

Village of Bluffton Council Meeting Agenda

December 9th, 2024 at 7:00 PM



Opening Ceremonies

Call to Order, Mayor Johnson presiding
Pledge of Allegiance



Minutes

Approval of the minutes from the Village Council meeting held on Monday, November 25th, 2024

Bills

Public Comment

Committee Reports

Joint Personnel & Safety Services – 12/3

Boards & Commissions

LEGISLATION

ORDINANCE NO. 12-2024

1st Reading

Emergency

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A REQUEST TO THE OHIO BOARD OF BUILDING STANDARDS TO CERTIFY THE VILLAGE OF BLUFFTON, OH FOR ENFORCEMENT OF THE OHIO STATE BUILDING CODES WITH THE CONDITION THAT THE LIMA BUILDING DEPARTMENT EXERCISE ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY AND ACCEPT AND APPROVE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS, AND MAKE INSPECTIONS, AND AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT FOR SUCH ENFORCEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF BLUFFTON AND LIMA BUILDING DEPARTMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

RESOLUTION NO. 27-2024

3rd Reading

Emergency

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

RESOLUTION NO. 30-2024

3rd Reading

Emergency

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

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, December 9th at 7:00 pm
- Finance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, December 11th at noon
- Cemetery Board Meeting – Friday, December 20th at 11:00 am.
- Council Meeting – Monday, December 23rd at 7:00 pm

Public Comment

Adjournment – Motion and Second

Village of Bluffton – Regular meeting November 25, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

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

Cupples motioned, seconded by Kingsley, to approve the minutes from the regular council meeting held on November 12, 2024. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

Kingsley motioned, seconded by Cupples, to approve the minutes from the special council meeting held on November 18, 2024. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

Talavinia motioned, seconded by Stahl, to approve the bills as presented. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

Cupples motioned, seconded by Sehlhorst, to approve the renewal of the Aetna health insurance plan for 2025 with a premium increase of 4.8%. Enrollment credits and surplus rebates will bring the Village cost down to a 0% increase for the Village. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

The Fiscal Officer gave the following readings:

2nd Reading:

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. Talavinia motioned to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Cupples. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, 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. Talavinia motioned to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Kingsley. Roll Call: Yes (5) Messrs: Cupples, Kingsley, Sehlhorst, Stahl, 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.

Joint Personnel & Safety Services Committee on Tuesday, December 3 at noon.

Council Meeting on Monday, December 9 at 7:00 p.m.

