service line freeze up is to check the temperature of your water after running it until it is cold, The water temperature should be around 45 degrees. If the temperature drops to 40 degrees or below, frost may be getting close to your service line. You can prevent your line from freezing by letting the water run at a pencil size stream from a faucet.

Questions? Contact Dan from PeopleService at 701.893.8825.

