

Whitehouse

April 10, 2026

Meeting Notice
Village Council Meeting As
A Committee of the Whole
April 14, 2026
6:30 p.m.

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Notice is hereby given that the Whitehouse Village Council will meet as a Committee of the Whole on Tuesday, April 14, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Review and Approval of the March 10, 2026, Meeting Minutes
- IV. Citizen Comments on Committee of the Whole Agenda Items
- V. DORA
 1. **Supporting Information** – Proposed Letter, Map and Cup Concept
- VI. New Medic Unit
 1. **Supporting Information** – Memo from Fire Chief
- VII. Park and Street Rules for E-Bikes
 1. **Supporting Information** – Memo from Police Chief
- VIII. Sidewalks
 1. **Supporting Information** – Sidewalk Plan
 2. **Link to Future Whitehouse Pathways:**
<https://whitehouse.maps.arcgis.com/apps/instant/basic/index.html?appid=426eb041827446ae9aca725ef67d4424>
- IX. Survey Questions(s) Re: Village Park (General Discussion)
- X. Summer Meeting Schedule (General Discussion)
- XI. Citizen Comments
- XII. Consider Other Business as Appropriate Under the Village Charter
- XIII. Adjourn

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**Village of Whitehouse
Village Council Meeting As A
Committee of the Whole
Village Hall, Whitehouse, OH
6:30 March 10th, 2026**

CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order at 6:31pm by President of Council Steve Fine.

Council Members Present: Dave Riggenbach, Louann Artiaga, Carrie Tuohy, Joe Bublick, and President of Council Steve Fine

Council Members Absent: Larry Yunker

Staff Present: Deputy Administrator Joshua Hartbarger, Public Works Director Mike Hill and Clerk of Council Nicole Hartbarger

Guests Present: Jeff Heany

Motion by Councilman Riggenbach, seconded by Councilman Bublick to approve the minutes of the February 10th, 2026 Committee of the Whole meetings. 5 ayes

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA ITEMS

Council President Fine asked if there were any citizens present to comment on the Committee of the Whole agenda items. There were none.

GENERAL

Review Proposal for Maintenance Building Roof

Hill comments that the memos were shared with the bids/proposals in the meeting packet. The quality of the material being used is different in all which drives the different price. Hill likes the proposal from Vodika because of the offerings they have provided. He shares that the Village has used Vodika before. Artiaga asked what the budget amount was; Hill says \$47k. Bublick asks for timeline; Hill not sure when it would start, possibly mid-summer.

Motion by Councilwoman Artiaga, seconded by Councilman Riggenbach to accept the maintenance building roof proposal from Vodika. 5 ayes

Discuss Conditions for No-Bid Contracts

Daugherty reviews the current process for state bidding. There are exceptions for Council being able to waive. Wants to make sure all understand the area between purchase order and bidding. Do we want parameters on things that go to Committee of the Whole or straight to legislation. Often with proposals they are projects that are already budgeted, the roof just approved for example. Purchases that have been approved with the budget – sometimes the process extends too long with Committee of the Whole then going to Council, etc. From a policy standpoint, Council still approves the specific line-item budget and also approves the payment when made. Daugherty is asking Council's wish to take things to Committee of the Whole if already budgeted, can things be passed with an emergency, etc.

Riggenbach comments on appropriations from fall, does not remember specific discussion on roof for example, feels it is helpful for the memo if items were forgotten that were previously discussed. Understands the request, since already approved for spending of the money. Riggenbach

comments for things like this where the item is already approved through the budget process, would it be good to have a baseline for passing as an emergency, would Council be OK with that. Tuohy comments do we need to take into consideration if the cost of the item surpasses the budgeted amount – does that go as an emergency. Daugherty comments if the Committee prefers, the memo can still be provided with the line-item budget detail and actual spend detail. Council does like the memo. Riggerbach says if already approved in budget as actual detailed line item does the Committee still need to go through and approve again – Bublick says if it has not changed probably not. Daugherty comments in the middle band of the spending process, it must pass as a resolution – staff always gives memo of what is being recommended and what was budgeted. Riggerbach confirms if it goes to resolution because of the \$31k spend limit; Daugherty confirms yes. Riggerbach comments if it is already approved as line item should be comfortable to be passed as an emergency to accommodate timelines. In the roof scenario bring directly to Council and present it as an emergency. Daugherty confirms if it hasn't been appropriated in line item detail it should be an automatic Committee of the Whole discussion, or if it was budgeted but bid comes in above the approved budget amount it should come to the Committee. Riggerbach suggests a range within the line-item budgeted amount – 10% to 15% of the budget should still go straight to Council.

