

**ORDINANCE NO. 2025.022**

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE POSITION OF VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE VILLAGE OF BLANCHESTER, CLINTON COUNTY, OHIO PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE 735.271 AND ABOLISHING THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR PUBLIC AFFAIRS PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE 735.272.**

**WHEREAS**, the Council for the Village of Blanchester (“Village Council”), pursuant to Ohio Revised Code (“R.C.”) 735.271, may establish the position of Village Administrator by ordinance who shall have those powers provided by Section 735.273 of the Revised Code and this Ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, R.C. 735.271 provides that the Village Administrator shall be appointed by the Mayor, but shall not take office unless his appointment is approved by a majority vote of the Village Council; and

**WHEREAS**, R.C. 735.271 further provides the Village Administrator need not be an elector or reside in the Village of Blanchester (“Village”) provided the same is approved by Council; and unless his or her residence outside the Village is approved by ordinance.

**WHEREAS**, R.C. 735.272 provides that upon the establishment of the position of Village Administrator, his appointment by the Mayor and confirmation by the legislative authority of the Village, as provided by section 735.271 of the Revised Code, the Board of Trustees of Public Affairs, if such a board has been created in accordance with section 735.28 of the Revised Code, shall be abolished and the term of office of members of such Board shall terminate; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by Council for the Village of Blanchester, Clinton County, Ohio, a majority of the members elected thereto concurring, the:

Section 1. The Village Administrator shall have those powers provided by section R.C. 735.273 the Revised Code. Additionally, the Administrator shall oversee and supervise the following departments:

- A. Solicitor;
- B. Parks Department;
- C. Street Department;
- D. Zoning Department;
- E. Fiscal Officer;

Section 2. The Village Administrator shall be in charge of grant administration

Section 3. The Village Administrator shall be appointed by the Mayor, but shall not take office unless his appointment has been approved by a majority vote of the members elected to the legislative authority of the Village.

Section 4. The Village Administrator need not be an elector or reside in the Village of Blanchester. Section

5. Upon the Village Administrator's appointment by the Mayor and confirmation by the legislative authority of the Village, the Board of Trustees of Public Affairs for the Village of Blanchester, Clinton County, Ohio, shall be abolished, and the term of office of members of such Board shall terminate.

Section 6. Upon abolishment of the Board of Trustees of Public Affairs, all contracts entered into by said Board and rules and regulations and other action taken by such Board shall continue in effect until they have terminated of their own accord or until they shall have been modified, changed, revised, amended, or repealed in the manner provided by law.

Section 7. The Village Administrator shall receive a yearly salary provided for in the Employment Agreement with the Village of Blanchester.

Section 8. The salary of the Village Administrator shall be paid from various funds to be determined at appropriations at a later date.

Section 9. That the question of Hiring a Village Administrator BE SUBMITTED BY THE ELECTORS OF SAID Village of Blanchester at the Election to be held at the usual voting places within said Village of Blanchester on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2026;

Section 10. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of Council, and that all deliberations of the Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 11. This Ordinance shall take effect at the earliest date allowed by law.

Council member Mr. Hill moved to adopt this Ordinance, and Mr. Parks seconded the motion, and the roll call being called upon its adoption, the vote was as follows:

Ms. Brooker-  
Mr. Garner-  
Mr. Hill-  
Mr. Hopkins-  
Ms. Lewis-  
Mr. Parks-

Adopted this 13th day of November, 2025.

John M. Carman, Mayor

Attest: Regina Johnson, Fiscal Officer

Fiscal Officer's Certificate:

The State of Ohio, County of Clinton, ss:

I, Regina Johnson, Fiscal Officer of the Village of Blanchester, Clinton County, and in whose custody the Files, Journals, and Records are required by the laws of the State of Ohio to be kept, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance is taken and copied from the original Ordinance now on file with said Village, that the foregoing Ordinance has been compared by me with the said original and that the same is a true and correct copy thereof, and has been posted as required by law. This Ordinance has been duly published by posting in the following places: Blanchester Municipal Building, 318 E. Main St.; First National Bank, 121 E. Main St.; Blanchester Post Office, 115 S. Wright St.; Tom's Express Mart, 7529 Fairground Rd.; and at the Blanchester Public Library, 110 N. Broadway St., each for a period of fifteen (15) days commencing on the 13<sup>th</sup>, day of November, 2025. Witness my signature this 13th day of November, 2025.

Fiscal Officer of the Village of Blanchester, Clinton County, Ohio

First Reading: Passed 10/9/2025

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| Ms. Brooker- | NO  |
| Mr. Garner-  | YES |
| Mr. Hill-    | YES |
| Mr. Hopkins- | YES |
| Ms. Lewis-   | NO  |
| Mr. Parks-   | YES |

Second Reading: Passed 10/23/2025

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| Ms. Brooker- | NO  |
| Mr. Garner-  | YES |
| Mr. Hill-    | YES |
| Mr. Hopkins- | YES |
| Ms. Lewis-   | NO  |
| Mr. Parks-   | YES |

Third Reading: 11/13/2025 Ordinance Failed due to no Second to Mr. Parks' Motion to adopt.

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| Ms. Brooker - |
| Mr. Garner -  |
| Mr. Hill -    |
| Mr. Hopkins - |
| Ms. Lewis -   |
| Mr. Parks -   |

Ordinance 2025-022 FAILED ON THIRD READING

