

# Village of Bluffton Council Meeting Agenda

June 22, 2026 at 7:00 PM



## **Opening Ceremonies**

Call to Order, Mayor Johnson presiding  
Pledge of Allegiance



## **Minutes**

Approval of the minutes from the Council Meeting held on Monday, June 8, 2026.

## **Bills**

## **Committee Reports**

Parks & Recreation: 6/10 & 6/16  
Streets, Lights, Sidewalk, and Alleys: 6/11  
Personnel: 6/12  
Insurance: 6/12  
Finance: 6/18

## **Boards & Commissions**

Planning Commission: 6/10 & 6/17

## **LEGISLATION**

## **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, June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm
- Board of Zoning & Building Appeals – Monday, June 29<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm
- Council Meeting – Monday, July 13 at 7:00 pm
- Budget Hearing – Monday, July 13 at 7:15 pm

## **Public Comment**

## **Adjournment** – Motion

Village of Bluffton – Regular meeting June 8, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Johnson presiding. Downey, Gordon-Hancock, Hill, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia present.

Hill motioned, seconded by Gordon-Hancock, to approve the minutes from the regular council meeting held on May 26, 2026. Roll Call: Yes (6) Downey, Gordon-Hancock, Hill, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

Talavinia motioned, seconded by Hill, to approve the bills as presented. Roll Call: Yes (6) Downey, Gordon-Hancock, Hill, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved.

The Fiscal Officer gave the following readings:

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:

Resolution 12-2026 – A Resolution establishing and recognizing a downtown sidewalk safety zone within the Village of Bluffton, Ohio; authorizing the installation of educational signage and pavement markings related to bicycle, electric bicycle, and scooter safety. Sehlhorst motioned to suspend the rules, seconded by Talavinia. Roll Call: Yes (6) Downey, Gordon-Hancock, Hill, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion approved. Stahl motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Gordon-Hancock. Roll Call: Yes (6) Downey, Gordon-Hancock, Hill, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion passed.

Sehlhorst motioned, seconded by Hill, to approve the special event request for the Cottage Art Haus Workshops. The workshops will take place most Saturdays between June 13 to October 3, 2026, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in the alley beside Book Reviews. Roll Call: Yes (6) Downey, Gordon-Hancock, Hill, Sehlhorst, Stahl, and Talavinia. No (0), Abstain (0), motion passed.

Talavinia motioned to adjourn the meeting.

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

Parks & Recreation Committee on Wednesday, June 10, at 5:15 p.m.

Planning Commission on Wednesday, June 10, at 7:00 p.m.

Streets, Alleys, Lights, and Sidewalk Committee on Thursday, June 11, at 6:30 p.m.

Personnel Committee on Friday, June 12, at noon.

Insurance Committee on Friday, June 12, at 12:45 p.m.

Finance Committee on Thursday, June 18, at 5:00 p.m.

Council Meeting on Monday, June 22 at 7:00 p.m.

Board of Zoning & Building Appeals on Monday, June 29, at 5:30 p.m.

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MAYOR

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FISCAL OFFICER

VILLAGE OF BLUFFTON  
VOUCHER REPORT 6/22/2026

| VENDOR                                            | AMOUNT    | DEPARTMENT           | DESCRIPTION                       |
|---------------------------------------------------|-----------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER                           | 5,770.65  | Multiple             | ELECTRICITY                       |
| AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER                           | 1,494.56  | Multiple             | ELECTRICITY                       |
| ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD                     | 33,209.98 | Multiple             | HEALTH INSURANCE                  |
| BAIN ENTERPRISES, LLC                             | 1,044.80  | Multiple             | VALVE MACHINE REPAIR              |
| BAIN ENTERPRISES, LLC                             | 310.00    | Sewer                | VAC TRAILER FILTER                |
| BASINGER PLUMBING & HEATING LLC                   | 2,124.00  | Land & Buildings     | TOWN HALL SNOW MELT               |
| BASINGER PLUMBING & HEATING LLC                   | 667.00    | Land & Buildings     | TOWN HALL SNOW MELT               |
| BLUFFTON AUTO REPAIR CENTER, LLC                  | 65.50     | Police               | CRUISER MAINTENANCE               |
| BLUFFTON AUTO REPAIR CENTER, LLC                  | 65.50     | Police               | CRUISER MAINTENANCE               |
| BLUFFTON AUTO REPAIR CENTER, LLC                  | 1,959.08  | Police               | CRUISER MAINTENANCE               |
| BLUFFTON STONE CO.                                | 135.87    | Multiple             | STONE                             |
| BLUFFTON STONE CO.                                | 78.74     | Multiple             | STONE                             |
| BOBCAT COMPANY                                    | 1,018.09  | Multiple             | TOOLCAT REPAIR                    |
| BOBCAT COMPANY                                    | 260.00    | Park                 | TRAIL MOWER RENTAL                |
| CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS                            | 175.35    | Multiple             | INTERNET                          |
| CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS                            | 53.03     | Multiple             | INTERNET                          |
| CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS                            | 170.00    | Administrative       | INTERNET                          |
| CINTAS                                            | 42.71     | Multiple             | FIRST AID SUPPLIES                |
| CINTAS                                            | 58.54     | Administrative       | UNIFORMS                          |
| CINTAS                                            | 83.68     | Administrative       | UNIFORMS                          |
| CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK                            | 40,522.56 | Capital Improvements | LOAN PAYMENT                      |
| CLEMANS, NELSON & ASSOCIATES, INC                 | 250.00    | Administrative       | RETAINER & PROFESSIONAL SERVICES  |
| DELAWARE POLICE DEPARTMENT                        | 400.00    | Police               | BIKE PATROL SCHOOL - PROBST       |
| EUROFINS DRINKING WATER & WASTEWATER CENTRAL, LLC | 1,748.00  | Multiple             | TESTING                           |
| GARY'S REPAIR LLC                                 | 931.02    | Park                 | MOWER MAINTENANCE                 |
| GARY'S REPAIR LLC                                 | 194.53    | Park                 | TIRE RIM                          |
| GARY'S REPAIR LLC                                 | 43.16     | Multiple             | PARTS & SUPPLIES                  |
| GREAT LAKES BILLING ASSOCIATES, INC.              | 1,377.96  | Rescue               | EMS BILLING SERVICES              |
| HACKENBERG, FEIGHNER, BISHOP & WERTH, LLC         | 1,200.00  | Administrative       | SOLICITOR FEES                    |
| HANCOCK-WOOD ELECTRIC CO-OP                       | 145.14    | Multiple             | ELECTRICITY                       |
| HANCOCK-WOOD ELECTRIC CO-OP                       | 62.00     | Multiple             | ELECTRICITY                       |
| HAWKINS INC.                                      | 128.90    | Pool                 | POOL SUPPLIES/MAINTENANCE         |
| HAWKINS INC.                                      | 1,504.00  | Pool                 | POOL CHEMICALS                    |
| HAWTHORNE-SEVING, INC.                            | 415.87    | Street               | FABRICATING METAL                 |
| JEFF ACHESON                                      | 900.00    | Park                 | SPRAY LEGACY PARK                 |
| KENT KARHOFF LLC                                  | 4,611.75  | Cemetery             | BURIALS & FOUNDATIONS             |
| KOI ENTERPRISES, INC.                             | 354.38    | Multiple             | BRAKES FOR F150                   |
| KOI ENTERPRISES, INC.                             | 199.50    | Multiple             | PARTS                             |
| MACK INDUSTRIES, INC.                             | 165.00    | Street               | CATCH BASIN RISER                 |
| MARATHON FLEET SERVICES                           | 1,730.97  | Multiple             | FUEL                              |
| MASTERPIECE SIGNS & GRAPHICS, INC.                | 444.50    | Street               | SIDEWALK SLOW DOWN STICKERS       |
| NAGY EQUIPMENT SALES INC.                         | 98.68     | Water                | SUCTION HOSE REPAIR               |
| OHIO VALLEY INTEGRATION SERVICES, INC.            | 240.00    | Capital Improvements | TOWN HALL ACCESS CONTROL          |
| OTC INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES                       | 7,358.00  | Sewer                | LIFT STATION REPAIR - HUNTERS RUN |
| PENNCARE 30                                       | 103.26    | Rescue               | MEDICAL SUPPLIES                  |
| PENNCARE 30                                       | 882.43    | Rescue               | MEDICAL SUPPLIES                  |
| PERRY CORPORATION                                 | 120.50    | Administrative       | IT CONTRACT                       |
| PERRY CORPORATION                                 | 4,012.02  | Administrative       | IT CONTRACT                       |
| ROTH ID TAG                                       | 789.95    | Police               | CAR SEAT PROGRAM                  |
| SAM'S CLUB                                        | 1,557.10  | Multiple             | SUPPLIES                          |
| SHELL FLEET PLUS                                  | 1,950.18  | Multiple             | FUEL                              |
| SMARTBILL                                         | 1,313.97  | Multiple             | BILLING SERVICES                  |
| STAPLES BUSINESS ADVANTAGE                        | 30.99     | Multiple             | SUPPLIES                          |
| TREE TECH                                         | 300.00    | Street               | STUMP GRINDING                    |

