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## TOURNAMENTS ON CHANNEL 110!

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

**Boys Hockey**.....March 8-11

**Girls Basketball**.....March 16-18

**Boys Basketball**.....March 23-25

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

### BARNESVILLE CITY COUNCIL Regular Meeting • January 9, 2017

This is a summary of the minutes. The complete minutes are available online at [www.barnesvillemn.com](http://www.barnesvillemn.com) or at City Hall.

Acting Mayor Jason Rick 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. Absent was Mayor Prim.

01-09-17-01 Motion Davis, second Strom to approve the agenda as presented, with the addition of the approval to hire Shelby Berg as the warming house attendant, and the Save the Municipal Bond tax exemption status. Motion carried.

01-09-17-02 Motion Strom, second Goedtke to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.

01-09-17-03 Motion Field to accept the bid for garbage services from Waste Management. Acting Mayor Rick asked three times for a second to Mr. Field's motion. There was no second to the motion. Motion failed due to lack of a 2nd motion.

01-09-17-04 Motion Goedtke, second Davis to reject all bids for garbage services for the city. Voted aye: Rick, Goedtke, Strom, Davis and Stuvland. Voted nay: council member Field. Motion carried.

01-09-17-05 Motion Davis, second Strom to approve the following resolution. A TAP grant resolution. Voted aye: Rick, Goedtke, Strom, Davis, Stuvland and Field. Voted nay: none. Motion carried.

01-09-17-06 Motion Davis, second Stuvland to designate the Barnesville Record Review as the official City newspaper. Carried.

01-09-17-07 Motion Davis, second Strom to accept and approve the Filing of the Barnesville Municipal Utility Cogeneration and Small Power Production Tariff (Schedules A-H). Motion carried.

01-09-17-08 Motion Stuvland, second Goedtke to approve the Municipal bond tax exemption status. Motion carried.

01-09-17-09 Motion Davis, second Stuvland to go into a closed session for the purpose of conducting the annual performance review of City Administrator Mike Rietz at 8:00 p.m. Motion carried.

01-09-17-10 Motion Davis, second Goedtke to re-open the meeting at 8:20 p.m. Motion carried.

Acting Mayor Rick adjourned the meeting at 8:21 p.m.

## Main Street's 25th Annual SHOWCASE SET FOR SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 2017

Make your plans now to attend Showcase 2017 on **Saturday, March 25** at the High School from **9:00 am to 1:00 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.

## UPDATE ON DIGITAL CABLE EQUIPMENT

We apologize for any inconvenience which our customers experienced as a result of the recent conversion to new digital equipment for the Cable TV system. We are continuing to work out any remaining problems. If you are still having problems with your cable, call us at 354.2292 and we will schedule a technician to come out.

## 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 2017 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!**

## WATER SOFTENER INFORMATION!

Many residents use a water softener to soften their water. The hardness will vary due to the water coming out of our underground wells. Hardness of the water is measured in grains per gallon. Beginning this month we will provide the current hardness so you can adjust your settings to maximize your water quality. For more info, consult your softener manual or water softener supplier.

**FEBRUARY HARDNESS: 27**



## IT'S EASY - BILL PAYMENT OPTIONS

Use VISA or Mastercard, automatic checking withdrawal or online. Call 354-2292 for info!

## Are you having trouble using the telephone due to a hearing or speech disability?

Minnesota Relay is a free telephone service that uses specially trained communications assistants (CAs) to facilitate telephone calls between people with hearing and speech disabilities and other individuals. Calls can be made to anywhere in the world (long distance charges apply), 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. All calls are completely confidential.

**For More Information on Minnesota Relay Services:**  
[www.mnrelay.org](http://www.mnrelay.org)  
1-800-657-3775

**Emergency Assistance**  
TTY callers should dial 9-1-1 directly in an emergency. All 9-1-1 centers are equipped to handle TTY calls. Minnesota Relay can process emergency calls, but this may delay the response to your call.