Fine paraphrases the Committee's decision. If the purchase or project is not in the line-item budget it should come to Committee of the Whole, then recommend to Council. If the purchase or project is in the budget line-item, and the amount is equal to the approved budget or less or within 15% of the budget bring directly to Council as an emergency with the memo.

Motion by Councilman Fine, seconded by Councilman Riggerbach to update the conditions for no-bid contracts as follows: If the purchase or project is not in the line-item budget it should come to Committee of the Whole, then recommend to Council. If the purchase or project is in the budget line-item, and the amount is equal to the approved budget or less or within 15% of the budget bring directly to council as an emergency with the memo. 5 ayes

Preliminary Discussion Regarding All-Inclusive Playground

Hill shares this topic has been brought up by past Councils; he brought it up a few meetings ago. Suggesting that we add some all-inclusive items to the playground. Would like to do some updates to the playground, it is getting aged, even consider moving it to the larger grassy area closer to the ball diamonds. Fine asks the reasons to move there, Hill feels the front of the park should be more greenspace, park setting. Daugherty comments staff did a parks master plan – the new area is poised for more programming with more trees, etc. Artiaga asked about the space moving and how much it is used by Cherry Fest, will that disrupt at all. Riggerbach comments it puts this playground much closer to the pond; this is a concern with the body of water having no fence around it. Hill comments the current area is not really an all-inclusive surface – could look at putting a fence around the playground. Daugherty asks does the idea of transitioning the playground sounds OK to all, all agree it does. He comments that staff will come with some proposals. Have been in contact with tree commission to review as well. Bublick comments closer to the Cherry Fest building might be better. Hartbarger comments on the idea of disrupting Cherry Fest – he says there is a good established relationship with the planning committee now and it is all in the communication, letting them know the possible plans. He feels it is not a concern. Bublick asks next steps – Hill comments to start looking at costs. Daugherty comments if Council OK, will move forward with overall transition plan that includes the all-inclusive pieces. Daugherty comments City of Bryan has a great example – this was private donor lead. Hill suggests others have tried to get as much grant money as they can, donations from local healthcare companies. Fine shares the Tree Commission would like to be in the loop on planning so there aren't trees that are planted that eventually have to be torn up. Daugherty comments staff will move forward with proposed ideas.

Resident Survey

Fine shares the final draft of the survey. Asks if anyone has comments or questions. Riggenbach comments he went through the packet and nothing to add or subtract. Artiaga same, no questions. Tuohy and Bublick comfortable as well. Fine will work with staff to get ready to send out.

Preliminary Discussion Regarding a Village Newsletter

Fine comments that the survey two years ago asked about communication methods. Village newsletter was brought up. Comments on timing; could be quarterly to start. Does the committee feel like it would be worthwhile to start up? Artiaga asks if this would be mailed, online, etc. Tuohy comments on the website and app and feels like this is the newsletter. Since the last survey, the app is up and running but wasn't before the survey. Tuohy comments on Whitehouse discussion groups and how they are being well used to spread the word on village updates as well. Bublick comments he feels we are doing adequate communication right now. Fine comments on longer term piece might be missing – not an event coming up but maybe sharing things about plans i.e. park plan. Artiaga suggests adding a tab to the app that shares topics that are being discussed. Bublick concern with this is a lot of questions coming in before any actual plans are being made. Fine confirms not a lot of interest in an actual newsletter now which is OK. Hartbarger says this has been a point of discussion as well internally – try to evaluate same things being talked about, what is being communicated, what's the best way to share it, etc. Could very easily come up with a plan if there is any want for the newsletter. Daugherty comments not just the fact of getting information, people can get the info if they want it – but the why is more important. Such as why we are considering transitioning the park area. Thinking of a bi-weekly very short video/audio of the why's – why does legislation take so long, etc. could be more summarized things. Fun ideas to get the public to understand what is going on and why. Fine confirms, Administration will come with ideas regarding a newsletter and in lieu of one – all willing to hear ideas.

Discussion on Potential Sidewalk Ordinance

Fine shares this was talked about last year. At that point Council was feeling that it should be a default that all new builds have sidewalks, but Council can waive as they see fit. Asks if Council is still interested in this topic. Artiaga comments interested in moving this ordinance forward. Riggenbach comments should be the default, Bublick agrees, Artiaga agrees. Fine confirms commercial and residential, both sides of the street for default. Daugherty comments now is the time to consider multi-use path – i.e. along Weckerly Road do you want sidewalks there or do you want multi-use path. Could be a consideration in the future. Tuohy confirms wording could be said in lieu of sidewalk can extend multiuse path in a certain area. Fine asks if this is something the Planning Commission should be expected to review if it should be a sidewalk or multi-use path. Artiaga asks about parts of town where there are no sidewalks – is there any interest in adding sidewalks to some of these neighborhoods. Daugherty comments that previously Steve Pilcher and he worked on a sidewalk master plan, there have been some things updated with as much in-house work as possible. Artiaga asks any plans to go through the town and see if sidewalks need to be updated/replaced – Hill and Daugherty confirm this is done as staff sees issues that need to be fixed. Daugherty suggests appropriating an amount every year to use for adding or updating sidewalks.

