

## CITY OF NEW MEADOWS MAYOR'S REPORT

August 28, 2023

As we approach Labor Day and the Meadows Valley Days events that will be taking place that weekend, the water project continues to move forward. If the weather and schedule remain on track, we will be able to move back construction fences, open up the playground and use the park in the areas that are normally open for Labor Day weekend. S. Commercial Street will remain closed until the booster station and tank are completed, probably until October 1. I am very impressed with the continued open communication with engineers, contractors and city staff throughout the project.

Our second Citizen's Committee meeting was attended by five individuals representing local stakeholders. They were tasked with prioritizing the 14 different projects currently taking place in our community. There was great discussion and better understanding around the city's goals moving forward. All in all, it was a great meeting.

The city water supply was able to keep up with the demand during the recent fire in town which means the new well is doing great! Kirk continues to work on getting things set up to run seamlessly in the future, regardless of the demand.

Brianna has been doing great at learning the many different facets of the job she began on August 16<sup>th</sup>. Angie continues to stop in each day to answer questions. Extra training was also done on Friday. The modified hours for City Hall have definitely helped to facilitate the learning experience.

Kyla is a rockstar! She has stepped up to learn and oversee much more than she ever imagined when she took the City Clerk job. I am so impressed with her work ethic, ability to stay focused under pressure and willingness to learn. She works well with the public and I get so many positive comments about her interactions with individuals and businesses. Please let her know just how much she is appreciated.

Planning is already taking place for upcoming community events. The Trunk or Treat event at the Park, planting the City Christmas Tree, and the Downtown Christmas Tree lighting event. Volunteers are always appreciated for these events.

I have asked Troy Black to speak to the City Council about his possible appointment to fill the City Council seat vacated by Kaytlynn. I feel he would bring beneficial building/construction experience to the table and he has agreed to serve as a liaison between the City and MV Fire/EMS Service if appointed. His resume' is included in the packet.

*"Persistence and resilience only come from having been given the chance to work through difficult problems." Gever Tulley*