

VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER, OHIO

ORDINANCE NO. 2026- 10

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN REAL
PROPERTY; AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MAYOR AND SOLICITOR TO
PROSECUTE THE PROCESS NECESSARY TO EFFECT SAID ANNEXATION AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN THE VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER, RICHLAND
TOWNSHIP, LOGAN COUNTY, OHIO**

WHEREAS, the Legislative Authority of the Village of Belle Center, Ohio believes it would be in the best interest of the Village to have the real property identified on Exhibits A and B (the "Real Property") annexed to the Village of Belle Center, Ohio.

SEE EXHIBITS 'A' AND 'B' ATTACHED HERETO

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by Council of the Village of Belle Center, Logan County, Ohio, three-fourths (3/4) of its members concurring that:

SECTION 1: This council hereby authorizes the Annexation of the attached described Real Property.

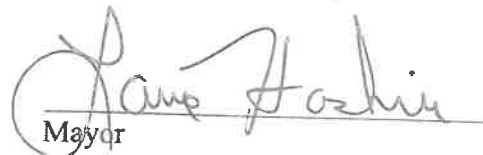
SECTION 2: This council hereby authorizes the Village Mayor and Solicitor to prosecute the process necessary to effect said annexation.

SECTION 3: That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure made necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of the Village of Belle Center, Ohio, provide for its continuous uninterrupted services, and to annex the attached described Real Property, and it shall, therefore, be in force and take effect immediately upon its passage and signature by the Mayor.

PASSED: 8-11-26


President of Council

APPROVED: _____


Mayor

ATTEST: _____

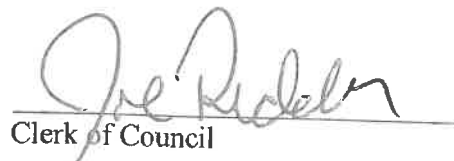

Clerk of Council

EXHIBIT A

TRACT I: Being situate in the State of Ohio, County of Logan, Village of Belle Center, Richland Township, and being a part of Virginia Military Survey 9989, and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a 5/8" diameter iron bar found on the centerline of County Road 106 (60' right-of-way) at station 160+41 as shown in Logan County Engineer's Field Book 596, Page 74, said iron bar found also being at a corner of a 2.940 acre tract conveyed to Donald E. Daniels, et al., by Deed recorded in Official Record 121, Page 725, Tract I, of the Logan County Records;

thence S-83°26'58"-W, 194.36' (feet) to an iron bar set at a Northeast corner of said Daniels' 2.940 acre tract, passing for reference an iron bar set on the right-of-way line of County Road 106 at 30.00' (feet);

thence with the North line of said Daniels' 2.940 acre tract, the North line of a 1.680 acre tract conveyed to Richland Township Memorial Trustees, by Deed recorded in Deed Volume 193, Page 556, Tract No. 2, and with a North line of a 7.193 acre tract conveyed to the Board of Trustees of Richland Township by Deed recorded in Official Record 320, Page 561, S-40°07'50"-W, 661.35' (feet) to an iron bar set;

thence N-52°50'35"-W, 5.69' (feet) to an iron bar set on another North line of said Board of Trustees of Richland Township's 7.193 acre tract;

thence with the North line of said 7.193 acre tract, the North terminus of School Street (60' right-of-way), the North line of a 0.23 acre tract conveyed to Joshua M. Lightle by Deed recorded in Official Record 718, Page 524, the North line of Lots 102, 101, 100, 99, 98, 97, 96, and 95 of William Ramsey's Addition as recorded in Plat Cabinet "A", Slide 105, of the Logan County Records, and the North line of the terminus of Plum Street (60' right-of-way), S-40°00'48"-W, 1176.90' (feet) to an iron bar set at the Northwest corner of said Lot 95 and on the East right-of-way line of Vine Street (60' right-of-way);

thence with the East line of said Vine Street N-52°50'35"-W, 50.06' (feet) to a 5/8" diameter iron bar found at the Southwest corner of a 19.084 acre tract conveyed to Mark D. Campbell, et al., by Deed recorded in Official Record 252, Page 494, of the Logan County Records;

thence with the South line of said Campbell's 19.084 acre tract, and a corporation line of the Village of Belle Center, N-40°00'48"-E, 1176.90' (feet) to an iron bar set at the Southeast corner of said Campbell's 19.084 acre tract;

thence with an Easterly line of said Campbell's tract S-83°31'37"-W, 97.31' (feet) to an iron bar set at a Southwesterly corner of an original 54.13 acre tract conveyed to Norman E. Fisher, et al., by Deed recorded in Deed Volume 354, Page 805, Tract 3, of the Logan County Deed Records;

thence with the Southerly line of said Fisher's tract N-40°00'48"-E, 846.81' (feet) to an iron bar set on the Westerly line of a 0.771 acre tract conveyed to Michael L. Driscoll by Deed recorded in Official Record 706, Page 145, Tract II, of the Logan County Records;

thence with the bounds of said Driscoll's tract the following two (2) courses:

1. S-5°58'12"-E, 19.17' (feet) to a 5/8" diameter iron bar found;
2. N-40°27'10"-E, 274.41' (feet) to a railroad spike found on the centerline of aforementioned County Road 106, passing for reference a 5/8" diameter iron bar found on the right-of-way line of County Road 106 at 233.13' (feet);

thence with the centerline of County Road 106 S-6°09'42"-E, 335.12' (feet) to the place of beginning.

Containing a total of 4.540 acres, 0.221 acre of which within the road right-of-way, 1.530 acres of which is a part of Richland Township, and 3.010 acres of which is within the Village of Belle Center, but being subject to the rights of all legal highways and all easements of record.

Being a part of an original 119.43 acre tract conveyed to Dayton Power & Light Company by Deed recorded in Official Record 329, Page 713, Tract 5, of the Logan County Records.

The foregoing description prepared by and in accordance with a Survey by William D. Edwards, Professional Surveyor No. 7574, December 19, 2011. All iron bars set are 5/8"x30" Iron re-bar with a yellow plastic cap stamped "EDWARDS PS 4792 PS 7574". The basis of bearings for the herein described tract is the centerline of County Highway 106 per an assumed bearing of S-6°09'42"-E.

