

CONGRATULATIONS STEVE & DIANE ZMOLEK 2025 BANKS CITIZENSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTS



Thank you for your years of support of the
Citizens of the Banks Community.

CITY MEETING SCHEDULE

- City Council
2nd Tuesday (monthly)
- Park, Recreation & Tree Board
3rd Tuesday (Quarterly - Feb/May/Aug/Nov)
- Library Board
3rd Tuesday (monthly)
- Planning Commission
Last Tuesday (monthly)
- Economic Development
1st Wednesday (monthly)



City meetings are open meetings, and the public is encouraged to attend.

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The City of Banks has established email outreach lists to deliver information to community members, community organizations, and businesses.

City Meeting Agendas Email List

As a subscriber, you will receive emails with information about public notices, City Council Meetings, Planning Commission Meetings, Economic Development Commission Meetings, Library Board Meetings, Park Recreation and Tree Board Meetings, and other City meetings. **Sign up at www.cityofbanks.org/government**

Business Outreach Email List

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Community Outreach Email List

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November 1st - December 12th, 2025

City of Banks is partnering with Lucky 2 Serve, a non-profit located in North Plains. Lucky 2 Serve works with the Banks Food Bank to provide Christmas boxes distributed to many in our area.

Collection boxes will be located at City Hall and Banks Public Library. We are inviting the community to join us in collecting toys.



HOLIDAY CLOSURES

NEW YEARS

City Hall: Dec 31, 2025-Jan 1st, 2026
Public Library: Dec 31, 2025 - closing early,
Jan 1, 2026 - Closed.

All city offices closed Jan 19, 2026 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.



There is lots of information to be found on the City of Banks website. Check it out at www.cityofbanks.org.

CITY MEETING RECAP FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2025

A brief recap on the items discussed & actions taken at City Meetings.

City Council Work Session

- No items to discuss

City Council Meeting

- Mayor Kirk read the 2025 Veterans Day Proclamation into the record.
- Mayor Kirk presented the 2025 Banks Citizenship Award to Steve & Diane Zmolek.
- Presentations of: Police Monthly Briefing, Library Director Report, Public Works Supervisor Report, City Recorder/Assistant City Manager Report & City Manager Report.
- City Council adopted the minutes of the October 14, 2025, City Council Meeting.
- City Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-21 – A Resolution Approving a Name Change for NW Sixth Street to NW Welcome Avenue.
- City Council ratified the City Manager signing the Oregon Business Development Department Brownfields Redevelopment Fund Grant Contract for the Prospective Purchaser Agreement (PPA) with the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ).
- City Council ratified the City Manager signing the grant from the Cortico Teen Dialogue Accelerator Program to receive grant funds in the amount of \$14,000.00.
- A Public Hearing was held for the City of Banks Urban Renewal Plan Substantial Amendment.
- City Council held a first reading and consideration for adoption of Ordinance No. 2025-11-01, an Ordinance Making Certain Determinations And Findings Related To And Approving the City of Banks Urban Renewal Plan Substantial Amendment And Directing That Notice Of Approval Be Published.

Urban Renewal Agency

- No meeting held in November 2025.

Economic Development Commission

- No meeting held in November 2025

Park, Recreation & Tree Board

- Discussed FY 2026-2027 budget, future park names and success of End of Summer Celebration.

Planning Commission

- Planning Commission reviewed and approved the request from Banks School District #13 for a Type III Major Modification of a Condition Use (MJM-CU 25-01), and a Type II Site Design Review (SDR 25-01) for the Banks School District Auxiliary Gym.
- Discussion was held with representatives of Sunset Park Association regarding the language in the CCR's (Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions) for the Sunset View and Aerts Addition Subdivisions, to notify homebuyers of the proximity to recreational property that may generate noise, at varying hours.

Library Board

- At the November 18 Library Board meeting, the Board welcome Niki Walters as the new City Council Liaison , heard updates about the library, the library budget, and WCCLS, and continued the PLD standard Review with the technology section.

NEWS FROM THE BANKS PUBLIC LIBRARY



A hardy group of teens turned out in early November to clean up the library garden and put it to bed for the winter. One bed has been planted with First Foods and will continue to grow year round as a perennial garden, and one bed has some hardy kale growing in it, but the rest of the beds will be dormant until spring.



The library continues to be busy though! The first Saturday in December will be our big annual Homemade Holiday Event where people can make and take many different kinds of items. Check it out from 11 am to 3 pm.

HAPPY Holidays!

Prevent Frozen Pipes



- Keep garage doors closed if there are water supply lines in the garage.
- Open kitchen and bathroom cabinet doors to allow warmer air to circulate around the plumbing. Be sure to move any harmful cleaners and household chemicals up out of the reach of children.
- When the weather is very cold outside, let the cold water drip from the faucet served by exposed pipes. Running water through the pipe - even at a trickle - helps prevent pipes from freezing.
- Keep the thermostat set to the same temperature both during the day and at night. By temporarily suspending the use of lower nighttime temperatures, you may incur a higher heating bill, but you can prevent a much more costly repair job if pipes freeze and burst.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES WITH THE CITY OF BANKS

Interested in serving on a City of Banks Board, Commission or Committee? We are currently seeking volunteers. Please contact City Recorder, Angie Lanter at alanter@cityofbanks.org or 503-324-5112 for more information.





INSULATE

Ensure that pipes, especially those in unheated areas, are well-insulated to protect them from the cold.



HEAT

Set your thermostat to at least 55° Fahrenheit to keep your property adequately heated.



LET IT DRIP

Allowing faucets to drip slightly can keep water moving through the pipes, reducing the risk of freezing.



OPEN CABINETS

Open cabinets under sinks and along exterior walls to allow warm air to circulate around pipes.



Please ensure the City of Banks has updated contact information for billing questions & emergency situations.

Name: _____ **Account #:** _____

Service Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ **Alt. Phone:** _____

Email Address: _____





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estamos
mudando!**

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2026**

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WHAT IS AVAILABLE

- Device help
- Email account questions
- Internet navigation
- Other misc. digital questions

Wednesday's 10:00am-12:00pm

Call or e-mail the library to sign up for some dedicated time with our volunteer Sarah, or drop in for help. The Digital Navigator can assist with your own devices or use the public computers here to explore what technology can do for you!

Banks Public Library

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