|                          |            |                  |                        |
|--------------------------|------------|------------------|------------------------|
| TREE TECH                | 1,400.00   | Land & Buildings | TREE REMOVAL           |
| UTILITY SERVICE CO, INC. | 48,241.44  | Water            | WATER TOWER PEDISPHERE |
| VERIZON WIRELESS         | 130.41     | Multiple         | CELL PHONES            |
| VILLAGE OF OTTAWA        | 45,803.82  | Water            | WATER                  |
| INCOME TAX REFUNDS       | 7,773.94   | Administrative   | INCOME TAX REFUNDS     |
|                          | 228,223.01 |                  |                        |
| MAY FIRE & EMS           | 6,656.43   |                  |                        |
| MEDICARE                 | 96.54      |                  |                        |
| OPERS                    | 768.42     |                  |                        |
| FICA                     | 69.61      |                  |                        |
| BIWEEKLY PAYROLL 6/12/26 | 95,756.51  |                  |                        |
| MEDICARE                 | 1,334.11   |                  |                        |
| OPERS                    | 9,246.41   |                  |                        |
| OP&F                     | 5,793.53   |                  |                        |

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

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

Parks & Rec - Minutes  
Village of Bluffton  
Town Hall  
June 10th, 2026

Present: Council - Ben Stahl, Tom Downey, Rich Johnson  
Admin - Jesse Blackburn  
Public - Bluffton Diamond Sports Rep Nathan Davis

Start: 5:15 End: 6:50

Topics: Bluffton Diamond Sports, Pickleball, Pool, Legacy Park

Minutes:

- Bluffton Diamond Sports
  - Due to the increasing number of kids in baseball/softball, Bluffton Diamond Sports would like to add a new field between Field 2 and Field 3, as well as a walking path from the Field 3 path to the concession stand, new backstop fencing behind Field 2, and potentially an outfield fence for Field 2, for a total cost around \$200k.
  - This is a small portion of the improvements that could be done at Village Park and tries to fit into the space around existing facilities. The administration suggested bringing in an engineering/consulting group to bring us bids on what it would cost to do some more intentional design for the park and perhaps solve additional problems, like parking. This is also something a capstone group might have some suggestions for.
  - Main concerns are ensuring adequate field space and parking, hard-surface walking paths to all fields/amenities, avoiding the gas pipelines, and addressing/mitigating flooding.
- Pickleball
  - We reviewed the revised contract language from the YMCA and had no issues with it.
- Pool
  - There have been suggestions that the Village take over concessions during swim meets as a revenue source. With not much time left in the swim season and regulatory issues around serving food at the pool, this isn't something we're going to try to take on this year.
  - We reviewed a draft Request for Proposals for construction of a new village pool.
- Legacy Park
  - Below-grade work for the shelterhouse anticipated to be completed this fall.\

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Ben Stahl

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Tom Downey



**Bluffton Parks and Rec**  
**Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** June 16, 2026

**Time:** 5:06 PM- 6:40 PM

**Location:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Town Hall, 154 N Main St., Bluffton, Ohio

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- **Attendance**

**Members Present:**

- Tom Downey

**Staff/Guests Present:**

- Jesse Blackburn (Village Administrator), Kevin Nickle (Fiscal Officer)
- Bluffton Soccer Club Members: Amy Byers, Ashley Gleason, Tyler Gleason, Jen Vastano

**Members Absent:**

- Ben Stahl
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- **Discussion Items**

- **Legacy Park:**

To continue Phase 1 construction of the Legacy Park, there were issues that needed to be discussed. We needed to finalize the basic design to allow Encompass to complete the construction drawings for the shelter house and concrete pad. Phase 1 was to be the concrete only, however there was a problem with the amount of money, approx.. \$56K, Jesse was concerned that the lower amount of this phase would cause a problem, making it look like were trying to piece out the project to skirt prevailing wage, etc.. Based on that, we looked into completing a majority of the shelter house project by cutting some costs and using the \$150K that the Village had budgeted for Legacy Park for 2026. Along with the \$75K that Bluffton Soccer Club currently has available and \$20K of unrecognized pledges.