This is a new survey prepared by William D. Edwards, Professional Surveyor 7574 on December 19, 2011.

Parcel #36-009-18-02-013-000 (1.530 acres, Richland Township)

Parcel #39-009-18-02-012-000 (3.010 acres, Village of Belle Center)

TRACT II: Being situate in the State of Ohio, Village of Belle Center, Richland Township, Logan County, Ohio, and being a part of Virginia Military Surveys 9972 & 9989, and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning for reference at a 7/8" diameter iron pipe found at the intersection of the Westerly line of Buckeye Street (60' right-of-way) and the Northerly line of Elizabeth Street (60' right-of-way) in the Village of said Belle Center;

thence with the Westerly line of said Buckeye Street N-50°22'30"-W, 156.76' (feet) to a 1" diameter iron pipe found at the Northeasterly corner of that part of Lot 4 of Belle Center Original Plat as recorded in Plat Cabinet "A", Slide 104, of the Logan County Plat Records, conveyed to Burggraf Properties, LLC, by Deed recorded in Official Record 894, Page 11, Tract 3, of the Logan County Records, said iron pipe being the **PRINCIPLE PLACE OF BEGINNING** for the tract hereinafter described;

thence with the Northerly line of said Burggraf Properties' portion of Lot 4 S-35°45'06"-W, 158.21' (feet) to a 1 1/4" diameter iron pipe found at a corner of a 0.203 acre tract conveyed to the Village of Belle Center by Deed recorded in Official Record 995, Page 813, of the Logan County Records;

thence N-50°25'33"-W, 23.30' (feet) to a 5/8" diameter iron bar found at the Northeasterly corner of said Village of Belle Center's tract;

thence with the Northerly line of said Village of Belle Center's tract and with the Northerly line of a 0.03 acre tract conveyed to Union Banking Company by Deed recorded in Official Record 274, Page 710, Tract 3, Parcel 1, S-40°00'48"-W, 197.92' (feet) to a Mag nail set in Main Street (70' right-of-way), passing for reference a Mag nail set on the Easterly line of said Main Street (60' right-of-way) to the North at 177.92' (feet);

thence S-50°26'49"-E, 18.30' (feet) to a Mag nail set;

thence with the North line of Lots 3, 2, and 1 of said Belle Center Original Plat, the North terminus of Lynn Street (60' right-of-way), the North terminus of a 30' (foot) wide alley, the North line of Lots 183, 184, 185, and 186 of Earicks Addition as recorded Plat Cabinet "A", Slide 108, and the North terminus of a 20' (foot) wide alley, the North line of a 0.26 acre tract conveyed to Ruth E. Worley by Deed

recorded in Official Record 1004, Page 184, Tract IV, the North line of 0.258 acre tract conveyed to Mary Lou Crapnell (Life Estate) by Deed recorded in Official Record 932, Page 737, the North line of a 0.280 acre tract conveyed to Jack D. Orders by Deed recorded in Deed Volume 345, Page 76, and the North line of a 0.25 acre tract conveyed to Ronald G. Brown by Deed recorded in Official Record 1044, Page 165, S-40°00'48"-W, 1282.40' (feet) to an iron bar set at the Northwest corner of said Brown's 0.25 acre tract, passing for reference an iron bar set on the West right-of-way line of Main Street at 40.00' (feet);

thence with the Westerly line of said Brown's 0.25 acre tract S-50°56'50"-E, 5.00' (feet) to an iron bar set at the Northeast corner of a 0.254 acre tract conveyed to Jill L. Koelher by Deed recorded in Official Record 1043, Page 614, of the Logan County Records;

thence with the North line of said Koelher's tract, the North line of a 2.222 acre tract conveyed to Patton Farms, Inc., by Deed recorded in Official Record 482, Page 958, and with the North line of a 4.587 acre tract conveyed to the Village of Belle Center by Deed recorded in Deed Volume 383, Page 537, S-40°00'48"-W, 1092.43' (feet) to a 5/8" diameter iron bar found at the Northwest corner of said Village of Belle Center's 4.587 acre tract, also being at a Northeast corner of an original 73.74 acre tract conveyed to James D. Patton, et al., Trustees, by Deed recorded in Official Record 702, Page 294, Tracts II & III, of the Logan County Records;

thence N-6°05'16"-W, 145.72' (feet) to an iron bar set at the Southeasterly corner of a 298.34 acre tract conveyed to J. Robert Renick, et al., Trustees, by Deed recorded in Official Record 588, Page 805, Parcel 15, also being at the Southwest corner of a 21.97 acre tract conveyed to James D. Patton, et al., Trustees, by Deed recorded in Official 702, Page 294, Tract I, of the Logan County Records;

thence with the South line of said Patton's 21.97 acre tract N-40°00'48"-E, 1607.54' (feet) to a 5/8" diameter iron bar found on the Westerly line of a 3.96 acre tract conveyed to Sandra Kay Fay by Deed recorded in Official Record 211, Page 859, of the Logan County Records;

thence S-51°34'53"-E, 11.00' (feet) to a 5/8" diameter iron bar found at the Southwesterly corner of said Fay's 3.96 acre tract;

thence with the South line of said Fay's tract, the South line of a 0.2825 acre tract conveyed to Belle Center Grain Company by Deed recorded in Deed Volume 364, Page 674, Parcel 2, the South line of a 0.15 acre tract also conveyed to Belle Center Grain Company by Deed recorded in Deed Volume 364, Page 674, Parcel 1, the South line of a 0.163 acre tract also conveyed to Belle Center Grain Company by Deed recorded in Deed Volume 223, Page 329, Tract 1, the South line of Lot 77 of Colvins First Addition as recorded in Plat Cabinet "A", Slide 104, and the South line of a 10' (foot) wide alley, the South side of said Colvins Second Western Addition, N-40°00'48"-E, 1231.14' (feet) to an iron bar set on the Westerly line of a 0.83 acre tract conveyed to Jonathon M. McCarren, et ux., by Deed recorded in Official Record 484, Page 463, passing for reference an iron bar set on the Westerly line of aforementioned Main Street at 625.15' (feet), an iron bar set on the Easterly line of said Main Street at 685.15' (feet), an iron bar set on the Westerly line of Buckeye Street at 1021.04' (feet) and an iron bar set on the Easterly line of said Buckeye Street at 1081.04' (feet);

