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September 2, 2025	
ALL TOWN FUNDS	\$291,702.70
WASTEWATER OPERATING	\$70,827.98
WATER UTILITY	\$86,114.87
STORM WATER	\$36,124.56
PAYROLL 08/28/25 & 08/29/25	\$318,838.48

TOWN OF CEDAR LAKE, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA

ORDINANCE NO. 1517

AN ORDINANCE VACATING A PUBLIC WAY IN THE TOWN OF CEDAR LAKE, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA, AND ALL MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

WHEREAS, on the 22nd day of July, 2025, the Owners of real property located in the Town of Cedar Lake, Lake County, Indiana, legally described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto, petitioned the Town Council of the Town of Cedar Lake, Lake County, Indiana, to vacate a parcel of platted public way legally described in Exhibit "A", attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing was held on said Petition, after due notice was provided pursuant to the statutory requirements of I.C. §36-7-3-12, as amended from time to time; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Cedar Lake, Lake County, Indiana (hereinafter, the "Town Council"), has considered the presentation and petition, as well as any remonstrances made by interested Parties to the vacation of said platted public way as described herein; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has reviewed the request of the Owner for vacation of the said platted public way, and has determined that the area sought by Owner to be vacated is not necessary to the growth of the area in which it is located, or to which it is contiguous; further, that the vacation of the platted public way sought to be vacated would not eliminate the Public's access to any Church, School, or any other Public building or place; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has further determined that the said platted public way so described is a platted public way in a residentially zoned subdivision which is not anticipated as needed for such purpose in the future.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CEDAR LAKE, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA:

SECTION ONE: That the described portions of the platted public way identified on Exhibit "A", attached hereto, and located in the Town of Cedar Lake, Lake County, Indiana, be vacated, as petitioned for, subject to all conditions of approval required by the Town Council herein, as specified and required to be included herein.

SECTION TWO: That all existing Ordinances, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby deemed null, void, and of no legal effect, and are specifically repealed.

SECTION THREE: If any section, clause, provision, or portion of this Ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect any other section, clause, provision, or portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION FOUR: That this Ordinance shall take effect, and be in full force and effect, from and after its passage and adoption by the Town Council of the Town of Cedar Lake, Lake County, Indiana, and recordation in the Office of the Recorder of Lake County, Indiana, in conformance with applicable law; further, that no signatures shall be made hereto until the Town Council conditions for adoption are fulfilled and verified as such.

	PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE KE, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA, ON THIS DAY OF
	TOWN OF CEDAR LAKE, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA, TOWN COUNCIL
	Nick Recupito, President
	Greg Parker, Vice-President
	Robert H. Carnahan, Member
	Julie A. Rivera, Member
	Mary Joan Dickson, Member
	Richard C. Thiel Jr, Member
ATTEST:	Chuck Becker, Member
JENNIFER N. SANDBERG Clerk-Treasurer	, IAMCA, CMC, CPFIM

EXHIBIT A

A 10 foot abandoned walkway of the Chicago, Indianapolis and Louisville Railroad along the East side of Outlots 20 & 21, between R=1882.23' and R=1872.23', and West of the abandoned Chicago, Indianapolis and Louisville Railroad, on the North side of West 139th Avenue in Lake Shore Addition to Cedar Lake, Indiana, being a subdivision of part of the South ½ of Section 27, Township 34 North, Range 9 West of the 2nd P.M., as the same appears of record in Plat Book 20, page 9, in the Recorder's Office in said County.

Town of Cedar Lake Public Way Vacation Application Procedures

Public Way Vacation petitions shall be filed in accordance with Indiana Code 36-7-3-12, namely: "36-7-3-12 Vacation of public way or place; petition; notice; hearing; adoption or ordinance; appeals

Sec. 12. (a) Persons who:

- (1) own or are interested in any lots or parts of lots; and
- (2) want to vacate all or part of a public way or public place in or contiguous to those lots or parts of lots;

may file a petition for vacation with the legislative body of:

(A) a municipality, ..."

