

**Barnesville City Council**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**July 28, 2014**

Mayor Gene Prim called this special meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Council members Betty Strom, Larry Davis, Jr., Don Goedtke, Jason Rick, Richard Sylvester and Cathy Enstad. Others in attendance were, City Administrator Mike Rietz, John Shockley with Ohnstad Twichell, City Clerk Jeri Reep, Finance Director Laurie Schell, Trevor Moen and Jacob Underlee with the Record Review.

Mayor Prim called this meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Prim stated the first item on the agenda was to approve the hiring of Trevor Men as Public Works Superintendent.

Council member Davis stated the recommendation from the Public Works committee is to hire Trevor Moen as the Public Works Superintendent. City Administrator Mike Rietz stated that the committee had received some very good candidates. Mayor Prim questioned the salary set. City Administrator Mike Rietz stated the salary offered would be thru 2014.

**07-28-14-01** Motion by Mr. Davis and second by Mr. Goedtke to offer the Public Work Superintendent position to Mr. Trevor Moen, with a hire date of August 4, 2014, salary of \$60,000.00 per year. This is a full time exempt position. Motion carried.

Mayor Prim stated the next item on the agenda was the petition for vacation of a portion of 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE.

City Administrator Mike Rietz informed council members that Dean and Ryan Tonsfeldt have been working on the best way for them to build access to the new car wash under construction. Tonsfeldt's are requesting this vacation in order to be able to build the driveway for the car wash off the end of the existing right-of-way. Because the street ends at the creek, State Statute requires us to notify the Commissioner of Natural Resources of the vacation and allow them 60 days to review it.

**07-28-14-02** Motion by Mr. Rick and second by Mr. Sylvester to accept the petition to vacate a portion of 6<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE and set a hearing for October 14, 2014 to consider action on the request. The following council members voted aye: Rick, Goedtke, Strom, Sylvester and Enstad. The following voted nay. None. Council member Davis abstained from the vote since one of the adjoining parcels belongs to a family member. Motion carried.

Mayor Prim stated the next item on the agenda was to approve the hiring of Beth Schmitz as swimming lesson instructor.

City Administrator Mike Rietz informed council members that none of our lifeguards received swimming lesson certification training this year, so we had to cancel the first two sessions of swimming lessons. Beth Schmitz has agreed to teach swimming lessons so that we could conduct our swimming lesson class for the last session.

**07-28-14-03** Motion by Mr. Sylvester and second by Mrs. Enstad to approve to hire Beth Schmitz at \$15.00 per hour as a swimming lesson instructor. Motion carried.

Mayor Prim stated the next item on the agenda was to approve the furniture request for the public meeting space in the Old City Hall meeting room.

City Administrator Mike Rietz provided council members with estimates received for office furniture for the Old City Hall meeting room. Mr. Rietz stated that he received proposals from Cooper's Technology Group and Hannaher's. Mayor Prim questioned if we could purchase office furniture at a lower price than the two proposals. Council member Sylvester suggested staff look at other companies and report back at the August regular meeting.

Mayor Prim stated the next item on the agenda was the 2015 budget priorities.

Mayor Prim questioned council members on what direction or accomplishments they would like to see in 2015 and beyond. Mayor Prim next asked each council member what their priorities are for the future.

Council member Rick – Blue Eagle cleaned up, and dredging done, water and sewer street reconstruction in the NW part of town, Safe Routes to School to be completed, Community Center.

Council member Goedtke-infrastructure for new housing

Council member Strom-Blue Eagle cleaned up, dredging and aeration to be done, park equipment for Peterson & McGrath Parks.

Council member Enstad-water and sewer infrastructure for the NW part of town, Blue Eagle cleaned up

Council member Sylvester-identify what property the city owns, much more accountability

Council member Davis-Blue Eagle cleaned up, downtown parking, and liquor store future.

Mayor Prim-Blue Eagle cleaned up, new construction for housing lots availability, city assessment policy.

Mayor Prim and council members next discussed the priorities listed in detail.

Mayor Prim adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Submitted by:

Attest:

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Jeri Reep  
City Clerk

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Eugene Prim  
Mayor

