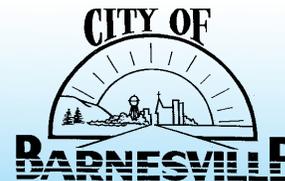


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**15% OFF**  
**TOTAL PURCHASE**

Must have original coupon - no photocopies. Limit one coupon per household. Coupon good on regular priced items only.

Coupon expires February 29, 2016

## CITY OFFICES CLOSED FEBRUARY 15

Barnesville City Hall will be closed on **Monday, February 15** in observance of President's Day.

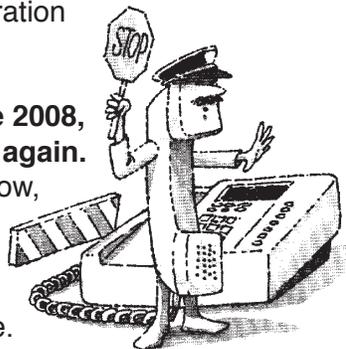
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**If you registered before 2008, we recommend registering again.**

If you register your number now, your number will remain permanently on the list. You also can remove your name from the list at any time.



## WELCOME ROGENA FRONNING!

Firehall Municipal Liquors would like to welcome **Rogena Fronning** as their new part-time clerk. When you stop by to pick up your favorite beverages, be sure to say hi and welcome Rogena!

## WATCH FOR NEW 2016 PHONE DIRECTORY

The new 2016 Phone Directory should arrive in your mail at the end of the month. If you don't receive your directory, stop by City Hall to pick one up.

## NOW IS THE TIME TO LICENSE PETS....



A reminder to all pet owners that **all dogs and cats owned within the Barnesville city limits MUST be licensed each**

**and every January 1.** If you have not done so already, please stop in at the Barnesville City Hall, the Police Department or Barnesville Animal Care Clinic to purchase a license.

License fees range from \$5 to \$10 with proof of current vaccinations. Having a current pet license will help Animal Control locate the owner of a lost pet!

## WIND POWER BLOCKS AVAILABLE



Wind power is a non-polluting energy source that reduces the use of fossil fuels. Sign up today to purchase this clean renewable energy. For more information call City Hall at 354-2292.

## A HUGE THANK YOU!

The City of Barnesville extends a HUGE Thank You to **Donna Dunham** and **Bob Albin** who has retired from Barnesville Ambulance after collectively serving over 50 years! We and area residents are grateful for your unselfish service!

## ARVIG TO REMOVE AERIAL TELEPHONE WIRES

Now that the City has converted its telephone and cable to fiber, the old aerial wires will be removed. Arvig is the company the City has hired to do this work. As part of this work, workers will be removing the drop to the house in areas of town where there are aerial lines. Workers will not need access into your home. The work will start on Feb. 1 and it is expected to take 6 weeks.

## ROUND-UP PROGRAM HAS ENDED

For many years, Barnesville residents were able to round-up their utility bill payments, with the extra amount going to the Barnesville Area Community Fund. Effective January 1, 2016 this program has ended. Thanks to everyone who participated in the program.

**BARNESVILLE CITY COUNCIL**  
**Regular Meeting • December 14, 2015**

This is a summary of the minutes. The complete minutes are available online at [www.barnesvillemn.com](http://www.barnesvillemn.com) or at City Hall.

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

12-14-15-01 Motion Strom, second Goedtke to approve the agenda with the following additions: TAP Grant resolution, update on the Sprint lawsuit, and update on the AMC negotiations. Motion carried.

12-14-15-02 Motion Davis, second Strom to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.

12-14-15-03 Motion Davis, second Sylvester to open the public hearing at 7:16 p.m. for the property maintenance assessments at 117 3rd Street NE. Motion carried.

12-14-15-04 Motion Rick, second Davis to close the public hearing at 7:17 p.m. for the property maintenance assessments at 117 3rd Street NE. Motion carried.

12-14-15-05 Motion Rick, second Goedtke to assess \$3800.00 to the property at 117 3rd Street NE, Parcel No. 50.5752440, for Shirley Johnson for repairs by city personnel for water and sewer repairs. Motion carried.

12-14-15-06 Motion Davis, second Goedtke to assess the property at 114 2nd Street NE, Parcel No. 50.5752500 in the amount of \$810.00 for an unpaid fire call. Motion carried.

12-14-15-07 Motion Strom, second Goedtke to grant an extension to the property at 101 4th St NW to complete their property violations until the October 2016 regular council meeting. Motion carried.

12-14-15-08 Motion Goedtke, second Strom to approve the variance request at 109 3rd Street SE, contingent on this construction of the Townhome project going forward on parcels 50.575.2300, 50.575.2360, and 50.575.2350. Motion carried.

12-14-15-09 Motion Rick, second Strom to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 2015-14 an Ordinance to amend the official zoning map, contingent on this specific Townhome project going forward. Motion carried.

