

# Village of Bluffton Council Meeting Agenda

November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 7:00 PM



## **Opening Ceremonies**

Call to Order, Mayor Johnson presiding  
Pledge of Allegiance



## **Minutes**

Approval of the minutes for the Village Council meeting held on Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Approval of the minutes from the Special Council meeting held on Monday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024

## **Bills**

## **Public Comment**

### **Committee Reports**

Streets, Alleys, Lights & Sidewalks Committee – 11/13  
Ordinance Committee – 11/19  
Joint Personnel & Safety Services – 11/22  
Personnel Committee – 11/22

### **Boards & Commissions**

Tree Commission – 11/13

## **LEGISLATION**

### **RESOLUTION NO. 27-2024**

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE RATE CHARGED BY THE VILLAGE OF OTTAWA, OHIO TO THE VILLAGE OF BLUFFTON, OHIO FOR BULK WATER BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2025

### **RESOLUTION NO. 30-2024**

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE YEAR 2025 FOR THE VILLAGE OF BLUFFTON, OHIO

## **Village Administration Report:**

**Mayor:**

**Safety Services Reports:**

**-EMS-      -Fire Dept.-      -Police Dept.-**

**Meeting Dates** (meetings held at the Town Hall unless otherwise noted\*)

- Council Meeting – Monday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm
- Council Meeting – Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm

## **Public Comment**

**Adjournment** – Motion and Second

Village of Bluffton – Regular meeting November 12, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Johnson presiding. Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley (arrived @ 7:03 after minutes were approved), Sehlhorst, Stahl, Steiner, and Talavinia present.

Cupples motioned, seconded by Sehlhorst, to approve the minutes from the regular council meeting held on October 28, 2024. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Sehlhorst, Stahl, Steiner, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

Steiner motioned, seconded by Talavinia, to approve the bills as presented. Roll Call: Yes (6) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, Steiner, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

The Fiscal Officer gave the following readings:

3<sup>rd</sup> Reading:

Ordinance 09-2024 – An Ordinance changing the zoning classification for certain property located on Sunset Drive within the Village of Bluffton, Ohio. Kingsley motioned to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Sehlhorst. Roll Call: Yes (6) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, Steiner, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

1<sup>st</sup> Reading:

Ordinance 10-2024 – An Ordinance accepting a petition from John, Anna, Jerry & David Blankenmeyer, Timothy & Natasha Martin, Sukhdev Singh, and Carrie Harper, annexing territory from Orange Township, Hancock County, Ohio to the Village of Bluffton, Ohio pursuant to Ohio Revised Code, Section 709.04 and declaring an emergency. Cupples motioned to suspend the rules, seconded by Kingsley. Roll Call: Yes (6) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, Steiner, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved. Talavinia motioned to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Stahl. Roll Call: Yes (6) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, Steiner, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

Ordinance 11-2024 – An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 03-2024 (the Annual Appropriation Ordinance) and declaring an emergency. Cupples motioned to suspend the rules, seconded by Sehlhorst. Roll Call: Yes (6) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, Steiner, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved. Steiner motioned to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Kingsley. Roll Call: Yes (6) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, Steiner, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

Resolution 27-2024 – A Resolution to accept the rate charged by the Village of Ottawa, Ohio to the Village of Bluffton, Ohio for bulk water beginning January 1, 2025. Steiner motioned to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Talavinia. Roll Call: Yes (6) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, Steiner, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

Resolution 28-2024 – A Resolution authorizing the Village Administrator to enter into an agreement with the Johnny Appleseed Metropolitan Park District for the purpose of making application and accepting funds from the 2025 Cooperative Park Improvement Grant Program and declaring an emergency. Talavinia motioned to suspend the rules, seconded by Cupples. Roll Call: Yes (6) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, Steiner, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved. Kingsley motioned to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Stahl. Roll Call: Yes (6) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, Steiner, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

