

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-12

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A SPEED LIMIT FOR PFIEL LANE,
A PUBLIC STREET WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE
VILLAGE OF CASTALIA, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, the Council has received several complaints about vehicles driving at unreasonable rates of speed driving on Pfiel Lane, a public street within the corporate limits of the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the Village of Castalia as a local authority, pursuant to R.C. 4511.21, has now determined that it is necessary to establish a speed limit on Pfiel Lane, in order to protect the health, safety, and general welfare of the motoring and pedestrian traffic within the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Council has further determined the need to adopt this ordinance to effectuate this purpose for the immediate protection of the health, safety, and general welfare of the motoring and pedestrian traffic within the Village; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF CASTALIA, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. From after the effective date of this Ordinance:

(A) No person shall operate a motor vehicle, trackless trolley, or streetcar on Pfiel Lane at a speed greater or less than is reasonable or proper, having due regard to the traffic, surface, and width of said street, and any other conditions, and no person shall drive any motor vehicle, trackless trolley, or streetcar in and upon said street at a greater speed than will permit the person to bring it to a stop within the assured clear distance ahead.

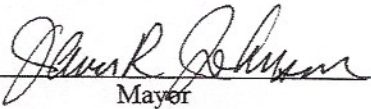
(B) It is prima-facie lawful, for the operator of a motor vehicle, trackless trolley, or streetcar to operate the same at a speed not exceeding fifteen (15) miles per hour on Pfiel Lane, a public street within the corporate limits of the Village of Castalia, Erie County, and State of Ohio.

(C) 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.

Section 2. That upon the adoption of the within Ordinance, the Village Fiscal Officer shall certify a copy of the same to the Sandusky Municipal Court and the Erie County Sheriff for the enforcement thereof. Moreover, the Council shall cause the appropriate signage to be posted on Pfiel Lane in order to effectuate the purpose of this Ordinance.

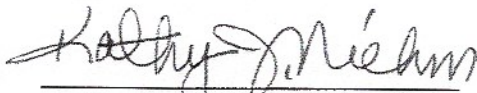
Section 3. That this Council hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council; and that all deliberations of this Council and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including *section 121.22 of the Revised Code*.

Section 4. The establishment of a speed limit on Pfiel Lane, a public street within the Village of Castalia, having been determined by the Council as being directly related to the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, and safety of the Village of Castalia, the Council has further determined that an emergency now exists, and therefore, this Ordinance shall be declared an emergency measure to take effect immediately upon its adoption and due authentication by the Mayor and Fiscal Officer.



Mayor

Attest:



Village Fiscal Officer

Adopted: October 8, 2024