Riggenbach confirms which of the three sidewalk related topics should be decided on tonight to send to Council. All suggest the first topic, making sidewalks mandatory as a default for new developments. The second topic of including multi-use path language where applicable is liked as well. Riggenbach likes the budgeted idea every year for sidewalk additions and updates, suggests starting with proximity to school. Fine suggests reviewing the sidewalk master plan as a first step.

Motion by Councilwoman Tuohy, seconded by Councilman Bublick to recommend to Council an ordinance be created to require sidewalks as a default including multiuse path updates. 5 ayes

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Council President Fine asks if there are any citizen comments to be heard. There were none.

OTHER BUSINESS

Council President Fine asks if there is any other business to discuss from Council members. There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilwoman Artiaga, seconded by Councilwoman Tuohy to adjourn the meeting at 7:37pm. 5 ayes

Respectfully submitted by Nicole Hartbarger, Clerk of Council



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ADMINISTRATION

**Joshua Hartbarger, COO
DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR**

04/09/2026

To: Mayor and Council

Subject: Proposed Whitehouse Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area

Attached you will find the proposed Whitehouse Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area map and beverage cup concept for discussion including next steps. Department heads have reviewed and support the attachments. We have also contacted the majority of the downtown business owners to discuss at the meeting.

Kind Regards,

Joshua Hartbarger

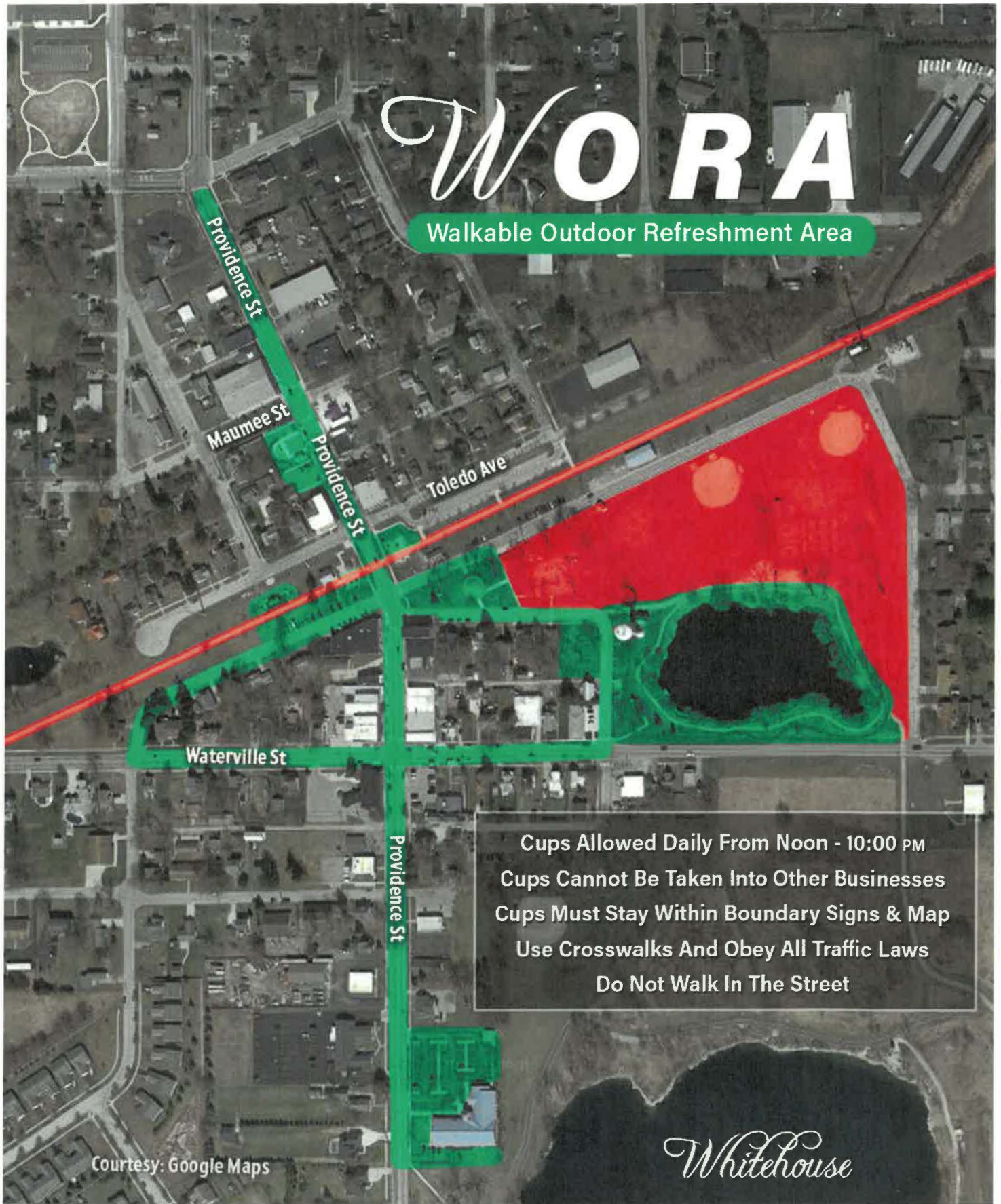
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WORA MAP CONCEPT



