

**CITY OF NEW MEADOWS CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
HELD MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH, 2025 AT 6:30 PM
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 401 VIRGINIA STREET, NEW MEADOWS**

Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance

Present at City Hall were Mayor Julie Good, Council Members Jeff Parnett, Traci Foster, Shiloh Ryker, and Josh Carr.

City Attorney Dick Stubbs and City Engineer Grae Harper were present via Zoom.

Staff present at City Hall was Kyla Gardner.

Public present was Sonya Brodhecker, Andy Brodhecker, Doug Buys, Philip Good, Jessica Lillehaug, and Rachel Reynaga. Linnea Hall was present via zoom.

Mayor Good opened the meeting at 6:30 P.M.

Public Input

There was no public input.

Reports

Mayor's Report

Mayor Good presented her Mayor's report to the Council.

Staff Reports

Staff reports were presented to City Council with no questions.

December Parks & Rec Meeting Minutes

The December Parks & Rec Meeting Minutes were presented with no questions.

New Deputy Clerk Introduction- Sonya Brodhecker

Mayor Good introduced Sonya Brodhecker to the City Council as the new Deputy Clerk.

Discussion Items

New Meadows Youth Center

Mayor Good stated that we will be doing an in person walk through each week with Dalrymple construction. Mayor Good stated that we will need to start working on an MOU with the school for the preschool. She stated that the Early Childhood Foundation will be meeting with Southwest District Health soon. She stated that the Foundation has made a lot of forward progress. They have elected officers and are working on policies. There will also be an MOU with the Foundation for use of the building.

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Gravel Source

Mayor Good stated that the City owns some land where the land app is located that could be a potential resource for the City to get gravel to use for City projects. It is located in a place that will require a conditional use permit. The City's road and street committee have talked about using it as a source for gravel for future projects. Mayor Good asked City Council if they want to move forward with getting more information on the project.

Council Member Foster asked what it is going to cost the City to access the gravel including the reclamation after the gravel is used. What would be the cost if the City purchased the material?

Doug Buys stated that it is a base material for the roads, they will not have to crush it. It should be placed under the gravel. What is taken out of the roads will be placed back on the hillside.

Council Member Parnett asked if we have to restore the land once it is used.

Mayor Good stated that there will have to be a reclamation for the area when completed.

Mayor Good stated that we will need to see what the cost to the City will be and be able to get all of the information for the conditional use permit if the City Council would like to move forward with pursuing this option. She stated it is important to educate the public on why we want to look into this rock source.

Local Option Tax

Mayor Good stated that she has been talking with business owners in town concerning a local option tax. She explained that the tax is for those people who are traveling through and put a strain on the infrastructure, and it is not supposed to be a burden to those who live in the community. Mayor Good stated that the next step would be to declare that we are a resort city. She stated that letters from local businesses stating that they depend on travelers and the impact travelers have on their business would be good idea. In order to get approval for a local option tax, though, it would need to go out for a vote by the public. It will have to have a 60% approval from the voters in order for it to move forward. We will have to create an ordinance for the declaration.

Mayor Good stated that the Idaho code tells you what you can tax and you have to be specific and define what you are using this local option tax money for and how much the tax is. The City Council discussion was favorable and Kyla will send out sample LOT ordinances from other cities, as well as Idaho Code regarding the Tax.

Browns Mountain Recycling Update

Mayor Good stated that she was present this morning at the Adams County courthouse for the Browns Mountain Recycling case for the citation they received. The Judge moved the court date to March 20, 2025. It will be a pretrial conference. The judge said that the prosecutor may choose

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to discharge any charges if they get it cleaned up. Mayor Good stated that this citation was supposed to be an incentive for Brown's to get the property cleaned up and she shared that with the prosecuting attorney after the proceedings. Mayor Good stated that she hoped the City Council should stay firm in upholding ordinances.

Action Items

Ordinance TBD-2025 Road & Streets Committee Creation

- Council Member Carr moved to approve Ordinance TBD-2025 Road & Streets Committee Creation, and suspend the rules requiring three separate readings on three separate days and read by title only once; Council Member Foster seconded the motion. Voice Vote indicated no opposition to the motion with all members signifying yes. Motion carried.

City Clerk Read by title only.

- Council Member Carr moved to approve Ordinance TBD-2025 Road & Streets Committee Creation; Council Member Ryker seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Carr – yes, Parnett – yes, Ryker – yes, Foster – yes. Motion Carried.
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Addition/ Removal of Bank Account Signers

- Council Member Ryker moved to approve removal of Troy Black and Diane Hunter and addition of Traci Foster and Sonya Brodhecker to the City of New Meadows bank account; Council Member Parnett seconded the motion. Voice Vote indicated no opposition to the motion with all members signifying yes. Motion carried.

Executive Session 74-206(f) To communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated

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Executive Session began at 7:23 P.M. Executive Session ended at 7:37 P.M. Roll was called and the Mayor and all City Council Members were present.

Consent Agenda

The Consent Agenda included paid and pending claims, January 2025 Payroll and the January 27, 2025 Meeting Minutes.

- Council Member Foster moved to approve the Consent Agenda; Council Member Parnett seconded the motion. Voice vote indicated no opposition to the motion with all members signifying yes. Motion Carried.

Future Meeting Topics

- Volunteer Policy
- Appointment of the Road & Streets Committee members
- Local Option Tax
- Rock Source
- Childcare Foundation

Adjournment

Mayor Good adjourned the meeting at 7:42 P.M.

Julie A. Good, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Kyla Gardner, City Clerk