

CITY OF NEW MEADOWS MAYOR'S REPORT

April 10, 2023

Well, winter has been extremely hesitant to leave this year so we are experiencing extraordinary issues with drainage and road conditions. Some situations cannot be addressed until the ground dries out. We appreciate everyone's patience.

Angie and many local volunteers did such an awesome job with the annual Easter Egg Hunt. This is a great reminder of what can be accomplished when a community works together.

I have had several meetings regarding the water project and work will begin at the new well house site on Monday. After the new well is online, work will begin at the Booster Station and Tank in the park. I have proposed that the staging site for the new tank materials be located on S. Commercial instead of in the park. This would eliminate damage to the park, lessen the effect on park activities and maintain a place for the many bicyclists who visit our area to stay overnight. I feel that detouring traffic has much less long-term effects on the community.

I would like to install the bull sculpture, park bench and JI Morgan commemorative stone at the end of April or early May – depending on the weather. We will be planning a community event to correspond with this activity.

Next week, the week of the Young Child events will be taking place throughout the community. Angie has done an excellent job getting other organizations like the depot and Community Center involved. Of course, the library will also host a special story time next week. The brunch on Monday to recognize the teachers who are involved in the lives of these young children was a great idea. Thank you, Angie, for all your hard work.

We did not get the ITD grant to fix the approach on Norris Street, but we are looking at other potential funding for that much needed project.

I have visited with Ricky Brown about having two clean up days – one in the Spring and one in the fall – to haul old cars and junk metal. He is agreeable with offering that service to the community. I am working with the local trash service to see if we can get a couple big trash bins to assist with junk removal in town.

There are several clean up items the city will be working on once the snow melts. There are several vehicles that need to be moved in the new skate park area and we will need to move a storage shed that is there as well. Kyla and I will be walking the area with the Skate Park Committee to place markers where the park will be located.

"If you really want to do something, you'll find a way. If you don't, you'll find an excuse." Jim Rohn