ORDINANCE NO. 2025-66 FIRST READING November 24, 2025
SECOND READING WAIVED
INTRODUCED BY: CHRIS BELL THIRD READING WAIVED

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE DEFINITION OF ALL PURPOSE VEHICLE IN SECTION 476.01 OF THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH RUSSELL'S CODIFIED ORDINANCES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, Council desires to amend the definition of "All purpose vehicle" in Section 476.01(b) of the Village of South Russell's Codified Ordinances to include dirt bikes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of South Russell, Geauga County, Ohio that:

SECTION 1. Section 476.01(b) of the Village's Codified Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(b) "All purpose vehicle" means any self-propelled vehicle designed primarily for cross-country travel on land and water, or on more than one type of terrain, and steered by wheels or caterpillar treads, or any combination thereof, including vehicles that operate on a cushion of air, vehicles commonly known as all-terrain vehicles, all season vehicles, mini-bikes, trail bikes, and dirt bikes. "All-purpose vehicle" does not include a utility vehicle as defined in Ohio R.C. 4501.01 or any vehicle principally used in playing golf, any motor vehicle or aircraft required to be registered under Ohio R.C. Chapter 4503 or Chapter 4561, and any vehicle excepted from definition as a motor vehicle by Section 402.20 of this Traffic Code. (ORC 4519.01(B))"

SECTION 2. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees on or after December 2, 1975, that resulted in formal actions, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 3. That this Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health and safety of the inhabitants of the Village and to effectuate the amendment as soon as possible; wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of all members elected to Council, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and immediately upon its passage by this Council and approval by the Mayor.

William A. Koons
Mayor – Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

Danielle Romanowski
Fiscal Officer

I certify that Ordinance No. 2025-66 was duly enacted on the 24TH day of NOVEMBER 2025, by the Council of the Village of South Russell, and published in accordance with the Codified Ordinances of the Village.

Danielle Romanowski
Fiscal Officer