

CITY OF NEW MEADOWS MAYOR'S REPORT

March 10, 2025

I have been engaged in many conversations around the proposed Local Option Tax and I appreciate all of the input I have received. There are different views of this proposal and I think it is important for us to continue to discuss the potential outcomes.

We are working on getting a meeting set up with Ziply to discuss their timeline and details for the upcoming project in town. John Stone and Kirk Kundrick will be in attendance at the meeting to make sure all the questions are answered to the City's satisfaction.

I received notice from DEQ that we are back in compliance with them after the inspection they completed on our wastewater system in November. Kirk has done a great job getting them the reports and information they requested and making sure the changes they requested were implemented.

I am continuing to receive information and updates regarding the Stibnite Gold Project and its possible impacts on our community. I have several requests for information regarding job possibilities and contracts for local businesses. The current plan shows construction beginning as early as July of this year.

The Parks and Rec committee is in need of coaches for the Youth Sports Program. If you know of anyone who would be interested, please send them to City Hall.

A special thank you to Traci Foster for her work on the volunteer policy. I appreciate the time she has spent coming up with a policy we can work on to get a consensus on how to proceed.

I have received a couple reports of large water bills due to broken pipes when pipes thawed after being frozen during the very cold snap we had a few weeks ago. The City has historically NOT given discounts for extra water usage due to pipes that failed. If the City Council wants to revisit this for these specific weather related issues, we can place it on a subsequent agenda to discuss.