The Department of Building, Planning & Zoning will assist petitioner with publication and notification requirements for public hearing. For any government owned land use applications or petitions for vacation of public ways or easements, a sign shall be posted on the real property which is the subject of the Public Hearing (10) days, or more, before the date fixed for the Public Hearing. The sign shall be minimally two feet by two feet (2'x2'), and placed in a location visible from a public road. Further, the sign shall minimally state "Public Hearing Notice", with the date and time of the Public Hearing, and the body conducting the Public Hearing identified thereon. Further, the name and contact information of the party or entity seeking an approval shall be displayed on such sign. This sign notice requirement is in addition to the Public Hearing Notice requirements otherwise required by Town ordinances and applicable state law, as amended from time to time.

Only complete applications, along with a \$200.00 filing fee, will be accepted. The petitioner is responsible for all costs associated with the requirements of the public hearing and all legals fees associated with the preparation and execution of any required ordinance.

By signing below you acknowledge that you will be responsible for any additional costs associated with this Variance Application and procedure, i.e. certified mailings and publication(s). If you have any questions concerning this application or filing thereof, please don't hesitate to contact:

Town of Cedar Lake
Department of Building, Planning & Zoning
7408 Constitution Avenue
P. O. Box 707
Cedar Lake, IN 46303
219-374-7400 Phone
219-374-8588 Fax

John C. Rago Jr Owner	\$ Dorys 3	Tean Rago
Petitioner		
Petitioner		

Town of Cedar Lake

Public Way Vacation Application

8448 W, 139th Av	ne public way vacation request.	
3. Indicate the reason(s) for your request to vacate the poor abandoned walkway along eas	ublic way described in item 2. st side of outlots 20 \$ 21 and on the	north
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Name(s)	Name(s)	NIPSC
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Phone 708-829-3213 John	Phone	_ util iti easemen
708 - 670 - 6347 Jean Alternate Phone	Alternate Phone	to be reserved
Fax	Fax	- within
Signature of Owner(S) STATE OF INDIANA) SS:		far end North side,
COUNTY OF LAKE)		
MONICA HORTA Notary Public, State of Indiana Lake County Commission Number NP0763973 My Commission Expires June 09, 2033	Notary Public My Commission Expires June 9, 2033	
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Filing Information

Date	
Fee	\$200.00
Check #	
Receipt #	
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Zoning Information

Property	
North	
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Comments and Notes:

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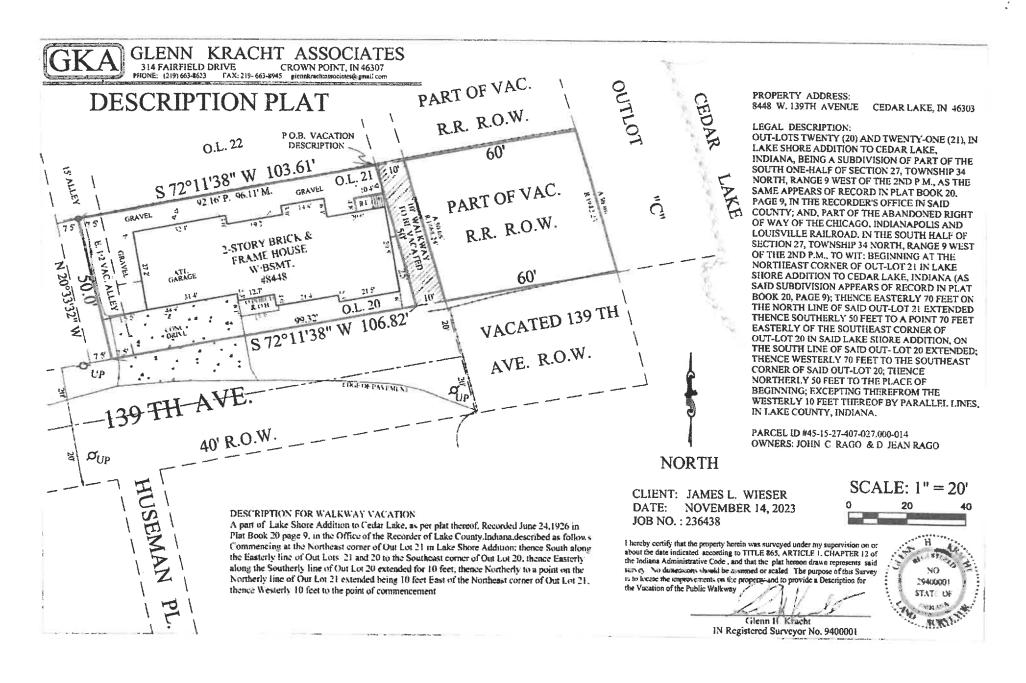
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LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

