

CITY OF NEW MEADOWS MAYOR'S REPORT

September 23, 2024

On Monday, September 16, 2024, the Ground Breaking Ceremony for the Childcare/Preschool/Youth Center was held in front of the old Recycle Center. A representative from Dalrymple Construction, Dee Fredrickson from the school, city staff members, myself and two Council members (Shiloh and Jeff) were present for the event. There were several families with children who attended as well as several local individuals and reporters from both newspapers. Julia Olson brought hot chocolate and cookies were donated for the event. We will continue to fundraise and work on donations and discounts for this project.

The next community meeting for the Mehen Memorial Skate Park design will be at 6 pm at the depot on October 3rd. It is important to get community feedback on proposed design elements for this project. Grindline had a contractor come and do soil samples as they prepare for the project to be shovel ready next spring.

As a reminder, our community thrives because of the hard work of our local business owners and employees. Please support these businesses and show your appreciation for the investment they make everyday in our region.

The Fall Festival will take place from 10 am to 2 pm on October 5 in the park. This is a great family event with special games and activities for the kids.

I met with Mendy and Wendy at the Adams County Health Center to discuss the mobile clinic and other services that might benefit our community from ACHC. It was a very good conversation and has resulted in several connections with individuals that may be able to bring beneficial services to our community. Due to grant cycle funding dates, ACHC will be working on getting the mobile clinic to New Meadows on a regular basis next spring. We also discussed the possibility of using one of their vans for transportation to ACHC for medical appointments for those living in New Meadows. Details are being worked out on that possibility.

I will be asking the City Council to approve the creation of a transportation committee at the meeting on Monday. I think it will be good to have a group of citizens and professionals get together to review and create possible solutions for the current issues and work on long-term plans that are attainable. They can report back to the City Council and present suggestions for City Council to review and approve.

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