

**Barnesville City Council  
Special Meeting  
September 9, 2009**

Mayor Dahnke called this special council meeting to order at 6:40 p.m. Others in attendance were Council members Larry Davis, Jr., Merlin Strom, Roger Cooper, Del Ellefson, and Jeremy Krause. Absent was council member Chad Hagen. Also in attendance were City Attorney John Shockley, City Clerk Jeri Reep, Richard Fursman with the Brimeyer Group, and Tom Jensen.

Mayor Dahnke stated the first item on the agenda was the pledge of allegiance. All rose to recite the pledge.

Mayor Dahnke next called on Mr. Richard Fursman with the Brimeyer Group. Mr. Fursman discussed with council members the City Administrator interview process. Mr. Fursman stated that they had received 43 applications for the position. 16 of the applicants were interviewed, and they were recommending 10 semi-finalists. Mr. Fursman stated that the City Council would need to narrow the finalists down to five or six that they would like to interview. Mr. Fursman went thru the semi-finalists qualifications and experience. Mr. Fursman next asked council members to choose their top choices for the City Administrator. The following candidates were selected to be interviewed:

1. Michael Boulton from Porter, MN
2. Michael Rietz from Castle Hills, TX
3. Patrick Christopherson from Wanamingo, MN
4. Fred Ventresco from Weare, NH
5. Carla MK Vita from Isanti, MN

Mr. Fursman next discussed with council members a tentative schedule for the interviews. Mr. Fursman suggested September 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

Council members had no further questions for Mr. Fursman.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Submitted by:

Attest:

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Jeri Reep  
City Clerk

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Fred Dahnke  
Mayor

