

## CITY OF NEW MEADOWS MAYOR'S REPORT

February 23, 2026

Hunter passed his wastewater exam and is continuing to study for his next test. Both Hunter and Michael will be participating in the LHTAC T2 program which provides training that is not only helpful for the student, but also boosts the city's grant application scores when we apply for funds.

The Adams County Historical Society has installed a new bench in front of the main entrance of the depot. They will be placing a memorial plaque on the bench in memory of Will Kerby. A huge thank you goes out to the Historical Society!

The flooring for the kitchen, hallway and two public restrooms in the New Meadows Youth Center was delivered today and should be installed this week. Then the kitchen appliances will be delivered and installed.

Stepheny Becker, the City's Community Outreach Coordinator has hit the ground running. She is now taking care of the newsletter, youth sports sign ups, and helping to get the old City Hall cleaned up as well as a myriad of other tasks. The City is launching a Community Calendar through Calendar Wiz and Stepheny will hold a training for all local organizations to learn how to use the calendar and keep their events posted. The cost of the calendar was paid for by a private donor so there is no expense to the city, but great benefit to all the organizations in the community. Stepheny is using one of the office spaces at the Youth Center to work from when she is not working from home.

We will be meeting with Keller on Wednesday to review the wastewater facility plan work that has been completed to date. We had a meeting with DEQ last month regarding the timeline for submitting the plan. We are moving forward and should be able to meet the expected goals.

The auditors were on site last week to do their annual review of the City's financials. Once the audit is completed, they will present to the City Council.

The public hearing regarding the sale of the Old City Hall will take place on March 16 here. This will be a time when residents can give comments regarding the plan to sell the building which is need of repair. The public hearing will NOT be a time when any decision will be made. The City Council has already agreed to sell the building and has set the minimum bid price. At the City Council's regular meeting on March 23, the City will decide what date the auction will take place. If no one meets the minimum bid at the auction, the City Council can then choose to sell the building through a real estate agent.