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IMPORTANT VOTING INFORMATION

Barnesville residents are reminded that Election Day is **Tuesday, November 3**. The polls will be open from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm at the Senior Citizens Center located at 501 2nd Ave. NE. Please bring a drivers license with your current address. If the address is not current on your photo ID you also need a utility bill with a current address.

City Hall will be also be open on Saturday, October 31 from 10 am to 3 pm and until 5 pm on Monday, November 2 for absentee voting.

Voters will be electing a Mayor for a 2 year term and Council members from Wards 1, 2 and 3 for a 4 year term.



WATCH PREP BOWL ON CHANNEL 9

In an arrangement with KMSF, the Minnesota High School Tournaments will once again be broadcast on Barnesville Cable Channel 9. The High School Football Prep Bowl will be televised on **Friday, November 13** starting at 10 am and **Saturday, November 14** beginning at 10 am.

JOIN US ON THE PARK BOARD!

The Park Board has an opening for a new board member. The group oversees planning for the Parks and meets the last Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm. Contact Chairman Heather Weber at hkweber@live.com.

CITY HALL CLOSED NOV. 11, 26-27

City Hall will be closed on **Wednesday, Nov. 11** in observance of Veteran's Day and **Thursday, Nov. 26** and **Friday, Nov. 27** in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday.

CALLER ID "SPOOFING" NOTICE

Caller ID service is currently susceptible to fraud known as Caller ID "spoofing". The term Caller ID Spoofing refers to a practice whereby the calling party uses commonly available technology to falsify the number of the telephone line from which the call is made, the name of the calling party, or both as they appear on the called party's Caller ID screen. This practice has the potential for fraud and harm to the called party.

To protect yourself, do not take what the Caller ID screen displays for granted. If what the caller is saying does not seem legitimate, do not divulge personal information until you can verify the source, by hanging up and calling them back on a verified number (from a mailed statement or printed directory).

Congress is considering new legislation that will take action against these violators. If you would like more information on spoofing, visit www.fcc.gov, search "spoofing".

WINTER PARKING RESTRICTIONS

Barnesville winter parking restrictions state that after a snowfall of two inches or more, vehicles parked on any city street, that is not otherwise posted, must be removed prior to 8 am on the day following the day that the street is first plowed.

Vehicles may not be returned until after such street has been widened to its full width.



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BARNESVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting • September 14, 2015

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. Members present were Council members Jason Rick, Betty Strom, Don Goedtke, Larry Davis, Jr., Richard Sylvester, and Cathy Enstad

09-14-15-01 Motion Strom, second Davis to approve the agenda as presented with the following additions: approval to purchase a Toro Greens master 3150-Q for the Golf Course and approve the resolution for WMMPA expenses. Motion carried.

09-14-15-02 Motion Davis, second Strom to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.

09-14-15-03 Motion Rick, second Goedtke to approve the Variance at 208 8th Street SE for Mr. Dale Braton as presented. Motion carried.

09-14-15-04 Motion Rick, second Sylvester to approve the 2016 preliminary levy resolution. Voted aye: Rick, Goedtke, Strom, Davis, Sylvester and Enstad. Voted nay: none. Motion carried.

09-14-15-05 Motion Rick, second Sylvester to approve the 2016 preliminary budget resolution. Voted aye: Rick, Goedtke, Strom, Davis, Sylvester and Enstad. Voted nay: none. Motion carried.

09-14-15-06 Motion Rick, second Strom to approve the Final Plat for Del Acres Gilbertson 2nd Addition. Motion carried.

09-14-15-07 Motion Strom, second Goedtke to approve a resolution ordering the Del Acres Gilbertson 2nd Addition Improvement and preparation of plans. Voted aye: Rick, Goedtke, Strom, Davis, Sylvester and Enstad. Voted nay: none. Motion carried.

09-14-15-08 Motion Sylvester, second Rick to approve a resolution ordering preparation of report on improvement for 5th St. NW between 2nd Ave NW and 4th Ave. NW, 4th Ave. NW between 5th St. NW and Front St. N., 2nd and 3rd St. NW between 4th Ave NW and 6th Ave NW, 5th and 6th Ave. NW between 3rd St. NW and Front St. N., 4th St. NE between Hwy 34 and 2nd Ave. NE, 3rd St. NE between 4th Ave. NE and 2nd Ave. NE, 2nd St. NE between 2nd Ave. NE and 4th Ave NE, and 4th Ave. NE between 3rd St. NE and 4th St. NE by replacement of water main, water services, sanitary sewer, sanitary sewer services, storm sewer, street, curb and gutter and sidewalk and to assess the benefited property for all or a portion of the cost of the improvement, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 429. Voted aye: Rick, Goedtke, Strom, Davis, Sylvester and Enstad. Voted nay: none. Motion carried.

09-14-15-09 Motion Enstad, second Strom to approve a resolution authorizing Western Minnesota Municipal Power Agency for direct reimbursement for board of director travel expenses. Voted aye: Rick, Goedtke, Strom, Davis, Sylvester and Enstad. Voted nay: none. Motion carried.

Mayor Prim adjourned the meeting at 8:16 p.m.

TELEPHONE ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

Lifeline and Link-up are federal and state assistance programs which reduce telephone bills for qualified low-income customers. Lifeline offers a monthly credit up to \$12.75 per month and the Link-up program reduces installation charges for qualified low income customers. You may qualify for these programs if you participate in SSI, Energy Assistance, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, Medicaid, Food Stamps, Free School Lunch or if your household income is below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. For more info contact City Hall at 354-2292.



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1. Lower Your Thermostat

Set your thermostat as low as is comfortable. For every degree your thermostat is lowered, you save approximately 3% on your annual heating bill.

2. Block that Cold Air

Cover drafty windows from the inside with plastic sheeting. Install a door sweep or rolled up towels to block drafty doorways.



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