WORA CUP CONCEPT FRONT



WORA CUP CONCEPT BACK



FIRE DEPARTMENT

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April 7, 2026

Subject: Request for Authorization to Advertise for Bids – Ambulance and EMS Equipment

Dear Village Council,

I respectfully request Council authorization to proceed with the competitive bidding process for the purchase of a new ambulance and associated EMS equipment, including cardiac monitors, stretchers, stretcher load systems, stair chairs, CPR devices, AEDs, and ventilators.

Due to the scope and cost of these purchases, the equipment will be bid in phases to ensure competitive pricing, and compliance with village procurement policies. All of the proposed equipment is budgeted through the Co Op Levy.

Proposed Phases:

1. Ambulance, Stretchers, load systems, and stair chairs – May 2026
2. Cardiac monitors and AEDs – June 2026
3. Ventilators – August 2026

Proposed Process

1. Each bid will be publicly advertised and remain open for a period of two (2) weeks.
2. Upon closing, all submissions will be reviewed and evaluated by the Fire Department.
3. In the near future, the department will present the Proposed Phase 1 results to Council at a Committee of the Whole meeting, along with a formal recommendation identifying the vendor and apparatus that best meets our operational, safety, and long-term service needs.
4. Additional equipment recommendations will be presented to Council in subsequent phases, following the same review and evaluation process.

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This phased approach allows the department to move forward efficiently while maintaining transparency, competitive pricing, and fiscal oversight. The replacement of this equipment is essential to maintaining safe, reliable emergency response capabilities and ensuring continued high-quality service to our community.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. I am available to provide any additional information or answer questions regarding the proposed bidding process.

Respectfully,

Jason Francis



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As your Chief of Police, I would like to share some concerns that have been brought to the Whitehouse Police Department's attention. We have received a growing number of complaints regarding the reckless and unsafe operation of electric bicycles (E-Bikes) within our community. While E-Bikes can be a fun, eco-friendly, and efficient means of transportation, it is essential that all riders, and the parents of young riders share the understanding of the laws and follow the laws to ensure everyone's safety.

I will bluntly state that the issue of Electric Bicycles is confusing, complicated and misunderstood. There are many factors that must be considered when addressing the issue, and the laws are changing as the technology as it relates to "Electric Bicycles" evolves continually. The Whitehouse Police Department in conjunction with the Anthony Wayne Local Schools have sent a public service announcement to the parents of students twice and we have twice posted a PSA through our social media.

I will provide you with segments of the Ohio Revised code and I will also summarize.

"Electric Bicycles", for all intents and purposes, are considered as Bicycles therefore they are permitted on the roadway and bike trails, so that all traffic laws apply the same between "Electric Bicycles" and regular bicycles.

Reckless Operation is Illegal:

It is unlawful to operate any bicycle or e-bike:

- In a way that endangers pedestrians or others.
- Without proper control (i.e., weaving, riding without hands on handlebars).
- At speeds that are unsafe for the conditions.
- Without regard for the safety of others in public or private spaces.
- Riding with a passenger when the e-bike is not designed as such.

Now there are 3 Classifications of "E- Bikes.

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1. Class 1: E-bikes that provide electric assistance only when the rider is pedaling and until the bicycle reaches a speed of 20 mph.
2. Class 2: E-bikes that provide electric assistance regardless of whether the rider is pedaling but do not provide electric assistance once the e-bicycle reaches a speed of 20 mph.
3. Class 3: E-bikes that provide electric assistance only when the rider is pedaling and until the bicycle reaches a speed of 28 mph.