thence S-50°30'37"-E, 39.01' (feet) to an iron bar set at the Southwesterly corner of aforementioned McCarren's 0.83 acre tract;

thence with the South line of said McCarren's 0.83 acre tract and with the South line of a 1.072 acre tract conveyed to Mark David Campbell by Deed recorded in Official Record 632, Page 970, N-40°00'48"-E, 555.64' (feet) to a 5/8" diameter iron bar found on the Westerly right-of-way line of Vine Street (60' right-of-way);

thence with the Westerly line of said Vine Street S-52°50'35"-E, 50.06' (feet) to an iron bar set at the Northeasterly corner of Lot 94 of William Ramsey Addition recorded in Plat Cabinet "A", Slide 105, conveyed to Dustin W. Plikerd, etux., by Deed recorded in Official Record 348, Page 11, of the Logan County Records;

thence with the North line of said Lot 94, the North line of that portion of Lot 93 conveyed to Julie A. Fisher by Deed recorded in Official Record 314, Page 75, and the North line of that portion of Lot 93 conveyed to Lisa M. Plikerd by Deed recorded in Official Record 637, Page 420, Tract 2, S-40°00'48"-W, 192.31' (feet) to a 4"x4" wood post found at the North corner of a 0.04 acre tract also conveyed to Lisa M. Plikerd by Deed recorded in Official Record 637, Page 420, Tract 1, of the Logan County Records;

thence with the West line of said Plikerd's 0.04 acre tract, S-50°28'53"-E, 10.00' (feet) to a 5/8" diameter iron bar found at the Northeasterly corner of a 0.435 acre tract conveyed to Chad McCurdy, etal., by Deed recorded in Official Record 1027, Page 154, of the Logan County Records;

thence with the Northerly line of said McCurdy's tract, the Northerly line of a 0.240 acre tract conveyed to Russel D. Millisor, etux., by Deed recorded in Deed Volume 311, Page 46, and the North line of a 0.40 acre tract conveyed to 4R Real Estate, LLC, by Deed recorded in Official Record 756, Page 474, Tract II, S-40°00'48"-W, 336.40' (feet) to a 5/8" diameter iron bar found;

thence with the East line of said 4R Real Estate's part of Lot 4 conveyed in Official Record 756, Page 474, Tract I, N-50°28'53"-W, 10.00' (feet) to a 5/8" diameter iron bar found;

thence with the North line of said 4R Real Estate's part of Lot 4 and with the North line of that part of Lot 4 of aforementioned Belle Center Original Plat conveyed to the Village of Belle Center by Deed recorded in Deed Volume 328, Page 422, S-40°00'48"-W, 179.28' (feet) to a 1" diameter iron bar found on the East right-of-way line of aforementioned Buckeye Street;

thence S-46°25'59"-W, 60.43' (feet) to the place of beginning.

Containing a total of 7.068 acres, 3.269 acres of which is within Richland Township, and 3.799 of acres of which is within the Village of Belle Center, 5.213 acres of which is a part of Virginia Military Survey 9972, and 1.855 acres of which is a part of Virginia Military Survey 9989, and 0.232 acre of which is within streets rights-of-ways, but being subject to the rights of all legal highways and all easements of record including but not limited to a driveway easement as recorded in Lease Volume 11, Page 1.

Being a part of an original 119.43 acre tract conveyed to Dayton Power & Light Company by Deed recorded in Official Record 329, Page 713, Parcel 5, of the Logan County Records.

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Parcel #39-022-05-01-017-000 (3.799 acres, VMS 9972 & 9989, Village of Belle Center)
Parcel #36-022-00-00-053-000 (3.269 acres, Richland Township)

EXHIBIT B

Situated in the Township of Richland, County of Logan and State of Ohio:

Situated in VMS 9972 and being conveyed to Richard D. Zahlter, et ux and recorded in Deed Book 345, Page 941 of the deed records in the Office of the Recorder of Logan County, Ohio, and being more fully described as follows:

Beginning at a chiseled "X" in a stone found at the northwest corner of a 69.78 acre tract conveyed to Willis P. Bates and recorded in Deed Book 257, Page 591, said point also being the southwest corner of said 13.66 acre tract; thence with the west line of said 13.66 acre tract North 10° 56' 44" West a distance of 174.70 feet to a ½ inch iron pipe set; thence with the southerly right-of-way line of the C.C.C. and St. Louis Railroad North 35° 00' 00" East a distance of 350.00 feet to a ½ inch iron pipe set; thence South 55° 00' 00" East a distance of 145.17 feet to a point; thence with a line parallel to said railroad right-of-way North 35° 00' 00" East a distance of 667.51 feet to a point at the intersection of the northeasterly line of said 13.66 acre tract and northerly right-of-way line of Elizabeth Street (60 foot right-of-way), said point also being on the corporation line of the Village of Belle Center South 55° 32' 49" East a distance of 145.18 feet from a ½ inch iron pipe set in the southerly right-of-way line of said railroad; thence with the northeasterly line of said 13.66 acre tract, also being the corporation line of the Village of Belle Center, South 55° 32' 49" East a distance of 60.00 feet to a mine spike set in the root of a 24 inch Hackberry in the southerly right-of-way line of Elizabeth Street; thence with a line parallel to said railroad right-of-way South 35° 00' 00" West a distance of 668.08 feet to a point; thence South 55° 00' 00" East a distance of 379.13 feet to a ½ inch iron pipe set; thence with the south line of said 13.66 acre tract and the north line of said 69.78 acre tract South 79° 12' 57" West a distance of 657.82 feet to the point of beginning, containing 4.587 acres more or less.

Subject to all legal right-of-way and easements of record.

Description for this parcel is based on a survey made by, or under the supervision of, Oscar L. Willis, Registered Surveyor Number 5097.

VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER, OHIO

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-09

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO INITIATE A PETITION FOR TRANSFER OF DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE LOCATED WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY IN THE VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER, RICHLAND TOWNSHIP, LOGAN COUNTY, OHIO

WHEREAS, the Village of Belle Center was a party to the tax foreclosure case CV 25070272 in Logan County Common Pleas Court. The Judgment Entry and Decree of Foreclosure is attached hereto and incorporated herein as **Exhibit A**;

WHEREAS, the Village desires to acquire Parcel Number 39-022-06-08-006-000 pursuant to Resolution No. 2025-15 and ORC 5722.03 and its other statutory powers for the purpose of land reutilization,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by Council of the Village of Belle Center, Logan County, Ohio, three-fourths (3/4) of its members concurring that:

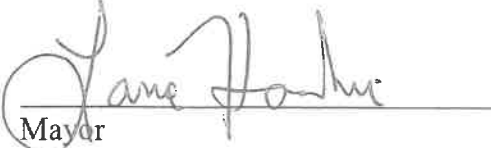
SECTION 1: The Village Solicitor and staff are authorized to notify the Logan County Prosecutor of the Village's intent to acquire the property pursuant to the statutory procedure if there are no other bidders at sale, for the costs contemplated by statute. Such notice must be in writing in advance of the first date of advertising the sheriff's sale date.

SECTION 2: That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure made necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of the Village of Belle Center, Ohio, provide for its continuous uninterrupted services, and to annex the attached described Real Property, and it shall, therefore, be in force and take effect immediately upon its passage and signature by the Mayor.

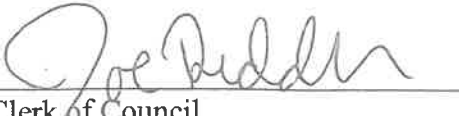
PASSED: _____


President of Council

APPROVED: _____


Mayor

ATTEST: _____


Clerk of Council

**IN THE COMMON PLEAS COURT
OF LOGAN COUNTY, OHIO
GENERAL DIVISION**

**RHONDA STAFFORD
LOGAN COUNTY TREASURER**

Plaintiff,

vs.

CASE NO. CV 25070272

**DELINQUENT PARCELS OF LAND
AND JAMES W. GILLIAM, et al.,**

**JUDGMENT ENTRY AND
DECREE OF FORECLOSURE**

Defendants

Plaintiff filed a motion for default judgment against Defendant James W. Gilliam on May 22, 2026. A hearing on the motion was held June 24, 2026. The Court finds it has jurisdiction over the parties and subject matter. The Court finds that all necessary parties were joined based on title examination. The Court finds the Complaint was filed July 2, 2025 and any liens originating after that date by any nonparty are barred by R.C. 2703.26.

The Court accepts all facts as alleged by Plaintiff, namely, the Logan County Auditor certified taxes as delinquent and additional taxes, assessments, penalties and interest accrued thereafter with no payments since June 14, 2022. The Court finds Plaintiff has the first and best liens for unpaid taxes pursuant to R.C. 5721.10.

The Court finds service of the Complaint was perfected by certified mail to the Ohio Department of Taxation which answered July 23, 2025, requesting its lien of \$10,381.27 be marshalled. The Court finds service of the Complaint was perfected by certified mail to the Village of Belle Center, which answered July 30, 2025. The Court finds that service to the record owner, James W. Gilliam, was completed by ordinary mail after certified mail was unclaimed on August 13, 2025 and thereafter completed by publication December 13, 2025. The Court finds that all Defendants were properly served pursuant to R.C. 5721.18. The Court finds none of the Defendants are minors, incompetent persons, or members of the military.

The Court finds there is due and owing from Defendant James W. Gilliam, **Eight Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Six and 21/100 Dollars (\$8,466.21)**, representing delinquent real estate taxes, assessments, interest and penalties and the property may be sold without appraisal pursuant to R.C. 5721.19(A) as the impositions do not exceed the valuation of the real estate of \$32,470. The Village's interest remains preserved for municipal

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COMMON PLEAS COURT
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purposes in compliance with R.C. 5721.25. As requested by the Village's counsel at the default hearing, the Court finds that any Village lien which has not yet been assessed shall be collected by Plaintiff for distribution to the Village upon sale of the property.

IT IS THEREFORE, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that Plaintiff is awarded judgment against Defendant James W. Gilliam in the amount of **Eight Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Six and 21/100 Dollars (\$8,466.21)**, plus any amounts that may become payable after the date of this decree during the pendency of this matter, including court costs which are not yet ascertainable.

Based on Plaintiff's estimate pursuant to R.C. 5721.19 (which includes the amounts due to the Village) and the Ohio Department of Taxation's request to marshal its lien, the Court finds the minimum bid necessary at sheriff's sale is **Twenty Thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$20,000.00)**. The Court finds the property is vacant and fits the statutory criteria of abandoned real estate, therefore if no other bids are received at sheriff's sale, the Village of Belle Center may elect to acquire the property under R.C. 5722.03 by notifying Plaintiff's counsel in advance of sale.

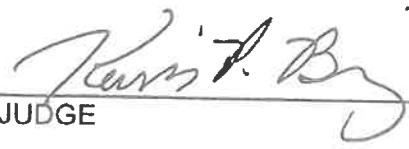
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that unless Defendant James W. Gilliam pays all costs of this action, delinquent taxes, assessments, interest, penalties and costs now payable on the real estate described as:

Situated in the State of Ohio, County of Logan, Township of Richland, Village of Belle Center and being Lot No. Thirty-Eight (38) as the same is known and designated on the record plat of said Village.

Parcel No. 39-022-06-08-006-000

Property Address: 211 East Main Street, Belle Center Ohio

within three (3) days after the filing of this Entry, that the equity of redemption of Defendant James W. Gilliam in said premises be foreclosed and that the same be sold in the manner provided in R.C. 5721.19; that an Order of Sale be issued to the Logan County Sheriff directing him to advertise and sell said premises without further appraisal and report his proceedings to the Court.