Resolution 29-2024 – A Resolution making certain transfers and declaring an emergency. Sehlhorst motioned to suspend the rules, seconded by Cupples. Roll Call: Yes (6) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, Steiner, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved. Stahl motioned to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Kingsley. Roll Call: Yes (6) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, Steiner, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

Resolution 30-2024 – A Resolution authorizing the temporary appropriations for the year 2025 for the Village of Bluffton, Ohio. Kingsley motioned to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Cupples. Roll Call: Yes (6) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, Steiner, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

Kingsley motioned, seconded by Steiner, for the Village to award a grant of \$5,000 to the Bluffton Chamber of Commerce to be used for expenses for the benefit of Main St. in Bluffton and for the Village to award a grant of \$5,000 to the Bluffton Center for Entrepreneurs in support of their mission supporting entrepreneurial activity in Bluffton. Roll Call: Yes (6) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, Steiner, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

Kingsley motioned, seconded by Cupples, to approve the special event requests for the Blaze of Lights Santa's Home event between November 20, 2024 and January 5, 2025. The event will take place at various times in the public alley between the Edward Jones and Sielschott, Walsh, Keifer, Regula & Sherer CPA's offices. Roll Call: Yes (6) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, Steiner, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

Cupples motioned to adjourn the meeting.

The following meetings/events were included on the agenda and/or scheduled during the meeting.

Streets, Alleys, Lights, and Sidewalk Committee on Wednesday, November 13 at 5:00 p.m.

Tree Commission on Wednesday, November 13 at 7:00 p.m.

Joint Personnel & Safety Services Committee on Friday, November 22 at noon.

Insurance Committee on Friday, November 22 at 3:00 p.m.

Ordinance Committee Informational Meeting on Proposed Legislation for Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU's) on Tuesday, November 19 at 7:00 p.m.

Council Meeting on Monday, November 25 at 7:00 p.m.

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MAYOR

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FISCAL OFFICER

Village of Bluffton – Special Meeting November 18, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.

Mayor Johnson presiding. Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, Steiner, and Talavinia present.

Village Administrator, Jesse Blackburn, provided an update to Council relating to recent inspections of the water towers. The fill pipes of both towers are leaking with the East tower nearing a point of failure. The Public Works Department and Utility Service Company, who is under contract with the Village of Bluffton for a maintenance contract for the towers, recommend immediate action to replace the fill pipe on the East tower and to schedule replacement of the North tower fill pipe in 2025. The cost for the East tower repairs is \$81,663.00.

The Village Administrator gave the following reading:

1<sup>st</sup> Reading:

Resolution 31-2024 – A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Village Administrator to enter into a contract with Utility Service Company, Inc. from Perry, GA and declaring an emergency. Stahl motioned to suspend the rules, seconded by Cupples. Roll Call: Yes (6) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, Steiner, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved. Steiner motioned to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Kingsley. Roll Call: Yes (6) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, Steiner, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

Cupples motioned to adjourn the meeting.

