

Barnesville Town Meeting

August 21, 2023, 7:30 pm

Meeting held in person at town hall with the option to connect via zoom (link below agenda)

Agenda.

Call to Order at 7:35 pm. Attendees in person and on-line.

Pledge of Allegiance

Last meeting's minutes approved.

Reports:

Financial Report presented and summarized. We are now within the new fiscal year. Some property and income taxes were received. No major expenses at this time.

The Beautification and Sustainable Barnesville Committees requested assistance in cleaning up at the park. The bench donated by the Stonestreets is installed near the shade tree and may need additional soil for grass to be planted. The slope between the road and sidewalk needs adjusted and possibly planted with low maintenance ground covers. The county took out the silt fence and disturbed the soil and will need to be replanted with grass. In the future, street trees should be planted along the park edge. Tjaden consultants will be contacted for ideas for the park now that the sidewalk is installed. Ashley Signs installed two signs, one at the walkway entrance at the Post Office and one at the Park, which included more information about the dedication.

The dedication ceremony was well attended. Thank you to Susan Percy for arranging the ice cream social after the ceremony. About 50 people attended the ceremony.

Board of Appeals did not have anything to report.

Capital Improvements

Traffic Calming reported 91 stops in July among 10 patrols. This included weekend, weekday morning and weekday afternoon patrols. Beallsville Rd has more violations than Barnesville. One patrol included having a car towed after an accident on Old Hundred Rd. The traffic monitoring box will next be placed on Old Hundred. The town plans to purchase traffic feedback speed limit signs.

Planning and Zoning did not have anything to report.

Community Connections had announced several upcoming events for Fall. Twilight in the Park (Sept 29). Carved Pumpkin competition (Oct 28). Apple Bake off and awards for carved pumpkins (Oct 29 at Town Hall). Trick or Treating (Oct 31)—the town will have a traffic patrol officer posted for the evening.

Town Hall is available for rentals and events. Mindful Meditation will return in October at Town Hall. The history posters are on display at town hall and options are being explored for a rotating display within the building.

Communications Committee published the summer issue of the Tidbit. Thank you to Holly for another wonderful edition. Additional articles can be sent by anyone to Holly for the Fall edition.

Motion to adjourn at 8:05pm