- Changes from the original design were discussed, removing (2) lavatories from the latest set of prints, in order to reduce the cost.
- Bluffton Soccer Club is going to approach potential material donors over the next 3 weeks to see if anyone is willing to donate materials to the project
- Jesse will contact Encompass to have them begin the construction drawings, in hopes to have package ready for bid by mid July (est)
- Estimate to award bid mid August
- Plan to have concrete poured late fall
- Completion of shelter house mid June 2027
- Signage will be temporary for Fall 2026, with final in 2027

Next Meeting July 7, 2026 – 5:15

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- **Adjournment**

*Motion:* Downey- 8:35 PM

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Tom Downey

# Bluffton Planning Commission

## Commission Meeting Minutes

**Date:** June 10, 2026

**Time:** 7:01 PM-8:05 PM

**Location:** 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Town Hall, 154 N Main St., Bluffton, Ohio

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- **Attendance**

**Members Present:**

- Mitch Agner, Tom Downey, Roger Edwards, Rich Johnson (Mayor)

**Staff/Guests Present:**

- Jesse Blackburn, Village Administrator
- Eli Hoffer, Bob Fett

**Members Absent:**

- Tim Essinger
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- **Discussion Items**

- **Tom Fett Building Lot Request, Eli Hoffer:** Request to build a 4 acre property on annexed Schumacher property along Tom Fett Road.

Requestor was open to many options: use village water & sewer, un-annex the property, add own well and septic.

Concerns were voiced regarding the distance, direction and cost of running the utilities to the suggested site. While adding the services it was likely that many properties would be forced to be annexed into the village and pay for their portion of the services. If the system would be run straight line, may adversely affect the future use of the undeveloped land. After much discussion it was suggested to table the matter and schedule a second meeting with the full board allowing members a chance to further review the request. A meeting was scheduled for June 17 at 8:00 pm.

- **Chestnut Lane Additional Building Lot, Bob Fett:** Request the addition of a single dwelling unit building lot be added to the west end of the cul-de-sac. Mr. Fett provided a sketch (hand) of the potential site. Site would require a variance of the back yard offset.

There are utilities services that could be tapped near the site at an existing dead end. There were no foreseeable road, property or services to the west from the existing development that the requested lot would restrict.

*Motion:* Edwards moved, Agner seconded, to allow the pursuit of a lot for building of a single dwelling unit.

*Roll Call:* Ayes – Edward, Agner, Downey. Nays – None.

Motion carried.

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- **Adjournment**

*Motion:* Downey- 8:05 PM

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Tom Downey

# Bluffton Planning Commission

## Commission Meeting Minutes

**Date:** June 17, 2026

**Time:** 8:03 PM-8:35 PM

**Location:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Town Hall, 154 N Main St., Bluffton, Ohio

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- **Attendance**

**Members Present:**

- Mitch Agner, Tom Downey, Roger Edwards, Tim Essinger, Rich Johnson (Mayor)

**Staff/Guests Present:**

- Jesse Blackburn, Village Administrator
- Eli Hoffer

**Members Absent:**

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- **Discussion Items**

- **Tom Fett Building Lot Request, Eli Hoffer:** Request to build a 4 acre property on annexed Schumacher property along Tom Fett Road.

Meeting began bringing Mr. Essinger up to speed, who was absent at the initial meeting on June 10, 2026. The original concerns were again discussed regarding the distance, direction and cost of running the utilities to the suggested site. While adding the services it was likely that many properties would be forced to be annexed into the village and pay for their portion of the services. If the system would be run straight line, may adversely affect the future use of the undeveloped land.

*Motion:* Edwards moved, Essinger seconded, to deny the request to build a 4 acre lot on the annexed Schumacher property along Tom Fett.

*Roll Call:* Ayes – Edward, Essinger, Agner, Downey. Nays – None.

Motion carried.

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- **Adjournment**

*Motion:* Downey- 8:35 PM

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Tom Downey

## **2026, June 11 – Streets, Lights & Sidewalk Committee Meeting**

Start: 6:30 PM End: 8 PM

Present: Joe Sehlhorst, Liz Gordon-Hancock, Admin. Jesse Blackburn, Mayor Rich Johnson

### **Topic 1: Complete Streets Policy Review**

- See Attached

### **Topic 2: Sidewalk Connectivity**

- Discussed small sidewalk connectivity projects be added to inventory.
  - o Railroad St.

### **Topic 3: Future Public Meeting Riley St. Connectivity**

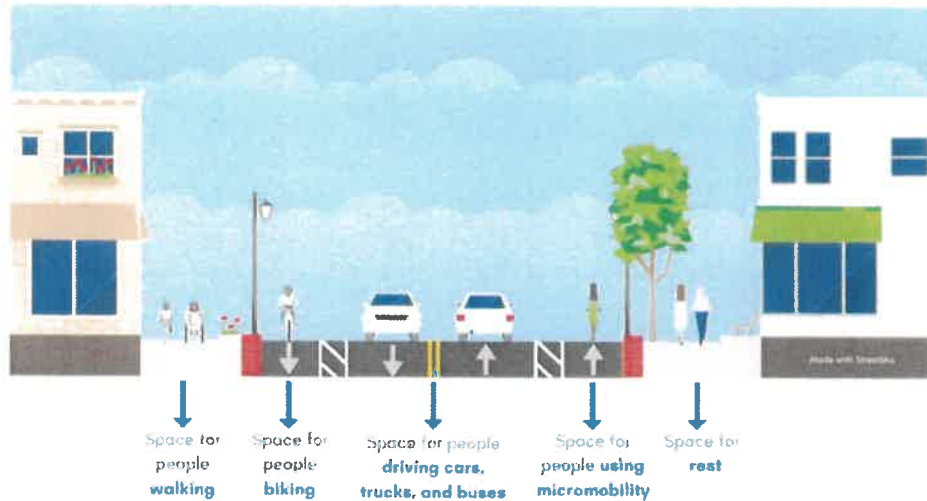
- Expected to be scheduled in September
- Pathway Board has tasked Administration and Streets Committee to present Pathway Board findings for ways to connect Bentley Rd. Pathway to Buckeye Park along Riley St.
- Seeking public input especially from those residents living along Riley St.

### **Topic 4: Richland Dr. Street Markings**

- Administrator and Riley Creek Village to have discussion about the markings.