E-bikes should not be confused with motorized bicycles (or "mopeds"), although they are both vehicles under Ohio law. The laws in this section apply to all bicycles, including E-bikes.

Ohio law (ORC 4511.522) makes a strict distinction between electric bicycles (under 750 watts, operable pedals) and high-power electric motorcycles.

- **E-Bikes (Class 1-3):** Do not require registration, insurance, or a license, and can use bike lanes.
- **Electric Dirt Bikes:** Are not considered bicycles because they do not have pedals and often exceed 28 mph.

Where to Ride Electric Dirt Bikes

- **Private Land:** Permitted with owner consent.
- **Private Tracks/Off-Road Parks:** Designated areas.
- **Public Parks/Trails:** Generally prohibited unless specifically designated for motorized dirt bikes.

Class 3 E-Bikes do require a helmet and require the rider to be of the age of 16 (But do NOT require a Driver's License).

Like bicycles, E-Bikes do not require helmets (even for juveniles), but helmets are encouraged.

E-Bike Path Usage:

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- **Class 1 and Class 2 e-bikes (with a max speed of 20 mph)** are allowed on bike paths and shared-use paths. However, the motor must not be engaged if the e-bike is upon any sidewalk and must be under pedaled power (R.C. §4511.711).
- **Class 3 e-bikes (with a max speed above 20 mph) may not** be operated on bike paths, shared-use paths or sidewalks unless the path is adjacent to the roadway

(A) Every bicycle or electric bicycle when in use at the times specified in section [4513.03](#) of the Revised Code, shall be equipped with the following:

- (1) A lamp mounted on the front of either the bicycle or electric bicycle or the operator that shall emit a white light visible from a distance of at least five hundred feet to the front and three hundred feet to the sides. A generator-powered lamp that emits light only when the bicycle or electric bicycle is moving may be used to meet this requirement.
- (2) A red reflector on the rear that shall be visible from all distances from one hundred feet to six hundred feet to the rear when directly in front of lawful lower beams of head lamps on a motor vehicle;

Penalties for Violations:

- Violations of these laws are strict liability offenses, which means intent is not required for prosecution.

- Penalties include:

Minor misdemeanor for a first offense.

Misdemeanor of the 4th or 3rd degree for repeat offenses within one year.

A Shared Responsibility:

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Parents, guardians, and e-bike riders, please take the time to understand these regulations and operate with respect to others in our community. The safety of pedestrians, children, and other road/path users depends on your responsible behavior.

This announcement is issued in the interest of public safety and community harmony. Let's all do our part to keep our neighborhoods safe and enjoyable for everyone.

If a citizen observes reckless or unsafe operation of an E-Bike call Dispatch at 419-255-8443 (non-emergency) or 911 to report the incident/s as it occurs so that a Whitehouse Officer can respond.

Ohio Revised Code/Ohio Law links have been posted below for reference.

[Section 4511.522 - Ohio Revised Code | Ohio Laws](#)

[Section 4511.522 - Ohio Revised Code | Ohio Laws](#)

(A) (1) On and after January 1, 2020, manufacturers and distributors of electric bicycles shall permanently affix a prominent location, to each electric bicycle. The label shall specify whether the electric bicycle is a class 1, class 2, or class 3 electric bicycle, the top assisted speed that the electric bicycle is capable of reaching, and the motor wattage.

codes.ohio.gov

[Section 4511.711 - Ohio Revised Code | Ohio Laws](#)

[Section 4511.711 - Ohio Laws](#)

(A) No person shall drive any vehicle, other than a bicycle or an electric bicycle if the motor is not engaged, upon a sidewalk or sidewalk area except upon a permanent or duly authorized temporary driveway. This prohibition does not apply to a law enforcement officer, or other person sworn to enforce the criminal and traffic laws of the state, using an electric bicycle with the motor engaged ...

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[Section 4511.56 - Ohio Revised Code | Ohio Laws](#)

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373.08 RECKLESS OPERATION; CONTROL, COURSE AND SPEED.

(a) No person shall operate a bicycle or electric bicycle:

Without due regard for the safety and rights of pedestrians and drivers and occupants of all other vehicles, and so as to endanger the life, limb or property of any person while in the lawful use of the streets or sidewalks or any other public or private property;

Without exercising reasonable and ordinary control over such bicycle or electric bicycle;

In a weaving or zigzag course unless such irregular course is necessary for safe operation in compliance with law;

Without both hands upon the handle grips except when necessary to give the required hand and arm signals, or as provided in Section [373.02\(d\)](#);

At a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent under the conditions then existing.