**Billing Options for Long Distance Relay Calls**

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- Third-Party Billing
- Carrier Calling Card
- Pre-Paid Calling Card

**To file a Complaint Regarding Minnesota Relay**  
1-800-657-3775

Email: [mn.relay@state.mn.us](mailto:mn.relay@state.mn.us)

You will need to provide the date and time of the relay call, the CA's identification number, and the nature of your complaint.

You may also file a complaint with the Federal Communications Commission:  
[www.fcc.gov/complaints](http://www.fcc.gov/complaints)  
Voice: 1-888-225-5322  
TTY: 1-888-835-5322  
ASL via VP: 1-844-432-2275

### TELEPHONE EQUIPMENT DISTRIBUTION (TED) PROGRAM

The TED Program provides free specialized telecommunications equipment to income eligible Minnesotans who are having trouble using the telephone due to a hearing, speech or physical disability.

[mn.gov/dhs/ted-program](http://mn.gov/dhs/ted-program)  
Voice: 1-800-657-3663  
ASL via VP: 1-866-635-0082

To make a relay call dial 7-1-1. Once connected to the relay service, tell the CA the type of relay call you wish to make. Or, you may dial the specific toll-free number for the type of relay service.

#### Captioned Telephone Service (CTS)

CTS uses a special telephone with a text display screen so that a person who is hard of hearing *can listen to and read captions* of everything the other person on the call says. You speak directly to the other person on the call, and a relay communications Assistant (CA) transcribes everything the other person says into captions, which appear on the display screen of your CTS phone.

#### Internet Protocol Captioned Telephone Service (IP CTS)

Internet-based forms of CTS are available for those who would like to use CTS on a computer, tablet, or select smartphones. Go to: [www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/internet-protocol-ip-captioned-telephone-service](http://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/internet-protocol-ip-captioned-telephone-service).

#### Computer (ASCII): 1-800-627-3529

Computer users can access Minnesota Relay. Set your communications software to the following protocols: speeds ranging from 300 to 2400; 8 Bits; No Parity; 1 Stop Bit; Full Duplex. When calling at a rate of 300 or below, follow the above using Half Duplex.

#### Hearing Carry Over (HCO): 1-800-627-3529

HCO allows a person who can hear clearly but who has very limited or no speech capability to make and receive phone calls. Using a special text telephone, you type your conversation for the relay CA to read to the other person, and listen directly to the other person's response.

#### Hearing User: 1-800-627-3529

A hearing person may use a standard telephone or mobile phone to place a relay call and speak with a person who is deaf, hard of hearing, or speech disabled.

#### Internet Protocol (IP) Relay:

IP Relay combines text-based relay service with the ease of the Internet – no need for a TTY. You are able to make your relay call using a computer, laptop, tablet, or select smartphones. Go to: [www.sprintrelay.com](http://www.sprintrelay.com).

#### Spanish Relay: 1-877-627-5448

Spanish speaking persons with a hearing or speech disability are able to make relay calls. This is not a translation service – both parties must speak Spanish, and at least one party must have a hearing or speech disability.

#### Speech-to-Speech (STS): 1-877-627-3848

STS allows a person who has difficulty speaking or being understood on the phone to communicate using his or her own voice or voice synthesizer. The CA revoices your words so that the other person on the call can understand them, and the other person speaks directly to you.

#### Text Telephone (TTY): 1-800-627-3529

This service allows a person who is deaf, deaf-blind, or speech disabled to use a TTY to communicate with the other person on the call.

#### Video Relay Service (VRS)

VRS allows a person who uses American Sign Language (ASL) to communicate over the phone. The VRS user connects to the CA via an Internet-enabled device with a video camera. The CA relays the conversation back and forth between the parties – in ASL with the VRS user and by voice with the called party. Go to: [www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/video-relay-services](http://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/video-relay-services).

#### Voice Carry Over (VCO): 1-877-627-3024

VCO allows a person with a hearing disability, but who wants to use his or her own voice, to speak directly to the other party. The CA then types the other party's response, which is displayed on the VCO user's text telephone.