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A Monthly Newsletter for our Utility Customers

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 **Xcel Energy**[®]
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NATURAL GAS OPEN HOUSE

Wednesday, June 4 • 3:00-8:30 PM

Bville High School • Watch for Signs!
Visit one-on-one with reps - sign-up for service

SUMMER LIQUOR STORE HOURS

Firehall Municipal Liquors will change to their summer hours on Tuesday, May 27.

Monday - Wednesday 10:00 am - 9:00 pm
Thursday - Saturday 10:00 am - 10:00 pm

When you looking for beverages for all those summer activities, remember to shop local first.

WELCOME NEW EMPLOYEES

The City of Barnesville is pleased to welcome several new employees to our team.

After years of volunteer service, **Scott Nelson** is being promoted to the Manager for Barnesville Ambulance. Our thanks to **Jon Yeske** for his 7 years of service as Manager!

Joe Schindler recently started work as a part-time attendant at the Recycling Center.

2013 CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT IS NOW AVAILABLE

The City of Barnesville's 2013 Consumer Confidence Report for drinking water is now available online at www.barnesvillemn.com.

A paper copy of this report is also available at Barnesville City Hall.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- May 26** City Hall closed for Memorial Day
- June 2** Blue Eagle Lake **Swimming Beach Opens**: 11:00 - 7:00 daily; when there are swimming lessons; 1:00-7:00
- June 17** Main Street Golf Tournament
- July 10-13** Clay County Fair
- July 31** Community Picnic @ Blue Eagle

SUMMER WATERING ORDINANCE

Water restrictions are in effect from **June 1st to September 1st**. During these months, no lawns shall be watered or cars washed between 10 am and 7 pm. The ordinance is designed to conserve our valuable water resources and to help the City's water plant operate at its best.

Starting on June 1, if your address ends in an odd number, you may water your lawn or wash cars on **odd numbered days** (the 1st, 3rd, 5th days of the month etc.) **from 7 pm to 10 am**. If the last digit of your address is an even number, you can water or wash cars on **even-numbered days** (2nd, 4th, 6th etc,) **from 7 pm to 10 am**.

If you have a newly seeded or sodded lawn, it may be watered daily between 7 pm and 10 a.m. for up to six weeks after the sod is installed or the seeds have germinated. Gardens, flowers, trees and shrubs may be watered with the use of a garden hose with an adjustable nozzle without restriction.

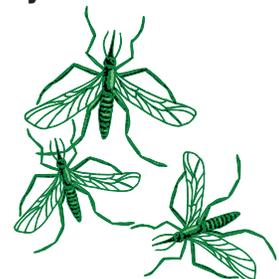
Violators will be subject to a \$25 fine for each day of violation. Copies of the complete Water Ordinance are available at City Hall offices.



SUMMER MOSQUITO SPRAYING

Throughout the summer, Public Works will be spraying for mosquitos. Planned spraying will be announced on local TV stations, Channel 12, on the City's website at www.barnesvillemn.com and on the City's Facebook page. **"Like us" on our Facebook page and you'll always know when we will be spraying!**

If adult counts warrant spraying it will usually occur on Tuesday and/or Thursdays beginning around 9 pm. Spraying is always dependent on weather.



**BARNESVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting • April 14 , 2014**

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

- Mayor Gene Prim called this regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council Members present were Betty Strom, Richard Sylvester, Larry Davis, Jr, Don Goedtke, Jason Rick and Cathy Enstad.
- 04-14-14-01 Motion Davis, second Sylvester to approve the agenda, with the addition of the request to purchase water meters. Motion carried.
- 04-14-14-02 Motion Davis, second Strom to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.
- 04-14-14-03 Motion Sylvester, second Davis to approve the plans from YHR Partners estimated cost of \$123,075.00 for the renovation of Old City Hall for office space to be utilized by Stoneridge Software. Voted aye: Rick, Goedtke, Strom, Davis and Sylvester. Voted nay: Enstad. Motion carried.
- 04-14-14-04 Motion Sylvester, second Davis to authorize the renovations of the public restrooms and kitchen at Old City Hall as presented by YHR Partners. Motion carried.
- 04-14-14-05 Motion Rick, second Goedtke to approve the proposed Wellhead Protection, Part 2, by Marilyn Bayerl of Bayerl Water Resources not to exceed \$5,835.00. Motion carried.
- 04-14-14-06 Motion Davis, second Strom to approve the bidding of the Safe Routes to School project, contingent on the MN Dept. of Transportation acceptance of the bids. Motion carried.
- 04-14-14-07 Motion Enstad, second Rick to approve the 2nd reading of Ordinance 2014-03, an Ordinance to establish electric rates and charges for residential and commercial electric services. Motion carried.
- 04-14-14-08 Motion Enstad, second Rick to approve the summary ordinance 2014-03. Motion carried.
- 04-14-14-09 Motion Davis, second Strom to authorize TEC Board members to replace channels on the Cable TV lineup at their discretion. Motion carried.
- 04-14-14-10 Motion Rick, second Davis to approve the purchase of a new jet truck from Trenchers Plus, not to exceed \$135,000.00. Motion carried.
- 04-14-14-11 Motion Davis, second Sylvester to approve the purchase of 600 water meters and 600 AMI units, not to exceed \$120,000.00. Staff is recommending using the \$120,000 of the \$150,000 that we have allocated from the Water fund to Ehlers Investment Partners for investment to pay for this purchase. Motion carried.
- 04-14-14-12 Motion Davis, second Rick to adjourn the meeting at 8:23 p.m. Motion carried.

**BARNESVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Special Meeting • April 21, 2014**

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- Mayor Gene Prim called this special meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council Members present were Betty Strom, Richard Sylvester, Larry Davis, Jr, Don Goedtke, Jason Rick and Cathy Enstad.
- 04-21-14-01 Motion Sylvester, second Enstad to authorize Mayor Prim to sign the Communications System Revenue bonds, Series 2014A provided by Dougherty & Company, LLC. Motion carried.
- 04-21-14-02 Motion Sylvester, second Goedtke to authorize staff to continue to work with Xcel Energy and Greater Minnesota Gas to work on franchise agreement of providing natural gas to the City of Barnesville. Motion carried.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

**BARNESVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Special Meeting • April 30, 2014**

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

- Mayor Gene Prim called this special meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council Members present: Richard Sylvester, Larry Davis, Jr, Don Goedtke, and Jason Rick. Absent: Betty Strom and Cathy Enstad.
- 04-30-14-01 Motion Sylvester, second Rick to approve Resolution No. 04-30-14-01, Preliminary Resolution authorizing Mayor and City Administrator to accept offer on sale of communication system revenue bonds, Series 2014A and sign resolution providing for their issuance. Voted aye: Rick, Goedtke, Davis and Sylvester. The following council members were absent: Strom and Enstad. Motion carried.
- City Attorney John Shockley presented the Ordinance for first reading. This is an ordinance that would establish a franchise for a natural gas distribution system with Xcel Energy in the city of Barnesville. This is a non-exclusive franchise with a term of 20 years and establishes a 5% franchise fee on gross revenues from natural gas sales.
- Cathy Enstad arrived at 6:55 p.m.
- 04-30-14-02 Motion Davis, second Rick to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2014-04 Natural Gas Franchise. Motion carried.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR BARNESVILLE MUNICIPAL TELEPHONE ACCOUNT

Barnesville Municipal Telephone does everything possible to protect the privacy of your information that we collect with regard to your bill. To help us, if you have not set up a password for your Barnesville Municipal Telephone account, we encourage you to complete the form below and return it with your payment. Questions? 354-2292.

BARNESVILLE MUNICIPAL TELEPHONE PASSWORD FORM

Please complete this form and return to City of Barnesville with your utility bill payment

Customer Name: _____ Date: _____

Customer Address: _____ BARNESVILLE, MN 56514

Phone Number: _____ Signature: _____

Please establish my 6-10 character password as: _____

Additional Authorized Account Contact: _____

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