

VILLAGE OF MEAD

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# Mead Messenger

## VILLAGE OF MEAD BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

(The following is a condensed version. Minutes & Ordinances, in their entirety, may be viewed at the Village Office during regular business hours). Notice of the meeting was posted at the Bank of Mead, USPS & Village Office, and advanced notice was given to Board Members.

**REGULAR MEETING and PUBLIC HEARING** of the Chairman & Board of Trustees of the Village of Mead, NE was held 9/8/26 at the Village Office. Reg Meeting called to order at 6:00pm. Roll: Chairman Thorson; Trustees Simon, Felty & Wielage; Lee— absent. Clerk Cooper was also present. Approved were the agenda, 8/11 Reg Mtg & 8/17 Budget Wkshp mins, Treasurer Report & Claims.

**PUBLIC HEARING** called to order at 6:05pm with roll, approved was the agenda. Purpose announced by Thorson: receive public testimony re: One-and-Six-Year Street Plan. Public input called for. The following motions were seconded and approved 4-0: Res. 26-04 One-and-Six-Year Street Plan; Res. 26-05 Signing of the Municipal Annual Cert. of Program Compliance 2026; Municipal Annual Cert. of Program Compliance to NE Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards 2026; reconvene to reg session at 6:10 pm.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** Update re: FLOCK/ALPR Ord.- pending draft. Disc. re: storage at 307 S Cedar; Clerk to draft letter to owner.

**NEW BUSINESS** Motion, second to approve Special Permit to Mead Days for Vine St. closure for Hometown Holiday Event 12/5/26 from 5-7:30pm; carried 4-0. Disc. re: Village table at event, staffed by clerk; \$150 expense authorized. Disc. re: OPPD Local Leaders ISP Survey.

**REPORTS** Utilities/Maint. Supt— completed tasks were discussed. Library— 9/1 Library Board minutes were accepted. Clerk— updates re: DWEE Aquifer Analysis, Hwy 92/NDOT corr. & community survey. Final survey results to be sent to NDOT at the end of Sept. Police/Nuisance— update received from Yutan Police Chief Luthy that BB gun vandalism suspects have ben apprehended. Disc. re: status of nuisance notices at 522 S Vine & 420 S Spruce; due to progress, removed from agenda and may be added back if additional concerns arise.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm.

**BUDGET HEARING and SPECIAL HEARING** of the Chairman & Board of Trustees of the Village of Mead, NE was held 9/15/26 at the Village Office. **BUDGET HEARING** called to order at 6:00pm. Roll: Chairman Thorson; Trustees Simon, Felty, Lee & Wielage. Clerk Cooper was also present. Approved was the Agenda. Purpose announced by Thorson: receive public testimony re: proposed 10/1/26-9/30/27 FY Budget. Public input called for. Motion approved to adjourn at 6:03pm. **SPECIAL HEARING** called to order immediately upon adjournment of preceding Budget Hearing with roll, approved was the agenda. Purpose announced by Thorson: approve the budget and set final tax levy for the 10/1/26-9/30/27 FY. Public input called for. Motion approved to adopt the 10/1/26-9/0/26 FY Budget; Res. 26-05 Final Tax Levy of 0.447217 per \$100 of assessed value for the 10/1/26-9/30/27 FY.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10pm.

## Upcoming Meetings

Tuesday, Oct 13 - 6pm  
Village Office, Village Board

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

William Thorson, Chairman  
Jason Felty, Trustee  
Jason Lee, Trustee  
Daniel Simon, Trustee  
Richard Wielage, Trustee

Monday, Oct 12 - 7pm  
Fire Station, Fire/Rescue

### MEAD FIRE DEPT

Nick Raver, Fire Chief  
402-443-9688

YUTAN POLICE DEPT  
402-625-2112

Tuesday, Oct 6 - 6pm  
Mead Library, Library Board

### MEAD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Ashley Mixer, Director  
402-624-6605

Tuesday, Oct 20 - 5:30pm  
Mead Library, Friends

## Village Office

312 S. Vine St. PO Box 46  
Mead, NE 68041

**Monday-Friday 8am-4pm**

402-624-2495

meadclerk1@hotmail.com  
www.meadnebraska.net

**Clerk/Treas:** Tawney Cooper  
**Ut/Mnt Supt:** Shannon  
Luetkenhaus  
402-616-9204



October is a time for pumpkins, hayrides, football games, bonfires, and Halloween fun. As the season changes around us, we hope you'll take some time to enjoy the simple things that make fall special— visit with friends and neighbors, support local events and activities, take a walk to enjoy the changing leaves, and make some memories along the way.

When Halloween night arrives, grab your costumes, your candy buckets, and your best spooky spirit—it's time to trick-or-treat!