10 foot abandoned walkway of the Chicago, Indianapolis and Louisville Railroad along the East side of Outlots 20 & 21, between R=1882.23' and R=1872.23, and West of the abandoned Chicago, Indianapolis and Louisville Railroad, on the North side of West 139th Avenue in Lake Shore Addition to Cedar Lake, Indiana, being a subdivision of part of the South ½ of Section 27, Township 34 North, Range 9 West of the 2nd P.M., as the same appears of record in Plat Book 20, page 9, in the Recorder's Office in said County.



Filing Information

12/2/24
\$200.00
7016
KS

Zoning Information

Property	
North	
East	
South	
West	

Comments and Notes: _	Application was lost, but	
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Change:

\$0.00

TOWN OF CEDAR LAKE PO BOX 707 CEDAR LAKE, IN 46303-0707 Phone : (219) 374-7000 WWW.CEDARLAKEIN.ORG

Received From: JOHN RAGO 8448 W. 139TH AVE CEDAR LAKE IN 46303

Time: 2:23:14 PM

Date: 12/02/2024 Receipt: 750257 Cashier: SMITK

Workstation: FRONT1 Drawer: 1

VACATION WAY

ITEM REFERENCE	AMOUNT
PLAN PLANNING DEPARTMENT PLAN/VACATION WAY	
101-000-616.000	\$200.00
TOTAL	\$200.00
CHECK 7016 Total Tendered:	\$200.00 \$200.00

Payment for vacation application

mailed 7/10/25

NIPSCO Survey + Land
Attn: Russ Dillon

801 E 86th Ave.

Merrill ville. IN 46410

RECORDING REQUESTED BY AND WHEN RECORDED MAIL TO:
Northern Indiana Public Service Company LLC
Attn: Survey & Land
801 E 86th Avenue
Merrillville, IN 46410

CROSS-REFERENCE: In accordance with Indiana Code § 32-23-2-5(a), the easement described below burdens the real estate acquired by Warranty Deed dated September 6, 2018 and recorded in the Office of the Recorder for Lake County, Indiana, as Document No. 2018-065542 on September 24, 2018.

EASEMENT FOR ELECTRIC FACILITIES

EASEMENT #

THIS EASEMENT FOR ELECTRIC FACILITIES (this "Easement") is granted by JOHN C. RAGO and DORYS JEAN RAGO, Husband and Wife, whose address is 8448 W. 139th Avenue, Cedar Lake, IN 46303 ("Grantor") in favor of Northern Indiana Public Service Company LLC, an Indiana limited liability company, with its principal place of business located at 801 E. 86th Avenue, Merrillville, Indiana 46410 ("Grantee").

WITNESSETH

In consideration of \$10.00, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Grantor hereby grants to Grantee an easement for the exclusive right to perform the following under, upon, on, over, across and through Grantor's property located in Lake County, Indiana (the "Premises"):

