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IMPORTANT! LOOK FOR LEAD PIPE INSERT



A Monthly Newsletter for our Utility Customers

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DON'T FORGET THE BUILDING PERMIT

Building permits are required for many projects sheds over 120 sq. ft, decks, siding, garages, shingling projects, remodeling, additions, window replacements, and additions. Permits are not required for flat concrete work or fences, but if you are adding sidewalk, widening your driveway approach or cutting into the street for new water or sewer services, permits are also required!

You must obtain a permit before starting work. Just applying does not meet requirements.

Permits are issued for a 6 month period. For larger projects, like homes, your permit will be extended for another 6 months. In the case of small remodeling projects, roofing, decks, siding, etc. the 6 month limit applies.

Building permit apps are available at City Hall and at www.barnesvillemn.com. **Questions?** Call our Building Official Sid Fossan at 218.689.7539.

BEFORE YOU CALL 811 or 800-252-1166

Before you plant that tree, dig that trench, or build that new garage on your property this season, call Gopher State One-Call.

Here's how One-Call notification works:

- Mark the borders of your excavation site with white stakes or white spray paint.
- Be prepared to give the One-Call operator your name, your phone number, your address, the location of your dig site, the type of work you plan to do, and the start date & time of your dig.
- **Call 800-252-1166 or just 811.** Gopher State One-Call operators answer calls 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Weekends and holidays are for emergencies only.
- Utility companies have 48 hours to locate their underground facilities, and digging must begin within 96 hours after calling Gopher State One Call so plan your work accordingly.

FENCE INFO



PLANNING TO BUILD A FENCE ?

There are a few rules when it comes to fences.

- ✓ Fences, including any underground footings must be located entirely on your property.
- ✓ Many lots have utility easements. Fences may NOT be erected on a utility easement. **If you're uncertain whether your lot has a utility easement, call City Hall at 354-2292 or EDA office at 354-2145.** If fences are constructed on utility easements and there are problems with a utility line, the City of Barnesville will remove the fence!
- ✓ All posts used in the construction of fencing shall be faced inward to the area being fenced.
- ✓ The maximum fence height along rear and side property lines is 6 feet.
- ✓ Fences located in required front yards shall not exceed 36" in height except fences that are at least 75% open may be 48 inches.
- ✓ Always call 811 at least 48 hours before you start your fence project to have underground utility lines located. It could save your life.

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May 31, 2022



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Sunday 11 am - 4 pm



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BARNESVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting • March 14, 2022

Regular City Council Meetings are held the second Monday of every month beginning at 7:00 pm in the City Council Chambers located at the rear of City Hall. The public are welcome. The agenda is posted on the City's website and Facebook page.

These are summaries of the minutes. The complete minutes are available online at www.barnesvillemn.com or at City Hall.

Mayor Rick called this regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Member's present were Council members Tonya Stokka, Alyssa Bergman, Brad Field, Dawn Stuvland, and Don Goedtke Council member Scott Bauer was absent.

- 03-14-22-01 Motion Stuvland, second Stokka to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.
- 03-14-22-02 Motion Stokka, second Stuvland to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried
- 03-14-22-03 Motion Goedtke, second Stokka to open the public hearing for the ward redistricting at 7:07 p.m. Motion carried.
- 03-14-22-04 Motion Stokka, second Bergman to close the public hearing at 7:08 p.m. Motion carried.
- 03-14-22-05 Motion Stokka, second Bergman to approve the resolution for the ward redistricting. Voted aye: Stokka, Goedtke, Stuvland, Bergman and Field. Absent. Bauer. Motion carried.
- 03-14-22-06 Motion Bergman, second Field to disband the Liquor Store Task Force. Motion carried.
- 03-14-22-07 Motion Stuvland, second Goedtke to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 2022-03, relating to accessory structures. Motion carried.
- 03-14-22-08 Motion Stokka, second Stuvland to approve the MN DOT temporary right to construct easements on city property, with the termination date of December 1, 2025. Motion carried.
- 03-14-22-09 Motion Stokka, second Goedtke to approve the resolution for the MN DOT temporary construction easement. Voted aye: Stokka, Goedtke, Stuvland, Bergman and Field. Council member Bauer was absent. Motion carried.
- 03-14-22-10 Motion Bergman, second Goedtke to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 2022-04 regarding dangerous dogs. Motion carried.
- 03-14-22-11 Motion Stokka, second Stuvland to hire a full-time paramedic for the ambulance department. Motion carried.

Mayor Rick adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m.



BECOME A '22 MAIN STREET MEMBER!

The 2022 Main Street Membership Drive is now underway! If you have been a member of Main Street please support the program again.

Once again this year, you're invited to become a "Friend of Main Street". If you are an individual or family that believes in what the Barnesville Main Street Program does for the community consider becoming a "Friend" for the small price of \$25!

Find out how! Contact Bailey at 354-2479 or e-mail mainstreet@barnesvillemn.com. The community's financial support is critical to Main Street. Thanks!



CITY OF BARNESVILLE
WATER HARDNESS
READING 30
APRIL 18, 2022

FLUSHING OF WATER MAINS MAY 2-6, 2022

City of Barnesville staff will be flushing water mains from May 2-6. This process may cause temporary discoloration of your water. To remove the discoloration, turn on several faucets in or outside your home or business and leave the water run until it clears.

Questions? Call Charlie at 701.219.5791

RUNNING YOUR SUMP PUMP INTO THE SANITARY SEWER IS AGAINST BARNESVILLE'S ORDINANCE!

Not only is discharging your sump pump into the sanitary sewer illegal, but it endangers your neighbors! The sanitary sewer lines, as well as the City's treatment facilities are unable to handle the volume of water that comes from sump pumps, particularly in the case of heavy rain. The result can be raw sewage backing up in homes.

All sump pumps MUST drain outside into the City's storm sewer system. Please make sure your hose runs in your yard, not the neighbors!

Homeowners who fail or refuse to follow the sump pump ordinance are subject to a \$100 a month fine.

Questions contact City Hall at 354-2292

OLD PRESCRIPTION DRUGS?

Don't put them in the garbage or flush them down the toilet! Dispose of them in the correct manner - the Barnesville Police Department has a Prescription Drug bin - stop any time!

Barnesville Police Station
101 Front St. North
CALL 218.354.2281



We need

YOU!



TO TEST YOUR WATER PIPES FOR LEAD!



As part of the City of Barnesville's commitment to provide safe drinking water to all our residents, we consistently comply with all regulations of the US EPA Safe Drinking Water Act.

Lead pipes pose concerns. Recent changes to the lead and copper rule require all Community Water Systems, across the United States to compile an inventory of all water service lines.

The purpose of this inventory is to accurately determine the number of lead service lines in the Barnesville distribution system. In homes constructed before the 1940's there is a higher likelihood of lead service lines, but these lines may exist in homes built as late as the 1970's.

The City of Barnesville is asking all of our residents to help with this process.

**PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS
ON THE BACK OF THIS CARD**

HOW TO PERFORM A LEAD/COPPER TEST ON your water service line

To comply this federal requirement, the City of Barnesville is asking each home owner to perform a **lead/copper test** on their service line and submit a picture along with their name, address and phone number to the following email address.

Leadandcopper@barnesvillemn.com

The step-by-step process to complete this testing on your water service line is available by scanning the QR code below



OR go to <https://apps.npr.org/find-lead-pipes-in-your-home/en/#intro> **OR** on the City's website - www.barnesvillemn.com

If you would like help performing this test on your water service line, please call to schedule an appointment with one of the Barnesville Water Technicians.

Barnesville Water Department
(701) 261-5039



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