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HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

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STUVLAND APPOINTED TO COUNCIL

At the November 13 City Council Meeting, **Dawn Stuvland** was sworn-in to fill the Ward 1 unexpired term of Betty Strom who recently resigned. Ward 1 residents can reach Dawn at 701.306.9434 or hannemandawn@yahoo.com. We thank Betty for her service to the City Council.

THE "PERFECT" CHRISTMAS GIFT!



The perfect Christmas gift that is sure to be used is a Gift Card which can be used at either **Firehall Liquors** OR **Willow Creek Golf Course**. The cards, which are rechargeable, are available at Firehall Liquors. Great stocking idea as well!

DECEMBER 31 REBATE DEADLINE

Residents are reminded that December 31 is the deadline to submit rebate forms for purchases made during 2018. Forms and rebate details are available online at brightenergysolutions.com or barnesvillemn.com. or at City Hall.

SPECIAL CITY HOLIDAY HOURS

City Hall: Dec. 24: Closing at 11:30 am; Dec. 25

Closed and Tuesday, January 1 - Closed

Liquor Store: Closed Sun. Dec. 9 for inventory

OPEN Monday, Dec. 24: 12-4; Closed Dec. 25,

OPEN Monday, Dec. 31: 12-9

WINTER ENERGY SAVING IDEA!

Winter is here! Here's a tip to lower electric bills!

• Lower Your Thermostat

Set your thermostat as low as is comfortable. For every degree your thermostat is lowered, you save approximately 3% on your annual heating bill.

ELECTRIC RATES WILL BE CHANGING

The utility bill which you receive in January 2019 will reflect a very small adjustment in our electric rates and meter charges. For details go to barnesvillemn.com - click on the Services tab at the top - Electric - Types of Electric Service. No internet access? Call City Hall at 354.2292.

TREE TRIMMING OPPORTUNITY!

Carr's Tree Service has a contract with the City to trim tree branches growing close to the City's utility lines throughout town.

Work will be done in January. Most of the trees are accessible from streets or alleys. Carr's will try and inform homeowners prior to trimming.

Since Carr's will be working in Barnesville, this is an opportunity for residents to hire Carr's to trim or remove trees from their property at a better rate. If you're interested in getting a price, call 888.470.3355. Any fees associated with that work would be the responsibility of the customer.

**SAVE \$\$\$
WITH
COMBO
DISCOUNTS!**



Monthly combo rate savings if you are a customer of Barnesville Long Distance AND Cable TV AND DSL:

Silver DSL	SAVE \$ 15.00 month
Gold DSL	SAVE \$ 20.00 month
Platinum DSL	SAVE \$ 25.00 month
Business 1, 2, 3 and 4	SAVE \$ 30.00 month

If you have have preferred cable, you will save an additional \$5.00 per month - Call us at 354-2292 to sign-up!

TRUTH IN TAXATION HEARING

The City's Truth in Taxation hearing will be **Monday, Dec. 10 at 7 pm** in the City Council Chambers. The 2019 final budget will be adopted along with the 2019 tax levy.



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NOVEMBER 19, 2018**

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BARNESVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting • October 8, 2018

This is a summary of the minutes. The complete minutes are available online at 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 Don Goedtke, David Brown, Scott Bauer, Tonya Stokka and Brad Field. Absent was Council member Betty Strom

10-08-18-01 Motion Stokka, second Goedtke to approve the agenda as presented, with the following additions: to approve the resignation of Council member Strom, authorization to advertise for Ward 1 council member, and to appoint an Acting Mayor. Motion carried.

10-08-18-02 Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried

10-08-18-03 Motion Field, second Brown to revoke the CUP at 508 6th Street NW. Mrs. Crystal Dickey questioned why they were not offered to obtain a new CUP. Motion carried.

10-08-18-04 Motion Field, second Stokka to approve the Geotechnical Report from Braun Interetc and direct staff and KLJ to meet with the MPCA to present the report. Motion carried.

10-08-18-05 Motion Field, second Stokka to recommend paying Mr. Gilbertson \$20,000.00 for the strip of land between 13th Street and the East City limits, and \$1,000 for completion by Mr. Gilbertson of a filed drive to the east of 13th Street, if the field drive is completed by November 1, 2019. The City will absorb the survey costs on this property. Motion carried.

10-08-18-06 Motion Bauer, second Goedtke to approve the Resolution Authorizing a Property Tax Abatement Program. Voted aye: Stokka, Goedtke, Bauer, Brown and Field. Absent: None Motion carried.

10-08-18-07 Motion Bauer, second Stokka to authorize staff to seek proposals for the Plans and Specs and other engineering services for the Commercial Park Condo project. Motion carried.

10-08-18-08 Motion Field, second Bauer to reimburse \$1,500.00 to the 4 homes that built with grinder pumps in the Del Peterson Gilbertson 2nd Addition, and any additional homes that have to be built with grinder pumps would be reimbursed for actual costs, up to \$1,500.00. Motion carried.

10-08-18-09 Motion Stokka, second Bauer to authorize staff to begin the process of seeking proposals for City Engineering services. Mr. Scott Kolbinger with KLJ Engineering stated that the present contract with KLJ Engineering was renewed in 2017. Motion carried.

10-08-18-10 Motion Stokka, second Goedtke to approve the Resolution approving the elimination of parcels from TIF District 1-7. Voted aye: Stokka, Goedtke, Bauer, Brown and Field. Absent; none. Motion carried.

10-08-18-11 Motion Stokka, second Brown to approve the Resolution opposing sale of strong beer, wine and spirits for Off-premises consumption at any location other than the Municipal Liquor Store. Voted aye: Stokka, Goedtke, Bauer, Brown and Field. Absent: none. Motion carried.

10-08-18-12 Motion Brown, second Bauer to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 2018-05, regarding accessory structures in residential districts. Motion carried.

10-08-18-13 Motion Field, second Goedtke to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 2018-08, regarding building permit fees. Motion carried.

10-08-18-14 Motion Field, second Stokka to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 2018-07, an Ordinance regarding the electric rate schedule. Motion carried.

10-08-18-15 Motion Bauer, second Stokka to authorize staff to advertise for a council member for Ward 1. Motion carried.

10-08-18-16 Motion Bauer, second Goedtke to appoint Council member Brad Field as the Acting-Mayor. Motion carried.

10-08-18-17 Motion Goedtke, second Brown to set Tuesday, November 13, 2018 as the November City Council date. Motion carried.

Mayor Prim adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Join us for all the holiday fun!

Toy Drive

Teach your kids about giving this year by bringing new, unwrapped toys to Barnesville Chiropractic & Fitness for area children that need our help during the holidays.



Breakfast with Santa

Saturday, December 8th
Old City Hall @ 9:00-11:00 pm

Free Will Donation Breakfast
put on by the Thursday Nite
Lions, and photos with Santa!



City Tree Lighting

Wednesday, December 5th
Friendship Park @ 6:30 pm
Caroling, Cookies, Cocoa
and horse drawn wagon rides

Get your children's
picture taken with Santa by
Ebb Photography
Photography by Erin Boyum

\$12 for 6 4x6 photos
or \$15 for the digital file!