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LOOK FOR INSERT! 2026 Curbside Recycling Calendar



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2026 Utility Rate Changes

Each year Barnesville residents see a few small changes to utility rates. On the bill you receive the end of January you will see the following changes:

Utility Rates changes:

- Sewer volume charges increase to \$6.81
- Water usage charge increase to \$3.73
- Water, Sewer, Stormwater replacement funds each increase to \$3.73 month

Electric Rate changes:

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Single Phase Residential	
Monthly Customer Charge	\$19.00
Energy Charge - per kWh	
June-August	\$.138
 September -May 	\$.118
Single Phase Commercial	
Monthly Customer Charge	\$23.50
Energy Charge - per kWh	
June-August	\$.134
 September -May 	\$.119
Three Phase Commercial	
Monthly Customer Charge	\$30.50
Energy Charge - per kWh	
June-August	\$.134
 September -May 	\$.119
Large Power Three Phase Commercial	
Monthly Customer Charge	\$48.00
<u>Demand Charge - per kWh</u>	
 June-August 	\$19.30
 September -May 	\$15.60
Energy Charge per kWh	\$.054
Dual Fuel or Off Peak Service	
Energy Charge - per kWh	\$.049
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Basic Channel Package	\$ 71.88
Choice Channel Package	\$153.90
 Premier Channel Package 	\$168.56
 NFL Redzone 	\$ 63.35

Recycling Center Changes

Effective January 1, 2026, recycling bins will be moved outside under the new lean-to located on the west side of the building. Residents will be able to access the bins 24/7. We will accept cardboard, and glass but NO appliances. Appliances and many other materials are accepted at the Clay County Resource Center in north Moorhead. More information about materials accepted and hours of operation are available on the Clay County website, search "resource center".

Stay Off Blue Eagle Lake!

Residents are reminded that the ice on Blue Eagle Lake is very thin due to aerators running all winter. While you can ice fish on the lake, for your own safety, look for the areas where thin ice signs are posted and avoid those spots.

Special Holiday Hours

City Hall: CLOSED Thursday, January 1 and Monday, Jan. 19 - Martin Luther King's Birthday Liquor Store: OPEN Wed. Dec. 31, 10 am-9 pm; CLOSED Thursday, January 1

Special Christmas Tree Pick-up

The City has scheduled two dates to pick-up Christmas trees - Friday, January 9 and Friday, January 16. Residents should leave their trees in the same area as their garbage containers. No extra stickers or tags are needed.

NOTE: Christmas Wrapping Paper



Christmas wrapping paper can NOT be recycled. Wrapping paper should be placed in your regular garbage tote. Thank you for taking care to separate those materials.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE! The City of Barnesville is seeking individuals to serve on the Park Board which meets the last Wednesday of the month at 6:00 am and the TEC Board (Telephone, Electric, Cable) which meets the 4th Monday of the month at 4:30 pm. Contact City Administrator Jeremy Cossette at 218.354.2722 for more info or send letter of interest to cityadministrator@barnesvillemn.com.

BARNESVILLE CITY COUNCIL Regular Meeting • November 10, 2025

Regular City Council Meetings are held the second Monday of every month beginning at 6:30 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 Alyssa Bergman, Tonya Stokka, Scott Bauer, and Don Goedtke. Absent were Council members Dawn Stuvland and Brad Field.

11-10-25-01 Motion Stokka, second Goedtke to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

11-10-25-02 Motion Bergman, second Stokka to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.

11-10-25-03 Motion Goedtke, second Bauer to approve the Emerald Ash Borer management plan and procedures. Motion carried.
11-10-25-04 Motion Stokka, second Bergman to approve a Joint Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Dilworth, Glyndon, Hawley and Barnesville with Clay County dispatch services. Motion carried.

11-10-25-05 Motion Bauer, second Bergman to approve a resolution in support for further study and exploration of a Regional Water System in Wilkin County, MN. Motion carried.

11-10-25-06 Motion Stokka, second Goedtke to authorize Mayor Rick and City Administrator Jeremy Cossette to sign CDAP-24-0044-0-FY-25 contract with the State of Minnesota. Motion carried. 11-10-25-07 Motion Stokka, second Goedtke to approve the Small Cities Administrative contract with the Clay County HRA. Motion carried.

Mayor Rick adjourned the meeting at 6:59 p.m.



CITY OF BARNESVILLE WATER HARDNESS READING December 17, 2025

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Have a Question? Want to report an Issue, just Text "Hi" to 218.228.8222

Ice Skating Rinks

Barnesville now has TWO Ice Skating Rinks! The one at 9th Street & 9th Avenue is now open and available all the time, without a warming house.

The original Barnesville Ice Skating Rink at the corner of 3rd St. and 7th Ave. SE. has skates available at no charge and a warming house Check the City's Facebook page and website for updates on the opening date.

Skating Rink Hours will be
Saturdays and Sundays from
Noon-9 pm and Tuesday-Friday
3:30-9 pm. Warming house
hours subject to change, hours
posted at warming house weekly.

Cold Weather is our Enemy....

With January just around the corner, the really cold weather will soon be here. When it gets cold people tend to turn up the heat in their houses, in addition to regular electric use.

When everyone in town does this, our demand for power can reach a point that the City's wholesale cost for electricity increases dramatically and we are forced to raise everyone's rates.

by reducing electric consumption between 7-10 am and 4-9 pm. When possible, wash and dry clothes, and run the dishwasher during the day or when you go to bed. This is particularly helpful if we have a series of days with below zero temperatures.

Every little adjustment can make a big difference. Working together will save us all money!

Up to seven (7) scholarships of \$2,000

Deadline to Apply MARCH 13, 2026

Awarded to students enrolling in a full-time electrical lineworker or powerline program next fall at one of seven eligible technical colleges in the Upper Midwest. Applicants do not need to reside in a household receiving electric service from an MRES member utility.

Eligible technical colleges include the following schools: Bismarck State College (Bismarck, ND); Dakota County Technical College (Rosemount, MN); Minnesota State Community and Technical College (Wadena, MN); Minnesota West Community and Technical College (Granite Falls, MN); Minnesota West Community and Technical College (Jackson, MN); Mitchell Technical College (Mitchell, SD); and Northwest Iowa Community College (Sheldon, IA)

For more information or to apply online, visit **mrenergy.com**.



Scholarship applications open Dec. 1 and close March 13 at 5pm CDT.

*The MRES scholarship program is administered by Kaleidoscope, and awards are granted without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sexual orientation, age, gender, disability or national origin.





CHILDCARE SURVEY



Ensuring that Barnesville has adequate childcare is critical to retaining and attracting residents!

The Barnesville EDA has partnered with **First Children's Finance** to put together a long term Childcare Plan. Step 1 is to understand current needs and childcare options.

We NEED Your Input!

Please complete the electronic survey which can be accessed using the QR code on the back of this page by January 31.

If you have any questions regarding the survey, feel free to contact the EDA office at eda@barnesvillemn.com or 218.354.2145.

Parent-Employee Child Care Survey

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Parent-Employee-CityofBarnesville

Code:



If you live in the Barnesville School District and are currently a parent of children ages 0-12 or are considering having children in the next 5 years, please complete this electronic survey by January 31.

Thank you! Your input is very important.



First Children's Finance



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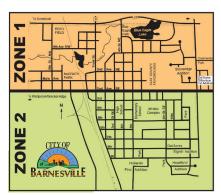
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City of Barnesville 2026 **CURBSIDE RECYCLING**

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