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Back to School INTERNET SPECIAL



With school starting back up in September, help to maximize your kid's 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. 30, and we'll give you **FREE installation (\$185 value) plus credit your bill \$10 per month for the first 3 months** (requires a 6-month commitment).

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Internet 450	450 mbps / 450 mbps	\$ 46.95*
Internet 550	550 mbps / 550 mbps	\$ 62.95*
Internet 650	650 mbps / 650 mbps	\$ 79.95*
Internet 750	750 mbps / 750 mbps	\$ 99.95*
Internet GIG	1 GIG / 1 GIG	\$ 119.95*

* Receive \$10 off if ordered with residential or business phone service

Special Hours on Labor Day

Monday, September 1 is Labor Day! City Hall will be CLOSED. Firehall Liquors will be open from 10 am to 3 pm.

Thanks to all who labor in Barnesville!

Fall Rummage Sales - September 20

Sponsored by the Main Street Program, the Fall Areawide Rummage Sales will be held on **Saturday, September 20**. Now is the time to start planning and cleaning out the basement! To participate in the sales, call the Record- Review, 354-2606 by **September 9**.



FREE EVENT

Fall Festival

SATURDAY, September 20

10:00 am - 12 Noon

Blue Eagle Park - by Blue Eagle Hill

Event being held during September Blue Eagle Market for shared activities and entertainment

Come and Enjoy!

- Pumpkins grown in the Barnesville Community Garden (limit one per child, while supplies last)
- Fall Themed Games, Horse Drawn Wagon Rides, Touch a Truck and MORE!

Bring non-perishable food items donations for the Barnesville Area Food Pantry!

Sponsored by Barnesville Community Garden and Midwest Bank Team

For more information, call 218-354-2704

BLUE EAGLE MARKET 9 am - 2 pm



- Many Local Vendors
- Live Music
by Sam & Chris
- Food and Beverages
Purple Goose 10-1
- Food Truck:
Duck Duck Goose

BARNESVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting • July 14, 2025

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 6:30 p.m. Member's present were Council members Don Goedtke, Alyssa Bergman, Tonya Stokka, Scott Bauer, and Brad Field. Absent was Council member Dawn Stuvland.

07-14-25-01 Motion Bergman, second by Stokka to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

07-14-25-02 Motion Field, second Bauer to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.

07-14-25-03 Motion Stokka, second Bergman to open the public hearing at 6:32 p.m. for the TIF 1-11 project. Motion carried.

07-14-25-04 Motion Bergman, second Stokka to close the public hearing for the TIF 1-11 project at 6:44 p.m.

07-14-25-05 Motion Bauer, second Field to approve the resolution adopting a modification to the Redevelopment Plan for Redevelopment Project No. 1. Motion carried.

07-14-25-06 Motion Bauer, second Goedtke to approve the CUP for an illuminated sign for Assumption Church Knights of Columbus. Motion carried.

Mayor Rick adjourned the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

Fall Specials at the Golf Course!

Starting Tuesday, September 2, enjoy some great fall days and save some money!

9 Holes of Golf & Cart **\$25** Mon. - Thurs.


18 Holes of Golf & Cart **\$40** Mon. - Thurs.

In addition, with a Fall Pass; Adults can play unlimited golf for \$75 (cart not included) until the course closes for the season in October.

WILLOW CREEK
Municipal Golf Course



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Thinking of Changing Your Heating System Before Winter?

Winter is just around the corner - if you heat with electric, propane or fuel oil and you're thinking about making a switch to natural gas, before you do check out the savings of Dual Fuel!

Converting your heating system to a Dual Fuel system can be easy and affordable. In many cases, it is as simple as adding an electric plenum heater to your existing propane or fuel oil furnace. The City also offers various dual fuel incentives!

Call City Administrator Jeremy Cossette today at 218.354.2292 and he will help calculate how much you can save by looking at these options!



Save Your ASH

WATCH for the Emerald Ash Borer!

The emerald ash borer (EAB) is known to be a very destructive wood-boring insect pest of ash trees. This beetle has killed tens of millions of ash trees where it has been established.

In Barnesville, many of our large, beautiful boulevard trees are ash trees.

Emerald ash borers have been reported in western Clay County and in Ottertail county.

The City of Barnesville is asking for residents to help prevent EAB from coming into Barnesville.

What can you do? Educate yourself!

An informational brochure is included in this month's utility bill. Familiarize yourself with the signs of emerald ash borer. Take time to look at the ash trees in your yard. If you see anything unusual, contact City Hall at 218.354.2292 and we will send someone out to look at the tree.

Don't transport firewood. Exotic pests like emerald ash borer can be spread when infested firewood is transported to new areas.

Buy it where
you burn it!

**DON'T MOVE
FIREWOOD.org**

ALERT!

*Protect our
Forests and Trees.*

*Help Stop the Movement
of Exotic Pests.*



DO NOT MOVE FIREWOOD!

