

**Barnesville City Council
Special Meeting
September 5, 2007**

Mayor Bauer called this special meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.. Present were Mayor Bauer and council members Roger Cooper, Larry Davis, Jr., Del Ellefson, Chad Hagen, Kim Simonsen and Merlin Strom. Others in attendance were City Attorney John Shockley, COO Mike Brethorst, City Clerk Jeri Reep, Police Chief Dean Ernst, TEC Coordinator Guy Swenson, Animal Control Officer Nikki Bartelson, Dick Sylvester, Eric and Jeana Lanum, Leah Thompson, Kelly Peppel, Dawn Eenhuis, Dennis and Nita Fenner, Monica Schindler, Frank Schindler, and Pam Aakre with the Record Review.

Mayor Bauer stated that the only item on the agenda was the discussion on the Animal Ordinance.

Chief Operating Officer Mike Brethorst informed council members that the petitions that were received at the September 10, 2007 council meeting have been verified by City Clerk Jeri Reep with the following:

To change the present animal ordinance:

Ward 1	46 people signed petition
Ward 2	50 people signed petition
Ward 3	47 people signed petition

No change to the present animal ordinance

Ward 1	23 people signed petition
Ward 2	31 people signed petition
Ward 3	31 people signed petition

Mayor Bauer stated that the petition to change the animal ordinance did receive 35 households from each ward.

Mayor Bauer entertained a motion to re-examine the present animal ordinance. Mayor Bauer entertained the motion three times. City Attorney John Shockley stated that if the party involved keeps the ducks within the city limits, this is a misdemeanor. Mr. Shockley also stated that he has not received any legal research from the Lanum's as they had stated they would provide the information to him.

Mayor Bauer stated that he would ask the Police Department to enforce the present animal ordinance. Mayor Bauer advised the Lanum's to remove the ducks from the city limits.

Mayor Bauer adjourned the meeting at 7:06 p.m.

Submitted by:

Attest:

Jeri L. Reep
City Clerk

Kenneth J. Bauer
Mayor