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THINKING OF CHANGING YOUR HEATING SYSTEM BEFORE WINTER?

Winter is just around the corner - if you heat with electric, propane or fuel oil and you're thinking about making a switch to natural gas, check out the savings of Dual Fuel!

Converting your heating system to a Dual Fuel system is easier and more affordable than you might think. In many cases, it is as simple as adding an electric plenum heater to your existing propane or fuel oil furnace.

With Barnesville Municipal Power's Dual Fuel rates at only 4.70¢ per kwh, it's like you're buying \$1.01 propane or \$1.52 fuel oil.

The City also offers various incentives to add dual fuel to your home.

Weather predictions call for below average temperatures this winter. Call TEC Manager Guy Swenson today at 354-2292 for help on calculating how much you can save by making this easy change to Dual Fuel!



OPEN HOUSE SCHEDULED FOR CITY'S 2016 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN!

Work is continuing on putting together the new Comprehensive Plan for Barnesville. Over 100 people took part in the community survey earlier this year. Some common themes are starting to emerge but your input is still needed! Join us for a PUBLIC INPUT OPEN HOUSE on **Tuesday, October 11 from 7:00-9:00 pm** at the Senior Citizens Center, 501 2nd Avenue NE. Stop by whenever you can during those times!

FALL LEAF PICK-UP SCHEDULED

With summer behind us, it won't be long and the leaves will be falling from the trees! Fuchs Sanitation, in cooperation with the City has scheduled two special leaf pick-ups. The first on **Friday, October 21** and the second on **Friday, October 28**.

Leaves should be placed in clear garbage bags at the normal pick-up sites.

Residents may also dispose of their leaves at the compost pile at the Burn Site located near the Public Works shop.

We're Celebrating Public Power Week - October 2-8!

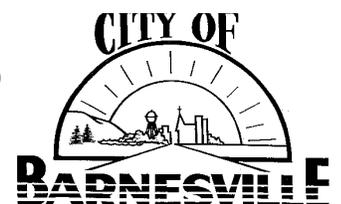


Get a FREE LED light bulb Compliments of Barnesville Municipal Utilities

About 12% of the energy used in your home goes to lighting. You can cut your lighting costs dramatically by replacing incandescent bulbs with ENERGY STAR CFL bulbs. Barnesville Municipal Power will help you get started by giving you a FREE CFL!

Stop in at City Hall to pick up your FREE LED during Public Power Week, October 2-8.

We have savings just waiting for you!



102 Front Street North • We're open 'til 6 on Thursdays!

BARNESVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting • August 8, 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, Don Goedtke, Betty Strom, Larry Davis, Jr., Dawn Stuvland and Brad Field

08-09-16-01 Motion Rick, second Stuvland to approve the agenda, with the addition of the Riley Brothers construction extension request. Motion carried.

08-09-16-02 Motion Davis, second Goedtke to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

08-08-16-03 Motion Field, second Stuvland to donate \$1,250.00 a year for the next four years to the Barnesville Community Fund. Motion carried.

08-08-16-04 Motion Davis, second Rick to approve the petition for Improvements at 123 2nd Street NE. Motion carried.

08-08-16-05 Motion Goedtke, second Davis to approve the Task Order No. 11 from KLJ. The estimated cost will be \$5,500.00. Mayor Prim questioned the source of the funds for this repair. City Administrator Mike Rietz stated that fund are available in the sewer fund. Motion carried.

08-08-16-06 Motion Rick, second Goedtke to approve the Riley Bros. Construction three-week construction extension request, with a new completion date of Sept. 5, 2016. Motion carried.

08-08-16-07 Motion Rick, second Strom to approve and authorize TEC Manager Guy Swenson to enroll Barnesville Cable TV in the FOX Cable Networks PCM. Motion carried.

08-08-16-08 Motion Davis, second Strom to approve and authorize TEC Manger Guy Swenson to execute the NCTC RFT Channel Agreement. Motion carried.

Mayor Prim adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

GET YOUR E-MAIL WHEN YOU'RE GONE !

Residents who use the City of Barnesville for their internet service are reminded that it's easy to get your e-mails when you're out of town or gone for the winter!

All Barnesville Internet customers have FREE access to Webmail services, available anywhere that you have internet access, simply by going to www.bvillemn.net and click on Webmail Access on the left side. You will need to enter your entire e-mail address and e-mail password, then you can read, write and respond to all your e-mails. Forgotten your password or just need help? Call the Internet Help Desk at 354-2222.

Residents that go south for the winter are reminded that to utilize Webmail, you will need to put your phone service on winter hold, which is a \$10 per month charge; and also your internet service on winter hold, which is \$5 per month charge. For more info call City Hall at 354-2292.



FREE INSTALLATION

Barnesville Cable TV \$49.95 value

**Rates
start
at
\$23.45**



Offer ends October 31, 2016 218.354.2292

SEASONAL SUMP PUMP WAIVER

Barnesville residents are reminded that sump pump drain discharge into the sanitary sewer is prohibited from April 1 to October 31.

ONLY IF property owners apply for a waiver through City Hall are they allowed to discharge sump pumps into the sanitary sewer from November 1 to March 31.

Under the waiver requirements, the property owner agrees to pay an annual waiver fee of \$ 50 as established by Resolution of the City Council, which will be billed at \$4.17 per month. This allows the discharge to go into the sanitary sewer during the winter months.

Per City Ordinance, on April 1, the sump pump must once again be discharged outside.

Residents are reminded that per Barnesville City Code, non-compliance with the Sump Pump Ordinance is subject to a \$100 month penalty.

Care should be taken so the discharge doesn't cause icing problems on sidewalks or streets. For more info or to apply for a waiver, call or stop by City Hall during business hours.

CITY HALL IS OPEN COLUMBUS DAY

City Hall will be open on Monday, October 10

FIREHALL LIQUOR STORE HOURS

For all your beverage needs, be sure to stop by your municipally owned Firehall Liquors. We appreciate the opportunity to serve you. Starting on October 1, we'll shift to our Fall hours:

Monday - Wednesday Noon - 9 pm

Thursday-Saturday 10 am - 10 pm