(b) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor on a first offense; on a second offense within one year after the first offense, the person is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree; on each subsequent offense within one year after the first offense, the person is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree.

373.09 PARKING OF BICYCLE.

(a) No person shall park a bicycle or electric bicycle upon a sidewalk in such a manner so as to unduly interfere with pedestrian traffic or upon a roadway so as to unduly interfere with vehicular traffic.

(b) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor on a first offense; on a second offense within one year after the first offense, the person is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree; on each subsequent offense within one year after the first offense, the person is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree.

373.10 MOTORIZED BICYCLE OPERATION, EQUIPMENT AND LICENSE.

(a) No person shall operate a motorized bicycle upon any street or highway or any public or private property used by the public for purposes of vehicular travel or parking, unless all of the following conditions are met:

The person is fourteen or fifteen years of age and holds a valid probationary motorized bicycle license issued after the person has passed the test provided for in Ohio R.C. 4511.521, or the person is sixteen years of age or older and holds either a valid commercial driver's license issued under Ohio R.C. Chapter 4506, or a driver's license issued under Ohio R.C. Chapter 4507, or a valid motorized bicycle license issued after the person has passed the test provided for in Ohio R.C. 4511.521, except that if a person is sixteen years of age, has a valid probationary motorized bicycle license and desires a motorized bicycle license, the person is not required to comply with the testing requirements provided for in Ohio R.C. 4511.521;

The motorized bicycle is equipped in accordance with rules adopted by the Ohio Director of Public Safety and is in proper working order;

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The person, if under eighteen years of age, is wearing a protective helmet on the person's head with the chin strap properly fastened, and the motorized bicycle is equipped with a rear-view mirror; and

The person operates the motorized bicycle when practicable within three feet of the right edge of the roadway obeying all traffic rules applicable to vehicles.

(b) No person operating a motorized bicycle shall carry another person upon the motorized bicycle.

(c) The protective helmet and rearview mirror required by subsection (a)(3) of this section shall, on and after January 1, 1985, conform with rules adopted by the Ohio Director of Public Safety.

(d) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor. (ORC 4511.521)

373.11 PROHIBITED AREA FOR SKATEBOARDS, ROLLER BLADES AND BICYCLES; YIELDING TO PEDESTRIANS.

(a) No person shall ride or park any bicycle, operate any skateboard, roller skates, in-line skates or similar devices upon the following designated sidewalks of the Village:

All sidewalks parallel to the west side of Providence Street between the intersection of Otsego Street and Shepler Street and the east side of Providence Street between the intersection of Waterville Street and Shepler Street.

(b) Whenever any person rides or operates a bicycle in areas not defined by this section, such person shall at all times yield the right of way to all pedestrians and shall give audible warning signals before overtaking and passing all pedestrians.

(c) Members of the Village Police Department are hereby authorized to seize and impound any bicycle which is ridden or operated in violation of the provisions of this section. Any bicycle so seized and impounded shall be held by the Police Department for a period, not exceeding sixty days, or until the owner thereof, or if the owner is a minor, the owner and such owner's parent or guardian, shall personally call at the Police Division and give assurance that such violation shall not be repeated. Repeat violations of this section, or acts deemed in serious violation of this section, shall be subject to the penalty provisions of Section [303.99\(a\)](#).

(Ord. 12-92. Passed 9-1-92.)

373.12 PATHS EXCLUSIVELY FOR BICYCLES.

(a) No person shall operate a motor vehicle, snowmobile, or all-purpose vehicle upon any path set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles, when an appropriate sign giving notice of such use is posted on the path.

Nothing in this section shall be construed to affect any rule of the Ohio Director of Natural Resources governing the operation of motor vehicles, snowmobiles, all-purpose vehicles, and bicycles on lands under the Director's jurisdiction.

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(b) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor. If, within one year of the offense, the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to one predicate motor vehicle or traffic offense, whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree. If, within one year of the offense, the offender previously has been convicted of two or more predicate motor vehicle or traffic offenses, whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree.

If the offender commits the offense while distracted and the distracting activity is a contributing factor to the commission of the offense, the offender is subject to the additional fine established under Section [303.991](#) of the Traffic Code.

373.13 ELECTRIC BICYCLES.

1) The operation of a class 1 electric bicycle and a class 2 electric bicycle is permitted on a path set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles or on a shared-use path, unless the Municipality by resolution, ordinance, or rule prohibits the use of a class 1 electric bicycle or class 2 electric bicycle on such a path.

No person shall operate a class 3 electric bicycle on a path set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles or a shared-use path unless that path is within or adjacent to a highway or the Municipality by resolution, ordinance, or rule authorizes the use of a class 3 electric bicycle on such a path.