- 1. construct, erect, install, operate, maintain, replace (within the Easement Area as defined below), repair, alter the size of, remove, renew, replace or abandon (in place) towers and poles and to string, wires, cables, conductors, grounds, anchor and guy wires, fiber optic, pull boxes and other necessary equipment upon and between such towers and poles, and to also construct, install, operate, maintain, replace, repair, alter the size of, remove, renew, replace or abandon underground ducts and conduits, underground wires, cables, conductors, manholes, pads for transformers with transformers located thereon and other necessary appurtenances (collectively, the "NIPSCO Facilities");
- 2. construct, operate, maintain, replace, repair, alter the size of, and remove or abandon underground communication systems for the transmission of video, data and voice communications, with appurtenant facilities, including, without limitation, conduits, cables, equipment, splicing boxes, wires, cathodic protection, and fiber optics cable;

- 3. perform pre-construction work;
- 4. ingress to and egress from the Easement Area (as defined below) by means of existing or future roads and other reasonable routes on the Premises and on Grantor's adjoining lands;
- 5. exercise all other rights necessary or convenient for the full use and enjoyment of the rights herein granted, including the right from time to time to: (a) clear the Easement Area of all obstructions and (b) clear, cut, trim and remove any and all vegetation, trees, undergrowth and brush and overhanging branches from the Easement Area by various means, including the use of herbicides approved by the State of Indiana or the United States Environmental Protection Agency (or successor-i n-duty).

The NIPSCO Facilities are to be located within the limits of the permanent right of way further depicted on Exhibit A and described on Exhibit B, both attached hereto and incorporated herein (the "Easement Area").

The Grantor may use and enjoy the Easement Area, to the extent such use and enjoyment does not interfere with Grantee's rights under this Easement. Grantor shall not construct or permit to be constructed or place any structure, including but not limited to, mobile homes, dwellings, garages, out-buildings, pools, decks, man-made bodies of water, trees, shrubbery, leach beds, septic tanks, on or over the Easement Area, or any other obstructions on or over Easement Area that will, in any way, interfere with the construction, maintenance, operation, replacement, or repair of the NIPSCO Facilities or appurtenances constructed under this Easement. Grantor will not change the depth of cover or conduct grading operations within the Easement Area, without the written consent of the Grantee. Grantor shall not construct or permit to be constructed or place any unapproved fences, unapproved roads, passageways or trails (gravel or paved) within the Easement Area, without the written consent of the Grantee. Grantor will not engage in, and will not permit, the dumping of refuse or waste, or the storage of any materials of any kind. Grantor will not engage in, and will not permit, the operation of any heavy machinery or equipment over the Easement Area, without the written consent of the Grantee. Grantor will not cause, and will not permit any third parties to cause, the Easement Area to be covered by standing water, except in the course of normal seasonal irrigation.

The Grantee will replace and restore the area disturbed by the laying, construction, operation, replacement, and maintenance of any NIPSCO Facilities to as near as practical to its original condition, except as provided herein.

With regard to the Easement Area, Grantor will assume all risk, liability, loss, cost, damage, or expense for any and all pollutants, contaminants, petroleum, hazardous substances and endangerments on or under the Premises, except those which result from Grantee's use of and activities on the Premises. Grantee will give Grantor written notice of any claim, demand, suit or action arising from any pollutants, contaminants, petroleum, hazardous substances and endangerments on or under the Premises within ten (10) business days from the date that Grantee becomes aware of such claim, demand, suit or action.

Grantor and Grantee agree that, except to the extent caused by the acts or omissions of the Grantee or its representatives and contractors, the Grantee shall not be liable for, and is hereby released from, any and all claims, damages, losses, judgments, suits, actions and liabilities, whether arising during, prior to or subsequent to the term of this Easement, related to the presence of pollutants, contaminants, petroleum, hazardous substances or endangerments in, beneath or along the Premises.

Grantee agrees to pay for any damage to marketable timber, crops, approved fences (if any) and approved tile drains (if any) that is caused by the activities conducted pursuant to this Easement.