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MAYOR

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FISCAL OFFICER

## VILLAGE OF BLUFFTON

## VOUCHER REPORT 11/25/2024 - PRELIMINARY

VENDOR	AMOUNT	DEPARTMENT	DESCRIPTION
ALLEN COUNTY AWARDS LLC	52.00	Police	AWARD PLAQUE
ALLEN COUNTY ENGINEER	422.50	Street	CENTERLINE STRIPING
ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	1,001.89	Multiple	VISION & DENTAL INSURANCE
BLUFFTON CENTER FOR ENTREPRENEURS	5,000.00	Administrative	2024 ANNUAL SUPPORT
BLUFFTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	5,000.00	Administrative	2024 ANNUAL SUPPORT
BLUFFTON STONE CO.	121.97	Multiple	STONE
Bryan Lloyd	119.22	Multiple	PARTS CLEANER
CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	39.99	Multiple	CABLE
CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	174.98	Multiple	CABLE
CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	174.98	Multiple	CABLE
CINTAS	87.97	Administrative	UNIFORMS
CINTAS	90.44	Administrative	UNIFORMS
CLEMANS, NELSON & ASSOCIATES, INC	175.00	Administrative	RETAINER
CLINT DAILEY	127.16	Administrative	BOOTS
CORE & MAIN LP	5,091.00	Water	METER YOKES
DOTY, MICHAEL	66.75	Police	PD AUTO REPAIRS
ENBRIDGE GAS OHIO	470.89	Multiple	NATURAL GAS
EVERETT J PRESCOTT INC	1,545.48	Water	SUPPLIES
FAMILY HARDWARE DO IT BEST	234.99	Multiple	TRANSFER PUMP
FAMILY HARDWARE DO IT BEST	388.23	Multiple	SUPPLIES
GALL'S, AN ARAMARK COMPANY	963.59	Police	SEARCH & FRISK GLOVES
GRAINGER INC	268.07	Water	MISC. PARTS
GREAT LAKES BILLING ASSOCIATES, INC.	1,432.45	Rescue	EMS BILLING SERVICE
HANCOCK-WOOD ELECTRIC CO-OP	172.43	Multiple	ELECTRICITY
HANCOCK-WOOD ELECTRIC CO-OP	53.00	Multiple	ELECTRICITY
HAWTHORNE-SEVING, INC.	221.20	Land & Buildings	FUEL STORAGE STEPS
KOI ENTERPRISES, INC.	69.89	Multiple	PARTS
OHIO CAT	843.00	Administrative	LIFT RENTAL
OHIO CAT	1,342.00	Administrative	LIFT RENTAL
OSCAR W. LARSON CO	18,590.00	Land & Buildings	FUEL TANKS
PERRY CORPORATION	11,500.00	Administrative	1ST FLOOR PRINTER
PERRY CORPORATION	152.63	Administrative	IT CONTRACT
PERRY CORPORATION	3,385.86	Administrative	IT CONTRACT
POWER HOUSE ELECTRIC SUPPLY	567.55	Park	CONDUIT - SOCCER PARK
RHONDA HOHENBRINK	110.95	Administrative	NWOTCA MTG. MILEAGE
SHELL FLEET PLUS	1,402.93	Multiple	FUEL
STAPLES BUSINESS ADVANTAGE	20.79	Multiple	SUPPLIES
STAPLES BUSINESS ADVANTAGE	697.56	Multiple	SUPPLIES
STAPLES BUSINESS ADVANTAGE	305.16	Multiple	SUPPLIES
TERRY MULLENHOUR	563.92	Administrative	BLAZE YARD ORNAMENT RE-PAINT
THE POLYGRAPH BUREAU	600.00	Police	POLYGRAPH EXAMS
TRUGREEN	824.00	Cemetery	CEMETARY TREATMENT
USA BLUE BOOK	779.29	Water	CHLORINE TRANSFER PUMP
VERIZON WIRELESS	100.33	Multiple	CELL PHONES
VILLAGE OF OTTAWA	47,115.12	Water	WATER

WESSLER ENGINEERING	125.00	Sewer
WEST ERIE REALTY SOLUTIONS	<u>27,750.00</u>	Street
	140,342.16	

SANITARY ON-CALL SERVICES  
RIGHT-OF-WAY AQUISITION SERVICES

OCTOBER FIRE & EMS	13,524.03
MEDICARE	196.09
OPERS	1,544.70
FICA	111.99

BIWEEKLY PAYROLL 11/15/24	57,746.87
MEDICARE	791.94
OPERS	4,020.93
OP&F	5,487.45

Council Signature : \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Ordinance Committee Minutes

Village of Bluffton

November 19, 2024, 7:00 PM

Present: Joe Sehlhorst, Mitch Kingsley, Jerry Cupples, Ben Stahl

Staff: Jesse Blackburn, Bryan Lloyd

Public: 10 members of the public

TOPIC: Public Hearing: Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU)

