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"MIRACLE ON FRONT STREET"
HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES
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CITY OF BARNESVILLE

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Special City Holiday Hours

GARBAGE PICK-UP will be THURSDAY, Dec. 24 and THURSDAY, Dec. 31

City Hall: Closing at 11 AM on Thursday Dec. 24
Liquor Store:
OPEN Wed. Dec. 24: 10-3; Closed Dec. 25
OPEN Wed. Dec. 31: 10 am - 8 pm
Closed Thursday, January 1
Winter Hours: Mon. -Thurs. Closing at 8 pm

Wipes clog pipes

Avoid sewer backups and protect your pipes!
Dispose of these items in the trash, NOT the toilet.

- Disinfecting wipes
- Baby wipes
- Towelettes
- Paper towels
- Facial tissues



Over the holidays, Public Works finds lots of items are being flushed down toilets that should not be - **the ONLY thing that should be flushed down the toilet is toilet paper.**

December 31 Rebate Deadline

Residents are reminded that December 31 is the deadline to submit rebate forms for energy saving purchases made during 2026.

Forms and all the rebate details are available at City Hall or online at brightenergysolutions.com or barnesvillemn.com.

Truth in Taxation Hearing

The City's Truth in Taxation hearing will be **Monday, Dec. 14 at 6:00 pm** in the City Council Chambers. The 2027 final budget will be adopted along with the 2027 tax levy.

Save $$ on 2027 Golf Passes!

Looking for a Christmas gift for that hard to buy for person or just want to save $$. Now through December 31, purchase a 2027 Willow Creek golf pass at 2026 rates!



Changes to Credit Card Payments on January 1

Effective January 1, 2027, customers who choose to pay their utility bills, building permit fees or other city expenses using a credit card will be responsible for the processing costs.

In 2027 we expect these fees to be 3.00% per transaction. To save this added expense, customers are encouraged to enroll in (ACH), Automated Clearing House payments, which do not have processing or transaction fees. ACH allow customers to have their utility payments automatically withdrawn from their designated bank accounts, providing a secure, convenient, and cost-effective payment option.

If you would like to enroll in ACH payments, stop by City Hall to complete the necessary forms. Questions? Call us at 218.354.2292.

Christmas Gifts that fit everyone!

With Christmas right around the corner, why not encourage the people on your gift list to **"SHOP LOCAL"**!

WILLOW CREEK Municipal Golf Course 21145 Hwy 34 218.493.4486
FIREHALL MUNICIPAL LIQUORS 104 Main Ave. W. 218.354.2258
OWNED AND OPERATED BY THE CITY OF BARNESVILLE
Gift Cards may be used at both locations

The perfect Christmas gift is a Gift Card which can be used at either **Firehall Liquors Willow Creek Golf Course** or a **Firehall Liquors** gift card! The cardsare available at Firehall Liquors.

The other gift that is always appreciated is **Barnesville Bucks**! Barnesville Bucks can be purchased at Midwest Bank. They are sold in $5 denominations and can be used just like cash at any Barnesville business.



The bucks expire one year after the purchase date so folks will have lots of time to find that perfect gift or treat at a Barnesville business!

BARNESVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting • October 12, 2026

Regular City Council Meetings are held the second Monday of every month beginning at 6:00 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 6:00 p.m. Member's present were Council members Tonya Stokka, Brad Field, Randy McEvers, and Don Goedtke. Council Members Scott Bauer and Alyssa Bergman were absent.

10-12-26-01 Motion McEvers, second Goedtke to approve the agenda as presented Motion carried.
10-12-26-02 Motion Stokka, second Goedtke to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion Carried.
10-12-26-03 Motion Stokka, second McEvers to approve the 2nd reading of Ordinance 26-09 Prohibited Dwellings. Motion carried
10-12-26-04 Motion Stokka, second Goedtke approve the 2nd reading of Ordinance 26-10 Political Signs. Motion carried
10-12-26-05 Motion Goedtke, second McEvers to approve Ordinance 26-11 Private Water Wells. Motion carried.
10-12-26-06 Motion Field, second bGoedtke to allow use of city-owned property to construct a Veterans Memorial at Wagner Campground. motion carried.
10-12-26-07 Motion McEvers, second Goedtke to approve the request for proposal for solid waste, garbage and recycling services. Motion carried.

Mayor Rick adjourned the meeting at 6:17 p.m.



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Miracle on Front Street

Saturday, December 5th
Downtown Barnesville

Blue Eagle Holiday Market
12:00-6:00 pm
Former Stoneridge Software Building

Community Christmas Tree Lighting
6:00 pm
NEW location by LRHC Clinic

Photos with Santa
Watch for more information coming soon!

Also Happening
· Businesses Open Extended Hours
· Horse-Drawn Wagon Rides
· Fire Pits & S'mores
· Children Activities
· Toy & Food Drive

Scan the QR Code for more event details!

Nominate your kid to be the:

Barnesville HOLIDAY CHEERMEISTER 2026

Duties include:
· Choose the best decorated storefront
· Press the button to light the Community Christmas

Requirements to be the Cheermeister
· Love to share the spirit of Christmas
· Live in the Barnesville school district
· Age between 4-12
· Available for duties on Saturday, December 6

How to nominate? Fill out this Google

Support Barnesville Area Helpers

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Earn from hundreds of brands as you shop, dine, or book travel.



The brand gives a portion of each purchase back to **Barnesville Area Helpers** as earnings.



We share the earnings back with **Barnesville Area Helpers** to help support older adults 65+ stay independent in their own homes.

Start earning in 3 easy steps

1. Scan the QR code to join **Barnesville Area Helpers'** program
2. Create your RaiseRight account
3. Start shopping and earning for **Barnesville Area Helpers**—without changing your budget

SCAN TO JOIN

RaiseRight

Download on the App Store

GET IT ON Google Play

Earn by purchasing gift cards, shopping online, or both.

For example-Shopping local?

ACE-earn up to 6% back that goes directly to **Barnesville Area Helpers**
Dairy Queen-earn up to 6.5% that goes directly to **Barnesville Area Helpers**
Subway- earn up to 6% that goes directly to **Barnesville Area Helpers**
Cenex- earn up to 3% that goes directly to **Barnesville Area Helpers**

Shopping outside of town or online?

Kohl's- earn up to 7% that goes directly to **Barnesville Area Helpers**
Scheel's- earn up to 8% that goes directly to **Barnesville Area Helpers**
Walmart or Target - earn up to 2.5% that goes directly to **Barnesville Area Helpers**
Hundreds of retailers searchable online

Just in Time for your Holiday Shopping

Barnesville Area HELPERS

Helping
Elders
Live
Proudly
Enjoyably
Responsibly
Safely

Barnesville Area Helpers is a network of concerned citizens assisting our neighbors over age 65 to live safely and securely in their own homes while enhancing their quality of life within the community.

We are a 501(c)3 and part of the Living At Home Network Funding includes grants from FM Foundation, the Nibbe Foundation, MN Dept of Human Services, PaY, and generous donations from supporters

Many services are possible because of our Volunteers and we can't thank them enough.
Interested in finding out more or wanting to volunteer?
Call us at 218-354-7090

Services include

Transportation
Family Support
Respite Care
Health and Exercise Classes
Social Events
Toe Nail Clinics
Meal on Wheels delivery
Medical Equiptment
Loan Closet

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