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## BACK-TO-SCHOOL INTERNET SPECIAL



With kids heading back to school on Tuesday, September 4, help to maximize their learning opportunities at home with high speed internet and big savings with our Back-to-School Special.

Order any new Internet between now and Sept. 28 and we'll give you **FREE installation (\$185 value) plus credit your bill \$10 per month for the first 3 months** (requires 6 month commitment).

### CHOOSE FROM 3 SPEEDS

	Down	Up**	
<b>SILVER</b>	<b>15 MB</b>	<b>15 MB</b>	<b>\$36.95</b>
<b>GOLD</b>	<b>25 MB</b>	<b>25 MB</b>	<b>\$52.95</b>
<b>PLATINUM</b>	<b>35 MB</b>	<b>35 MB</b>	<b>\$69.95</b>

\*\* Speeds quoted are "up to". Actual speeds may vary.

Call us at 354-2292 for info on even faster speeds of up to 1 GB upload AND download!

## FALL SPECIALS AT THE GOLF COURSE

Starting September 4, enjoy some great fall days and save some money!

9 Holes of Golf & Cart \$15 Mon. - Fri.

18 Holes of Golf & Cart \$25 Mon. - Fri.

Adults can play unlimited golf for \$75 or students can purchase a fall pass for \$25; both are good until the course closes for the season in October.



## SPECIAL HOURS ON LABOR DAY

Barnesville City Hall and Firehall Municipal Liquors will be CLOSED on Monday, Sept. 3 for the Labor Day holiday.

## RUMMAGE SALES/FARMER'S MARKET

Sponsored by the Main Street Program, the Fall Areawide Rummage Sales and Farmer's Market will be held on **Saturday, September 22.**

To participate in the rummage sales, call the Record Review at 354-2259 by September 12. For info on the Farmer's Market, call Main Street at 354-2479.



## BUY YOUR SOLAR PANEL TODAY!!

During July, you received a mailing regarding the brand new Community Solar Garden and your opportunity to own one of the solar panels!

This is a great opportunity to go green! The number of panels available is limited. Owners receive a monthly credit on their utility bills. Federal tax credits may also be available.

Check out the details - [barnesvillemn.com](http://barnesvillemn.com) or call City Hall at 354.2292.



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Water & Wastewater Professionals

## WATER HARDNESS AUGUST 2018

The August 20 hardness reading taken by PeopleService is **32.**

**BARNESVILLE CITY COUNCIL**  
**Regular Meeting • July 9, 2018**

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.

Mayor Prim called this regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Council members Tonya Stokka, Don Goedtke, Betty Strom, David Brown, Scott Bauer and Brad Field.

07-09-18-01 Motion Stokka, second Goedtke to approve the agenda with the addition of approval to hire Jacob Anderson as Golf Course employee. Motion carried.

07-09-18-02 Motion Goedtke, second Brown to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

07-09-18-03 Motion Field, second Stokka to approve the donation of \$1600.00 per year for the next five years to the West Central Initiative. Motion carried.

07-09-18-04 Motion Field, second Strom to refer the CUP at 508 6th Street NW to the Planning Commission to rescind the CUP for this property. Motion carried.

07-09-18-05 Motion Field, second Goedtke to set a public hearing on July 31st at 7:00 p.m. to vacate the one block of 4th Street SE and one block of 5th Street SE. Field and Goedtke amended their motion to set the public hearing for Monday, July 30, 2018. Motion carried.

07-09-18-06 Motion Bauer, second Goedtke to approve the proposal from Braun Intertec in the amount of \$10,246.60 for geotechnical work for the waste water treatment facility. Motion carried.

07-09-18-07 Motion Strom, second Stokka to approve the CUP from the Barnesville EDA for a Planned Development in the Commercial Park, with conditions set forth in the CUP. Motion carried.

07-09-18-08 Motion Strom, second Goedtke to approve the preliminary and final plats for the Planned Unit Development in the Commercial Park 4th Addition. Motion carried.

07-09-18-09 Motion Strom, second Stokka to approve the resolution declaring adequacy of petition and ordering preparation of report for the EDA Commercial condo project. Voted aye: Stokka, Goedtke, Strom, Bauer, Brown and Field. Voted nay: none. Carried.

07-09-18-10 Motion Strom, second Stokka to authorize hiring of MacDonald and Mack in the amount of \$10,000.00 to conduct the Acoustic Evaluation of the Old Opera House at Old City Hall. Motion carried.

07-09-18-11 Motion Stokka, second Bauer to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 2018-03 regarding a fee to be charged by the City for failure to provide access to a utility meter within 30 days. Motion carried.

07-09-18-12 Motion Brown, second Goedtke to approve the Resolution appointing election judges. Voted aye: Stokka, Goedtke, Strom, Bauer, Brown and Field. The following were absent: none. Motion carried.

Mayor Prim adjourned the meeting at 7:51 p.m.

**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.

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

07-30-18-01 Motion Stokka, second Goedtke to open the public hearing at 7:01 p.m. Motion carried.

07-30-18-02 Motion Stokka, second Brown to close the public hearing at 7:28 p.m. Motion carried.

07-30-18-03 Motion Field, second Stokka to approve a resolution to 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. Voted aye: Stokka, Goedtke, Bauer, Brown, and Field. Absent: Strom. Motion carried.

07-30-18-04 Motion Field, second Goedtke to approve resolution to vacate 5th Street SE between 4th Ave. SE and 5th 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 Stokka, second Brown to table the vote on the resolution to vacate 5th Street SE between 4th Ave. SE and 5th 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. Voted aye: Stokka, Goedtke, Bauer, Brown, and Field. Absent: Strom. Motion carried.

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

## **DUAL FUEL CAN SAVE YOU \$\$\$**

Winter is just around the corner! If you heat your home or business with electric, propane or fuel oil and you're thinking about switching to natural gas, consider converting your heating system to dual fuel - it's easier than you might think! With our dual fuel rates at 4.70¢ per kWh it's like buying propane at \$1.01 or fuel oil at \$1.52. For more info, go to [barnesvillemn.com](http://barnesvillemn.com) or stop by or call City Hall.

## **Your WATER SOFTENER could be the source of water problems!**

In recent months, PeopleService staff have investigated several cases of rusty water, low water pressure and particles in water and found them to be related to water softeners. To ensure proper operation, water softeners need maintenance. Systems are preset to "recharge" which dissolves mineral buildup. If your softener doesn't seem to be working, i.e. hard water; here are a few tips to try - 1) Check that the timer is working correctly - best time to recharge is early morning when no one is using water; 2) Check the salt supply tank by pushing a broom handle into the salt until it hits the bottom, this will help to loosen a salt "dome" or 3) Follow the manufacturer's instructions to give the resin bed a good cleaning.

**What to know more?** Check out these websites: [www.plumbingprofessors.com](http://www.plumbingprofessors.com) or [www.homewater101.com](http://www.homewater101.com), *hard water basics tab* or the website of your water softener brand!

