

**Barnesville City Council  
Special Meeting  
February 27, 2014**

Mayor Prim called this special meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Mayor Prim and Council members Don Goedtke, Richard Sylvester, Cathy Enstad, Larry Davis, Jr. and Jason Rick. Absent was Betty Strom. Others in attendance were, City Administrator Mike Rietz, City Attorney John Shockley with Ohnstad Twichell, Public Works Supt. Terry Ystenes, Dan Lubbesmeyer with PeopleService and Jacob Underlee with the Record Review.

Mayor Prim stated the first thing on the agenda was to discuss possible adjustments to sewer and water billing in light of this winter's deep frost conditions and the effect on water and sewer service lines.

City Administrator Rietz explained that residents that are running water due to these unusual deep frost conditions will have higher bills as a result. The reason for this meeting is to determine if any adjustment to the billing should occur in light of this unusual situation.

**02-27-14-01** Motion by Mr. Sylvester and second by Mr. Davis to approve reviewing the bills on a case-by-case basis for customers who call in and state that they were running extra water to keep their water lines from freezing and to make an adjustment to the sewer bill based on the average usage in January-March 2013 and January 2014 and to make an adjustment to the water bill in 1000 cubic foot increments if the usage exceeds their average in January-March 2013, and January 2014 by a minimum of 1000 cubic feet. Motion carried.

**02-27-14-02** Motion by Mr. Davis and second by Mr. Rick to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 p.m. Motion carried.

Submitted by:

Attest:

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Michael Rietz  
City Administrator

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Eugene Prim  
Mayor