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An Evening at Blue Eagle Lake 20th Annual Community Picnic Thursday, July 18

Mark the calendar - Its Picnic time!!!!

The picnic dinner will be served from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. A delicious dinner of pulled pork sandwiches, hot dogs and all the fixings is being catered by Galaxie Sports Club.

Activities for all ages are planned from 7 – 9 pm. Many inflatable games for the kids, music and entertainment for all ages. NEW attractions in the games area are bungee jumping and laser tag.

A DJ will entertain us with music and games from 6- 10 pm. Many of the community's non-profits will be selling or giving away treats of all kinds.

At 10:00 pm we will have a movie on the BIG screen! Bring your lawn chair or a blanket and find a great spot on the hill or throughout the park to watch the evening's highlight. Popcorn will be available.

We are very lucky to live in such a wonderful community full of friends, neighbors and businesses that help to support each other. We hope to see on July 18th!



BARNESVILLE POWER CHANGES TO SEASONAL RATE BILLING SCHEDULE

Barnesville Municipal Power, like the majority of power companies across the nation, has adopted a seasonal rate schedule which reflects a higher cost only during those months when our cost of purchasing power is higher, which are June, July and August.

Seasonal rates were approved by the City Council earlier this year. The new seasonal rates will be reflected on the utility bill which you receive the end of July, which is for the power that you used during June.

The enclosed 2013 Utility Rate brochure has the new seasonal rates for both residential and commercial power users.

Please note that dual fuel and off-peak customers will also be affected by the change to a seasonal rate schedule.

If you have any questions, stop by or call City Hall at 354-2292

COUNCIL FILINGS OPEN JULY 30

Do you have an interest in being involved with City government? Maybe you're interested in running for Mayor or Barnesville City Council?

On November 5th, 2013, voters will elect a Mayor, as well as council members for Wards 1, 2 and 3. Filing dates are July 30 - August 13. The cost to file is \$3.00. City Hall will remain open until 5:00 pm on Tuesday, August 13 to accept filings. Questions? Contact City Clerk Jeri Reep at 354-2292.

SPECIAL 4TH OF JULY HOURS

- City Hall will be CLOSED on Thursday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day
- **There WILL be garbage pick-up on July 5.**
- Firehall Municipal Liquors will be OPEN on the 4th of July from 10 am to 2 pm.

BARNESVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting • May 13, 2013

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

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.

05-13-13-01 Motion by Mr. Davis and second by Mr. Allmaras to approve the agenda as presented, with the following additions: Barnesville Lions Club gambling permit for July 13-14, 2013, and August 24, 2013, and the sale of the 1992 International Plow truck. Motion carried.

05-13-13-02 Motion by Mrs. Strom and second by Mrs. Enstad to approve the consent agenda as presented. Council member Sylvester stated that in the Park Board minutes, there was no quorum, therefore no meeting was held.

05-13-13-03 Motion by Mrs. Strom and second by Mrs. Enstad to rescind their motion. Motion carried.

05-13-13-04 Motion by Mr. Allmaras and second by Mr. Sylvester to approve the consent agenda, excluding the Park Board minutes. Motion carried.

05-13-13-05 Motion by Mr. Davis and second by Mr. Rick to approve the board and commission reports as presented. Motion carried.

05-13-13-06 Motion by Mr. Davis and second by Mr. Sylvester to approve the following resolution, A resolution allowing amplifying equipment to be used at the football field for a dance. Upon a roll call vote, the following voted aye: Council members Rick, Allmaras, Strom, Davis, Sylvester and Enstad. The following voted nay: none. Motion carried.

05-13-13-07 Motion by Mr. Davis and second by Mr. Allmaras to approve the 2nd reading of Ordinance 2013-03 regarding sidewalk display. Motion carried.

05-13-13-08 Motion by Mr. Davis and second by Mr. Rick to approve the Summary Ordinance 2013-03. Motion carried.

05-13-13-09 Motion by Mr. Allmaras and second by Mrs. Strom to table the approval of the revised zoning map. Motion carried.

05-13-13-10 Motion by Mrs. Enstad and second by Mrs. Strom to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 2013-05, an ordinance revising the City Code. Motion carried.

05-13-13-11 Motion by Mr. Davis and second by Mr. Rick to approve the purchase of the 500 kva Pad Mount Transformer from Dakota American Transformer in the amount of \$8,595.00 plus shipping and taxes. Motion carried.

05-13-13-12 Motion by Mr. Davis and second by Mr. Rick to increase the budget to \$75,000 for a backhoe purchase. The following voted aye: Council members Rick, Strom, Davis and Enstad. The following voted against: Council members Sylvester and Allmaras. Motion carried.

05-13-13-13 Motion by Mr. Allmaras and second by Mrs. Strom to approve the sale of the 1992 International truck in the amount of \$15,000.00 to Ryan Hough. Motion carried.

05-13-13-14 Motion by Mr. Davis and second by Mr. Rick to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 p.m. Motion carried.



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BARNESVILLE WATER UPDATE

At one time, the only things you worried about finding in sewers were alligators, but you would be amazed at the things we'll find as we are jetting sewers this month!

Please think twice about what is going into your Barnesville sewer system. Our treatment process is very efficient, but many things can stress the treatment plant process. Our system has grit chambers which helps stop solids; cell phones, rocks, wire, rv hoses, etc. to protect the pumps, but many things get past and are pumped to the treatment ponds.

Liquids such as phosphate soaps, pesticides, latex paint, oils, grease, pharmaceuticals, etc., does **eventually** go back into the water aquifers. And the underground water aquifer is where we get our drinking water. Please be aware of what goes into our system and realize the kind of sewage we generate has a real effect on the treatment process and the environment.

CITY CHANGES TO NEW MAIL SERVER

To create more secure e-mail access, on June 24 the City converted to a new mail server. In the past it was inconvenient to change passwords as you had to call the Internet Help Desk and if passwords weren't changed frequently, our system was subject to hacking problems.

With the new system, customers will receive an e-mail message requiring them to to change their password every 3 months.

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