

**Barnesville City Council
Special Meeting
July 1, 2009**

Mayor Dahnke called this special meeting to order at 6:30 a.m. Members present were Mayor Dahnke and council members Del Ellefson, Jeremy Krause, Chad Hagen, Merlin Strom, Roger Cooper and Larry Davis, Jr. Also in attendance were City Clerk Jeri Reep, EDA Director Karen Lauer, Public Works Supt. Dave Riddering, Sr. Accountant Laurie Schell, and Pam Aakre with the Record Review.

Mayor Dahnke asked City Clerk Jeri Reep to take roll call. The next item on the agenda was the pledge of allegiance. All rose to recite the pledge.

Mayor Dahnke stated the only item on the agenda was the City Administrator position. Mayor Dahnke discussed with council members the options that were facing the council. The following items were suggested: offer the City Administrator position to Mr. David Cziok, Mr. Bruce Messelt, Mike Brethorst, or re-advertise. Mayor Dahnke asked what we want for Barnesville.

Council member Chad Hagen stated that Mr. David Cziok was his number one candidate, felt that Mr. Bruce Messelt was not the fit for Barnesville.

Council member Roger Cooper stated that he felt that Mr. Bruce Messelt was not what we were looking for in an Administrator. Mr. Cooper suggested offering the position to Mr. David Cziok.

Council member Del Ellefson stated that he would like someone to jump in and do the job. Mr. Ellefson stated he you be in favor of hiring Mr. Bruce Messelt.

Council member Larry Davis, Jr. stated that Mr. David Cziok could probably do the job, but lacking in the financial area. Mr. Davis stated that we don't need a split decision. Mr. Davis was suggesting to re-advertise.

Council member Merlin Strom also felt that the city should re-advertise.

Council member Jeremy Krause stated that he would like to clean the slate, and re-advertise, and hire Brimeyer Group to conduct a search for the City Administrator position.

07-01-09-01 Motion by Mr. Ellefson and second by Mr. Hagen to re-advertise for the City Administrator position, and to hire the Brimeyer Group to conduct the search. Motion carried.

07-01-09-02 Motion by Mr. Krause and second by Mr. Davis to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m. Motion carried.

Submitted by:

Attest:

Jeri L. Reep
City Clerk

Fred Dahnke
Mayor