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## **An Evening at Blue Eagle Lake 29th Annual Community Picnic** Thursday, July 27

Please join us for a fun evening at Blue Eagle Lake for Barnesville's 29th annual Community Picnic on Thursday, July 27th.

The Main Street Program invites you and your family to a delicious picnic dinner including your choice of pulled pork sandwiches, brats or hot dogs and all the fixings with chips and macaroni salad; plus lots of fun activities in the park! The picnic dinner will be served from 5:30 -7:00 pm.

We invite everyone to come out and enjoy the evening with your neighbors and fellow residents. Many local non-profits will be on hand to sell or give away treats of all kinds.

After the rave reviews from last year, we're excited that the Barnesville Park Board will be back with their giant water slide! Plus, we'll have inflatables, performances by Suz Dance Studio and live music by Rick Fiedler!

You won't want to miss this fun evening at the park with your family and friends. We are lucky to live in a wonderful community full of friends, neighbors and businesses that support each other. Please plan to join us!





#### **BLUE EAGLE LAKE INFORMATION!**

Blue Eagle Beach is now open for the summer swimming season! There will be no lifeguards on duty but the bathhouse will be open from 11 am to 7 pm, weather permitting. Children require an accompanying adult to be on the beach.

#### **SPECIAL 4TH OF JULY HOURS**

- · City Hall will be closed on Tuesday, July 4
- · Firehall Municipal Liquors will be OPEN on Tuesday, July 4th from 10 am to 3 pm

#### ELECTRIC RELIABILITY AWARDS



Barnesville Municipal Power has received national recognition for achieving Exceptional Electric Reliability in 2022. The recognition comes from the American Public Power Association, a trade group that represents more than 2,000 not-for-profit, community based utilities. Only 25% of these utilities in the nation receive this award!

Thanks to our team of Sam Jones, Guy Swenson & Alex Klovstad for their dedication and exceptional electric service to our residents!

## BARNESVILLE CITY COUNCIL Regular Meeting • May 8, 2023

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 <a href="https://www.barnesvillemn.com">www.barnesvillemn.com</a> 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, Don Goedke, Dawn Stuvland, and Alyssa Bergman. Absent were council members Scott Bauer and Brad Field

05-08-23-01 Motion Stuvland, second Bergman to approve the agenda as presented, with the addition of the approval of Change Order No. 0002 for the MN DOT contract. Motion carried. 05-08-23-02 Motion Stokka, second Bergman to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.

05-08-23-03 Motion Stokka, second Goedtke to approve the variance at 223 3rd Street NE, motion carried.

05-08-23-04 Motion Goedtke, second Stuvland to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 2023-07, and ordinance amending the Zoning Chapter of the Barnesville City Code. Motion carried.

05-08-23-05 Motion Stokka, second Stuvland to accept the quote from Northern Improvement in the amount of \$79,785.00 to patch and overlay 2nd Ave SE, between 3rd and 5th Street. The expense will be paid with the Clay County wheelage tax funds. Motion Carried

05-08-23-06 Motion Goedtkem second Bergman to authorize City Administrator Jeremy Cossette to prepare a formal request that Clay County and MN DOT complete a traffic count and turning movement study at 2nd Ave. SE and Front Street to determine if a 4-way stop is warranted. Motion carried.

05-08-23-07 Motion Stokka, second Bergman to approve the 2023 Potato Days Resolution. Voted aye: Stokka, Goedtke, Stuvland, and Bergman. Absent: Council members Bauer and Field. Motion carried.

05-08-23-08 Motion Bergman, second Stokka to approve the policy establishing rules of decorum for public participation in City Council meetings as presented. Voted aye: Stokka, Goedtke, Stuvland, and Bergman. Absent: Council members Bauer and Field. Motion carried.

05-08-23-09 Motion Stokka, second Goedkte to approve the Change Order No. 0002 with the MN DOT contract in the amount of \$14,104.00. Motion carried.

Mayor Rick adjourned the meeting at 7:53 p.m.

## BARNESVILLE CITY COUNCIL Special Meeting • May 25, 2023

Mayor Rick called this special meeting to order at 7:30 a.m. Member's present were Council members Tonya Stokka, Don Goedke, Dawn Stuvland, Alyssa Bergman. Scott Bauer and Brad Field.

05-25-23-01 Motion Stokka, second Goedtke to approve the resolution approving plans and specifications and ordering advertisement of bids for the American Legion improvements. Voted aye: Council members Stokka, Goedtke, Stuvland, Bauer, Bergman and Field. Motion carried.

Mayor Rick adjourned the meeting at 7:37 a.m.



CITY OF BARNESVILLE WATER HARDNESS READING JUNE 16, 2023

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#### **Water Conservation is Important!**

Water is a precious resource! The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources encourages all communities to practice water conservation.

There are lots of ways to do that - don't water your driveway and sidewalks, use a rain barrel to catch rain water for your garden, plants and flowers; and mulch around your plantingas.

Barnesville residents are also reminded that water restrictions are in effect from June 1st to September 1st. During these months, no lawns shall be watered or cars washed between 10 am and 7 pm. The ordinance is designed to conserve our valuable water resources and to help the City's water plant operate at its best.

Starting on June 1st, if your address ends in an odd number, you may water your lawn or wash cars on **odd-numbered days** (the 1st, 3rd, 5th days of the month, etc.) **from 7 pm to 10 am.** If the last digit of your address is an even number, you can water or wash cars on **even-numbered days** (2nd, 4th, 6th, etc.) **from 7 pm to 10 am**.

If you have a newly seeded or sodded lawn, it may be watered daily between 7 pm and 10 a.m. for up to six weeks after the sod is installed or the seeds have germinated. Gardens, flowers, trees, and shrubs may be watered with the use of a garden hose with an adjustable nozzle without restriction.

Copies of the full Water Ordinance are available at City Hall offices.

### **NO WIPES DOWN THE PIPES**

Even if a product says it is "flushable" ...
Unless it is toilet paper, it should not be flushed!



All of these items can clog your plumbing and WILL cause problems in the City's sewer system

Please place these items in your garbage can