JUDGE

EC: Logan County Prosecutor
Logan County Treasurer
Joe Casavecchia for Village of Belle Center jcasavecchia@tdhlaw.com
Amy Kaufman for Ohio Department of Taxation amy.kaufman@ohioago.gov

VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER
PO BOX 508
BELLE CENTER, OH 43310

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE
BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES
AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR

RESOLUTION 2026-08

Revised Code, Secs. 5705.34-5705.35

The Council of the Village of Belle Center Logan County, Ohio,
met in Regular session on the 11th day of AUGUST, 2026 at the
office of Village of Belle Center with the following members present:

Shannon Penny

Meg Hague

Anita Legge

Bob Jones

Joe Matthews

● Bob Jones Moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, The Budget Commission of Logan County, Ohio, has abolished the
Tax Budget for the next succeeding fiscal year commencing January 1st, 2027 and

WHEREAS, The Budget Commission of Logan County, Ohio, has certified its
action thereon to this Council together with an estimate by the County Auditor of the rate of each tax
necessary to be levied by this Council, and what part thereof is without, and what part within, the ten-mill
limitation; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Council of the Village of Belle Center Logan County,
Ohio, that the amounts and rates, as determined by the Budget Commission in its certification, be and the
same are hereby accepted; and be it further

RESOLVED, That there be and is hereby levied on the tax duplicate of said Village the rate of each tax
necessary to be levied within and without the ten mill limitation as follows:

SCHEDULE A

SUMMARY OF THE AMOUNTS REQUIRED FROM GENERAL PROPERTY TAX APPROVED BY BUDGET COMMISSION, AND COUNTY AUDITOR'S ESTIMATED TAX RATES

FUND	Amount to be Derived from Levies Outside 10 Mill Limitation	Amount Approved by Budget Com- mission Inside 10 Mill Limitation	County Auditor's Estimate of Tax Rate to be Levied	
			Inside 10 M. Limit	Outside 10 M. Limit
General Fund		\$ 55,000.00	2.70	
General Bond Retirement Fund				
Park Fund				
Recreation Fund				
Fund				
Fund				
TOTAL		\$ 55,000.00	2.70	

SCHEDULE B
LEVIES OUTSIDE 10 MILL LIMITATION, EXCLUSIVE OF DEBT LEVIED

FUND	Maximum Rate Authorized To be Levied	County Auditor's Estimate of Yield of Levy (Carry to Schedule A, Column II)
GENERAL FUND:		
Current expense levy authorized by voters on _____, 20 <u>17</u> Not to exceed _____ years.		
SPECIAL LEVY FUNDS:		
Levy Authorized by voters on _____, 20 <u>17</u> Not to exceed _____ years.		
Levy Authorized by voters on _____, 20 <u>17</u> Not to exceed _____ years.		
Levy Authorized by voters on _____, 20 <u>17</u> Not to exceed _____ years.		
Levy Authorized by voters on _____, 20 <u>17</u> Not to exceed _____ years.		

And be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of this Council be and he/she is hereby directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the County Auditor of said County.

• Shannon Penny Seconded the Resolution and the roll being called upon its adoption the vote resulted as follows:

• <u>Shannon Penny</u>	<u>Y</u>
• <u>Meg Hogue</u>	<u>Y</u>
• <u>Anita Legge</u>	<u>Y</u>
• <u>Bob Jones</u>	<u>Y</u>
• <u>Joe Matthews</u>	<u>Y</u>
• _____	_____
• _____	_____

Adopted the 11th day of August, 2020

Attest

Joe Redden
Joe Redden Clerk of Council

Anita Legge
President of Council

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2026-08

The State of Ohio, Logan County, ss.

I, Joe Ridder, Clerk of the Council of the Village of Belle Center,

Ohio within and for said County, and in whose custody the Files and Records of said Board are
required by the laws of the State of Ohio to be kept, do hereby certify that the foregoing is taken and
copied from the original _____

Now on file, that the foregoing has been compared by me with said original documents, and that the
same is a true and correct copy thereof.

WITNESS my signature, this 11th day of AUGUST, 2026

Joe Ridder
Joe Ridder Clerk of Council

*A copy of this Resolution must be certified to the County Auditor before the first day of October in
each year, or at such later date as may be approved by the Board of Tax Appeals.*

Resolution NO. 2026-07

**A RESOLUTION BY
THE VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER, OHIO
AUTHORIZING THE LOGAN COUNTY AUDITOR
TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL TAX LIEN ON CERTAIN
REAL ESTATE TAXES FOR THE COLLECTION
FOR SERVICES RENDERED AS STATED.**

WHERE AS, The Village of Belle Center, Ohio deems it necessary to collect certain funds from individuals by securing the amount and having it added to real estate tax bills for payment to The Village of Belle Center for services rendered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Village of Belle Center, Ohio.

Section 1. That the Village of Belle Center shall have the following amounts added to the real estate tax bill of the individuals named herein to secure payment for services rendered.

1. Wendy Jordan
\$867.53 Unpaid Sewer & Capital Improvement monthly Utility Fee's and Mowing Charges.
317 E Buckeye, Belle Center, OH 43310
Parcel # 39-022-06-12-015-0000
2. Julio Rodriguez Solorio
\$720.14 Unpaid Sewer & Capital Improvement monthly Utility Fee's and Mowing Charges.
306 E Main St, Belle Center, OH 43310
Parcel # 39-022-06-10-015-001
3. James Gillman
\$877.53 Unpaid Sewer & Capital Improvement monthly Utility Fee's and Mowing Charges.
211 E Main St, Belle Center, OH 43310
Parcel # 39-022-06-08-006-000
4. Elayna Richardson
\$335.77 Unpaid Sewer & Capital Improvement monthly Utility Fee's and Mowing Charges.
204 S Elizabeth St, Belle Center, OH 43310
Parcel # 39-022-05-13-005-000

Section 2. That the Village of Belle Center has performed all these services and proper billing has been sent out multiple times and has not been paid. Therefore, they should be added to the real estate tax bill of parcel numbers of the above-named individuals for collection.