12-14-15-10 Motion Rick, second Strom to approve the 2nd reading of Ordinance 2015-13, an Ordinance amending the refuse collection fees. Council member Sylvester stated that he would like to see no changes in the Ordinance for small garbage users. Some thought needs to be given to a weight charge for the garbage. Voting aye: Rick, Goedtke, Strom, and Davis. Voting nay: Council member Sylvester. Absent: Enstad. Motion carried.

12-14-15-11 Motion Rick, second Strom to open the public hearing for the Truth-in-Taxation hearing at 7:58 p.m. Motion carried.

12-14-15-12 Motion Rick, second Strom to close the public hearing for the Truth-in-Taxation hearing at 8:11 p.m. Motion carried.

12-14-15-13 Motion Strom, second Rick to approve the 2016 levy resolution. Voted aye: Rick, Goedtke, Strom, Davis, and Sylvester. Absent Enstad. Motion carried.

12-14-15-14 Motion Rick, second Strom to approve the 2016 budget resolution. Voted aye: Rick, Goedtke, Strom, Davis and Sylvester. Absent Enstad. Motion carried.

12-14-15-15 Motion Rick, second Strom to approve the 2016 wages for employees. Motion carried.

12-14-15-16 Motion Rick, second Sylvester to approve the resolution approving the plans and specifications and ordering advertisement for bids for the Peterson Gilbertson Second Addition. Voted aye: Rick, Goedtke, Strom, Davis, and Sylvester. Absent: Enstad. Voted nay: None. Motion carried.

12-14-15-17 Motion Sylvester, second Rick to approve a resolution in support of increasing Local Government Aid in the 2016 Legislative Session. Voted aye: Rick, Goedtke, Strom, Davis, and Sylvester. Absent: Enstad. Voted nay: None. Motion carried.

12-14-15-18 Motion Goedtke, second Rick to authorize the City to participate in the Voluntary Assessment for the CGMC Wastewater Legal and Regulatory program in the amount of \$1,097.00. Motion

carried.

12-14-15-19 Motion Strom, second Goedtke to approve a resolution committing fund balance for specific purposes. Voted aye: Rick, Goedtke, Strom, Davis, and Sylvester. The following voted nay: none. Absent: Enstad. Motion carried.

12-14-15-20 Motion Strom, second Rick to approve the Smart Phone and mobile Device Policy as presented. Motion carried.

12-14-15-21 Motion Strom, second Rick to approve a resolution to apply for Transportation Alternatives Program funding. Voted aye: Rick, Goedtke, Strom, Davis and Sylvester. Voted nay: None. Absent: Enstad. Motion carried.

12-14-15-22 Motion Strom, second by Mr. Rick to go into a closed session for the purpose of conducting the annual performance review of City Administrator Mike Rietz at 8:37 p.m. Motion carried.

12-14-15-23 Motion Strom, second Rick to re-open the meeting at 8:49 p.m. Motion carried.

Mayor Prim adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

**BARNESVILLE CITY COUNCIL**  
**Special Meeting • December 28, 2015**

This is a summary of the minutes. The complete minutes are available online at [www.barnesvillemn.com](http://www.barnesvillemn.com) or at City Hall.

Vice Mayor Jason Rick called this special meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members present were Jason Rick, Don Goedtke, Betty Strom, Larry Davis, Jr., Richard Sylvester, and Cathy Enstad

12-28-15-01 Motion Strom, second Goedtke to open the public hearing for the Tax Abatement at 6:01 p.m. Motion carried.

12-28-15-02 Motion Strom, second Enstad to close the public hearing for the Tax Abatement at 6:02 p.m. Motion carried.

12-28-15-03 Motion Goedtke, second Strom to approve a resolution authorizing a property tax abatement for qualified property owners. Voted aye: Rick, Goedtke, Strom, Davis, Sylvester and Enstad. Voted nay: none. Motion carried.

12-28-15-04 Motion Strom, second Davis to approve the pay request #2 from Hough, Inc. for the fish ramp project in the amount of \$99,648.35. Motion carried.

12-28-15-05 Motion Strom, second Goedtke to approve the 2nd reading of Ordinance 2015-14, amending the official zoning map of the City, as adopted in Section 7-0201 of the Barnesville City Code. Motion carried.

12-28-15-06 Motion Strom, second Goedtke to approve the summary Ordinance 2015-14. Motion carried.

Vice Mayor Rick adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

**NEW CHANGES FOR REBATES:**  **BRIGHT ENERGY SOLUTIONS**  
Barnesville Municipal Power,

in cooperation with Missouri River Energy Services will continue to offer rebates for the purchase of energy efficient appliances through the Bright Energy Solutions program.

Rebates are available for CFL light bulbs, clothes washers, dehumidifiers heating & cooling systems and refrigerators. **Last year we added rebates for clothes dryers, LED bulbs and LED retrofit kits.** Rebates can range up to \$80!

Complete information on the rebates is posted at [www.brightenergysolutions.com](http://www.brightenergysolutions.com). Customers can apply for rebate online or on paper at City Hall.

Customers are also reminded that rebates must be submitted within 30 days of purchase.

Don't miss the opportunity to save energy and money!