No person shall operate a class 1 electric bicycle, a class 2 electric bicycle or a class 3 electric bicycle on a path that is intended to be used primarily for mountain biking, hiking, equestrian use, or other similar uses, or any other single track or natural surface trail that has historically been reserved for nonmotorized use, unless the Municipality by resolution, ordinance or rule authorizes the use of a class 1 electric bicycle, a class 2 electric bicycle, or a class 3 electric bicycle on such a path.

Subsections (a)(2) and (a)(3) of this section do not apply to a law enforcement officer, or other person sworn to enforce the criminal and traffic laws of the state, using an electric bicycle while in the performance of the officer's duties.

1) No person under sixteen years of age shall operate a class 3 electric bicycle; however, a person under sixteen years of age may ride as a passenger on a class 3 electric bicycle that is designed to accommodate passengers.

No person shall operate or be a passenger on a class 3 electric bicycle unless the person is wearing a protective helmet that meets the standards established by the Consumer Product Safety Commission or the American Society for Testing and Materials.

1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, whoever operates an electric bicycle in a manner that is prohibited under subsection (a) of this section and whoever violates subsection (b) of this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor. If, within one year of the offense, the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to one predicate motor vehicle or traffic offense, whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree. If, within one year of the offense, the offender previously has been convicted of two or more predicate motor vehicle or traffic offenses, whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree.

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The offenses established under subsection (c)(1) of this section are strict liability offenses and strict liability is a culpable mental state for purposes of Ohio R.C. 2901.20. The designation of these offenses as strict liability offenses shall not be construed to imply that any other offense, for which there is no specified degree of culpability, is not a strict liability offense.

(ORC 4511.522)(ORC 4511.713)

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RESOLUTION NO. 27-98

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE SIDEWALK POLICY AND
PLAN FOR THE VILLAGE OF WHITEHOUSE, LUCAS
COUNTY, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Village Council adopted revised Platting Regulations on April 1, 1997; and

WHEREAS, the revised Platting Regulations required concrete sidewalks to be installed in accordance with the Village Sidewalk Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission and Streets, Water, Sewer and Sanitation Committee have recommended a Sidewalk Policy and Plan;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF WHITEHOUSE, LUCAS COUNTY, OHIO, three-fourths (3/4) of all members elected thereto concurring, that;

SECTION I: The Village of Whitehouse Sidewalk Policy and Plan attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and the Sidewalk Master Plan attached hereto as Exhibit "B" are hereby adopted.

SECTION II: It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Council and that the deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements as mandated by the Charter of the Village of Whitehouse.

SECTION III: This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety of said Village and its inhabitants, and for the further reason that this Resolution is necessary to provide for the orderly growth and development of the Village of Whitehouse and surrounding environs.

WHEREFORE, this Resolution shall take effect and be in full force immediately upon its passage and approval.

VOTE ON EMERGENCY MEASURE: Yeas 5 Nays 0

Adopted October 20, 1998, as an EMERGENCY MEASURE.


Stanley J. Wielinski, Mayor

ATTEST:


Linda G. Koluch, Clerk of Council

Exhibit "A"
Village of Whitehouse
Sidewalk Policy and Plan

The purpose of the Sidewalk Policy and Plan is to provide a safe environment for pedestrians to travel to major designation points and on heavy traveled roadways.

Sidewalks shall be included in all new single family subdivisions that contain, on average, lots of 19,999 square feet or less. New subdivisions averaging 20,000 square feet or more will not be required to install a sidewalk unless it abuts a collector street or greater as identified on the Sidewalk Master Plan.

Sidewalks shall be required on all street frontages for new multi-family developments and existing areas as designated on the Sidewalk Master Plan Map.

Sidewalks shall be required in the Downtown Commercial Zoning District and all other commercial zoning districts.

Sidewalks shall be installed on all streets and roadways that lead to a public park or a public/private school.

Sidewalks may be waived for cul-de-sac streets, provided they are not over 600 feet in length.

Sidewalks in residential areas shall have a minimum width of five feet.

Sidewalks in commercial areas shall have a minimum width of six feet.

