

**CITY OF NEW MEADOWS CITY COUNCIL & PUBLIC HEARING MEETING MINUTES
HELD MONDAY, JANUARY 27TH, 2024 AT 6:30 PM
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 401 VIRGINIA STREET, NEW MEADOWS**

Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance

Present at City Hall were Mayor Julie Good, Council Members Traci Foster, Jeff Parnett and Council member Shiloh Ryker was present via zoom. Council Member Josh Carr was excused.

City Attorney Dick Stubbs and City Engineer Grae Harper were present via Zoom.

Staff present at City Hall was Kyla Gardner.

Public present were Willy Brown, Donna Brown, Jessica Lillehaug, Linnea Hall, Peter Donovan, Preston Woods, and Rod Pratt. Pierce Ramsay, Josh Davis, Sierra Christie, Drew Dodson, James Klinedinst, and Rachel Reynaga were present via zoom.

Mayor Good opened the meeting at 6:31 P.M.

Mayor Good requested that the City Council consider amending the agenda to add an Executive Session at the end of the agenda due to time sensitive items that were not known at the time the agenda was posted.

- Council Member Parnett moved to approve amending the agenda to add an Executive Session per Idaho Code 74-206(a) and 74-206(f;) Council Member Foster seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Parnett – yes, Foster – yes, Ryker – yes. Motion Carried

Public Input

There was no public input.

Reports

Mayor's Report

Mayor Good presented her Mayor's report to the Council.

Prosecuting Attorney Introduction- Peter Donovan

Prosecuting Attorney Peter Donovan introduced himself as the new Prosecuting Attorney for Adams County.

Discussion Items

New Meadows Youth Center

Mayor Good stated that almost all of the framing has been completed on the Youth Center and it is looking really nice. The Meadows Valley Early Learning Foundation, which is the name of the

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non-profit who is going to be running the childcare center, is working with Southwest District Health, to ensure that they have all of the necessary policies in place for the center. The Foundation also plans on holding a public meeting for parents and potential childcare workers and volunteers to learn about programs that will be available and enrollment dates. In a future City Council meeting an MOU will be presented to the Foundation for operations in that building.

Brown's Mountain Recycling Update

Mayor Good stated that she received a call from Beau Boston from United Metals. She spoke with him to discuss the United Metals contract that the Browns have. Mayor Good stated that since the contract did not have a start date the City Council voted to revert back to following City Ordinance and issue a citation to Browns for being out of compliance. During her conversation she learned that they will be taking everything off of the ground except for the wood. Beau stated he was in favor of getting in there as soon as possible. He stated he would update the City with a timeline as soon as they know when they will be up here.

Council Member Foster stated that Willy Brown reached out to her and he stated that he has been trying hard to follow the land use ordinance of the City. She states that they have had about 3 conversations about this in person and over the phone.

Willy Brown stated there is no way that they could give an exact date for when they can come and start the clean – up.

Mayor Good stated that all City Council members reviewed the signed contract between the Browns and United Metals and did not feel like it provided enough information that to continue to not follow City Ordinance.

Volunteer Policy

Mayor Good stated that Kyla sent out volunteer policy samples to the City Council Members.

Council Member Foster stated that looking at the employee policy will be a good place to pull information from to create a volunteer policy.

Kyla will send out the employee policy to all City Council Members.

Public Hearing

Public Hearing- Mehen Memorial Skatepark Design Review – 402 Peterson Memorial

Opening of the Public Hearing

Mayor Good opened the Public Hearing at 7:01pm

Applicant Presentation

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James Klinedinst from Grindline presented to the Council they had two great Public Meetings to come up with this conceptual design. Their goal was to design a world class skatepark for here in New Meadows that will be accessible to all levels, aesthetically flow with the new Youth Center, and also be an outlet for youth and provide a sense of ownership and honor the originally visionaries of the skatepark. The skatepark will be about 7800 sq. ft. There will be ADA compliant connections. Parking will be available, and it will tie into the Youth Center. Drainage will tie into a catch basin in the road and Grindline will be working with their engineer as well as the City engineer to ensure proper drainage. Construction for this project will take about 3 months to complete.

Governing Body Questions to the Applicant

City Engineer Grae Harper stated that he has reviewed the site plan and spoken with Grindline. He stated the design is great and conforms to City Code. He stated that he will need to see additional planning for drainage. A full set of 100% completed construction documents should be given to the City.

Testimony in Favor of Application

There was no testimony in favor of the application.

Neutral Testimony

There was no neutral testimony.

Testimony Opposed to the Application

There was no testimony opposed to the application.

Final Questions from the Governing Body

There were no final questions from the governing body.

Close of the Public Hearing

Mayor Good closed the Public Hearing at 7:08pm.

Action Items

Public Hearing- Mehen Memorial Skatepark Design Review – 402 Peterson Memorial

- Council Member Foster moved to approve the Design Review for Mehen Memorial Skatepark Located at 402 Peterson Memorial with the stipulation that the City Engineer signs off on the drainage plan and the City receives 100% complete engineer stamped plan documents; Council Member Parnett seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Parnett – yes, Foster – yes, Ryker – yes. Motion Carried

Alcoholic Beverage License Applications

Mayor Good stated that Miss Kitty's Pizza & Such, Waypoint Gem State, and Delish Catering have submitted applications for a 2025 Alcoholic Beverage License.

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- Council Member Parnett moved to approve the Alcohol Beverage License for Miss Kitty's Pizza & Such, Waypoint Gem State and Delish Catering; Council Member Foster seconded the motion. Voice Vote indicated no opposition to the motion with all members signifying yes. Motion carried.

Winter Water Discount

Mayor Good stated that she would like to create a way to give a discount if customers have left their water dripping due to this extreme cold weather we have had in order to keep their pipes from freezing. She would like to require customers to come into City Hall and request a discount. Mayor Good stated that we could take a look at the last three months of water usage and if their bill is higher than the average of the last three months, we would use the average instead of the current month's bill to create the discount.

Council Member Foster asked which months this would cover.

Mayor Good stated as of now it could cover January 2025 and February 2025 for residential customers.

Council Member Foster asks that a form be created that each customer would fill out in order to receive this discount.

- Council Member Parnett moved to approve the Winter Water Discount for January and February; Council Member Foster seconded the motion. Voice Vote indicated no opposition to the motion with all members signifying yes. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

The Consent Agenda included paid and pending claims, September 2024 and October 2024 financials, and the November 25, 2024, January 13, 2025 Meeting Minutes.

- Council Member Foster moved to approve the Consent Agenda; Council Member Parnett seconded the motion. Voice vote indicated no opposition to the motion with all members signifying yes. Motion Carried.

Executive Session 74-206(a) To consider hiring a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, wherein the respective qualities of individuals are to be evaluated in order to fill a particular vacancy or need, and 74-206(f) To communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated.

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Executive Session began at 7:22 P.M. Executive Session ended at 7:36 P.M. Roll was called and the Mayor and all City Council Members with the exception of Josh Carr were present.

Future Meeting Topics

- Ordinance Road & Streets Committee

Adjournment

Mayor Good adjourned the meeting at 7:37 P.M.

Julie A. Good, Mayor

ATTEST:_____
Kyla Gardner, City Clerk