

CITY OF NEW MEADOWS MAYOR'S REPORT

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"The new year stands before us like a chapter in a book, waiting to be written." Melody Beattie

I am excited for this new year and hope you are too! There is so much on the horizon that could benefit our beautiful community in very positive ways.

The new website is up and running with excellent resources that continue to be added to each day. Input from City Council, City staff and citizens is invited. This new website offers more accessibility to all the City has to offer.

We are asking citizens to recognize others with words of praise for acts of kindness, words of encouragement or sharing of resources. Angie has notes to be filled out at City Hall to share how people have helped each other. A place for these notes is also available on the City's website. Handwritten notes will be placed on the bulletin board inside City Hall and on the website. Check out the positive ways people are working together in our awesome community.

The "Meadows Valley Monday" emails are scheduled for each Monday morning. They are short and to the point. A database of ideas for this ongoing project is being developed and City Council and staff are invited to be part of that conversation.

The City is securing part-time snow removal help from several local individuals so Jessie will not be dealing with snow by herself. This will continue until a full time employee is hired.

We will be interviewing for the full-time Public Works General Laborer position as applications come in. Mac and I will conduct the first initial interviews. Subsequent interviews will be attended by Jessie, Mac and myself. Even though Jessie will not be supervising this position, she will be working very closely with the employee in day to day operations. Please send any interested individuals to the city's website or Job Service website to apply.

Thank you to those who contributed to the staff's Christmas bags and to the Christmas tree project. Due to COVID and the placement of the tree in the back room and less traffic coming into City Hall, there were very few who participated. A special thank you goes out to Kelly Shields and Patti Smith for donating ornaments for the tree.

Coming up: More training for staff and City Council, Increased communication/partnership with other local and regional organizations, continued business spotlights and volunteer recognition.

Your input inspires and creates the teamwork needed to make this year the best one yet.

Thank You!