# COMPLETE STREETS FOR ALL



## OVER 160 YEARS OF STREET EVOLUTION

BECAUSE STREETS ARE PUBLIC SPACE FOR EVERYONE

### **Complete Streets Steering Committee**

Jesse Blackburn – Village Administrator

Joseph W. Sehlhorst – Chair, Village Council Member

Ryan Shoemaker – Community Member

Travis Music – Community Member

Adam Haunhorst – Lima-Allen County Regional Planning Commission

Bri Buzard – Allen County Public Health, Creating Healthy Communities

Tobi Otulana – Toole Design

## 1. Vision and Intent

1.1. Complete Streets are streets designed and operated to enable safe use and to support comfortable, convenient, and independent mobility for all users. Complete Street elements examples may include but are not limited to:

- Pedestrian Improvements – sidewalks, crosswalks, median crossing islands
- Traffic Calming – center turning lanes, on-street parking
- Trees and Greenspace – tree lawns, neighborhood parks, landscaping
- Bike Improvements – bike lanes, trails and paths, bike parking
- Disability Facilities – reachable buttons, wheelchair friendly sidewalks, median crossings
- Public Transit Facilities – bus shelters, well-lit waiting areas, bus lanes

Complete Streets benefits may include:

- Health – Lowered risk of chronic disease, reduced daily stress from driving, less motor vehicle congestion, and improved air quality
- Environment – Reduced motor vehicle emissions and more compact development with less impermeable surface
- Economy – Lowered health care costs, increased productivity, increased retail sales in pedestrian-oriented environments, and reduced costs for roadway updates.
- Social – Increased interaction and community building; greater social safety; roads turned into people-oriented spaces, increased mobility options for all, and community wide solutions to address systemic inequalities
- Equity – Improved access to affordable, safe mobility for vulnerable populations in Bluffton including people with disabilities, older adults, people with low incomes, and people with limited access to a vehicle

This Complete Streets policy is one of many steps in Village of Bluffton (Bluffton) efforts to provide safe and accessible streets for everyone and every mode. This Complete Streets policy will standardize how new and reconstruction transportation projects will improve access and livability throughout the village, including all new, reconstruction, and scheduled maintenance projects within the limits of Bluffton. By implementing Complete Streets principles, the transportation network will contribute to improving the community's health, environment, economic vitality, and quality of life for those living and frequenting the Village of Bluffton.

1.2. Bluffton's vision for Complete Streets is the thoughtful creation of a connected street network which improves safety and facilitates movement for all users in the Village of Bluffton community including pedestrians, motorists, cyclists, transit and school bus riders, delivery and service personnel, freight haulers, and emergency responders.

## 2. Diverse Users

2.1. This policy acknowledges priority users, rather than neighborhoods, due to the small village context of Bluffton. Complete Streets priorities for the Village include, but are not limited to:

- Improving connectivity for people walking and biking.
- Prioritizing access for youth, older adults, and people with limited mobility to parks and trails.
- Prioritizing safe and equitable access to community resources and amenities.
- Improving safety and facilitating movement for all users regardless of age, disability status, race, ethnicity, religion, income, gender, identity, immigration status, language spoken, or access to a personal vehicle.

### **3. Commitment in all Projects and Phases**

- 3.1. The Village shall approach every street project (village, state, federal, and private development) and each project's phase as an opportunity for improvements for all users. These phases include, but are not limited to, planning, programming, design, right-of-way acquisition, construction, construction engineering, reconstruction, operation, and maintenance. Complete Streets facilities shall be considered during capital improvements, street resurfacing, street repaving, street restriping, or other roadway rehabilitation.
- 3.2. Where possible, the Village shall provide safe and reasonable accommodations for all modes of transportation to continue to use the road safely and efficiently during construction or repair work that infringes on the right-of-way and/or sidewalk.
- 3.3. Privately constructed streets and parking lots shall adhere to this policy.
- 3.4. The Village shall coordinate with local businesses and local school districts to improve multimodal connections to key destinations and amenities.

### **4. Clear, Accountable Exceptions**

- 4.1. Exceptions to providing for all modes in each project include:
  - 4.1.a. Accommodation is unnecessary on corridors where specific users are prohibited, such as interstate freeways or pedestrian malls. Excluding certain users on particular corridors should not exempt projects from accommodating other permitted users.
  - 4.1.b. Cost of accommodation is excessively disproportionate to the need or probable use.
  - 4.1.c. A documented absence of current and future needs.
  - 4.1.d. Emergency repairs such as a water main leak require an immediate, rapid response; however, temporary accommodations for all modes should still be made. Depending on the severity of the repairs, opportunities to improve multimodal access should still be considered where possible.
  - 4.1.e. Engineering judgment determines that Complete Streets facilities are not feasible due to terrain, ownership/jurisdiction, and/or existing structures that cannot be accommodated through design.
- 4.2. Exceptions to the Complete Streets policy will be reviewed and documented by the Village Administrator or their designee and approved by the Village Council. The Village Administrator or their designee will add requested exceptions to the Village Council meeting agenda for discussion in open forum. Documentation of the proposed exception will be published in the Planning Commission and Village Council meeting minutes and accessible to the public via the Village website.
- 4.3. On an annual basis, the Village Administrator, or their designee, shall provide documentation of all exceptions to the Village Streets Committee, Village Council, and Village Pathways Board.

## **5. Jurisdiction**

- 5.1. All public and private development projects which propose improvements within the public right-of-way shall comply with this Complete Streets policy. Approval of necessary permits is contingent upon meeting the Complete Streets requirements.
- 5.2. Private development projects proposing privately owned rights-of-ways shall be reviewed for consistency with this Complete Streets policy as part of the approval process. Owners of private parking lots, streets, and rights-of-ways shall adhere to this policy.
- 5.3. The State of Ohio controls several principal transportation corridors which traverse through Bluffton. The Village shall work cooperatively with the Ohio Department of Transportation to plan and implement Complete Streets improvements and major maintenance within these rights-of-ways.
- 5.4. To support connectivity between local political subdivisions, the Village shall coordinate with and foster project partnerships with surrounding jurisdictions and agencies including but not limited to Orange Township, Richland Township, Allen County, and Hancock County.

## **6. Design**

- 6.1. The Village shall follow the best and latest versions of practices concerning design guidance, standards, and recommendations in the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) Multimodal Design Guide (MDG). Other best practice guidance, documents, and entities may include, but are not limited to:
  - Public Right of Ways Accessibility Guidelines (PROWAG)
  - Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
  - Technical expertise of the Village's engineering counsel and/or hired consultants
  - Any applicable Village of Bluffton design code including not limited to, Title XV Land Usage
- 6.2. The Village of Bluffton Streets, Alleys, Lights, and Sidewalks Committee (Streets Committee) shall use a Complete Streets Checklist to direct the design of the Village's roadways, bridges, pathways, and sidewalks.
  - 6.2.a. The Complete Streets Checklist will be developed within twelve (12) months of policy adoption. The checklist will align with design guidance in the ODOT MDG and support creation of a comprehensive, integrated transportation network that is safe, accessible, comfortable, accommodating, and welcoming to all modes.
- 6.3. The Village will revisit the list of best practice standards and guidance every two years.

