

**COUNCIL FOR THE VILLAGE OF YELLOW SPRINGS
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING: WORK SESSION
MINUTES**

Council Chambers 5pm.

Tuesday, February 17, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

President of Council Gavin DeVore Leonard called the meeting to order at 5:02 pm.

ROLL CALL

Present were Council President DeVore Leonard, Vice President Angie Hsu and Council members Carmen Brown, Senay Semere and Stephanie Pearce. Solicitor Amy Blankenship, AVM/Project Lead Elyse Giardullo, Solicitor Amy Blankenship and Village Manager Johnnie Burns were also present.

WORK SESSION

1. Village Values. Hsu suggested a minor change, and this was agreed-upon. The Clerk will bring the resolution back reflecting the suggested change.

2. Village Goals. Giardullo introduced the process for identifying a set of both meaningful and attainable goals.

Council worked through each section of the identified goal areas, discussing which of the 2025 goals to retain or build upon and where to add goals.

Council repeatedly referenced the need to clearly communicate utility increases and other cost of living impacts.

DeVore Leonard stressed the need to identify core service provision as a need, and to frame other goals accordingly.

Goals work will be picked up in Old Business during the Regular Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:54pm, Brown MOVED and Hsu SECONDED a MOTION TO ADJOURN. The MOTION PASSED 5-0 ON A VOICE VOTE.

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