- Committee members made the power-point presentation of the ADU ordinance. This included definition and examples of ADUs in urban development. We addressed reasons ADUs serve the needs of elderly, moderate income folks, and sustainability in the Village infrastructure. Some description of our research and the legislation proposed were included in the presentation. Then we listened.
- Most of the feedback from the public was cautionary or negative to the changes proposed. There was a special concern about absent ADU owners. An example given by one person recounted their rental house in another town, where the tenant did extensive damage to the property without the landlord's knowledge. Another was concerned that an ADU designed for 1-3 persons might be occupied by 20 persons from another culture (Haitian) without the owner's knowledge.
- One person stated that the changes were "fundamental" and would risk negative effects in the R-1 districts. It was proposed that with no change to our zoning ordinance Bluffton residents could simply ask for a change of zoning status to R-2 which would allow multi-family, and therefore ADU construction.
- Another person felt that the onset of ADUs would diminish the demand for nursing home care by allowing elders to remain in their homes longer. This would likely spell the demise of a third major Bluffton institution, Mennonite Memorial Home; the other two institutions in decline being the hospital and the university/college.
- The committee and staff thanked the public attendees for their presence and for sharing their perspectives in response to the ADU proposal by this committee.

Submitted,

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Joe Sehlhorst

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Mitchell Kingsley

**RESOLUTION NO. 27-2024**

**A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE RATE CHARGED BY THE VILLAGE OF OTTAWA, OHIO TO THE VILLAGE OF BLUFFTON, OHIO FOR BULK WATER BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2025 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

**WHEREAS:** The Village of Ottawa and the Village of Bluffton meet and agree each year on the rate that is charged for water purchased by the Village of Bluffton under its existing water contract;

**WHEREAS:** An emergency exists in the approval and timely acceptance of this negotiated water rate for the Village, whereby failure to act will be detrimental to the public health, welfare and safety of the inhabitants of the Village of Bluffton, Ohio.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF BLUFFTON, OHIO THAT:**

**SECTION 1:** That the Village of Bluffton accepts the negotiated water rate charged by the Village of Ottawa, Ohio beginning on January 1, 2025 as follows:

\$3.54 per CCF

**SECTION 2:** That it is found and determined that all formal actions of the Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in accordance with all legal requirements of the Open Meetings Law including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Passed and adopted this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024 by the Council of the Village of Bluffton, Ohio by the following vote:

Ayes: \_\_\_\_\_ Nays: \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain: \_\_\_\_\_

Attest:

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Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

Approved as to form:

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Village Solicitor



**RESOLUTION NO. 30 - 20234**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE YEAR 2025 FOR THE VILLAGE OF BLUFFTON, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**WHEREAS:** Temporary Appropriations are needed for Village operations until Final Appropriations are prepared and;

**WHEREAS:** an emergency exists in that the timeliness of the approval of the Temporary Appropriations is necessary for the preservation of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Village of Bluffton, Ohio;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF BLUFFTON, OHIO:**

**SECTION 1:** That for the purposes of Temporary Appropriation until the Final Appropriation is completed; the Council hereby adopts the 2025 Appropriation as if fully rewritten herein to be effective up through March 31, 2025, or until such time as replaced by Final Appropriation Ordinance.

**SECTION 2:** That an emergency exists for the reasons set forth in this resolution.

**SECTION 3:** That to protect the financial integrity of the Village, which is necessary for the protection of the health, safety, and welfare of the Village and its inhabitants.

Passed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2024.

Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain: \_\_\_\_\_

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
FISCAL OFFICER

\_\_\_\_\_  
MAYOR

Approved as to Form:

\_\_\_\_\_  
SOLICITOR

VILLAGE OF BLUFFTON 2025 TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS  
 Exhibit A