## **7. Land Use and Context Sensitivity**

- 7.1. Transportation networks do not exist independently of communities and neighborhoods. Plans and policies will consider the surrounding context of land uses, residents, and future development. Streets should serve the needs of all users, whether they live along the street or are passing through. Streets will be designed in a context-sensitive manner that responds to roadway characteristics (such as volume, speed, turning movements, and curbside uses), the character of the surrounding neighborhood, its current and planned building forms and uses, and its current and expected transportation needs.

- 7.2. To support cohesion between land use and transportation, the Village Administrator, or their designee, shall provide coordination with this Complete Streets policy for the Planning Commission and the Streets Committee by attending meetings and serving in an advisory role. The Village Administrator, or their designee, will ensure that Complete Streets principles are understood by the Planning Commission, Streets Committee, and all other entities related to transportation planning, land-use planning, and economic development activities.
- 7.3. The Village will adhere to Complete Streets principles when developing or revising land use tools. Village zoning, subdivision regulations, land-use plans, and other relevant policies will abide by the Complete Streets policy. When policies, regulations, ordinances, and plans are revised they will incorporate the Complete Streets principles and standards outlined in this document.
- 7.4. The Village will track performance measures and use community engagement (including but not limited to community surveys) to evaluate any negative unintended consequences for vulnerable populations, caused by the implementation of this policy.

## 8. Performance Measures

- 8.1. The Village shall track Complete Streets policy implementation with the short-term and long-term performance measures listed below.

### *Short-term performance measures:*

- Mileage of sidewalk added
- Mileage of bikeways added
- Number of Complete Streets projects constructed (i.e., crosswalks, ADA improvements, transit improvements, bicycle parking, traffic calming),
- Number of Complete Streets projects implemented within ¼ mile of schools, health care services, grocery stores, retail and service stores, banks, parks, or recreational facilities
- Net number of new street trees added
- Number of crashes (location and type)
- Number of non-infrastructure programs or events implemented (e.g., education or encouragement activities)
- Utilization – number of bicycle and pedestrian counts
- Number of maintenance activities completed
- Number of, and reasons for, Complete Streets policy exceptions approved
- Number of completed Complete Streets checklists

### *Long term performance measures:*

- Increase in sidewalk and path connectivity
- Increase in the amount of people who utilize active transportation for transportation and recreation
- Improvement in public health outcomes including but not limited to obesity and chronic disease rates for both youth and adults

- 8.2. The Village Administrator, or designee shall report annually on short-term performance measures at a Streets Committee meeting and develop an annual report to be shared publicly. The short- and long-term performance measures reflect the priorities and priority groups listed under Section 2 Diverse Users.
- 8.3. The Village shall collect data with assistance from agencies and organizations including but not limited to: Bluffton Public Works Department, Bluffton Administration, Bluffton Pathways Board, Bluffton Police Department, Allen County Public Health (ACPH), Lima-Allen County Regional Planning Commission (LACRPC), Activate Allen County, ODOT - Transportation Information Mapping System (TIMS), and Ohio Department of Health (ODH).

## **9. Project Selection Criteria**

- 9.1. The Village shall incorporate the following project selection criteria into the transportation decision-making process:
  - Safety for all roadway users, especially pedestrians. Areas with a high rate of traffic crashes or with higher populations of peoples with disabilities, older residents, and other vulnerable populations are to be prioritized.
  - Cost
  - Funding availability
  - Number of people impacted by the project
  - Connection to planned or existing pathways identified by the Bluffton Pathways Board
  - Impact on the Complete Streets priorities listed in Section 2 of this policy
  - Connectivity – Areas that fill a gap or lead to a more connected walking and bicycling network are to be prioritized.

## **10. Implementation Steps**

- 10.1. The Village Streets Committee shall dedicate one meeting per year to Complete Streets to discuss the annual report of performance measures, policy implementation progress, community engagement needs, and/or other topics relevant to the implementation of this policy. Representatives from the agencies, organizations, and groups listed below will be invited to attend and participate in this annual meeting for policy implementation oversight.
  - Schools
  - Police
  - Fire/Emergency Medical Services
  - Allen County Public Health (ACPH) Complete Streets Policy Task Force
  - Economic Development
  - Bluffton Entrepreneurs
  - Tree Commission
  - Planning Commission
  - Public Neighborhood Associations
  - Senior citizen groups
  - Daycare centers
  - Human services and/or social organizations
  - Bluffton University
  - Bluffton Hospital
  - Safe Communities Coalition

10.2. The Village shall view Complete Streets as integral to everyday transportation decision-making practices and processes. To this end:

10.2.a. The Village Pathways Board, Village Streets Committee, and Village Council shall oversee implementation of this Complete Streets Policy. Accountability will be ensured through annual reporting requirements including exceptions and short-term/long-term performance measures.

10.2.b In accordance with Village led comprehensive planning efforts, Zoning Code reevaluation and updates shall align with this Complete Streets Policy. Within twelve (12) months of adopting this Complete Streets policy, the Village Administrator, or their designee shall make recommendations for updates to the Village Comprehensive Plan and Village Zoning Code.

10.2.c. In addition to local funds, the Village shall seek regional, state, federal, and private funding sources to implement Complete Streets including but not limited to: Lima Allen County Regional Planning Commission (LACRPC), Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT), Bluffton Lions Foundation, Ohio Department of Health (ODH), and Hancock County Community Foundation.

10.2.d. The Village will support ongoing education for staff through trainings and educational offerings including but not limited to:

- LACRPC Crash and safety reviews
- ODOT Active Transportation Academy trainings
- Educational activities such as bicycle rodeos

10.3. Policy implementation will include community engagement through strategies including but not limited to:

- Public comment opportunities at the annual Complete Street focused Streets Committee meeting and at Village Council meetings where policy exceptions are being heard.
- Walk audits. The Village will make walk audit forms publicly available.
- Community surveys. The Village will survey the community about Complete Streets implementation, priorities, unintended consequences, and other relevant information as needed.
- Educational, encouragement, and engagement activities led by local and regional partners including bicycle rodeos, professional development bicycle rides, and youth traffic safety education events.

## **Personnel Committee - Minutes**

Village of Bluffton

June 12, 2026

12:00pm

Present: Phill Talavinia, Ben Hill, Rich Johnson; Mayor

Staff: EMS Chief Noah Babcock, Police Chief Ryan Burkholder, Lt. Matt Oglessbee, Sgt. Hochstetler, Jesse Blackburn, Kevin Nickel

### **2 TOPICS:**

- EMS Chief provided an update on staff that passed their paramedic exam along with other certifications. This also means that they are eligible for an increase in their hourly salaries based on our current policies.
- There was one additional staff eligible for a pay increase based on the same policy.

Heard comments from both Chief Burkholder and Jesse Blackburn on salaries.

