

## Ordinance No. 758

### AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS AND ESTIMATE INCOME IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BUDGET ADOPTED FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026.

Be it Ordained and Enacted by the Denton Town Council, Denton, Maryland, that the following tax rates and fees, revenue and expenditure estimates are enacted for Fiscal Year 2026:

- Sec. 1 General Fund
- Sec. 2 Rate of Taxation on Real Property
- Sec. 3 Rate of Taxation on Corporation
- Sec. 4 Rate of Taxation on Railroad and Utility Property

#### Sec. 1 General Fund

- A. That the following amounts shall be and hereby are appropriated for the expenditures designated for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026 for the General Fund:

Activity Title	Approved Budget and Appropriation
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>	
General Government	131,365
General Administration	203,487
Town Council	33,441
Election	2,950
Municipal Building	44,725
Financial Administration	472,895
<b>General Government - Total</b>	<b>888,863</b>
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>	
Police Department	2,759,180
Misc. Police Grants	7,500
Volunteer Fire Co.	91,500
Planning & Codes	853,908
<b>Public Safety - Total</b>	<b>3,712,088</b>
<b>COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT</b>	
Community Development	25,000
Main Street	25,000
Tourism	116,698
Summerfest	3,500
<b>Community Development - Total</b>	<b>170,198</b>
<b>PUBLIC WORKS</b>	
Street Lighting	102,000
Street Sanitation	188,299
Waste Collection	343,060

Mosquito Spraying	20,000
Parks	189,230
Tennis Courts	2,000
<b>Public Works Department - Total</b>	<b>844,589</b>
<b>HIGHWAY FUND CONTRIBUTION</b>	<b>60,046</b>
<b>GENERAL FUND DEBT</b>	<b>201,313</b>
<b>GENERAL FUND RESERVE</b>	<b>1,450,822</b>
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>7,327,919</b>

- B. That the following revenues are, in the considered judgment of the Town Council, a fair appraisal and estimate of the revenues available to finance this budget and these appropriations for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026.

Source	Estimated Revenues
Taxes	4,029,498
Licenses and Permits	61,500
Revenue from Other Agencies	143,905
Miscellaneous Income	141,550
General Fund Balance Forward	2,951,466
<b>Total FY 2025 Revenues</b>	<b>7,327,919</b>

**Balanced**

**\$0**

## **Sec. 2 Rate of Taxation on Real Property**

That the rate of taxation on real property to be taxed within the boundaries of the Town of Denton, Maryland shall be and hereby is established as:

***Sixty-six cents (\$0.66)***

on each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of the value for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and including June 30, 2026

## **Sec. 3 Rate of Taxation on Business Personal Property**

That the rate of taxation for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and including June 30, 2026, on any incorporated personal property to be taxed by the Town of Denton, Maryland, shall be and hereby is established as:

**One Dollar and Fifty cents (\$1.50)**

on each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of assessed valuation, unless otherwise provided for by Article 81 of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

## **Sec. 4 Rate of Taxation on Railroad and Utility Property**

That the rate of taxation for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and including June 30, 2026 on any railroad and utility property to be taxed by the Town of Denton, Maryland, shall be and hereby is established as:

**One Dollar and Seventy cents (\$1.70)**

on each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of assessed valuation, unless otherwise provided for by Article 81 of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

**Sec. 5 Service and Administration Fee Collected by Caroline County Tax Office**

That the rate of service and administrative fees on semi-annual billings assessed and collected by the Caroline County Tax Office for 2025-2026 shall be the rate as adopted annually by the Commissioners of Caroline County.

ATTEST:

Karen L. Monteith  
Karen L. Monteith, Clerk-Treasurer

THE TOWN OF DENTON

Abigail McNinch  
Abigail McNinch, Mayor

Lester L. Branson  
Lester L. Branson, Councilperson

Dallas Lister  
Dallas Lister, Councilperson

Walter Keith Johnson  
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Frank Taylor  
Frank Taylor, Councilperson

Date Introduced: 4/3/2025  
Date Passed: 5-1-2025  
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Approved for Legal Sufficiency, this 1st day of May, 2025

Lyndsey Ryan  
Lyndsey Ryan, Attorney