

CITY OF NEW MEADOWS MAYOR'S REPORT

November 8, 2021

Since there will be only one City Council meeting this month, there is much to cover during this meeting.

I have invited Kirk Kundraick, the City's Water/Sewer Backup Operator to meet the City Council at this meeting. I am glad to have Kirk on board and want to be sure he stays informed.

Idaho Power has completed their energy audit and have recommendations that need to be reviewed and discussed by the City Council. Two local electricians have been asked to bid on the different choices given.

Jon Keehner has agreed to give the city insight into how to deal with the cat population issues in our community. Jon has great information regarding this challenge.

Our attorney has been in contact with Jeff Parnett regarding the Local Option Tax project, providing documents that were presented when the project was considered in the past. I will work with Jeff to put together a committee of community business owners and individuals to gather local input.

The need for housing is very real and extremely challenging as we move into winter. There are several RV Use permit applications for your review at this meeting. I am asking the City Council to remember the reason the RV Use permit process was revised. Living in an RV is not an optimum solution, but for some, it is the only option. I am impressed with the way property owners are stepping up to provide short-term solutions to those who are in desperate need.

Just a reminder that new city email addresses need to be put into place by each city council member by the end of the year. If you need help switching over, please let Angie know.

There is a proposed snow storage agreement with Dave Kellogg that needs City Council review and decision. We will also discuss the other areas that will be used for snow storage.

The City's Personnel Policy needs to be updated, but it will take some time to go through the revisions. You will receive the updated policy with a list of changes at the first meeting in December. We will work through the updates as quickly as possible.

Thank you for the many ways you support your community and the values that are so important to those who live here.

"Action is the foundational key to all success." Pablo Picasso