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WATCH TOURNAMENTS ON 9 & 110

Once again this year, Barnesville Cable TV is pleased to provide live coverage of High School Sports Tournaments on both Channel 9 and on Antenna TV, channel 110. Tournament coverage dates are:

- Boys Hockey.....March 2-5
- Boys Basketball.....March 10-12
- Girls Basketball.....March 17-19

The live feed will begin a few minutes before the games and end once the game is over.

YOU'RE INVITED TO PROVIDE INPUT ON NEW COMPREHENSIVE PLAN!

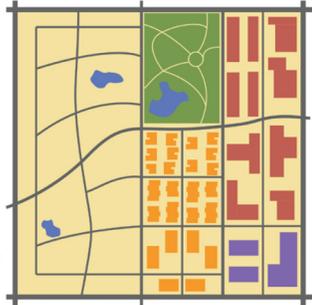
In January, the City began an update to its 2004 Comprehensive Plan. This plan will be used to establish guidelines for future growth for the City as well as help guide policy decisions for community development.

The plan will look at existing and future land use, transportation, population and demographic projections, housing needs, infrastructure, and economic development. It is anticipated that this plan will be completed by the end of the year.

Community involvement is a key component of this comprehensive plan update, including two public input meetings and an online survey to help develop and refine a community vision.

The first public input meeting will be held on **Tuesday, April 12 from 7:00 - 9:00 pm** at City Hall. The online community input survey will be accessible through the City of Barnesville website beginning March 15 through June 30.

If you have questions or comments about the Comprehensive Plan process, contact Karen Lauer at 218.354.2145 (klauer@bvillemn.net) or Adam Altenburg at 701.232.3242 (altenburg@fmmetrocog.org).



MAIN STREET'S SHOWCASE 2016 SET FOR SATURDAY, APRIL 2



Make your plans now to attend Showcase 2016 on **Saturday, April 2** at the High School from **9:00 am to 2:00 pm**.

Plan to spend the day taking in 45 booths, entertainment and the food court. Stop by the City's booth to pick-up your **Free LED lightbulb** and learn about energy conservation and Bright Energy Solutions rebates. Plus, check-out the display of the new OpenGov website portal where residents can view City budget information from their home computer!

CABLE TV RATE INCREASE IN MARCH

With the rising cost of television programming Barnesville Cable TV subscribers will see an increase on their bill that they receive in March. The Economy Basic will be \$23.45 month and the Preferred Basic will be \$73.95.

Subscribers should note that Antenna TV, which features lots of older programming, has been added on channel 110. Also, channel 86 which was H2 is now Viceland.

PHONE BOOK CORRECTIONS

Bastis, Charles & Lorna.....405 8th Street NE
Rick's Tires and Towing.....493- 4648

SAVE \$10 ON SEASON GOLF PASSES

Believe it or not, golf season is just around the corner. Purchase your season membership between now and **April 15** and you will save \$10.

A 2016 Season Pass for a husband and wife is only \$ 350, an adult membership is only \$ 250, immediate family living in the same household is \$ 390 and students are \$ 85. Stop by City Hall during regular business hours to purchase your discounted pass - **hurry discount ends April 15!**

BARNESVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting • January 11, 2016

This is a summary of the minutes. The complete minutes are available online at www.barnesvillemn.com or at City Hall.

Mayor Gene Prim called this regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Council members Jason Rick, Betty Strom, Don Goedtke, Larry Davis, Jr., and Richard Sylvester. Absent was Council member Cathy Enstad.

01-11-16-01 Motion Strom, second Rick to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

01-11-16-02 Motion Davis, second Strom to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.

City Administrator administered the Oath of Office to Gene Prim, Betty Strom and Brad Field.

01-11-16-03 Motion Strom, second Goedtke to approve the council representatives and appointments. Motion carried.

01-11-16-04 Motion Strom, second Goedtke to appoint Jason Rick as the Vice-Mayor, and appoint the City Officers. Motion carried.

01-11-16-05 Motion Davis, second Rick to appoint the following as the City of Barnesville official depositories: Midwest Bank, Wells Fargo, Wells Fargo Investment Services, MN Municipal Money Market Funds, Ehlers Investment Partners. Motion carried.

01-11-16-06 Motion Field, second Davis to designate the Barnesville Record Review as the official newspaper for the City. Motion carried.

01-11-16-07 Motion Davis, second Strom to approve the variance at 502 4th Street SE for Cooper Bierscheid-Protosthetics, LLC, Parcel No. 50.575.0350. Motion carried.

01-11-16-08 Motion Rick, second Strom to approve the following resolution, a resolution to approve the Amendment Five-S1 Agreement. Voted aye: Rick, Goedtke, Strom, Davis, and Field. Voted nay: none. Absent: Stuvland. Motion carried.

01-11-16-09 Motion Goedtke, second Davis to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 2016-01 regarding off street parking of trailers and recreation vehicles in Residential areas. Council member Strom questioned how corner lots would be enforced. Council member Field questioned about RV parking. Motion carried.

01-11-16-10 Motion Strom, second Goedtke to approve the \$500.00 Existing Home Incentive Program, with it automatically renewing each year. Motion carried.

Mayor Prim adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

CITY BOARD OPPORTUNITY!

The success of local government ultimately depends on the willingness of well-informed, engaged individuals to step into leadership roles to help advise or guide policy on city goals, operations, and resources.

Serving on an advisory committee is an excellent way to serve your community, become more informed about your local government and it can be a very rewarding experience.

Current Opening: Planning Commission

Purpose: Advises the City Council on the future physical development of the city. The board conducts studies and investigations and makes reports and recommendations on matters affecting zoning, platting and public information.

Date: 1st Monday of every month

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: City Council Chambers

If you are interested in knowing more about this opportunity, contact City Administrator Mike Rietz at 354-2292 or mrietz@bvillemn.net

BECOME A MAIN STREET MEMBER!

The 2016 Main Street Membership Drive is now underway! If you have been a member of Main Street please support the program again.

If you're interested in becoming a member, give us a call at 354-2479. Your dollars will go to support our community events. Membership starts at only \$15.

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CITY OF BARNESVILLE DIRECT BILL PAY AUTHORIZATION AGREEMENT

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ E-mail _____

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT

Mastercard Visa Card Number _____ Exp. Date _____

CHECKING ACCOUNT DIRECT PAYMENT (ACH DEBITS) - Include voided check blank

I authorize the City of Barnesville to initiate debit entries to my checking account indicated below at the bank named below, and to debit the same to such account, and if necessary, credit entries and adjustments for any debit entries in error. I acknowledge that the origination of ACH transactions to my account must comply with the provisions of U.S. law.

Bank Name _____ Bank Routing Number _____

Bank Account Number _____

This authorization is to remain in full force and effect until the City of Barnesville has received written notification from me of its termination in such time and in such manner as to allow the City and my bank a reasonable opportunity to act on it.

Signature _____ Date _____ Day Phone () _____