**HAVE A SAFE, FUN, AND  
HAPPY HALLOWEEN!**



# HALLOWEEN PARTY

Sponsored by the Mead Fire & Rescue Dept.  
**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31**

Get your costumes ready for a spooktacular night of Halloween fun at the Mead Firehall!

**TRUNK OR TREAT** Bring the Halloween spirit handing out goodies or filling your treat bag! Arrive by 4:45 PM to set up... the treatin' starts at 5:15 PM!

 **THE FUN CONTINUES AT 5:30 PM** 

Festivities kick off with hot chocolate & hot dogs — the perfect fuel for a night of fun! And, of course, it wouldn't be Halloween without a...

★ **COSTUME CONTEST** Come dressed to impress! Judging & prizes right after dinner.



## SAVE THE DATE

**4th Annual Mead Hometown Holidays**  
**Saturday, December 5, 2026**

Mead Days Committee is looking for individuals, families, organizations, and local businesses who would like to **host a table** with a fun activity, game, or craft for children to enjoy. **Donations** are also being accepted to help purchase items for the Snowball Drop and Santa gifts.

If you would like to host a station or make a donation, contact:  
**Dalene Selko at 402-624-2255**



## MEAD PTO HAPPENINGS

Stay Connected— Follow us on Facebook!

 **Parent-Teacher Conferences** are Wednesday, October 21st! To show appreciation for our amazing teachers, the PTO will be providing a Taco/ Nacho Bar for them to enjoy during conferences.

♥ **Want to help support our teachers?** You can contribute by signing up here: <https://tinyurl.com/meadptc> — Every contribution helps make conference night a little more delicious!

 **Runza Fundraiser Night**— Wednesday, November 4th! Take a night off from cooking and stop by Runza in Wahoo for **dinner** or a **sweet treat**! A portion of the evening's proceeds will be donated back to the Mead PTO. **More details coming soon!**

# Mead PUBLIC Library News

+ **PHONE:** 402-624-6605 **EMAIL:** MeadLibrary@OUTLOOK.COM +

**DIRECTOR:** ASHLEY MIXER

*Something spooky is brewing at the Library!*

**MON** 4-7P **TUES** 8a-12N **WED** 4-7P **THUR** 4-7P  
**FRI** 8a-12N **SAT** 8a-12N **SUN** 4-7P

Stop in to find a good book, puzzle, game, treat & more — We'd love to see you!



## OCTOBER EVENTS

**TUESDAYS - Coffee Time**, join us anytime from **9a-11a**

**TUESDAY, Oct 6 - Mead Public Library Board meeting 6p**  
*Meeting is open to the public.*

**MONDAY, Oct 5 & 19 - Lego Club 4:30p.** Snack provided.

**WEDNESDAY, Oct 14 - Adult Book Club 6:30p.** All adults are welcome to join! We supply the book & snack!

**SATURDAY, Oct 10 & 24 - Story Time 10a.**

**SATURDAY, Oct 17 - ZOMBIE PROM** starts at 6p- grades 6-9 welcome! \*Seeking volunteers help with games and chaperone!

**THURSDAY, Oct 22 - Halloween Craft 4:30p.**

**SUNDAY, Oct 25 - Suncatcher Craft 4:30p.**



## LET'S GET SPOOKY!

# Fall Craft Retreat

**Hosted by The Friends of the Library**

*\*All proceeds to the Mead Library Summer Reading Program\**

 **Alma Lutheran Church**  
 **Saturday, October 17**  
 **9 a.m.— 5 p.m.**  
 **20 per person**

 **Rolls & coffee and lunch will be provided!** 

Whether you love **sewing, quilting, cross-stitch, crochet, scrap-booking, needlepoint**, or just about any other craft, there's a spot for you! **For more information, contact:**  
**Cara 402-430-5799 or Paulette 402-624-2029**

## ENCOUNTER LIFE MINISTRIES

1540 Co Rd 10 402-624-6125

**Sunday - Coffee Hour 9:15 am - 9:45 am Service 10:00 am**  
 Evening Service held every third Sunday at 6:30 pm  
**Wednesday - Encounter Youth Group 6:40 pm**  
**FREE Community Meal on the last Wednesday of the month-6pm**

## EXPLORE THE CHURCHES' ACTIVITIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS ON FACEBOOK!

### ALMA LUTHERAN

219 W. Fifth St.  
 402-624-3015  
 Sunday - 10:30 am  
 FREE Panera— monthly on the Saturday following the second Friday from 9a-2p

### ST.JAMES CATHOLIC

213 E. Eighth St.  
 402-624-3555  
[stjamesmead.com](http://stjamesmead.com)  
**Mass Schedule:**  
 Saturday - 4:30 pm  
 Sunday - 9:00 am  
 Tue-Fri - 7:00 am