Entered Executive Session at 12:25pm to discuss the compensation of public employees. There was no action anticipated. Phill made the motion to exit the Executive session and a second from Ben at 12:45pm.

Meeting ended at 12.47pm

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Phill Talavinia

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Ben Hill

## **Insurance Committee - Minutes**

Village of Bluffton

June 12, 2026

Present: Ben Hill, Liz Gordon-Hancock, Rich Johnson; Mayor

Staff: Police Chief Ryan Burkholder, Jesse Blackburn, Kevin Nickel

Called to order at 12:55pm on June 12.

Discussed Village PEP renewal, agreed to propose review quote and recommend to enter into agreement as appropriate.

Discussed Vision and Dental insurance renewals. Agreed to review quote and enter agreement as appropriate.

Adjourned at 1:30PM.

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Ben Hill

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Liz Gordon-Hancock

June 18, 2026

Finance Committee Meeting

Time 5:00pm

Present: Phill Talavinia, Ben Hill

Staff: Rich Johnson, Jesse Blackburn, Kevin Nickel

Topic: 2027 Budget work

The committee met to review the 2027 budget that the fiscal officer had prepared. This work is necessary so that we can submit the budget to the county in July. This is an annual requirement, and we will still have our normal allocation process in early 2027. The committee had several questions but otherwise was pleased with what was presented.

This will be presented to Council at their next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm

## **Village of Bluffton**

### **Administration Report**

To: Mayor Johnson & Council Members



**06-22-26**

### **Projects:**

#### **S.R. 103 Roundabout:**

Construction update:

- Phase 2 construction & DETOUR has started

#### **Grove Rd. bridge:**

#### **East water tower tank painting:**

### **Items to be declared Surplus:**

Request a motion from Council to declare the following items to be declared surplus and sold through GovDeals.

- 2006 International Dump Truck: VIN S#3819
- 2013 Ford Explorer: VIN S#7085
- 2017 Ford Explorer: VIN S#3284

### **Board of Zoning & Building Appeals**

Meeting to be held on Monday, June 29<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm.

The purpose of the meeting is to consider the following:

- The property owner at 111 Cherry St. (Do It Best Hardware building) is requesting a dimensional variance for a proposed building addition. This proposed addition includes a 25-foot extension of the hardware building toward Cherry St.
- The request seeks relief from the required front yard setback requirements applicable to the C-I Commercial District, as established in §153.145 of the Bluffton Codified Ordinances.
- The required front yard in this District is 25 ft. The proposed addition would reduce the front yard to 15 ft.

### **Mayor Johnson: Applications for Special Events**

1. Food Truck Festival
2. F3 10 Mile Ruck – No approval needed. More of a Public Notice than Special Event.



# VILLAGE OF BLUFFTON

154 N. MAIN STREET, P.O. BOX 63 BLUFFTON, OHIO 45817-0063  
419-358-2066

## APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL EVENTS

|                                                                                                                                |                                           |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| EVENT NAME: <u>Food Truck Festival</u>                                                                                         | DATE(S) OF EVENT: <u>July 16th 4-8 pm</u> |
| APPLICANT: <u>H. Warwick Chamber of Commerce</u>                                                                               | CONTACT PERSON: <u>Hannah Warwick</u>     |
| APPLICANT'S ADDRESS: _____                                                                                                     | CONTACT'S PHONE: <u>419-890-9568</u>      |
| E-MAIL ADDRESS (OPTIONAL): _____                                                                                               |                                           |
| LOCATION OF EVENT: <u>Church Street (from Main Street to Jackson Street)</u>                                                   |                                           |
| TIME(S) FOR EVENT: <u>4-8pm</u>                                                                                                |                                           |
| DESCRIPTION OF EVENT: <u>Food trucks will be parked on Church Street across from the Gazebo during the music at the Gazebo</u> |                                           |

### SERVICES REQUESTED FROM VILLAGE:

TRAFFIC CONTROL: \_\_\_\_\_ NUMBER OF OFFICERS REQUESTED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of officers required to cover security will be determined on a case by case basis upon consultation with the Chief of Police

ROAD CLOSURE: ☒ \_\_\_\_\_

SECURITY: \_\_\_\_\_ NUMBER OF OFFICERS REQUESTED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of officers required to cover security will be determined on a case by case basis upon consultation with the Chief of Police

EMS SERVICES: \_\_\_\_\_ FIRE DEPT. SERVICES: \_\_\_\_\_

WATER SERVICE: \_\_\_\_\_ OTHER SERVICES: \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant must provide MAP of plans and any other information required.**

ALCOHOL SERVED: YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO ☒ \* Applicant is responsible for obtaining the proper alcohol permit from the Division of Liquor Control prior to the event.

EVENT'S INSURER: \_\_\_\_\_ \* Village must be listed as Additional Insured

ATTACH CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE TO APPLICATION

| PLEASE LIST VENDORS, SERVICES, CONTRACTORS, ETC. INVOLVED WITH EVENT: |                          |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| NAME OF VENDOR                                                        | TYPE OF SERVICE PROVIDED |
| <u>Still obtaining list of food trucks if needed</u>                  | _____                    |
| _____                                                                 | _____                    |
| _____                                                                 | _____                    |
| _____                                                                 | _____                    |
| _____                                                                 | _____                    |

\* FOOD VENDORS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR OBTAINING ANY NECESSARY HEALTH DEPARTMENT PERMITS

I understand that the granting of this permit for the special event creates no agreement or guarantee, express or implied, to any person or entity for any liability whatsoever connected with this special event. Any liability is the sole responsibility of the person or organization responsible for the special event. By signing this application, I acknowledge that all statements made herein are true and correct and that I have the authority to bind the organization that I represent.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE: Hannah L Warwick DATE: 6/13/2026

### **APPROVED**

MAYOR'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_



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419-358-2066

## APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL EVENTS

|                            |                                                                                                         |                   |                      |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| EVENT NAME:                | <u>F3 10 Mile Run</u>                                                                                   | DATE(S) OF EVENT: | <u>6/27/2026</u>     |
| APPLICANT:                 | <u>F3 Bluffton</u>                                                                                      | CONTACT PERSON:   | <u>Andrew Corson</u> |
| APPLICANT'S ADDRESS:       | <u>142 S. Jackson St</u>                                                                                | CONTACT'S PHONE:  | <u>813-335-0647</u>  |
| E-MAIL ADDRESS (OPTIONAL): | <u>spiderman 33511@yahoo.com</u>                                                                        |                   |                      |
| LOCATION OF EVENT:         | <u>Throughout Bluffton</u>                                                                              |                   |                      |
| TIME(S) FOR EVENT:         | <u>8am start ; roughly 3 hours</u>                                                                      |                   |                      |
| DESCRIPTION OF EVENT:      | <u>10 mile run around Bluffton. Hoping to get 25 people to make 250 miles for the 250yr anniversary</u> |                   |                      |