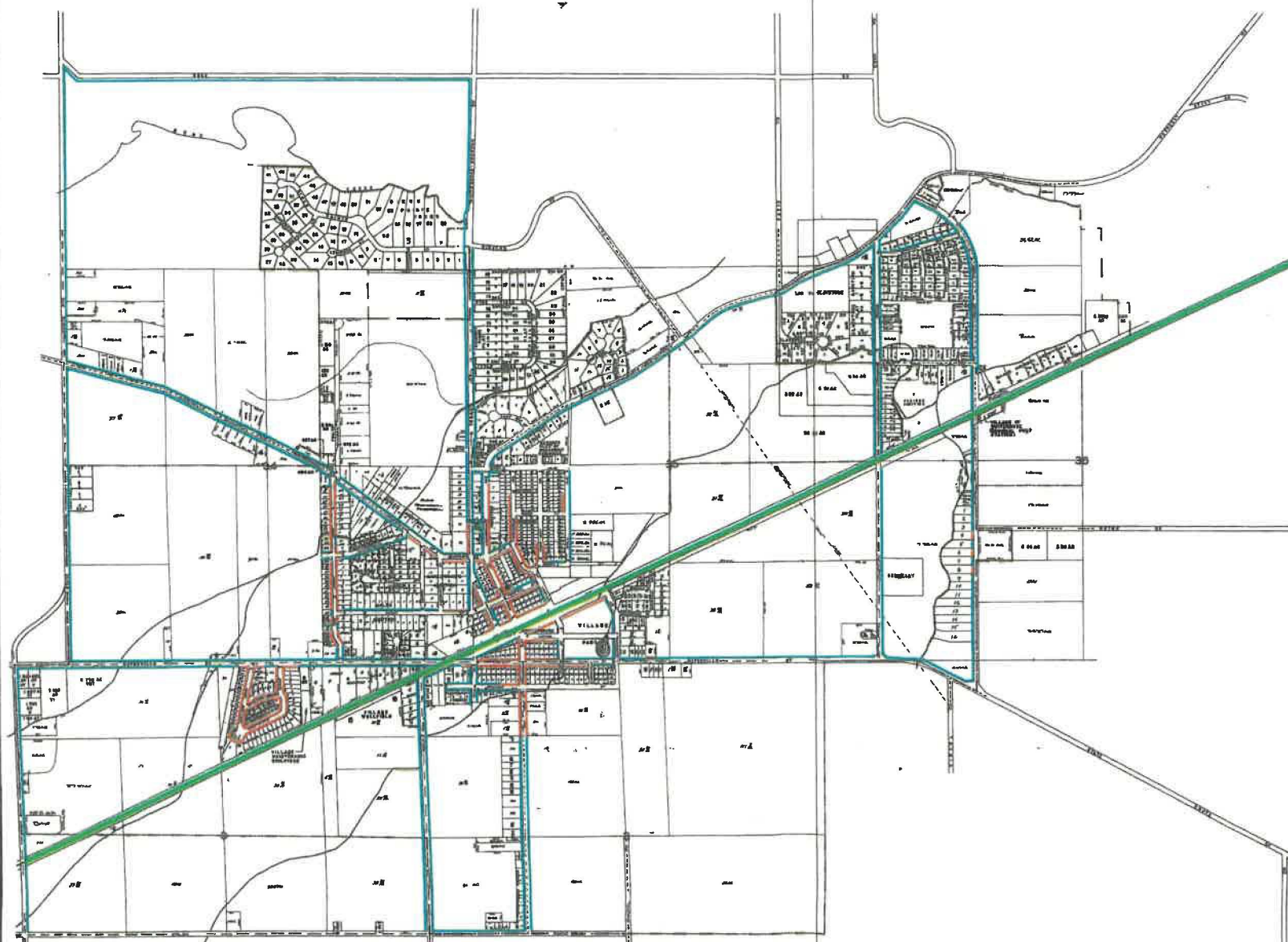
Nothing in the Sidewalk Policy and Plan shall be construed to amend other provisions in Chapter 909 of the Municipal Code.

CERTIFICATE

I, LINDA KOLUCH, Clerk of Council of the Village of Whitehouse, Lucas County, Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly published by posting in said Village for not less than 15 days ending November 6, 1998 in accordance with R.C. 731.25.

Linda B. Koluch
Linda Koluch, Clerk of Council
of the Village of Whitehouse, Lucas
County, Ohio

Resolution 27-98
Exhibit "B"



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REVISIONS	
MARCH 6, 1999	DAVID E. SCHULY - TOLEDO, OHIO
APRIL 17, 1999	GEORGE V. GEBRUE - TOLEDO, OHIO
SEPTEMBER 28, 1978	HARVEY G. GIBNEY - HADAMACK, OHIO
FEBRUARY 12, 1970	WILLIAM E. GIBNEY - HADAMACK, OHIO
APRIL 1, 1969	WILLIAM E. GIBNEY - HADAMACK, OHIO
FEBRUARY 1, 1961	WILLIAM E. GIBNEY - HADAMACK, OHIO
SEPTEMBER 5, 1955	ALFRED L. GIBNEY

- EXISTING SIDEWALKS
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