MAYOR

FISCAL OFFICER

VILLAGE OF BLUFFTON
VOUCHER REPORT 12/9/2024

VENDOR	AMOUNT	DEPARTMENT	DESCRIPTION
AETNA	22,523.10	Multiple	HEALTH INSURANCE
AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER	12,718.20	Multiple	ELECTRICITY
AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER	96.24	Multiple	ELECTRICITY
ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	165.00	Multiple	LIFE INSURANCE
ARMOR FIRE PROTECTION INC.	1,910.00	Rescue	SPRINKLER TESTING
ARMOR FIRE PROTECTION INC.	1,200.00	Land & Buildings	TOWN HALL FIRE PUMP CERTIFICATION
BASINGER, JAN	134.59	Administrative	BOOTS
BASINGER, JAN	104.00	Administrative	BOOTS
BEAVERDAM CONTRACTING, INC.	38,088.99	Capital Improvements	POCONO DR UTILITY IMPROVEMENT
BLUFFTON DIESEL SERVICE	1,736.98	Multiple	F-250 REPAIR
BLUFFTON DIESEL SERVICE	224.09	Rescue	UNIT 110 FUEL FILTERS
BLUFFTON DIESEL SERVICE	242.67	Fire	UNIT 103 A/C WORK
BLUFFTON FLYING SERVICE	5,000.00	Airport	AIRPORT MANAGEMENT
BLUFFTON STONE CO.	8,277.22	Park	PARKING LOT STONE
BRYAN LLOYD	111.15	Administrative	BOOTS
BUREAU OF WORKERS COMPENSATION	33,025.00	Administrative	WORKERS COMPENSATION
CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	43.42	Police	CABLE
CHERRY'S OUTDOOR WORLD	91.56	Police	RIFLE SWIVELS FOR SLING
CHOICE ONE ENGINEERING	1,200.00	Multiple	GENERAL ENGINEERING
CHOICE ONE ENGINEERING	1,487.50	Capital Improvements	POCONO DR. UTILITY IMP.
CHOICE ONE ENGINEERING	19,291.35	Street	SR 103 AT NAVAJO IMPROVEMENT
CINTAS	87.97	Administrative	UNIFORMS
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CITIZEN'S NATIONAL BANK	80.12	Police	POSTAGE
CITIZEN'S NATIONAL BANK	50.46	Police	SUPPLIES
CITIZEN'S NATIONAL BANK	313.60	Administrative	TAX POSTAGE
CITIZEN'S NATIONAL BANK	146.16	Administrative	TAX POSTAGE
CITIZEN'S NATIONAL BANK	13.88	Police	TRAINING MEAL
CLEMANS, NELSON & ASSOCIATES, INC	175.00	Administrative	RETAINER
DOTY, MICHAEL	124.75	Police	PD AUTO REPAIRS
EVERETT J. PRESCOTT, INC.	250.11	Water	SUPPLIES
CONNECT PARENT CORPORATION	238.75	Administrative	PHONES
HOHENBRINK EXCAVATING	37,809.24	Capital Improvements	SOCCER COMPLEX SANITARY
HOHENBRINK EXCAVATING	103,607.80	Park	SOCCER COMPLEX STORM SEWER
J.M. HAMILTON GROUP, INC.	395.00	Land & Buildings	POWDER COAT FUEL STORAGE STEPS
Johnson, Richard	60.87	Administrative	BATTERIES - TOWN HALL CANDLES
JUSTIN SHANNON	650.00	Land & Buildings	TOWN HALL CLEANING
K-T EQUIPMENT RENTAL, INC.	509.94	Administrative	FALL PROTECTION
KENT KARHOFF LLC	500.00	Cemetery	BURIALS & FOUNDATIONS
MARATHON FLEET SERVICES	1,952.84	Multiple	FUEL
MIDNET MEDIA	330.00	Administrative	WEB HOSTING
NEW HORIZON COMMUNICATIONS	554.38	Administrative	PHONES
NORTHWESTERN OHIO SECURITY SYSTEMS	202.00	Land & Buildings	MONITORING
OHIO ASSN. CHIEFS OF POLICE, INC	245.00	Police	ANNUAL DUES - BURKHOLDER
POSITIVE PROMOTIONS, INC.	303.95	Administrative	2025 MAYOR CALENDARS
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO	35.00	Land & Buildings	DAMAGE PREVENTION

RAYBERN UTILITY SOLUTIONS	8,156.25	Water	AUDIT OF METER READING & BILLING
SAFEGUARD BUSINESS SYSTEMS	696.51	Administrative	TAX FORMS
STAPLES BUSINESS ADVANTAGE	295.89	Multiple	SUPPLIES
STRYKER	407.39	Capital Improvements	AEDS
TREASURER OF STATE OF OHIO	615.00	Administrative	AUDIT FEES
TREASURER, STATE OF OHIO	2,795.52	Water	LICENSE TO OPERATE
TREE TECH	1,100.00	Street	578 S. MAIN LOCUST TREE
UNITED FIRE APPARATUS CORP	412.97	Fire	FIRE TRUCK WORK
VERIZON WIRELESS	160.44	Multiple	CELL PHONES
VETTER LUMBER CO.	39.58	Multiple	SUPPLIES
WALLACEPANCHER GROUP	1,822.56	Airport	TAXI LANE REHABILITATION
INCOME TAX REFUNDS	431.93	Administrative	INCOME TAX REFUNDS
	<u>313,329.89</u>		

NOVEMBER MONTHLY	2,569.00
MEDICARE	37.22
OPERS	269.03
FICA	40.14

BIWEEKLY PAYROLL 11/29/24	56,305.71
MEDICARE	778.32
OPERS	3,934.90
OP&F	5,498.81

Council Signature : _____

Date: _____

ORDINANCE NO. 12-2024

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A REQUEST TO THE OHIO BOARD OF BUILDING STANDARDS TO CERTIFY THE VILLAGE OF BLUFFTON, OH FOR ENFORCEMENT OF THE OHIO STATE BUILDING CODES WITH THE CONDITION THAT THE LIMA BUILDING DEPARTMENT EXERCISE ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY AND ACCEPT AND APPROVE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS, AND MAKE INSPECTIONS, AND AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT FOR SUCH ENFORCEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF BLUFFTON AND LIMA BUILDING DEPARTMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Village of Bluffton, Ohio desires to enforce the Ohio Building Codes for the purpose of providing uniform standards and requirements for the erection, construction, repair, alteration, and maintenance of buildings specified in section 3781.06 of the Revised Code of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Bluffton, Ohio seeks to obtain the authority for enforcement of the provisions of the Ohio State Building Codes through certification by the Ohio Board of Building Standards pursuant to Section 3781.10(E) of the Revised Code, with the condition that the Lima Building Department exercise the enforcement authority and accept and approve plans and specifications, and make inspections in accordance with the Ohio State Building Codes;

