

**Barnesville City Council  
Special Meeting  
July 30, 2018**

Mayor Prim called this special meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Council members David Brown, Tonya Stokka, Scott Bauer, Don Goedtke and Brad Field. Absent was Council member Betty Strom. Others in attendance were City Administrator Mike Rietz, City Attorney Michael Sly, City Clerk Jeri Reep, TEC Manager Guy Swenson, Police Chief Dean Ernst, School Supt. Scott Loeslie, School Board Chair Dion Bredman, Fred Dahnke, Ron Johnson, Jamie Heising, Matthew Jenison, Mike Riddle, Angie Riddle, Jeremy Burnside, Tim Thompson, and Michael Klein with the Record Review.

Mayor Prim stated this meeting has been called to discuss the possible vacation of the 400 block of 4<sup>th</sup> Street SE and 5<sup>th</sup> Street SE.

**07-30-18-01** Motion by Mrs. Stokka and second by Mr. Goedtke to open the public hearing at 7:01 p.m. Motion carried.

Mayor Prim next called on School Board Chair Dion Bredman to update council members on the School building project. School Board Chair Dion Bredman updated council members of the school district proposal. Mr. Bredman stated that the school referendum will be on the November 6<sup>th</sup> ballot. Council members had no further questions for Mr. Bredman.

Mayor Prim asked if there were any comments from the public.

Mr. Mike Riddle stated that he was in favor of closing 4<sup>th</sup> Street, but the Fire and Ambulance are against the closing of 5<sup>th</sup> Street.

Council member Bauer stated that we need to consider the safety of the students.

Council member Brown question what will the cost be to move the utilities.

TEC Manger Guy Swenson stated that one electric feed would need to be moved and fiber optic cable would need to be moved, which would be the school district responsibility. Mr. Swenson stated the estimated cost would be \$150,000.00.

Mayor Prim asked if there were any other comments. There were none.

**07-30-18-02** Motion by Mrs. Stokka and second by Mr. Brown to close the public hearing at 7:28 p.m. Motion carried.

**07-30-18-03** Motion by Mr. Field and second by Mrs. Stokka to approve the following resolution. To vacate 4<sup>th</sup> Street Southeast between 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue Southeast and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue Southeast contingent upon voter approval of the general obligation bonds for purposes of planned school construction, to be vacated at a time mutually agreeable between the Barnesville City Council and the District 146 School Board. Upon a roll call vote, the following voted aye: council members Stokka, Goedtke, Bauer, Brown, and Field. The following were absent: council member Strom. Motion carried.

**CITY OF BARNESVILLE  
COUNTY OF CLAY  
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

**RESOLUTION 07-30-18-03**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING VACATION OF 4TH STREET SOUTHEAST BETWEEN  
4TH AVENUE SOUTHEAST AND 5TH AVENUE SOUTHEAST CONTINGENT UPON  
VOTER APPROVAL OF PROJECT AND SUBSEQUENT AGREEMENT**

Member Brad Field introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Barnesville City Council (the “Council”) obtained evidence and opinion from members of the community at large at the properly-noticed and conducted public hearing on July 30, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Council deliberated upon such evidence and opinion upon closure of the public hearing.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BARNESVILLE, MINNESOTA:

1. Vacate 4th Street Southeast between 4th Avenue Southeast and 5th Avenue Southeast contingent upon voter approval of the general obligation bonds for purposes of planned school construction, to be vacated at a time mutually agreeable between the Barnesville City Council and the District 146 School Board.

Dated: July 30, 2018.

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Eugene Prim  
Mayor

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Jeri Reep  
City Clerk

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly seconded by Member Stokka, On roll call vote, the following Members voted aye: Scott Bauer, David Brown, Brad Field, Don Goedtke, and Tonya Stokka. The following Members voted nay: None. The following Members were absent and not voting: Betty Strom. The requisite number of members having voted aye, the motion carried and the resolution was duly adopted.

Mayor Prim stated the next discussion would be discuss the vacation of 5<sup>th</sup> Street between 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE.

Mr. Tim Thompson questioned if the city would be eliminating public input and emergency vehicles by closing of 5<sup>th</sup> Street SE at a later date.

**07-30-18-04** Motion by Mr. Field second by Mr. Goedtke to approve the resolution to vacate 5<sup>th</sup> Street SE between 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE and 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE for purposes of establishing a connecting link between Florence Atkinson Elementary School and Barnesville High School, contingent upon provision of sufficient funds, regardless of source, by District 146 School Board. No vote was taken.

**07-30-18-05** Motion by Mrs. Stokka and second by Mr. Brown to table the vote on the resolution to vacate 5<sup>th</sup> Street SE between 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE and 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE for purposes of establishing a connecting link between Florence Atkinson Elementary School and Barnesville High School, contingent upon provision of sufficient funds, regardless of source, by District 146 School Board until after the November referendum. Upon a roll call vote, the following voted aye: council members Stokka, Goedtke, Bauer, Brown, and Field. The following were absent: council member Strom. Motion carried.

Mayor Prim adjourned the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

Submitted by:

Attest:

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Jeri Reep  
City Clerk

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Eugene Prim  
Mayor