BE IT FURTHER THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the Village of Belle Center Resolution shall be in effect and in force upon the signature of the council of The Village of Belle Center.

Anita Legge, Council President Y
y/n

John Lowery, Council Member y/n

Joe Matthews, Council Member Y
y/n

Megan Nogue, Council Member Y
y/n

Bob James, Council Member X
y/n

Shannan Penny, Council Member Y
y/n

I, Joe Ridder, Fiscal Officer, hereby certify this to be a true copy of the proceedings as taken from the minutes of the meeting of the Village of Belle Center on this date of August 11, 2026.

Joe E. Ridder
Joe Ridder, Fiscal Officer

**VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER
101 KELLER AVE
BELLE CENTER OHIO 43310**

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-06

**AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE OPERATION AND PARKING OF MOTORIZED VEHICLES
WITHIN VILLAGE PARKS AND PUBLIC RECREATIONAL LANDS.**

WHEREAS, the Village Council of the Village of Belle Center, Ohio, finds it necessary for the protection of public safety, the preservation of natural resources, and the maintenance of park infrastructure to regulate vehicle traffic within public parks; and

WHEREAS, un-regulated motorized vehicle access poses a safety hazard to pedestrians, children, and park patrons, and causes substantial damage to village-owned lawns and trails.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF the Village of Belle Center, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION I: DEFINITIONS

As used in this chapter:

1. **"Motorized Vehicle"** means any vehicle that is self-propelled by an internal combustion engine, electric motor, or battery power. This includes, but is not limited to, automobiles, trucks, motorcycles, motor-driven cycles, all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), dirt bikes, snowmobiles, golf carts, utility task vehicles (UTVs), e-bikes, motorized scooters, and go-karts.
2. **"Park" or "Public Recreational Land"** means any land, park, playground, trail, open space, or recreational facility owned, operated, or maintained by the Village of the Village of Belle Center.

SECTION II: PROHIBITED ACTS

1. **Operation Restricted:** No person shall operate, drive, or propel any motorized vehicle upon any lawn, grass, field, footpath, hiking trail, bicycle path, boardwalk, beach, or any area of a public park not explicitly designated and paved for public vehicular travel.
2. **Parking Restricted:** No person shall park, leave standing, or abandon any motorized vehicle within a public park except within clearly marked, designated parking lots during posted park hours.

ON III: EXEMPTIONS

The provisions of this Ordinance shall not apply to:

1. **Emergency Vehicles:** Police, fire, and emergency medical vehicles responding to an emergency or operating in the line of duty.
2. **Maintenance Equipment:** Motorized vehicles or specialized equipment operated by Village employees, agents, or authorized contractors engaged in park maintenance, construction, or official Village business.
3. **Mobility Devices:** Motorized wheelchairs or other low-speed, battery-powered mobility assistance devices used by individuals with mobility disabilities.
4. **Golf Carts:** Golf carts can be used during Village Special events, example 4th of July, and allowed in designated areas only during the event.

SECTION IV: PENALTY AND ENFORCEMENT

1. **Criminal Penalty:** Whoever violates Section II of this Ordinance is guilty of a minor misdemeanor and shall be subject to a fine of not more than \$150.00 for a first offense.
2. **Subsequent Offenses:** Any subsequent violation within one (1) year of a prior conviction under this section shall be classified as a misdemeanor of the fourth degree, punishable by a fine of up to \$250.00 and up to thirty (30) days in jail.
3. **Impoundment:** Any law enforcement officer is authorized to provide for the immediate removal, towing, and impoundment of any motorized vehicle found operated or parked in violation of this Ordinance. All towing and storage fees shall be the sole responsibility of the vehicle owner.

SECTION V: SEVERABILITY

If any section, subsection, or clause of this Ordinance is held to be unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions.

SECTION VI: DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the Village residents, specifically to prevent ongoing turf damage and pedestrian hazards during the current park season. Therefore, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage.

PASSED: This 11th day of August, 2024

Approved: [Signature] (Mayor)

Attest: [Signature] (Fiscal Officer / Clerk)

VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER
PO BOX 508, BELLE CENTER, OHIO 43310
937-464-6012
ORDINANCE NO. 2026-05

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A FEE FOR CHECKS RETURNED BECAUSE OF INSUFFICIENT FUNDS OR NON-PAYMENT.

WHEREAS, from time to time, the Village receives checks submitted for payments that are returned by the Village's depository bank due to non-sufficient funds (NSF), account closures, or other reasons; and

WHEREAS, these returned instruments subject the Village to bank processing fees and utilize valuable administrative time and labor to contact the issuer, reconcile the accounts, and recover the funds; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best financial interest of the Village of Belle Center to recover these costs from the check writer rather than passing the burden onto the general public.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER, COUNTY OF LOGAN, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1: That a returned check fee and recovery cost is hereby established. Whenever any check, draft, or other monetary instrument tendered to the Village of Belle Center for any reason is returned unpaid by the Village's depository bank, the Village Fiscal Officer shall assess a returned item fee of \$35.00, plus an amount equal to any actual processing fees charged to the Village by the bank.

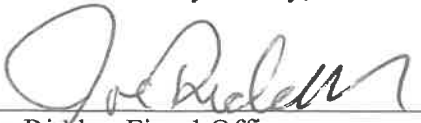
SECTION 2: The Fiscal Officer shall notify the issuer of the returned instrument of the total amount due. The notification shall require the issuer to pay the total amount due in cash, certified check, money order or credit card within 15 days of the date of the notice.

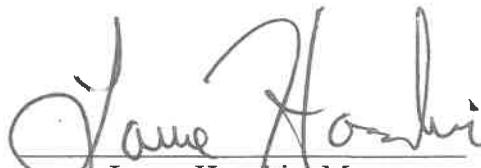
SECTION 3: If the total amount due is not paid within the prescribed time period, the Village may take any and all lawful actions to collect the debt, including but not limited to turning the account over to a collection agency, certifying the debt to the County Auditor for property tax collection, or initiating legal action.

SECTION 4: If an NSF payment is made to the Village two times, then the customer must pay using cash, certified check, money order or credit order for all future payments.

