

**Barnesville City Council
Special Meeting
September 25, 2009**

Mayor Dahnke called this special council meeting to order at 8:003 a.m. Others in attendance were Council Members Jeremy Krause, Merlin Strom, Larry Davis, Jr., Del Ellefson, Roger Cooper and Chad Hagen. Also in attendance were City Attorney John Shockley, and City Clerk Jeri Reep.

Mayor Dahnke stated the first item on the agenda was the second reading of Ordinance 2009-4.

09-25-09-01 Motion by Mr. Davis and second by Mr. Krause to approve the 2nd reading of the following ordinance. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE 2009-4

**AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE RATES AND
CHARGES FOR BROADBAND AND INTERNET SERVICE.**

The City Council of the City of Barnesville does hereby ordain as follows:

WHEREAS, the City Council did previously enact Ordinance No. 2008-3 an ordinance to establish charges for broadband and internet service.

WHEREAS, DSL service is a service regulated by National Exchange Carrier Association (NECA) and the City of Barnesville doing business as Barnesville Municipal Telephone is a member of NECA and,

WHEREAS, NECA has filed the appropriate tariffs with the Federal Communications Commission which establish wholesale charges for DSL services and,

WHEREAS, the Telephone/Electric/Cable TV (T.E.C.) Advisory Board for the City of Barnesville has recommended the following rates and charges for DSL and Dial-up Internet service provided to customers by the Broadband and Internet Enterprise.

NOW THEREFORE, Ordinance No. 2008-3 is hereby replaced as follows:

Section 1. Costs for DSL service

MONTHLY COSTS

SPEEDS

	Internet/DSL		Down speed	Up speed
1.	\$24.95	(Bronze)*	128 kbps	128 kbps
2.	\$36.95	(Silver)	512 kbps 1 Megbps	256 kbps 512 kbps
3.	\$52.95	(Gold)	1 Megbps 3 Megbps	512 kbps

* New DSL customers only

Cost for additional Email accounts: \$ 2.00 per month
 Cost for 2nd Static IP addresses \$10.00 per month

DSL “Combo” package

When DSL is purchased along with Barnesville Long Distance and Barnesville Cable TV service the customer will receive a \$5.00 per month discount on the cost of the level

DSL service selected. The DSL “Combo” package is available to business and residential customers.

DSL Installation charge: ~~\$99.00~~ **\$250.00** non-recurring (DSL Installation charges will increase along with NECA increases)*-*

- DSL Installation charge may be waived.

Conditions for waiver: Customer agrees to maintain DSL service for a minimum period

of twelve months. Customer will be billed DSL service installation charge should they fail to maintain DSL service for the twelve-month period. Service order charges are not waived.

Section 2. Equipment Provided by Customer

Network Interface Card (NIC)

Modem: Options

- 1) Customer can provide their own modem, or
- 2) Purchase a Modem/router from City Hall - \$140.00 (plus applicable taxes), or
- 3) Rent a Modem/router for \$4.95 per month.

SOFTWARE REQUIRED/RECOMMENDED

INTERNET BROWSER: Customer provided

FIREWALL: Software and electrical surge protector are responsibility of subscriber.

Section 3. Equipment provided for Customer

3 meter CAT 5 patch cord

Section 4. Cost for Dial up Internet service

All rates listed will apply equally to residential or business service.

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| 1. | 35 hours per month
hours) | \$9.95 | (20 cents per hour over 35 |
| 2. | 100 hours per month
hours) | \$14.95 | (15 cents per hour over 100 |
| 3. | Unlimited | \$19.95 | |
| 4. | Unlimited Package
Barnesville | \$14.95 | (when purchased with

Long Distance and
Barnesville Cable TV
service) |

Section 5. Equipment provided by Customer

Modem 56 kbps

Section 6. Billing

The monthly charge for Broadband and Dial up Internet service will be billed forward.

If service is disconnected, the billing for service will be ½ the monthly rate if disconnected on or before the 15th day of the present month. Service disconnected after the 15th day of the present month will be billed for the full month.

Section 7. Rate adjustments.

- 1) First time DSL customers receive a \$10.00 per month credit for 3 months with one year service agreement.
- 2) In support of Economic Development efforts and with Council approval, DSL monthly service charges may be reduced up to 50 percent for a time period no longer than 1 year.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This ordinance shall become effective upon its passage and enactment, followed by publication according to law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Barnesville City Council this 25th day of September, 2009.

APPROVED:

Fred Dahnke, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jeri Reep
City Clerk

First Reading: September 14, 2009
Second Reading: September 25, 2009
Adopted: September 25, 2009
Publication: September 28, 2009

Mayor Dahnke stated that the council would recess at 8:05 a.m.

Council reconvened at 8:07 a.m. Mr. Richard Fursman with the Brimeyer Group discussed with council members the City Administrator interview schedule. Mr. Fursman stated that two council members would each interview the candidates for a thirty minute time frame, and at 12:00 noon the full interview process would start.

Council members recessed at 11:10 a.m.

Council members reconvened at 12:10 p.m. Council member Del Ellefson was absent.

The first candidate to be interviewed was Mrs. Carla MK Vita from Isanti, Minnesota.

Council recessed from 12:50 p.m. to 12:56 p.m.

The second candidate to be interviewed was Mr. Patrick Christopherson from Wanaminigo, Minnesota.

Council recessed from 1:40 p.m. to 1:44 p.m.

The third candidate to be interviewed was Mr. Michael Boulton from Porter, Minnesota.

Council recessed from 2:05 p.m. to 2:10 p.m.

The fourth candidate to be interviewed was Mr. Fred Ventresco from Weare, New Hampshire.

Council recessed from 2:51p.m. to 2:51 p.m.

The fifth candidate to be interviewed was Mr. Michael Rietz from Castle Hills, Texas.

Council recessed from 3:45 p.m. to 3:50 p.m.

Mr. Richard Fursman with the Brimeyer Group discussed with council members the staff's input on the candidates. Mr. Richard Fursman next asked council members their input on the candidate selection. Council next directed Mr. Fursman to make an employment offer to Mr. Michael Rietz from Castle Hills, Texas. If Mr. Rietz does not accept the position, that Mr. Fursman is directed to make an offer to Mrs. Carla Vita from Isanti, Minnesota.

Council members authorized Mr. Fursman to start the starting salary for Michael Rietz at \$75,000, and authorized the salary to up to \$80,000.00. Council members discussed the employment terms with Mr. Fursman to include in the employment agreement with Mr. Rietz.

09-25-09-02 Motion by Mr. Hagen and second by Mr. Cooper to offer the City Administrator position to Mr. Michael Rietz, and if Mr. Rietz does not accept the position, to offer the position to Mrs. Carla Vita. Council members authorized Mr. Fursman to negotiate terms of the contract. Motion carried.

09-25-09-03 Motion by Mr. Cooper and second by Mr. Hagen to adjourn the meeting at 4:37 p.m. Motion carried.

Submitted by:

Attest:

Jeri Reep
City Clerk

Fred Dahnke
Mayor