

KEEPING YOU CONNECTED



A Monthly Newsletter for our Utility Customers

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IT'S THE LAW

ALWAYS CALL BEFORE YOU DIG



One free, easy call gets your utility lines marked AND helps protect you from injury and expense.

Safe Digging Is No Accident: Always Call 811 Before You Dig

Know what's below. Always call 811 before you dig. Visit call811.com for more information.






BARNESVILLE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES




PeopleService INC.
Water & Wastewater Professionals

BARNESVILLE PUBLIC NOTICE

FLUSHING OF WATER MAINS APRIL 18 - 29

PeopleService will be flushing water mains from April 18-29. This process may cause some temporary discoloration of your water. To remove the discoloration, turn on several faucets in or outside your home or business, and leave the water run until it clears. Any questions, call Dan at (701) 893-8825 or Brandon at (701) 893-8699.

2011 Water Week May 1-7



People Service is proud to serve the citizens of Barnesville in providing quality water.

NEW CABLE TV LINE-UP CARD

In recent months there have been some changes made to the Cable TV line-up schedule. Enclosed please find the new channel line-up card. Extra copies are available at City Hall.

SUMMER LIQUOR STORE HOURS

Firehall Municipal Liquors will change to their summer hours on Monday, May 2.

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

NEED HELP PAYING YOUR ENERGY BILLS?

Are you struggling to make ends meet? The Minnesota Energy Assistance Program helps homeowners and renters pay their energy bills. Homeowners may also get assistance with furnace repair or replacement. Grants range from \$100 to \$1,400 depending on family size, last 3 months income and fuel consumption.

www.staywarm.mn.gov

TO GET HELP CALL 1.800.657.3710



RUNNING YOUR SUMP PUMP INTO THE SANITARY SEWER IS AGAINST THE LAW !

Not only is discharging your sump pump into the sanitary sewer illegal, but it endangers your neighbors! The sanitary sewer lines, as well as the City's treatment facilities are unable to handle the volume of water that comes from sump pumps, particularly in the case of heavy rain. The result can be raw sewage backing up in homes.

All sump pumps MUST drain outside into the City's storm sewer system. The City Council will enforce this ordinance. Homeowners who fail or refuse to follow the sump pump ordinance are subject to a \$100 a month fine.



For questions or more info, contact City Hall at 354-2292

SEE THE MN TWINS IN HD !

The newest HD channel is Channel 244, Fox Sports North with exclusive rights to 150 Twins games. Add HD service for only \$ 9.99 month.

PROJECTS AROUND THE HOUSE ? REMEMBER THE BUILDING PERMIT

Don't forget that building permits are required for many projects including sheds over 120 square feet, decks, siding, garages, shingling projects, window replacements, remodeling and additions. Building permits are not required for flat concrete work or fences.

Building permit applications are available at City Hall and on our website Questions? call Building Inspector Roland Holm at (218) 790-0240.

WELCOME VERONICA WAHL !

The City of Barnesville is pleased to welcome **Veronica Wahl** as the new meter reader. When you see Veronica in your yard be sure to say Hi!

HELP KEEP OUR PARKS BEAUTIFUL

We need to remember to take steps to clean up after our dogs so that other residents can enjoy the walking path around Blue Eagle Lake and other public spaces in town.

To make your clean-up job just a little easier, a package of 100 Pooch Pouches is available in the pet supply aisle at Barnesville Grocery for only \$1.29.

PLANNING TO BUILD A FENCE ?

Barnesville residents are reminded that there are a few rules when it comes to fences.

1. Fences, including any underground footings must be located entirely on your property.
2. Many lots have utility easements. Fences may NOT be erected on a utility easement. If you're uncertain whether your lot has a utility easement, call Zoning Administrator Mike Rietz at 354-2292.
3. All posts used in the construction of fences shall be faced inward toward the property being fenced.
3. The maximum fence height along rear and side property lines is 6 feet.
4. Fences located in required front yards shall not exceed 36" in height except fences that are at least 75% open may be 48 inches.
5. Always call 811 before you start your fence project to have underground utility lines located. A little extra time could save your life.

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