### SERVICES REQUESTED FROM VILLAGE:

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ROAD CLOSURE: \_\_\_\_\_

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|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| NAME OF VENDOR                                                        | TYPE OF SERVICE PROVIDED |
| _____                                                                 | _____                    |
| _____                                                                 | _____                    |
| _____                                                                 | _____                    |
| _____                                                                 | _____                    |
| _____                                                                 | _____                    |
| _____                                                                 | _____                    |

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APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE:  DATE: 6/18/2026

### **APPROVED**

MAYOR'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

## 10 MILE RUCK

**10.12 mi**

Distance

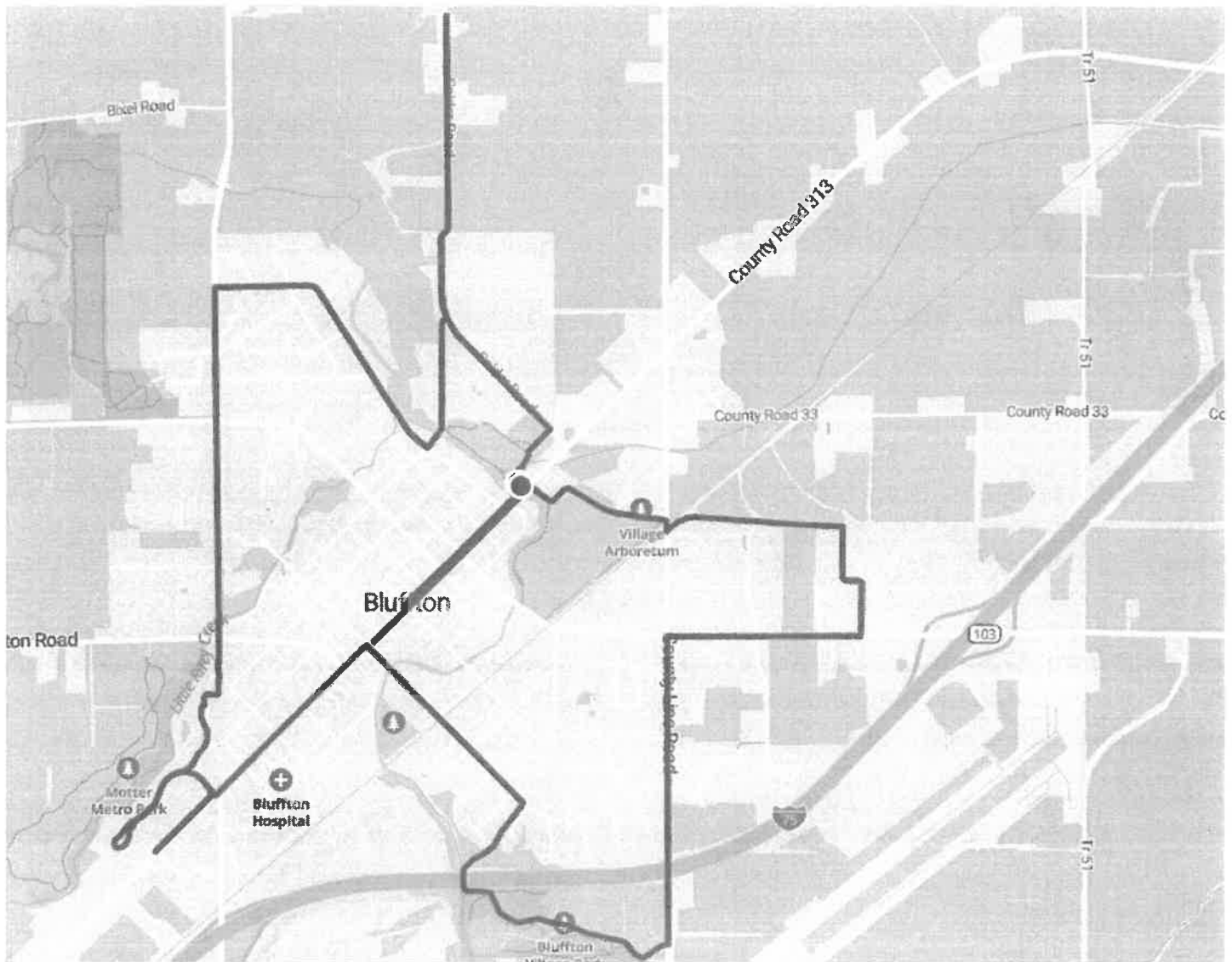
**214 ft**

Elevation Gain

**Hike**

Activity Type

### Notes



Elevation

Start

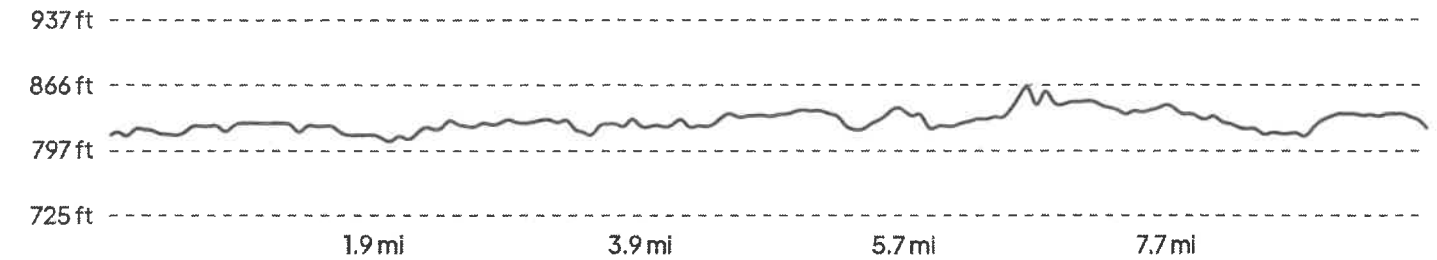
813 ft

Max

855 ft

Gain

214 ft



| DISTANCE (MI) | DIRECTION                                               |
|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| 0.00          | Walk northwest on the walkway.                          |
| 0.00          | Continue on Benroth Memorial Bridge.                    |
| 0.01          | Continue on the walkway.                                |
| 0.02          | Walk northeast on the walkway.                          |
| 0.10          | Turn right onto the walkway.                            |
| 0.10          | Continue.                                               |
| 0.17          | Walk northeast.                                         |
| 0.17          | Turn left onto Snider Road.                             |
| 1.22          | Walk south on Snider Road.                              |
| 1.93          | Turn right onto North Spring Street.                    |
| 2.24          | Walk northwest on West Riley Street.                    |
| 2.92          | Walk south on North Bentley Road / Bentley Road/CR 239. |
| 3.79          | Walk west.                                              |
| 3.79          | Turn left onto the walkway.                             |
| 3.83          | Bear right.                                             |
| 3.86          | Walk west.                                              |
| 3.90          | Walk south.                                             |
| 3.91          | Turn right.                                             |
| 3.96          | Walk southeast.                                         |
| 4.03          | Walk southwest.                                         |
| 4.31          | Walk southwest.                                         |
| 4.38          | Walk north.                                             |
| 4.43          | Turn right.                                             |
| 4.60          | Keep right at the fork.                                 |
| 4.69          | Turn right onto the walkway.                            |

