

Village of South Dayton Public Hearing
April 8, 2026
7:00 pm

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Killock called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Robert Killock	Present
Trustee Kevin Butcher	Present
Trustee Melinda Frederickson	Present
Trustee Joseph Kortz	Present
Trustee Jenna Tabak	Present
Clerk/Treasurer Barbara Scott	Present

Guests:

Spartan Claiborne, Chris Rupp, Robert Steward, Karen Strickland, Deb Szymanski, Steve Szymanski, Kathy Tabak, Richard Tabak, Ed Wilkey, Judy Wilkey, Tom Zynda

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Killock opened the meeting and confirmed a Public Hearing Notice was printed in the Observer on 03/27/26, 04/03/26 and 04/08/26. Killock stated the purpose of the Public Hearing was to hear comments and answer questions on the tentative budget for 2026 – 2027.

Killock stated the proposed budget overrides the 2% tax cap with a 17.315463% increase, for a total tax burden of \$330,000.00. Killock confirmed Resolution 2-3-26 to override the 2% tax cap had been presented and approved at the February 2026 Board Meeting. Killock said whether or not the Village dissolves, we need a budget to operate for the coming fiscal year.

GENERAL FUND BUDGET

Killock read each budget item for the General Fund and commented on increases and decreases in the 2026 – 2027 proposed budget.

Mayor Killock stated the tentative budget eliminates three positions:

- A 1415.1 \$2,000.00 Clerk Assistant
- A 1620.4B \$2,000.00 Contract Maintenance Cleaning
- A 1620.4C \$650.00 Contract Maintenance Gardening

Spartan Claiborne asked if his position was being eliminated. Killock replied the Clerk Assistant position currently held by Dane Scott was the one being eliminated.

Killock read remaining General Fund budget items, with general explanations of budget changes.

Trustee Tabak stated she would like to have a lower price for the Town of Dayton to do snow plowing. Trustee Kortz commented if we think we can get a better deal, we should try. Trustee Tabak stated we still have sand and salt at the DPW that was not used.

Killock commented whether or not the Village dissolves, he will push for the Town to take over maintenance of all Village streets.

At the conclusion of reading General Fund budget items, Killock stated he would like to reinstate two positions currently held by Becky Wightman that were eliminated from the proposed budget; Contract Maintenance Cleaning A1620.4B and Contract Maintenance Gardening A 1620.4C. With all the activities in the Library, Court and Office, we need someone to clean on a regular basis. Trustee Kortz said Wightman does a good job with gardening and in the park. Killock stated the total added back to the budget for both positions would be \$2,650.00. Killock explained the amount budgeted for Clerk A1410.1 is \$14,100.00, but based on actual payroll figures, that budget could be reduced.

After further discussion, Mayor Killock presented the following resolution to the Board for consideration:

VILLAGE OF SOUTH DAYTON
RESOLUTION NO. 4-1-26

RESOLUTION TO REINSTATE ELIMINATED LABOR LISTED ON TENTATIVE 2026 – 2027 BUDGET

At a public hearing of the Village of South Dayton Board of Trustees, held on April 8, 2026, the following resolution was proposed for consideration by the Village Board of Trustees.

Two General Fund appropriation items in the Tentative Budget for 2026 – 2027 that were previously eliminated, will be reinstated as follows:

- A 1620.4B Contracted Maintenance Cleaning \$2,000.00
- A 1620.4C Contracted Maintenance Gardens \$ 650.00

In order to maintain the same proposed budget total for the General Fund, the \$14,100.00 budget for Clerk A 1410.1 will be reduced by \$2,650.00 because actual year to date payroll figures suggest that item was over budgeted for 2025 – 2026. By reducing A1410.1 by \$2,650.00 and reinstating A 1620.4 B for \$2,000.00 and A 16204.C for \$650.00, the General Fund budget total will remain the same.

Roll Call Vote.

	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Robert Killock, Mayor	X		
Kevin Butcher, Trustee	X		
Melinda Frederickson, Trustee	X		
Joseph Kortz, Trustee	X		
Jenna Tabak, Trustee	X		

AYE 5. NAY 0. ABSTAIN 0.
Carried

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted on April 8, 2026 and is recorded in the Meeting Minutes of the Village of South Dayton Board of Trustees.

Barbara L. Scott Clerk/Treasurer

Sewer Fund

Mayor Killock read each budget item for the Sewer Fund and commented on increases and decreases in the 2026 – 2027 proposed budget.

Killock stated that final figures for the long-term Sewer debt have not yet been determined by the EFC so the exact amount could not be budgeted.

Steve Szymanski commented he would like to have septic cleaning at his Prospect property every year instead of every three years. Szymanski said his system was installed wrong and needs more frequent cleaning. Mayor Killock stated most properties are on a three-year schedule, but he will put Szymanski on a two- year schedule.

Solid Waste Fund

Mayor Killock read each budget item for the Solid Waste (Trash) Fund and commented there were no changes from the previous budget. He stated that recycling mandated by New York State is expensive and the Village will eventually have to stop trash pickup because of associated costs.

Water Fund

Mayor Killock read each budget item for the Water Fund and commented on increases and decreases in the 2026 – 2027 proposed budget.

Killock stated there will be a 3% rate increase for water service. Killock also stated that final figures for the long-term Water debt have not yet been determined by the EFC so the exact amount could not be budgeted.

Mayor Killock asked if there were any further questions or comments on the Tentative 2026 – 2027 Budget. There were none.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE BUDGET FOR 2026 – 2027

Mayor Killock asked for a motion to approve the Budget for 2026 -2027. Trustee Butcher made a motion to approve the Budget for 2026 – 2027. Trustee Frederickson seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote.

	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Robert Killock, Mayor	X		
Kevin Butcher, Trustee	X		
Melinda Frederickson, Trustee	X		
Joseph Kortz, Trustee	X		
Jenna Tabak, Trustee	X		

AYE 5. NAY 0. ABSTAIN 0.
Carried

MOTION TO ADJOURN THE PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Killock asked for a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing. Trustee Tabak made a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing. Trustee Kortz seconded the motion. AYE 5. NAY 0. ABSTAIN 0. Carried.

The Public Hearing adjourned at 7:47 pm.

There was a brief recess before the following regular Board Meeting.

Barbara L. Scott
Clerk of Board