



CITY OF DAYTON

Regular Council Meeting Minutes
February 10, 2026

Dayton City Council held a Regular Council meeting on Tuesday, February 10, 2026, at 7:01 p.m. at the Dayton Community Center, 625 Second Avenue.

City Clerk Tristan Klein delivered the roll call. Members present were Member Horton, Member Neary, Member Judd, Member Lovins, City Administrator Fossett, City Attorney Alex Edmondson, and Mayor Baker. Member Kelly was absent and Member Nyman arrived after the call.

Mayor Baker opened the meeting with a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Baker delivered the State of the City for 2026.

Approval of Minutes:

Member Judd made a motion to approve the minutes from January 13th as presented. Member Horton seconded the motion.

All members present voted aye.

Presentations:

- None

Citizens to address the City regarding legislative items on the agenda:

There were no citizen addresses to the City Council.

Ordinances:

First Reading of Ordinance 2026-1: An Ordinance amending the City of Dayton, Kentucky's annual budget for the fiscal year running from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, and estimating revenues and resources and appropriating funds for the City to the full extent authorized by KRS 82.082 and interpretative case law.

Ordinance 2026-1 was read for first reading. Assistant Administrator Jerrod Barks presented information regarding the budget amendment.

First Reading of Ordinance 2026-2: An Ordinance amending Sections 110.06, 110.12, and 110.19 and adding a new 110.22 to Chapter 110 of the City of Dayton, Kentucky, Code of Ordinances.

Ordinance 2026-2 was read for first reading.

Orders/Resolutions:

Order-Resolution 2026-3R: An Order-Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an Amendment to the Northern Kentucky Special Weapons and Tactics, Inc., Interlocal Cooperation Agreement

Motion was made by Member Neary to approve the reading of Order Resolution 2026-3R. Motion seconded by Member Lovins.

Member Neary	aye
Member Nyman	aye

Member Judd	aye
Member Lovins	aye
Member Horton	aye

Motion carried. So ordered.

Order-Resolution 2026-4R: An Order/Resolution of the City Council of the City of Dayton, Kentucky, opposing House Bill 518, Senate Bill 112, and Senate Bill 52 introduced during the 2026 Kentucky General Assembly because these Bills usurp local police powers of the City and other local governments and adversely impact their governance, budgets and fiscal conditions, and future economic development.

Motion was made by Member Judd to approve the reading of Order Resolution 2026-42R.
 Motion seconded by Member Neary.

Member Judd	aye
Member Lovins	aye
Member Horton	aye
Member Neary	aye
Member Nyman	abstained due to conflict

Motion carried. So ordered.

Order-Resolution 2026-5R: An Order/Resolution of Dayton, Kentucky, City Council reappointing the Mayor and City Administrator and appointing Brandi S. Ash to the Manhattan Harbour Architectural Review Commission.

Motion was made by Member Nyman to approve the reading of Order Resolution 2026-5R.
 Motion seconded by Member Neary.

Member Nyman	aye
Member Judd	aye
Member Lovins	aye
Member Horton	aye
Member Neary	aye

Motion carried. So ordered.

Order-Resolution 2026-6R: An Order/Resolution of the City Council of the City of Dayton, Kentucky, authorizing the Mayor to apply for a grant with the Kentucky Department of Homeland Security for 13 duty rifles with sights and mounts, and upon approval of this grant, execute a grant agreement and/or other documents required by the Department or other agencies to facilitate and administer this grant and to act as the City’s authorized correspondent for the grant.

Motion was made by Member Horton to approve the reading of Order Resolution 2026-6R.
 Motion seconded by Member Lovins.

Member Lovins	aye
Member Horton	aye
Member Neary	aye
Member Nyman	aye
Member Judd	aye

Motion carried. So ordered.

Department Directors’ Monthly Reports:

Code Enforcement: Code Enforcement Director Cassie Patterson delivered the monthly report for the Code Enforcement Department.

Public Works: Public Works Superintendent Rick Lucas delivered the monthly report for the Public Works Department.

Fire Department: Fire Chief Brent Schafer delivered the monthly report for the Fire Department.

Police Department: Police Chief David Halfhill delivered the monthly report for the Police Department.

City Administrator’s Report:

City Administrator Fossett deferred his report, including an update on Riverfront Commons Phases II. Assistant City Administrator Barks presented the results from the 2026 Resident Surveys.

Audience Comments:

- Jerry Huntley, a resident of 585 Manhattan Blvd, addressed the City Council with concerns about lack of communication from Campbell County Planning and Zoning regarding an unfished foundation on Manhattan Boulevard.

New Business:

Member Judd asked if the City had ever considered offering public wifi anywhere in the City. City Administrator Jay Fossett responded that the cost has been too high in the past but there are plans to re-explore this option in the summer.

Member Neary requested that the City request a traffic study from the Department of Transportation on Route 8, including where Route 8 goes through Bellevue and Newport.

Member Horton thanked the community for their response to the Council Committees.

Adjournment:

Motion was made by Member Neary to adjourn All Members present voted aye.

Meeting adjourned at 8:06 pm.

Ben Baker, Mayor

Attest:

Tristan Klein, City Clerk/ Treasurer