WHEREAS, the said Board of Building Standards has certified the Lima Building Department to exercise enforcement authority in accordance with the Ohio State Building Codes, effective March 8, 1962, as set forth in said Board's certification rule; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary in accordance with law to administer and enforce the Ohio State Building Codes within the limits of the Village of Bluffton; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that an agreement be entered into between the Village of Bluffton and Lima Building Department for the enforcement of the Ohio State Building Codes within the limits of the Village of Bluffton.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF BLUFFTON, OHIO;

SECTION I: That Ohio Administrative Code 4101:1 – the Ohio Building Code; and 4101:2 – the Ohio Mechanical Code, **and Ohio Administrative Code 4101:3 – the Ohio Plumbing Code*) as promulgated by the Ohio Board of Building Standards, shall apply and be enforced within the Village of Bluffton, Ohio.

**Note: Exception for plumbing inspections which will be performed by Allen County Public Health or Hancock Public Health determined by county location of project.*

SECTION II: That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the earliest period permitted by law following promulgated of the Ohio Building Code, Ohio Mechanical Code, and Ohio Plumbing Code by the Board of Building Standards through the certification process, adoption and effective date of certification issued by the Ohio Board of Building Standards.

SECTION III: The Mayor of the Village of Bluffton is hereby authorized and directed to enter into an agreement with the Lima Building Department for the enforcement of the Ohio State Building Codes within the limits of said Village, whereby the Lima Building Department will exercise all enforcement authority and accept and approve plans and specifications and make inspections necessary within said Village in accordance with the provisions of the Ohio State Building Codes.

SECTION IV: The terms of the said agreement shall grant to the Lima Building Department full authority to do all things necessary to administer and enforce the Ohio State Building Codes within the limits of the Village of Bluffton and in consideration therefore to allow the Lima Building Department to retain all permit and inspection fees authorized by the State of Ohio for such purposes.

SECTION V: The Legislature Authority of the Village of Bluffton further agrees to hold the Lima Building Department harmless for all claims or causes of action of every kind and nature arising from the acts of the (city, ~~county~~), its agents, employees, and representatives in the administration and enforcement of said codes.

SECTION VI: This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure, the immediate passage of which is necessary for the public health, safety and welfare and for the further reason that said Code must be enforced and administered according to law and particularly pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 3781 of the Revised Code of Ohio; wherefore, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and effective date of certification issued by the Ohio Board of Building Standards.

SECTION VII: The said clerk is further directed to publish this Ordinance as required by law.

Passed and adopted this _____ day of _____ 2024 by the governing board of the Village of Bluffton, Ohio by the following vote (2/3 required):

Yes: _____ No: _____ Abstain: _____

Attest:

Fiscal Officer

Mayor

Approved as to Form:

Village Solicitor

I, _____, Clerk of the Village of Bluffton, do hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 12-2024 duly passed by the Legislative Authority of the Village of Bluffton on the date of _____, 20_____.

CLERK

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:

Clerk

Mayor

Approved as to form:

Village Solicitor

RESOLUTION NO. 30 - 2024

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

BRUSH DUMP EXPENSES

	OPERATING	25,000.00
TOTAL		25,000.00

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	-
TOTAL		24,503.00

MAYOR/ADMIN EXPENSES

	PERSONAL SERVICES	68,177.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	18,755.00
	OPERATING	80,152.00
TOTAL		167,084.00

LEGISLATIVE EXPENSE

	PERSONAL SERVICES	8,580.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	1,524.00
	OPERATING	-
TOTAL		10,104.00

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
TOTAL		44,074.00

LAND & BUILDINGS EXPENSE

	PERSONAL SERVICES	6,210.00
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	1,019.00
	OPERATING	47,410.00
TOTAL		54,639.00

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT EXPENSE

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

CEMETERY EXPENSES

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

TOTAL EXPENSES 10,652.00

PARK EXPENSES

OPERATING SUPPLIES	112,833.00
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TOTAL EXPENSES 112,833.00

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

TOTAL EXPENSES

PERMISSIVE LICENSE FUND

B9-6A-52550	STREET CONSTRUCTION
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TOTAL EXPENSES

