

Village of South Dayton Board Meeting
January 10, 2024
7:00 pm

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Killock called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Robert Killock	Present
Trustee Kevin Butcher	Present
Trustee Melinda Frederickson	Absent
Trustee Jonathan Mosher	Absent
Trustee Lynn Rupp	Present
Clerk/Treasurer Barbara Scott	Present

Guests

Chris Claiborne, Dane Scott, Gretchen Snyder, Jeff Stoltenberg

Mayor Killock expressed his condolences to Trustee Frederickson on the passing of her father, to Trustee Mosher on the passing of his grandfather, and to David Heckman on the passing of his father.

MEETING MINUTES

Board members reviewed the Board Meeting Minutes from December 13, 2023. Mayor Killock asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Trustee Butcher made a motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes. Trustee Rupp seconded the motion. AYE 3. NAY 0. Carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Mayor Killock reported:

- Village is now selling trash bag labels at the Village Office and South Dayton Supermarket. Labels are \$2.50 each
- Spectrum still needs to be contacted to set up phone and internet service at the DPW.
- Hamburg Garage Door installed a new door with remotes for the dump bay. This will make it easier for the DPW to access the dump bay without going through the office.
- 183 water meters have been installed. A few are odd sizes. Will have to dig up pit meters.
- There is an ongoing water leak but it has not been located. Smuda reported increased usage. A leak was reported at the Schroeder residence on Mill Street. Water service was shut off.
- Elections are coming up in March.
- Sally Harris took the Oath of Office as Deputy Clerk.
- Water Treatment is still an issue.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Killock asked if there were any Public Comments.

- Chris Claiborne commented it was great to have the power back. All agreed.

DEPOT REPORT AND PLAYGROUND REPORT

Mayor Killock stated Karen Strickland called Clerk/Treasurer Scott on Wednesday evening before the Board Meeting with the following report:

- Depot – Nothing to report.
- Playground – Four tarps were purchased to cover the corn hole features at the Playground.

Mayor Killock asked for a motion to accept the Depot and Playground reports. Trustee Butcher made a motion to accept the report. Trustee Rupp seconded the motion. AYE 3. NAY 0. Carried.

LIBRARY REPORT

Mayor Killock stated no report was received from the Library Committee.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Mayor Killock read a report from David Heckman:

- December 2023: Visits to Main Street, First Street, Pine Street, Mill Street, Village Office. Sick 12/13/23.

Mayor Killock asked for a motion to accept the Code Enforcement report. Trustee Butcher made a motion to accept the report. Trustee Rupp seconded the motion. AYE 3. NAY 0. Carried.

DPW

Gretchen Snyder reported the DPW is very busy. Working hard. Sanding, plowing, water meter installation. Took apart Flow Max. Can keep on hand for use later. Got the vacuum truck started and moved it out into the yard and out of the way. Sharpening lawn mower blades. Servicing equipment. Still looking for a cement mixer. Trustee Rupp said he will look on Facebook and check other sources for a cement mixer. Bob Steward made a cold patch tub out of an old fuel tank. Will be helpful when using and storing cold patch.

Mayor Killock reported:

- Still waiting for blue plow truck clutch to be repaired at JJ's. JJ's will do the king pins, but they will not do the pump and lift cylinder.
- We are using the Town of Dayton's plow until Village plow is repaired. Trustee Rupp asked if our insurance covers the Dayton plow. Killock replied it is considered shared services and that the Dayton Town Board asked that Gretchen Snyder be the only one to drive the plow. Village will be responsible for any damage.
- Killock stated the Village should purchase a plow this year. \$200,000 range for a new one. Could be used. Replace Dodge with new plow. In a year or two, replace Sterling with another new plow. Chris Claiborne asked if the Village has enough storage space for all the vehicles. Killock replied the Village does not have enough storage space. He would like to have a lean-to building for extra equipment storage.
- When running snowblower for sidewalks, DPW should be sure it's necessary. Probably not necessary on Sunday.

Mayor Killock asked for a motion to accept the DPW report. Trustee Rupp made a motion to accept the report. Trustee Butcher seconded the motion. AYE 3. NAY 0. Carried.

CLERK/TREASURER

Clerk/Treasurer Scott reported:

- The next water/sewer bills are being prepared. They will be due February 14th. Those bills will be estimated and based on the customer's recent usage. Mailing will include information about the new Trash Bag Labels and Recycling and letter to update customers about the water meters and future billing. Mayor Killock stated bills will be estimated bills because some customers don't have new meters yet, and training how to use the meters and do billing will happen in February. Billing after that will probably be a baseline reading but may also be estimated. Reading in July will be a true reading. Will adjust accounts as necessary based on previous usage billing.
- Received CHIPS \$39,134.58 in December.

Mayor Killock asked for a motion to accept the Clerk/Treasurer's report. Trustee Rupp made a motion to accept the report. Trustee Butcher seconded the motion. AYE 3. NAY 0. Carried.

NEW BUSINESS & MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Killock reported:

- Talked with Cattaraugus County Health Commissioner, Bob Ring, regarding complaints received about poor water quality. Killock explained the problem is with the contractor who is not performing as expected. The only recourse would be a law suit, or new contractor, and that would delay the progress even more. Killock stated the County tests the water quality on a regular basis, and there have been no failures.
- One of the office printers has a broken gear and cannot be repaired. Will have to purchase a new office printer in the future. Mayor Killock asked for a motion to purchase a new office printer. Trustee Rupp made a motion to purchase a new office printer. Trustee Butcher seconded the motion. AYE 3. NAY 0. Carried
- An individual inquired about repairing the Village clock in the brick structure in the Park. Repair may be in the \$1,200.00 range. Will table until the next Board Meeting when other Trustees are present.

Jeff Stoltenberg arrived at the meeting as Mayor Killock was concluding his report. Killock asked if Stoltenberg had any questions or comments.

- Stoltenberg asked if there had been any progress on the water. Mayor Killock replied he had just finished discussing that. Stoltenberg said he had many conversations with Mayor Killock and Steve Smuda about the poor quality of the water, and he felt frustrated that nothing is improving. Killock explained there is no exact time frame. It's whenever the contractor finishes the work. Procure is the contractor and they have had problems with their subcontractors.
- Stoltenberg stated with a 35% increase in water/sewer rates, residents don't understand why there is such poor quality. His business has had thousands of dollars of expenses in equipment. Water is green and turning blue when salt is added. Vendors have had to replace their equipment because of the poor water quality. Very frustrating. Killock replied the Village is using the same well they always have.

NEW BUSINESS & MAYOR'S REPORT (continued)

- Stoltenberg said the Village has an obligation to provide water to its residents. Killock replied a solution would be a portable filter that would cost \$48,000 per month to operate, but who would pay for that?
- Stoltenberg said Nick Langworth is a good friend of his, and maybe Langworthy could get involved and find funding or help with a solution. Stoltenberg asked if Killock would be willing to meet with Langworthy. Killock replied he would be happy to meet with him. Stoltenberg will contact Langworthy.

TRUSTEE BUTCHER

Trustee Butcher reported:

- No report.

TRUSTEE FREDERICKSON

- Absent

TRUSTEE MOSHER

- Absent

TRUSTEE RUPP

Trustee Rupp reported:

- No report.

NEXT MEETING

The next Board Meeting will be Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 7:00 pm in the Village Library.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Killock asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Rupp made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Butcher seconded the motion. AYE 3. NAY 0. Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:22 pm.

Barbara L. Scott
Clerk of Board