SECTION 5: That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, welfare, and safety of the Village, for the reason that the Village is currently losing money on returned instruments at a time when the Village must conserve its funds. Therefore, this Ordinance shall go into immediate effect upon its passage and signature by the mayor.

Passed this 14 day of July, 2026.


Joe Ridder, Fiscal Officer


Lance Houchin, Mayor

VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER
PO BOX 508, BELLE CENTER, OHIO 43310
937-464-6012

ORDINANCE 2026-04

**AN ORDINANCE ADJUSTING THE WATER RATES
IN THE VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER, OHIO**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Belle Center, Ohio, three-fourths (3/4) of the members thereto concurring:

Section I: That the fees to be charged for water shall increase by the following schedule:
15% effective August 1, 2026

Resident Inside Village	current rate	\$12.65
	8/1/2026	\$14.55

Resident Outside Village	current rate	\$16.35
	8/1/2026	\$18.80

Bulk Water	current rate	\$13.50
	8/1/2026	\$15.55

Section II: This increase in water fee shall be used to exclusively provide operating funds for the Water Utility operation.

Section III; This Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Passed: 6-9-26
Date

Approved: Lance Houchin
Lance Houchin, Mayor

Joe Ridder
Joe Ridder, Fiscal Officer

VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER
PO BOX 508
BELLE CENTER, OH 43310

VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER, OHIO

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-03

**AN ORDINANCE VACATING AN ALLEY WITHIN THE VILLAGE AND DECLARING
AN EMERGENCY IN THE VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER, RICHLAND TOWNSHIP,
LOGAN COUNTY, OHIO.**

WHEREAS, a petition by John C. Lowry, Arthur Daniels, Terry E. Penny, and Derek Coy, owning lots in the immediate vicinity of the hereinafter described alley was duly presented to Council praying that the hereinafter described alley be vacated; and

WHEREAS, waivers and consents to the proposed alley vacation have been filed by all abutting lot owners and notice of the intention of this Council to vacate said alley is not required pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 723.06; and

WHEREAS, this Council is satisfied that there is good cause for such vacation; that such vacation will not be detrimental to the general interest of the Village; and, therefore, ought to be made.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Belle Center, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1: That the 15 foot wide public alley lying between Lots 254, 255, 256 (parcel number 39-022-06-14-009-000) on the West and Lot 281 (parcel number 39-022-06-14-010-000) and Lots 290, 291, 292 (parcel number 39-022-06-14-011-000) on the East, as more particularly outlined on Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein, in the Village of Belle Center, Ohio, Richland Township, be, and the same hereby is, vacated; reserving, however, unto the Village of Belle Center, Ohio, easement rights for any and all municipal purposes.

SECTION 2: That the plat accompanying said petition be referred to the Clerk of this Council for filing with the Logan County Auditor and Recorder as provided by Ohio Revised Code Sections 711.39 with any accompanying fee.

SECTION 3: That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure made necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of the Village of Belle Center, Ohio, provide for its continuous uninterrupted services, and to allow for vacation of said alley at the earliest possible time: and it shall, therefore, be in force and take effect immediately upon its passage and signature by the Mayor.

