

The Oregon Mayors Association and your city invite you to enter the "If I Were Mayor..." Contest

Share your creative ideas about what you would do as mayor.

Local winners are entered into the state contest for a chance to win a prize worth \$500!



LOCAL CONTEST DEADLINE: February 1, 2024

Age Categories:

4th & 5th Grade: Poster Contest

6th, 7th, & 8th Grade: Essays

9th, 10th, 11th & 12th Grade: Digital Media Presentations

Visit our website for full rules and a list of prizes!

<https://www.cityofbanks.org/ifiweremayor>



Clint exemplifies the criteria of this award. He has spent a lot of time helping to mentor the youth and develop programs that benefit the children of our community.

He also serves as a member of the Banks Economic Development Commission, and as a member of the Banks Fire Board.

Clint embodies the qualities of an outstanding community member, giving both time and money to enrich the lives of the people that call Banks home.

Thank you, Clint, for all you do to make Banks a better place!

To read more about this year's Citizenship Award winner, please visit <https://www.cityofbanks.org/citizenshipaward>



Congratulations to the 2023 Banks Citizenship Award Winner

Clint Jackson!

CITY MEETING SCHEDULE

City Council
2nd Tuesday (monthly)

Park, Recreation & Tree Board
3rd Monday (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.

SIGN UP FOR OUR EMAIL OUTREACH LISTS!



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

As a subscriber, you will receive emails with information about public notices, City and community events, City news, and Economic Development Commission information. Sign up at www.cityofbanks.org/businessoutreach

Community Outreach Email List

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HOLIDAY CLOSURES

New Years:
January 1, 2024 - Banks Public Library
January 1-2, 2024 - City Hall & Public Works

Martin Luther King Jr. Day
January 15, 2024 - All City Offices



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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 2023

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

City Council Work Session

- City Council held a short training session: "Five Things to Know About Public Records".
- New Economic Development Coordinator Jon Legarza with Healthy Sustainable Communities introduce himself to City Council.

City Council Meeting

- Mayor Jones presented Clint Jackson with the 2023 Banks Citizenship Award.
- Presentations of: Police Monthly Briefing, Library Director Report, Public Works Supervisor Report, City Recorder/Assistant City Manager Report & City Manager Report, and a presentation of a plaque to Washington County Lt. Bob Ray, for his years of service and support to the City of Banks.
- City Council adopted the minutes of the October 10, 2023, City Council Meeting.
- City Council adopted Resolution No. 2023-19, a Resolution of the City of Banks declaring certain property as surplus and authorizing its disposal.
- City Council approved the recommendation from the Economic Development Commission to sign a contract with Jon Legarza w/Healthy Sustainable Communities, to fill the position of Economic Development Coordinator with the city.

Urban Renewal Agency

- The members adopted the minutes of the August 8, 2023, Urban Renewal Agency Meeting.
- The members approved the request from Banks Fire District #13 to receive \$94,261.08 in Urban Renewal Agency funds for the purchase of a power loader and chassis for the new medic vehicle.
- The members approved the recommendation from the Economic Development Commission to award Banks Hardware funds not to exceed \$30,000.00 for the 2023-2024 Façade Program.

Economic Development Commission

- Economic Development Commission made a recommendation to City Council to hire Jon Legarza w/Healthy Sustainable Communities, to fill the new position of Economic Development Coordinator.
- Economic Development Commission made a recommendation to the Urban Renewal Agency to award Banks Hardware funds from the 2023 Façade Program, not to exceed the amount of \$30,000.00.

Park, Recreation & Tree Board

- Discussion was held regarding adding a new play area.

Planning Commission

- No meeting held in November.

Library Board

- No meeting held in November.

NEWS FROM THE BANKS PUBLIC LIBRARY



Last month, the STEM for Elementary program included students going into a homemade cave and making their own art in the style of prehistoric paintings. There are programs for elementary students most Tuesdays at the library, with a different focus for each week. Programs start at 3 and wrap up by 4. Programs are listed on the Banks City website and WCCLS.org, as well as on our print calendar that is available at the library and at the City.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS



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.



Thank you to all who attended the Annual Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony!