

ORDINANCE NO. 36-2015

Offered by: Councilman Wheeler

AN ORDINANCE TO FIX AND DETERMINE COMPENSATION FOR THE ELECTED OFFICIALS OF THE VILLAGE FOR THE TWO YEARS COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2016, AMENDING SECTION 131.01 OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, Section 19.11 of the Charter provides that this Council shall fix and determine the compensation for the President of Council and Members of Council at least one hundred twenty (120) days before the next regular municipal election, for the two (2) year period beginning January 1 following that election; and

WHEREAS, the compensation of the President of Council and Members of Council has not been adjusted since January 1, 2000 by way of legislation passed in 1999, and ordinary inflationary increases have reduced the value of this compensation over the last sixteen (16) years; and

WHEREAS, the next regular municipal election shall occur on November 3, 2015; and

WHEREAS, this Council desires to fix and determine the compensation for the Mayor, President of Council and Members of Council, pursuant to Section 19.11 of the Village Charter, for the 2 year period beginning January 1, 2016.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Richfield, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That the compensation for President of Council and Members of Council for terms beginning on or after January 1, 2016 shall be as follows:

President of Council	\$8,000 per year
Member of Council	\$7,500 per year

SECTION 2. That commencing January 1, 2018 and each two years thereafter, the compensation for President of Council and Members of Council shall be increased by the same percentage of increase, if any, as may then have been made to the minimum earnable salary established pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 145.016(B)(1) during the preceding two years.

SECTION 3. That commencing January 1, 2016, the compensation for Mayor shall be \$72,000 per year. The compensation of the Mayor shall be increased only every two years thereafter, beginning January 1, 2018, by the same percentage increase, if any, applicable to the compensation for all full-time employees of the Village during the preceding two years.

SECTION 4. That Section 131.01 of the Administrative Code be amended to read as follows:

“131.01 MAYOR – COMPENSATION.

For the term commencing January 1, 2016, the compensation of the Mayor shall be \$72,000 annually, together with such other benefits as are received by the full-time employees of the Village. The compensation of the Mayor shall be increased only every two years thereafter, beginning January 1, 2018, by the same percentage increase, if any, applicable to the compensation for all full-time employees of the Village during the preceding two years.”

SECTION 5. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare and for the further reason that it is immediately necessary in order to comply Section 19.11 of the Charter except that the compensation provisions set forth herein shall take effect and be in force only from January 1, 2016 and thereafter.

Passed: 6-16-15

Rick Hudak
President of Council

Bellevue Basho
Mayor

Dated: 6/16/15

ATTEST:

Lawson E. Sullivan
Clerk of Council