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	Temporary 2025 AMOUNT
<b>GENERAL FUND:</b>		
<b>POLICE EXPENSES</b>		
	PERSONAL SERVICES	232,140.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	92,365.00
	OPERATING	38,251.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>362,756.00</b>
<b>FIRE EXPENSES</b>		
	PERSONAL SERVICES	12,927.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	1,484.00
	OPERATING	13,948.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>28,359.00</b>
<b>STREET &amp; LIGHTING EXPENSES</b>		
	OPERATING	24,192.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>24,192.00</b>
<b>RESCUE EXPENSES</b>		
	PERSONAL SERVICES	188,887.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	57,956.00
	OPERATING	23,714.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>270,557.00</b>
<b>DISPATCHER EXPENSES</b>		
	MISC. SERVICES	57,290.00
<b>COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT EXPENSES</b>		
	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	10,012.00
<b>MOSQUITO CONTROL EXPENSES</b>		
	MOSQUITO CONTROL	14,640.00
<b>CULTURAL AFFAIRS EXPENSES</b>		
A1-3C-52390	MISC. SERVICES	3,630.00
<b>POOL EXPENSES</b>		
	PERSONAL SERVICES	-
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	-
	OPERATING	7,231.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>7,231.00</b>

**BRUSH DUMP EXPENSES**

	OPERATING	25,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>25,000.00</b>

**STORM SEWER EXPENSES**

A1-6D-52550	STORM SEWERS	-
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**SIDEWALKS EXPENSES**

A1-6G-52550	SIDEWALK PROGRAM	-
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**AIRPORT EXPENSES**

A1-6X-52390	MISC SERVICES	23,183.00
A1-6X-52430	REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	1,320.00
A1-6X-52550	RUNWAY LIGHT PROJECT	-
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>24,503.00</b>

**MAYOR/ADMIN EXPENSES**

	PERSONAL SERVICES	68,177.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	18,755.00
	OPERATING	80,152.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>167,084.00</b>

**LEGISLATIVE EXPENSE**

	PERSONAL SERVICES	8,580.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	1,524.00
	OPERATING	-
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>10,104.00</b>

**MAYOR'S COURT EXPENSE**

	COURT COSTS	-
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**FISCAL OFFICER'S EXPENSE**

	PERSONAL SERVICES	27,353.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	10,921.00
	OPERATING	5,800.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>44,074.00</b>

**LAND & BUILDINGS EXPENSE**

	PERSONAL SERVICES	6,210.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	1,019.00
	OPERATING	47,410.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>54,639.00</b>

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT EXPENSE**

	MISC CONTRACTUAL SERV	7,755.00
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<b>AUDITOR &amp; TREASURER FEES EXPENSE</b>	
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	4,620.00
<b>DELINQUENT LAND ADVERTISING EXPENSE</b>	
PUBLISHING	-
<b>AUDITOR'S EXPENSE</b>	
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	1,000.00
<b>INCOME TAX ADMIN. EXPENSE</b>	
PERSONAL SERVICES	17,343.00
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	6,816.00
OPERATING	19,240.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	43,399.00
<b>SAFETY EXPENSE</b>	
MISC. SERVICES	-
<b>OTHER EXPENSE</b>	
OPERATING	41,596.00
TRANSFERS	338,910.00
ADVANCES	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	380,506.00
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENSES</b>	1,541,351.00
<b>STREET MAINTENANCE EXPENSE</b>	
PERSONAL SERVICES	60,260.00
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	22,207.00
OPERATING	948,775.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	1,031,242.00
<b>SNOW REMOVAL EXPENSE</b>	
OPERATING SUPPLIES	10,000.00
REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	10,000.00
<b>TOTAL STREET FUND EXPENSES</b>	1,041,242.00
<b>STATE HIGHWAY EXPENSES</b>	
OPERATING	4,290.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	4,290.00

**CEMETERY EXPENSES**

PERSONAL SERVICE	1,848.00
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	290.00
MISC. SERVICES	8,514.00

<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>10,652.00</b>
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**PARK EXPENSES**

OPERATING SUPPLIES	112,833.00
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<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>112,833.00</b>
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**BENROTH BRIDGE EXPENSES**

B5-6G-52430	MAINTENANCE
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**COURT COMPUTER EXPENSES**

