

## **Commissioners of Barnesville**

Minutes

April 17, 2023

The meeting was held in a hybrid manner. 10 participants plus commissioners.

Called to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes from February 2023 meetings approved, no March minutes due to Town Dinner

Financial report

ARPA funds will be allocated to cover the costs of improved traffic safety (monitoring equipment and patrols and sidewalks) and storm water solutions.

The Maryland Local Government Investment Pool provides an alternative to inventing local government money, in place of the current certificates of deposit the town currently uses.

Town Resolution proposed to transfer funds to MGLIPool.

Beautification committee and Sustainable Barnesville

Several residents have been weeding at the park. Landscaper should mow the flower bed of wildflowers to prevent weedy growth in the spring. The park needs more mulch at the flower beds, the pinewood bark mulch was recommended. Check with CleanCut lawncare about mulch and removing the holiday lights on the tree.

Mindful Meditation will take place at town hall once a month on Friday.

Board of Appeals

No activity at this time. Currently two openings and Jaime Field has been nominated and approved.

Capital Improvements

Sidewalks–may be completed in a few days. The portion up near the road will have a narrower grassy buffer area. Crosswalks will be sidewalk to sidewalk on two corners. The “Tolbert Way” sidewalk will have a dedication later in the summer. Next year’s budget should include something for plantings on either side such as street trees or plants to no require mowing on the embankment.

Traffic Calming

10 Patrols were conducted and speeding violations are the most common stop. 80 Stops in March with the maximum speed of over 70mph for 2 tickets.

The traffic monitor box has collected data on traffic speed on Barnesville Rd. and is being used by Streethawk to better time their patrols.

MARC camera location for the county has been requested again and with a letter by the county executive office. It should be in place for approximately 25% of the year.  
Early morning (1-3am) truck noise has been reported on Old Hundred road.

### Planning and Zoning

Currently two openings. Carlita Constant was nominated and approved. The committee is waiting to hear from the town attorney what can be updated in the Town Charter to follow current regulations.

### Community Connections

Heritage Days on June 24 and 25, noon to 4pm at Town Hall with history exhibit. Request parking availability for St. Mary's and Baptist church and put out signs. The history exhibit will be left on display for several days to let the town visit.  
Historic Medley in Poolesville may also be interested in some displays.  
Mindfulness Meditation will take place on April 28<sup>th</sup> (7-9pm) and again in May.  
CPR Training will take place on May 20<sup>th</sup> by reservation only, limited to 12 participants.

### Town Hall

Available for Reservations.

### Communication

New Tidbit will be published in March. Send articles or info to Holly.

### New Business

Town Election will need two judges..

Thank you to Maria for your work as a commissioner and your continued service to the town and for arranging the CPR workshop

An update was provided on the Frederick County Master Plan and the Sugarloaf Citizens Assoc. work on it.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:14pm