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

TOTAL EXPENSES 24,750.00

FIRE & RESCUE IMPROVEMENT FUND

D3-1B-52520	EQUIPMENT	363,155.00
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TOTAL EXPENSES 363,155.00

POOL IMPROVEMENT FUND

D4-3D-52510 POOL CAPITAL ITEMS 20,000.00

TOTAL EXPENSES 20,000.00

EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT EXPENSES

D5-1F-52520 EQUIPMENT -

D5-5X-52610 PRINCIPAL -

TOTAL EXPENSES -

AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT EXPENSES

OPERATING 421,156.00

Total 421,156.00

TOWN HALL IMPROVEMENT EXPENSES

D8-7E-52510 BUILDING IMPR. 30,000.00

POLICE EQUIPMENT EXPENSES

D9-1A-52520 POLICE EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT 80,492.00

TOTAL EXPENSES 80,492.00

WATER EXPENSES

PERSONAL SERVICES 34,754.00

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS 16,591.00

OPERATING 355,456.00

E1-5X-52710 TRANSFERS -

TOTAL EXPENSES 406,801.00

SEWER FUND EXPENSES

PERSONAL SERVICES 50,055.00

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS 18,556.00

OPERATING 147,613.00

TRANSFERS 250,000.00

TOTAL EXPENSES 466,224.00

REFUSE FUND EXPENSES

E7-5K-52390 REFUSE SERVICE 105,052.00

TOTAL EXPENSES

WATER/ SEWER IMPROVEMENT FUND EXPENSES

OPERATING 269,500.00

DEBT 531,142.00

TOTAL EXPENSES		800,642.00
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POLICE CONTINUING TRAINING

F4-1A-52390	TRAINING	3,300.00
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NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

F6-6B-52420	OPERATING SUPPLIES	-
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SHANNON CEMETERY

F7-1A-52390	MISC SERVICES	
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F8-1A-52390	K9 EXPENSES	787.00
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Village of Bluffton

Administration's Report

To: Mayor Johnson & Council Members



12-09-24

Ohio Building Code Enforcement

Beginning on Jan. 1, 2025, the Lima/Allen County Building Department will be handling the enforcement of the Ohio Building Code for all commercial projects within the Village of Bluffton. The Ohio Plumbing Code will be enforced by the county health department where the project occurs.

- All projects started before Jan. 1, 2025 will be handled by Wood County Building Department until final completion.

American Rescue Plan Act – Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds - Project Summary

Background: Final Allocations of funds announced in June of 2021.

- The eligible infrastructure for these funds included water and sewer as it relates to water quality.
- The funds must be obligated by 12/31/2024 and construction by 12/31/2026
- Bluffton received \$427,593.82
- All projects below have been completed using these funds, except for the two bulleted projects where funds have been obligated, but not spent yet.
- Bluffton will have invested the entire balance of this federal award into prioritized capital improvements to our water and sewer infrastructure.

S.R. 103 Sanitary

800 feet of 8" sanitary sewer extension along the S.R. 103 Corridor in Bluffton including boring operations and lateral reconnections. The project will remove, plug and abandon existing failing sanitary lines, including a cast iron section that travels under I-75.

Bentley Rd Re-alignment

Existing end-of-life 6" cast iron water line along Bentley Rd will be replaced with a C-900 PVC 8" water main along with 5 services within the project limits. Storm Sewer facilities in area will be upgraded as well.

UV Cabinet Replacement

Replace end of life disinfection unit approximately 20 yrs. old.

University Water Main

Project in partnership with Bluffton University Knowlton Science Center construction to replace existing end-of-life cast iron water main with C- 900 8" PVC line through campus.

Bluffton Park & Soccer Complex

Installation of a new sewer lateral to serve the future shelter house for this facility.

- **Lift Station Upgrades**

Replace current control systems regulated by floats to a system that uses a sensor (pressure transmitter) to accurately measure the liquid level and an interface panel (HMI controller) to display, adjust and report activity at the lift station

- **Sanitary Sewer Lining**

Use Cured-in-Place-Pipe Lining (CIPP) to address a prioritized area along N. Main St. in the Marsh Run area.

CURRENT PROJECTS:

East Water Tower – Fill Pipe replacement

Utility Service Company will begin the replacement of the fill pipe on the East Tower tomorrow, December 10.

Pocono Drive Utility Improvements Project:

- Pay App #3 approved

New Bluffton Public Park project:

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Committee Meetings:

Streets, Alleys, Lights & Sidewalks –