Exotic pests like the emerald ash borer can be spread when infested firewood is transported to new areas.

- Do not bring firewood from home.
- Use local sources of firewood.
- If you have brought firewood from home, DON'T take it with you, DON'T leave it—BURN IT!

REPORT!

If you think you have found
emerald ash borer,
immediately contact
contact Barnesville City
Hall at 218.354.2292

The majority of boulevard trees in Barnesville are ash. EAR has been reported to western Clay county and Ottertail county. It spreads very quickly. It would be devastating to lose our beautiful tree canopy in our neighborhoods.

Call Toll

1-866-322-4512

For more information about
emerald ash borer please visit:
www.emeraldashborer.info

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United States Department of Agriculture

What is the Emerald Ash Borer?



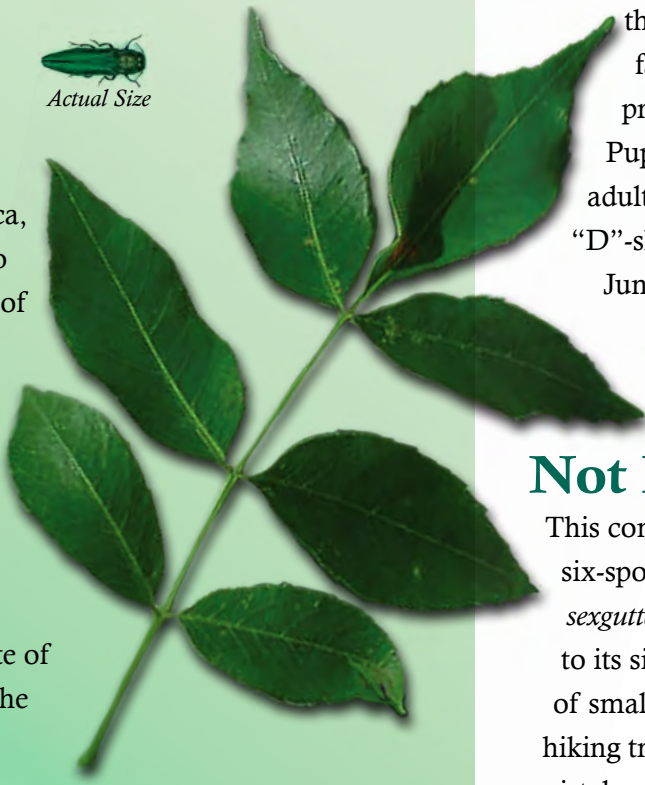
The emerald ash borer,

Agrilus planipennis Fairmaire, a beetle native to Asia, was first detected in Michigan in 2002. Evidence suggests that the beetle was established in Michigan for years prior to its discovery. Emerald ash borer (EAB) has since been detected in many states, and also in Ontario and Quebec, Canada. In addition to spreading by natural means, EAB can be transported to new areas in infested firewood, timber, and nursery stock. This beetle has been responsible for the loss of millions of ash trees in North America.



Host:

In North America, EAB is known to infest all species of ash (*Fraxinus* spp.). Ash can be recognized by the presence of compound leaves which are arranged opposite of one another on the branches.



Larva



S-Shaped Galleries

D-Shaped
Emergence Hole



Biology:

Eggs are laid between layers of bark and in bark crevices. Larvae hatch in about one week and bore into the tree where they feed on the inner bark and phloem, creating “S”-shaped galleries.

Larvae go through four feeding stages, and then excavate a pupal chamber in the fall, where they will overwinter as prepupae.

Pupation occurs in late spring, and adults begin to emerge through “D”-shaped exit holes in May and early June. Adults will remain active until the end of summer.

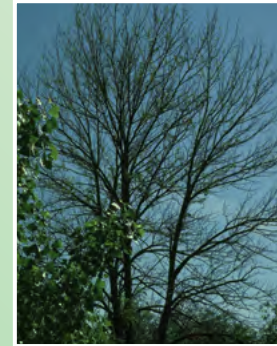
Not EAB:

This commonly encountered beetle, the six-spotted green tiger beetle, *Cicindela sexguttata*, is often mistaken for EAB due to its similar appearance. It is a predator of small insects and is frequently found on hiking trails. There are other insects often mistaken for EAB.



Symptoms and Signs:

New infestations are difficult to detect, as damage to the tree may not be apparent for up to three years. Symptoms of an infestation can include branch dieback in the upper crown, excessive epicormic branching on the tree trunk, and vertical bark splits. Woodpecker damage is sometimes apparent.



Dieback



Epicormic Branching



Bark Splits



Woodpecker Damage

Other Stressors:

Ash may also be stressed by drought, diseases such as ash yellows, and by native wood-boring insects like the redheaded ash borer, *Neoclytus acuminatus* (Fabricius) which creates a round emergence hole.



Redheaded
Ash Borer