PASSED: 5/12/26

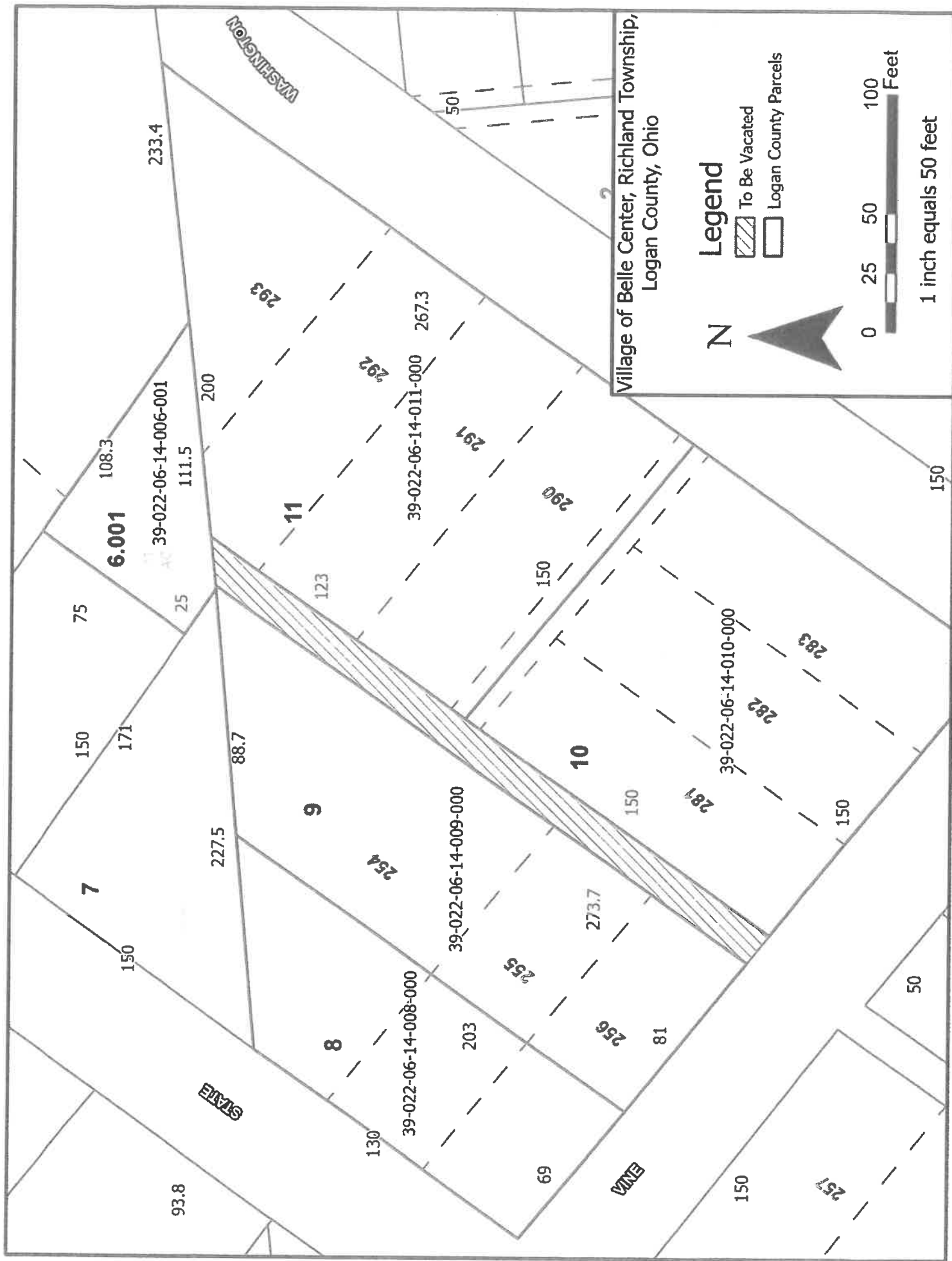
Mike Geyge
President of Council

APPROVED: _____

James Horvath
Mayor

ATTEST: _____

Joe Redden
Clerk of Council



VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER
PO BOX 508, BELLE CENTER, OHIO 43310
937-464-6012
RESOLUTION NO. 2026-02
SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION

A resolution to make supplemental appropriations for Current Expenses and other Expenditures of the Village of Belle Center, State of Ohio, during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2026.

Section I. **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council for the Village of Belle Center, State of Ohio, that, to provide for the expenditures of the Village of Belle Center during the year ending December 31, 2026, the following amounts be and they are hereby set aside and appropriated as follows:

Section II. That there be appropriated from the

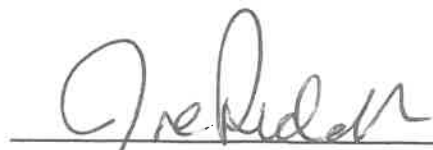
5701 REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	5701-800-430-0040	\$ 20,000.00
5701 PRINCIPAL LOAN OWDA	5701-850-710-0040	\$ 5,000.00
TOTAL SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION		\$ 25,000.00

FUND SUMMARY	APPROPRIATION BALANCE	SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION	APPROPRIATION NEW BALANCE
1000 – GENERAL FUND	\$ 261,125.00		\$ 261,125.00
2011 – STREET FUND	\$ 63,788.00		\$ 63,788.00
2021 – STATE HIGHWAY	\$ 7,500.00		\$ 7,500.00
2901 – PERMISSIVE TAX	\$ 7,500.00		\$ 7,500.00
5101 – WATER OPERATING	\$ 111,549.00		\$ 111,549.00
5201 – SEWER OPERATING	\$ 283,357.00		\$ 283,357.00
5601 – GARBAGE OPERATING	\$ 122,592.00		\$ 122,592.00
5701 – WATER CAPITOL IMPROVEMENT	\$ 57,500.00	\$25,000.00	\$ 82,500.00
5781 – ENTERPRISE DEPOSIT FUND	\$ 2,500.00		\$ 2,500.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$ 917,411.00	\$25,000.00	\$ 942,411.00

Section III. The Fiscal Officer is hereby authorized to draw warrants on the Village Treasury for payments from any of the foregoing appropriations upon receiving proper certificates and vouchers therefore, approved by the board or officers authorized by law to approve the same, or an ordinance or resolution of council to make the expenditures; provided that no warrants shall be drawn or paid for salaries or wages except to persons employed by authority of and in accordance with law or ordinance. Provided further that the appropriations for contingencies can only be expended upon appeal of two-thirds vote of Council for items of expense constituting a legal obligation against the village, and for purpose other than those covered by the other specific appropriations herein made.

At the regularly scheduled meeting 2/10/26 it was moved, seconded and passed by a vote of - at least three fourths of the elected Council members approving to pass this as an emergency measure on a single reading, and the Resolution shall become effective as soon as allowable by law.


Lance Houchin, Mayor


Joe Ridder, Fiscal Officer

VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER
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ORDINANCE 2026-01

Modification of Ordinance 2022-03

AN ORDINANCE ADJUSTING THE FEES FOR UTILITIES: WATER, SEWER, GARBAGE AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT OPERATION IN THE VILLAGE OF BELLE CENTER, OHIO

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Belle Center, Ohio, three-fourths (3/4) of the members thereto concurring:

Section IA: That the fees to be charged for Utility's shall increase by 2% for water, 0% for sewer, 2% for trash/dumpsters and 0% for capital improvement, also rates will be rounded to nearest \$.05:

Resident Inside Village

	Old Rate	Increase	New Rate
Water	\$12.42	\$0.23	\$12.65
Sewer	\$55.71	\$(.01)	\$55.70
Sewer w/ Electric Cr	\$42.98	\$ 0.02	\$43.00
Garbage	\$18.14	\$0.36	\$18.50
Capital Improvement	\$13.80		\$13.80

Resident Outside Village

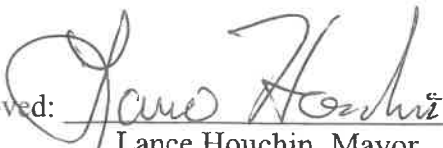
	Old Rate	Increase	New Rate
Water	\$16.03	\$0.32	\$16.35
Garbage	\$22.16	\$0.44	\$22.60
Bulk Water	\$13.24	\$0.26	\$13.50
Dumpster rates increase by 2%			

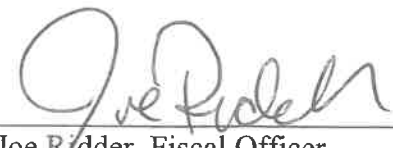
Section IB: A \$2.00 monthly credit will give given to any resident who receives their bill by email.

Section II: This increase in fees shall be used to exclusively provide operating funds for the Utilities operation.

Section III; This Ordinance shall take effect January 1, 2026 AND a 2% increase to all utility rates will be take affect yearly each January thereafter, unless altered by Ordinance.

Passed: 1-13-26
Date

Approved: 
Lance Houchin, Mayor


Joe Ridder, Fiscal Officer