B7-1A-52420	OPERATING SUPPLIES
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**DUI ENFORCEMENT EXPENSES**

B8-1A-52390	TRAINING
B8-1A-52420	OPERATING SUPPLIES

<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	
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**PERMISSIVE LICENSE FUND**

B9-6A-52550	STREET CONSTRUCTION
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<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	
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**BLUFFTON IN BLOOM FUND**

C4-1A-52390	MISC SVC	16,500.00
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**AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT**

C5-5J-52560	SYSTEM EXPANSION	-
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**STORM SEWER IMPROVEMENT EXPENSES**

D2-6D-52390	MISC. SERVICES	-
D2-6D-52550	STORM SEWERS	24,750.00

<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>24,750.00</b>
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**FIRE & RESCUE IMPROVEMENT FUND**

D3-1B-52520	EQUIPMENT	363,155.00
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<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		363,155.00
<b>POOL IMPROVEMENT FUND</b>		
D4-3D-52510	POOL CAPITAL ITEMS	20,000.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		20,000.00
<b>EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT EXPENSES</b>		
D5-1F-52520	EQUIPMENT	-
D5-5X-52610	PRINCIPAL	-
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		-
<b>AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT EXPENSES</b>		
	OPERATING	421,156.00
<b>Total</b>		421,156.00
<b>TOWN HALL IMPROVEMENT EXPENSES</b>		
D8-7E-52510	BUILDING IMPR.	30,000.00
<b>POLICE EQUIPMENT EXPENSES</b>		
D9-1A-52520	POLICE EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT	80,492.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		80,492.00
<b>WATER EXPENSES</b>		
	PERSONAL SERVICES	34,754.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	16,591.00
	OPERATING	355,456.00
E1-5X-52710	TRANSFERS	-
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		406,801.00
<b>SEWER FUND EXPENSES</b>		
	PERSONAL SERVICES	50,055.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	18,556.00
	OPERATING	147,613.00
	TRANSFERS	250,000.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		466,224.00
<b>REFUSE FUND EXPENSES</b>		
E7-5K-52390	REFUSE SERVICE	105,052.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		
<b>WATER/ SEWER IMPROVEMENT FUND EXPENSES</b>		
	OPERATING	269,500.00
	DEBT	531,142.00

**TOTAL EXPENSES** 800,642.00

**POLICE CONTINUING TRAINING**

F4-1A-52390 TRAINING 3,300.00

**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT**

F6-6B-52420 OPERATING SUPPLIES -

**SHANNON CEMETERY**

F7-1A-52390 MISC SERVICES

**F8-1A-52390 K9 EXPENSES** 787.00

# Certificate of Result of Election on Question or Issue

R.C. 3501.11

**State of Ohio**  
Allen County

The Board of Elections of Allen County hereby certifies that at the election held in the Village of Bluffton on the 5th day of November, 2024, the vote cast on the following issue was as follows:

**PROPOSED MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX**  
**Village of Bluffton**

**A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage**

Shall the Ordinance providing for a 0.4 per cent levy increase on income for raising revenue for the capital needs and operations of the Safety Services Departments of the Village of Bluffton, Ohio which includes the Bluffton EMS, Bluffton Fire, and Bluffton Police Departments be passed?

<u>Votes FOR</u>	<u>1454</u>
<u>Votes AGAINST</u>	<u>559</u>
<u>Total vote cast on issue:</u>	<u>2013</u>

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto subscribed our names officially at

Lima, Ohio, this 18th day of November, 2024

*David A. Long* (Chair)  
*Robert D. Loring*  
*Mona J. Williams*  
*Lee B. Weber*

Attest:

Board of Elections

*Morgan Bode*  
 Director

Allen County, Ohio

A copy must be sent to the Ohio Department of Taxation, Tax Equalization Division (tax levy or bond issue); Ohio Department of Taxation, Tax Analysis and Local Govt. Division (income tax); county auditor (levy or bond issue); and Secretary of State. To be submitted only by the most populous county board of elections if multi-county issue.