

CITY OF NEW MEADOWS MAYOR'S REPORT

September 25, 2023

And then, it was autumn.

We are looking forward to a great Fall Fest this year on October 7th from 10 am to 3 pm in the park. There will be vendors – including the Mehen Memorial Skate Park Committee selling t-shirts, games and a bounce house for the kids, food, apple cider, live music and an opportunity to support our wonderful community.

The Gold Line Transit program is still operating Mondays and Wednesdays. Be sure to remind your neighbors and friends so we can maintain good ridership during the winter season. This will determine the availability of funds for a 5 day a week route.

There have been reports from local residents regarding a sulphur smell in their water. Our Water/Wastewater Primary Operator Kirk Kundrick will present his findings on that issue.

There will be several Public Service Announcements going out in the next few weeks as the new water tank is chlorinated and filled, Well #3 gets back online and we start using the new parts of the system. These activities may result in a chlorine smell in the water, but it will be minimal and harmless. This does NOT mean we will be chlorinating the city's water. We will still be providing the wonderful, clean water we have had all these years.

I want to give a shout out to Kyla Gardner, our City Clerk for doing such an amazing job on the Childcare Grant Application. In the middle of training a new employee and taking care of the many other projects the city is working on, she completed the application – which was quite extensive – and submitted it on time. Trace McKellips, the West Central Mountains Early Childhood Development Director also assisted and Dee Fredrickson from the school supplied information as well. But the bulk of the work was done by Kyla and I am so grateful she is on the City's team.

We were awarded a Source Water Protection Grant which will cover the cost of installing cameras in all three of our well facilities. This is a great security measure that will benefit the community long-term.

The only way a small community like ours is successful is because of the tremendous work of local volunteers. Please take time to recognize those who give of their time and resources to make our community such an awesome place!

“To make a difference in someone's world, you don't have to be amazing, rich, talented or beautiful. You just have to be you and care.” Rebecca Fox