

Roll Call / Pledge of Allegiance

Present at City Hall was Mayor Julie Good and Council Member Jeff Parnett. Council Members Darla Weber and Shiloh Ryker were present via Zoom. Kaytlyn Gilliam was absent.

Staff present at City Hall were Kyla Gardner, Dana Kautz, Daniel Potter, and Angie Mettie. City Attorney Dick Stubbs was present via Zoom.

Public present at City Hall was Lisa Potter. Present via Zoom was Kim Northway.

Mayor Julie Good opened the meeting at 6:30 P.M.

Public Input

There was no public input.

Reports

Mayor's Report

Mayor Good summarized her report, stating that ARPA funding was applied for, and the Council will be discussing how to use the funds in a future meeting. Also, dust abatement was completed the previous week. Mayor Good is working on a "welcome to the community" packet for new residents.

Citizens Advisory Committee

Mayor Good stated that three community members attended this new forum regarding the Park Master Plan. Ideas included a possible pump track in New Meadows and possible movies in the park. Surveys given to the community were reviewed, with one of the top choices of activities being a farmer's market.

City Clean Up Day

Daniel Potter and family were the only volunteers at the last cleanup day. Potter stated that eight dump truck loads were taken to the dump. He stated that community members need to separate their items by wood, metal, trash, furniture, etc. It was also decided that the city will no longer collect tires due to their cost. The next cleanup day will be July 17th.

Grass & Weed Abatement

Mayor Good stated that the grass and weed plan is working well. A list of abatements was provided, and the first abatement completed.

Discussion Items

Bicycles on Sidewalks

Mayor Good asked for suggestions regarding where children could safely ride bicycles, as it is unlawful to ride on sidewalks. This leaves children riding in the street in the lane of traffic, which is unsafe. Suggestions included improving the skate park, setting aside areas on

weekends for bikes, or possibly creating a bike lane on Virginia. Mayor Good will talk with ITD about a bike lane.

Speed Limit Change – Highway 95

Mayor Good asked the Council's opinion on lowering the speed limits farther out on Highway 95 North coming into town. The Council agreed that this was a good idea and would offer a letter of support for this suggestion.

Seepage Testing

The seepage testing is now complete. One lagoon had a leak and repairs are in process. City Clerk Gardner stated that a letter is being sent to DEQ explaining that some of the DMR samples were not taken due to the seepage testing.

Action Items

Building Official Services Agreement

Mayor Good explained that the Building Official Services Agreement allows New Meadows to process their building permits through the Adams County Building Inspector. Adams County receives 70% of the building permit fees and 100% of solid waste fees. The agreement did not change from last year.

- Council Member Weber moved to approve the Building Official Services Agreement for FY 21/22; Council Member Parnett seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Parnett – yes, Ryker – yes, Weber – yes. Motion carried.

Rory Mehen – Water Bill

Rory Mehen, owner of Hartland Inn asked the Council to review his water bill and requested that a portion of the usage cost be removed, as he did not feel that much water was used. Mayor Good noticed that when averaging three spring months of 2021, the total was very similar to the total of three months in previous years. Therefore, although one month had high usage, the overall totals were similar. Council Members Ryker and Weber stated that discounting water bills sets a precedence and should not occur. Mehen will be given extra time to pay his bill, if necessary. Mayor Good will call and talk with Mehen about the decision.

Consent Agenda

The Consent Agenda included paid and pending claims to date, approval of tool purchases for the City, and May 2021 Financials. Public Works Assistant Potter answered questions regarding the tools to be purchased. The amount for the tool purchase was \$1074.95.

City Clerk Gardner read the claims list.

- Council Member Parnett moved to approve the Consent Agenda; Council Member Weber seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Weber – yes, Ryker – yes, Parnett – yes. Motion carried.

City of New Meadows City Council Meeting Minutes
Held Monday, June 28, 2021, at 6:30 P.M.
City Council Chambers, 401 Virginia Street, New Meadows

Future Meeting Topics

- Personnel policy review
- Shut-off Report
- Adams County Property
- City Code: Camping in public places
- Cat Population

Adjournment

Mayor Good adjourned the meeting at 7:17pm.

Julie A. Good, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Kyla Gardner, City Clerk