



Sept 2026

November Election

Due to a clerical error, Falls City's elected officials will not be on the ballot for the upcoming November election. After consultation with the Polk County Clerk, we have made the decision to inform the community of the candidates who have put their name forward for a write-in option.

Mayor Candidate

TJ Bailey

City Councilor Candidates

Nick Backus

Chris Martin

Tony Meier

When you receive your ballot in the mail, you will have the ability to write-in the name of your preferred candidate(s) for each of the open positions.

Stormwater Fee

\$1.00 Stormwater fee, approved by Council in June, will be added to the water bill.

Falls City must meet Oregon state regulations and in recent years, the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has also subjected smaller communities to regulations regarding stormwater and runoff. Falls City is a Designated Management Agency (DMA) for regulations that apply to maintenance and operation of facilities that convey stormwater. Falls City has had no budget for maintenance and upkeep of operational stormwater systems, such as conveyance pipe, catch basins, and outfalls. Furthermore, these regulations require that runoff from impervious surfaces, such as streets, and sidewalks to be managed in a way that will reduce pollutants carried to waterways.

A stormwater fee is required to meet these new requirements. The fee needs to be sufficient to meet new requirements and the goals of the community. A stormwater fee may be used for things such as equipment, consulting services, and any number of needs established by regulations.

Waterline Replacement Project

Phase 2 Ongoing!

This project's new water lines work will occur on sections of Parry, Terrace, Fairview, Cameron, Mill, & 1st Streets.

These waterlines will be upgraded and finished in September.



Water Conservation Tier Rate Structure

On your monthly bills

The rate increase for waterline upgrades has taken effect on your water bills.

5000 – 13,000 gals - \$2.55 per 1000 gals 13,000 – 26,000 gals - \$2.81 per 1000 gals Over 26,000 gals - \$3.19 per 1000 gals

On every water account the first 5,000 gallons of water is part of the monthly base cost.

CITY INFO

City Council Meeting

Tuesday, September 8 @ 6 pm in the Community Center at 320 N Main Street. (Due to Labor Day)

Town Hall Meeting

Monday, October 19 @ 6 pm in the Community Center at 320 N Main Street.

Luckiamute Community Building Vacancy

The LCB has **1 room** available for rent. Please contact City Hall with any questions. 503.787.3631

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

FREE Dinners

2nd and 4th Tuesdays at the Methodist Church at 242 N Main from 4:30 – 6:00 pm

The Methodist Church is working with James 2 Kitchen to provide FREE meals for the community.

Falls City Produce Giveaway

Fridays at Mountain Gospel Fellowship at 257 N Main

4:30 – 5:30 pm



Falls City Food Bank

2nd Wednesday and 4th Sunday every month at

Falls City Seventh Day Adventist Church at 205 N Main from 11 am – 3 pm

Polk County Fire Ban

Began on **June 16, 2026**, a burn ban will take effect throughout Polk County. This action is being implemented in coordination with all adjacent counties as well as the Oregon Department of Forestry as fire danger continues to increase across the region.

Under the burn ban:

- ✗ Open burning is prohibited.
- ✗ Burn barrels are prohibited.
- ✗ Any outdoor burning of yard debris, slash, or other materials is prohibited.

The following activities are still allowed at this time:

- ✓ **Barbecues and outdoor cooking devices** used in accordance with manufacturer recommendations.
- ✓ **Warming and recreational fires**, where otherwise permitted and attended responsibly.
- ✓ **Consumer fireworks**, where legally allowed.

While fireworks remain legal, residents are strongly encouraged to use **extreme caution**. Dry vegetation, warmer temperatures, and seasonal conditions can allow small sparks to quickly develop into significant fires.

Polk County agencies will continue to monitor weather conditions and fire activity. Additional temporary restrictions may be implemented during Red Flag Warnings.

Please do your part and exercise caution throughout this fire season.