| <b>DISTANCE (MI)</b> | <b>DIRECTION</b>                                                 |
|----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 4.69                 | Turn right onto the walkway.                                     |
| 4.70                 | Walk southeast on the walkway.                                   |
| 4.70                 | Turn right onto the walkway.                                     |
| 4.89                 | Walk northeast on the walkway.                                   |
| 5.08                 | Turn right.                                                      |
| 5.09                 | Turn left onto South Main Street.                                |
| 5.58                 | Turn right onto East College Avenue.                             |
| 5.58                 | Walk southeast on East College Avenue.                           |
| 6.09                 | Walk southwest on Triplett Bikeway.                              |
| 6.31                 | Walk south on Triplett Bikeway.                                  |
| 6.59                 | Continue.                                                        |
| 6.74                 | Walk east.                                                       |
| 6.82                 | Keep left at the fork.                                           |
| 6.88                 | Walk east.                                                       |
| 6.88                 | Turn left onto County Line Road/CR 15 / TR 15.                   |
| 7.59                 | Walk north on County Line Road/CR 15 / TR 15.                    |
| 7.60                 | Turn right onto Jefferson Street/SR 103.                         |
| 8.04                 | Walk east on Jefferson Street/SR 103.                            |
| 8.04                 | Turn left onto Commerce Lane.                                    |
| 8.16                 | Turn left onto Lions Way.                                        |
| 8.33                 | Walk west on Lions Way.                                          |
| 8.74                 | Walk southwest on Lions Way.                                     |
| 8.75                 | Turn right onto County Road 15 / County Line Road/CR 15 / TR 15. |
| 8.77                 | Turn left onto Lake Drive.                                       |
| 9.12                 | Walk southwest on the walkway.                                   |
| 9.63                 | Walk northeast on the walkway.                                   |
| 9.73                 | Turn left onto the walkway.                                      |
| 9.74                 | Turn right onto the walkway.                                     |
| 9.87                 | Keep left to take the walkway.                                   |
| 10.13                | Turn left.                                                       |
| 10.13                | Destination                                                      |



# E-BIKES, BICYCLES & SCOOTERS

SHARE THE ROAD. RESPECT OUR COMMUNITY.

A MESSAGE FROM THE BLUFFTON POLICE DEPARTMENT



## KNOW THE RULES. RIDE RESPONSIBLY.

E-bikes, bicycles, and scooters are great ways to get around Bluffton.

For your safety and the safety of others, please know and follow the laws that apply.



**BICYCLE:** A device propelled solely by human power.



**E-BIKE:** A bicycle with an electric motor of 750 watts or less that meets the criteria in the Ohio Revised Code.



**E-SCOOTER:** A device with handlebars and two or more wheels designed to be stood upon and propelled by an electric motor.



## GENERAL SAFETY

- Obey all traffic laws and signals.
- Ride in the same direction as traffic.
- Use hand signals when turning or stopping.
- Keep to the right and allow others to pass safely.
- Wear a properly fitted helmet. Helmets are strongly recommended for riders of all ages.
- Use lights at night and in low visibility conditions.
- Don't use headphones/earbuds while riding.
- Never ride under the influence of alcohol or drugs.



## OHIO REVISED CODE (SELECTED SECTIONS)

### ORC 4511.01 – Definitions

Defines bicycles, electric bicycles (e-bikes), and other terms used throughout Ohio traffic laws.

### ORC 4511.55 – Bicycles on Roadways

Bicyclists have the same rights and duties as drivers of vehicles and must obey applicable traffic laws.

### ORC 4511.522 – Electric Bicycles; Labels, Compliance with Federal Regulations; Permitted Use; Violations

Establishes Ohio's electric bicycle classifications, labeling requirements, compliance with federal standards, and where electric bicycles may legally be operated. Also outlines violations related to improper operation or modification.

### ORC 4511.56 – Bicycle Signal Devices

Requires bicyclists to use proper hand and arm signals when turning or stopping, when safe to do so.



ELECTRIC BICYCLES ARE SUBJECT TO MANY OF THE SAME TRAFFIC LAWS AND RESPONSIBILITIES AS TRADITIONAL BICYCLES UNLESS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY OHIO LAW OR LOCAL ORDINANCE.



## VILLAGE OF BLUFFTON ORDINANCES

Codified Ordinances of Bluffton, Ohio

**75.01 – Bicycles; Application of Title VII**  
Establishes that bicycles are subject to the provisions of Bluffton's Traffic Code (Title VII) unless otherwise specified.

### 75.03 – Electric Bicycles

Provides regulations governing the operation and use of electric bicycles within the Village, including compliance with applicable traffic laws and state regulations.

### 75.04 – Rules for Bicycles, Motorcycles, and Snowmobiles

Establishes operating requirements and restrictions for bicycles, motorcycles, and snowmobiles, including equipment standards and prohibited conduct.

\*Ordinances subject to change. Visit [www.bluffton-ohio.com](http://www.bluffton-ohio.com) for the most



## DOWNTOWN BUSINESS DISTRICT

Bluffton's downtown is a vibrant, walkable space for everyone to enjoy.

## BEST PRACTICE: DISMOUNT & WALK.



The safest and most courteous practice in Bluffton's downtown business district is to dismount and walk bicycles, e-bikes, and scooters through heavily traveled pedestrian areas.

## IF DISMOUNTING IS NOT PRACTICAL:

Slow to a pedestrian-friendly speed, yield to pedestrians, and use extra caution where sidewalk signage is posted.

**SLOW DOWN. BE COURTEOUS. SHARE SPACE.**



Pedestrians have the right-of-way.  
Let's keep downtown safe, welcoming, and enjoyable for all.

## BE VISIBLE. BE PREDICTABLE. BE SAFE.



### LIGHT IT UP

Use front and rear lights at night and in low visibility.



### BE SEEN

Wear bright or reflective clothing.



### SIGNAL YOUR MOVES

Use hand signals and make your intentions clear.



### RESPECT OTHERS

Be patient, be polite, and share the space.



**TOGETHER, WE CAN KEEP BLUFFTON SAFE.**  
THANK YOU FOR DOING YOUR PART!

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