

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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Emergency: 911

Non-Emergency: 503-982-2340

### Aurora Rural Fire District:

Phone: 503-678-5966

City Council (alphabetical by last name)	Term End
James Houdyshell, Mayor	2026
Jan Olsen, Council President	2026
Michael Coffman	2028
Abby Hungate	2026
<b>Vacant</b>	2028
Gabrielle Plunkett	2028
Jenny Strathdee	2026
Planning Commission (alphabetical by last name)	Term End
Trevor Alley	2026
John Crawford	2026
Cammi Hungate	2027
John Jones	2026
Michael McLoughlin	2027
Rick Olmsted	2025
Ben Rose	2025

## JANUARY THEMED WORD SEARCH



ARCTIC      BLIZZARD      BOOTS  
 CHILLY      COMFORTER      FROSTY  
 FLANNEL      EARMUFFS      FLURRIES  
 ICICLE      WINTRY      MITTENS

**Emergency Water & Sewer Pager: 503-301-6479**

Check out the City of Donald website for back issues of the newsletter and the latest news on what is taking place in the Donald Community.



<https://www.donaldoregon.gov/>



# DONALD MONTHLY RECORD

JANUARY 2026

## IMPORTANT DATES

### City Hall Closed

**MLK Day**

January 19

### City Council Special Meeting and Public Hearing

January 6th at 6:45 pm  
Donald City Hall/Zoom

### City Council Regular Meeting

January 13 at 6:45 pm

### Planning Commission Meeting

TBA

### Utility Bills Due:

January 15<sup>th</sup>

### • Red Tags Delivered:

January 16<sup>th</sup> at 10am

### • Water Shut Offs:

January 20th at 10am

### • Late Fees Applied:

January 21st at 8am

### • Street Sweeper:

January 22nd after 8am:  
Move Property  
Off Street

## APPLICATIONS TO FILL CITY COUNCIL VACANCY ARE BEING ACCEPTED



The City of Donald is looking for someone who would like to serve the community and have an impact on the direction of Donald by filling the remaining term of a seat recently vacated.

The term of the vacant seat ends Dec. 31, 2028.

Applications to fill the Council seat are available at City Hall and on the City of Donald website, <https://www.donaldoregon.gov/> and may be submitted in person or via email to City Manager Eric Underwood at [citymanager@donaldoregon.gov](mailto:citymanager@donaldoregon.gov). The Council will vote on appointing a replacement.

City Councilors receive a packet of information to review prior to the monthly meeting, which takes place on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:45 p.m. at City Hall. Applicants must be registered to vote in Marion County, a qualified elector by State law and have lived in Donald the past 12 months.

## GREETINGS FROM FORMER MAYOR

### DAROLL NICHOLSON



Darroll Nicholson served as Mayor of Donald for four years, stepping into the role with no prior city administration experience. Drawing on his professional background and

strong leadership skills, he helped guide Donald through growth and positive change. Today, Darroll and his wife of over 60 years, Gloria, reside in Poulsbo, Washington, to be closer to family. They send warm wishes for a happy and prosperous 2026 to all in Donald!



## CITY COUNCIL APPOINTS JOHN JONES TO VACANT PLANNING COMMISSION SEAT



Local business owner John Jones was appointed Planning Commissioner by the Council at their December 9 meeting. When asked about his background, he said, "First and foremost I am a husband and father of four children ranging from 7 to 25 years old." He decided to apply to be part of the Planning Commission because he is the owner of Oregon's Indoor Shooting Range and recently went through a land use planning process, so felt that it is his responsibility to give back to the community.

## PGE OFFERS INCOME-QUALIFIED BILL DISCOUNT

The PGE Income-Qualified Bill Discount program provides ongoing, monthly help with your PGE bill - even if you already receive assistance from PGE or other agencies. Depending on your household size and combined annual income, your monthly discount could be between 15% and 80%. No financial documents are required from you to apply. You'll only need to give your household size and average gross annual household income. Find out if you qualify at <https://portlandgeneral.com/income-qualified-bill-discount>



## CITIZEN FEEDBACK FORMS

It is the goal of City Hall staff to increase communication with Donald residents, businesses and surrounding community by providing outlets for feedback including the Feedback & Complaint Form. Feedback forms are available online at <https://www.donaldoregon.gov/feedbackandsurveys>

and at City Hall. To submit a compliment or complaint, give recognition, make a suggestion or provide a safety alert, please complete & submit a Feedback Form. Hard copies may be turned in to City Hall or emailed to

[CityManager@DonaldOregon.gov](mailto:CityManager@DonaldOregon.gov).

Submitted Feedback and Complaint forms are shared with the City Council at their regular monthly meetings and follow up information is provided to the individuals who submit the forms.



## SANTA SING ALONG

Thank you so much to everyone who attended the 2025 Santa Sing Along! We had such a great time celebrating the Christmas season with you. We're so grateful to Santa for joining us for photos

and singing Christmas carols.

We'd like to give an extra special thank you to the businesses who helped make this a success: Aurora Fire Department for use of the space and help with the set up/tear down; Franke's Christmas Tree Farm for donating the Christmas Tree; Cutsforth's Market in Canby for donating the cookies; and Gerry Waller, Fire Tacos, Hartley Barkley's Goodies, and Thirst Trap Tumblers for donating prizes to the raffle. A big thank you also to Police Chief Parise and Mayor James Houdyshell.

## FROM THE AURORA FIRE DEPARTMENT:



## HEATER SAFETY ALERT

NEVER use outdoor heaters inside your home. They can produce deadly carbon monoxide and are not designed for indoor ventilation.

## Stay Safe With Indoor Heaters

- ◆ **Use indoor-rated heaters only:** Designed for safe indoor operation.
- ◆ **Keep a 3-foot safety zone:** Away from curtains, bedding, and anything that can burn.
- ◆ **Place on a flat, stable surface:** Prevents tipping and accidents.
- ◆ **Install smoke & CO detectors:** Test them regularly.
- ◆ **Turn heaters off when you leave or sleep:** Never let them run unattended.
- ◆ **Plug directly into a wall outlet:** Avoid extension cords and power strips.



## Proposed Moratorium Extension on New Development Due to Sewer Capacity

The Donald City Council will hold a public hearing during a special meeting on Tue. January 6, 2026, at 6:45 pm to consider the establishment of an extension of the moratorium approved at the July 8, 2025 City Council meeting, on new development within city limits.

The proposed moratorium extension is necessitated by the City's current sewer system operating at full capacity. As a result, the City cannot support additional sewer connections for new construction or land development projects. The moratorium extension on new connections will not impact the current level of service to existing utility accounts to local residents and businesses.

The moratorium provided the City a six-month period to develop a plan for sewer facility expansion. The timeline may be extended twice, each for an additional six-month period, if necessary. Oregon Revised Statutes 197.520 details the procedures for how Oregon cities enact local moratoriums on development. City staff are actively working to identify funding opportunities for the sewer expansion project that will help reduce the financial impact on current ratepayers. A formal expansion plan must be in place before the moratorium can be lifted. If adopted, the moratorium resolution extension will extend the moratorium for six months, until July 8, 2026.

Public comments are welcome and encouraged at the hearing on January 6, 2026 at 6:45pm at the Donald City Hall and online via Zoom. Written comments may be submitted to City Hall at 10710 Main St. NE, mailed to PO Box 388, Donald, OR 97020, or emailed to City Manager Eric Underwood at [citymanager@donaldoregon.gov](mailto:citymanager@donaldoregon.gov). For more information, 503-678-5543.

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