

**CITY OF NEW MEADOWS CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD MONDAY, MARCH 27, 2023 AT 6:30 P.M.  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 401 VIRGINIA STREET, NEW MEADOWS**

**Roll Call / Pledge of Allegiance**

Present at City Hall were Council Members Jeff Parnett, Josh Carr, and Mayor Julie Good. Present via Zoom were Council Members Shiloh Ryker, and Kaytlyn Goodwin (until 6:54 P.M.).

Staff present at City Hall were Kyla Gardner, Kirk Kundrick, and Angie Mettie. Present via Zoom were Dick Stubbs, Gregg Tankersley, Ed Stowe, and Tim Farrell.

Public present at City Hall was Kayrene Brown.

Mayor Good opened the meeting at 6:31 P.M. and Kyla Gardner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Kyla Gardner read the mission statement.

**Public Input**

There was no public input.

**Reports**

Mayor's Report

Mayor Good summarized the pilot transit program, which will run June through August.

Cole Keehner and Marcus will both intern this summer and help with Planning & Zoning projects and public relations work respectively.

Water Operator Report – Kirk Kundrick

Kirk Kundrick gave an overview of the water / wastewater systems and the activities that are taking place in each department. Currently, the city pumps an average of 35,000 gallons per day. A seepage test will take place this spring. Bentonite clay has been applied to the lagoon, which hopefully will stop any seepage. Kundrick completed the Water Reuse Report for the city. He is working on training staff and preparing for the upcoming phases of the water project.

Water Project Update – Tim Farrell / Ed Stowe

Tim Farrell summarized the water project thus far, stating that Well #5 has been drilled and they are in the process of equipping that well. The next step will be to bring the well online and then tear down the storage reservoir, replace it, and build a new booster station. Coordination will be of great importance during this process. Also, the distribution lines will be completed as per the bond requirements.

**Discussion Items**

Stibnite Grant Ideas

Mayor Good asked the Council to consider grant ideas for the upcoming Stibnite grant application. Ideas included funds for trees in the park, repair of the sign in the park, pocket parks,

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Weiser River Trail connection, walking paths, and downtown street light poles. The Council chose to apply for downtown street light poles.

Salmon River Mobile Vet MOU

Mayor Good would like to consider using Salmon River Mobile Vet to help with the feral cat population. Currently, McPaws spays and neuters, vaccinates, and clips the ear of feral cats brought to their facility before releasing them back into New Meadows. The Council agreed that using a local vet would be beneficial for this service. Dick Stubbs will assist in creating an MOU.

School Portable Discussion

Once the donated portable is moved to New Meadows, determination will be made on what utility services are necessary and how the city can help.

**Action Items**

Engineering Contract

Gregg Tankersley presented an updated engineering contract. Mayor Good asked if he could update the flow chart, showing chain of command and who to contact for certain issues. Mayor Good stated that the city is trying to develop a preferred vendor list, and the flow chart would be helpful in that regard. Mayor Good also asked if Tankersley could meet monthly to discuss projects, scheduling, and issues. Tankersley agreed.

- Council Member Parnett moved to approve the Engineering Contract with Crestline Engineers; Council Member Carr seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Parnett – yes, Carr – yes, Ryker – yes. Motion carried.

Fair Housing Proclamation

Mayor Good stated that the Fair Housing Proclamation declares that New Meadows complies with the equal opportunity housing tenets, and also benefits the city when applying for grants.

- Council Member Carr moved to declare April as Fair Housing Month; Council Member Parnett seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Parnett – yes, Carr – yes, Ryker – yes. Motion carried.

Week of the Young Child Proclamation

Mayor Good stated that April 10-14<sup>th</sup> will be declared Week of the Young Child in New Meadows. The community has been involved in providing activities for our young children 0-8 years of age during that week.

- Council Member Carr moved to proclaim April 10-14<sup>th</sup> as Week of the Young Child; Council Member Parnett seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Parnett – yes, Carr – yes, Ryker – yes. Motion carried.

Skate Park MOU

Mayor Good stated that the skate park board has changed members since the last MOU was created. In addition to the previous MOU, they would like to add that they are able to use 100%

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of the space at the skate park, that the city will maintain the park, and that grant funds obtained by the city will be used toward the skate park as match funds. Council Member Parnett inquired about insurance at the skate park. Dick Stubbs will review the insurance policy to find out how the park would be covered.

- Council Member Parnett moved to approve the Skate Park MOU; Council Member Carr seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Parnett – yes, Carr – yes, Ryker – yes. Motion carried.

**New Meadows / McCall Transit Pilot Program**

Mayor Good stated that the pilot program will begin in June. Pickup locations in New Meadows will be at the library and Community Center. There will be eight trips during the day, beginning at 6am. They will coordinate with work schedules for those working at St. Luke’s, Albertson’s, etc. There will be several drop off locations in McCall, including the transit center, Ridley’s, and St. Luke’s. The cost for the program is \$27,350, and the cost to New Meadows will be \$3633. The transit system will be free to those who use it.

- Council Member Carr moved to approve \$3633 for the New Meadows/McCall Transit Pilot Program; Council Member Parnett seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Parnett – yes, Carr – yes, Ryker – yes. Motion carried.

**Consent Agenda**

The Consent Agenda included March 13, 2023 meeting minutes, paid and pending claims, and February 2023 payroll. Kyla Gardner polled the Council and all members stated that they had read the minutes.

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

**Future Meeting Topics**

Future meeting topics included feeding of wildlife ordinances, school portable discussion, MOU for Salmon River Mobile Vet, change order on water project for security cameras, Industrial Park lease review, and alcoholic beverage license approval for Family Dollar.

**Adjournment**

Mayor Good adjourned the meeting at 7:43 P.M.

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Julie A. Good, Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kyla Gardner, City Clerk