The rights, privileges and terms hereby shall extend to and be binding upon the Grantor and the Grantee and their representatives, heirs, successors and assigns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Grantor has duly executed this Easement this 10 day of July 20 25.
JOHN C. RAGO By: DORYS JEAN RAGO
State of Indiana) ss County of Lake)
BE IT REMEMBERED that on this day of, 2025, before me, a Notary Public in and for said county and state aforesaid, personally appeared
WITNESS my hand and notarial seal thislow day of, 2025.
Print Name Katlyn Johnston Sign Name Notary Public (SEAL) My Commission Expires 8/24/2029 A Resident of Porter County, Indiana Commission Expires 8/24/2029

This instrument prepared by: Kathryn A Bryan, NIPSCO Legal Counsel. "I affirm, under the penalties for perjury, that I have taken reasonable care to redact each Social Security number in this document, unless required by law." Kathryn A Bryan, NIPSCO Legal Counsel.

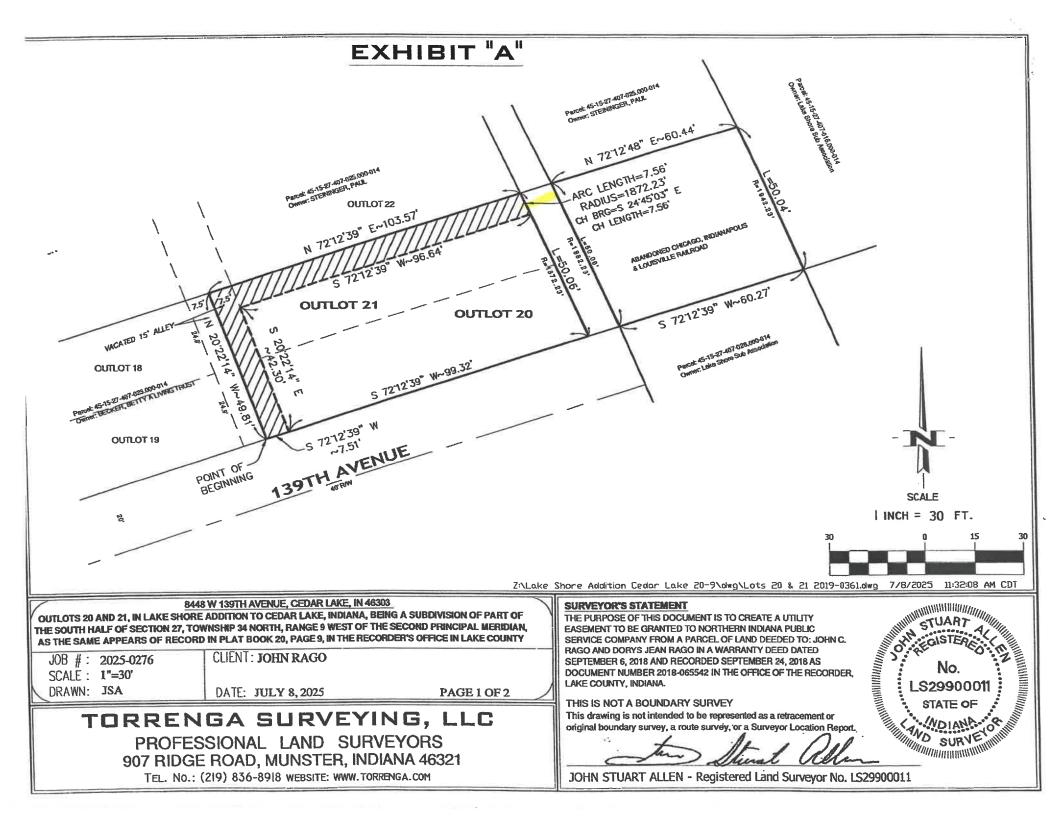


EXHIBIT "B"

7.5' NORTHERN INDIANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY EASEMENT DESCRIPTION:

ALL THAT PART OF OUTLOTS 20 AND 21, IN LAKE SHORE ADDITION TO CEDAR LAKE, INDIANA, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE SOUTH HALF OF SECTION 27, TOWNSHIP 34 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST OF THE SECOND PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, AS THE SAME APPEARS OF RECORD IN PLAT BOOK 20, PAGE 9, IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: REGINNING AT THE SOUTHERLY MOST SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID OUTLOT 20: THENCE NORTH 20 DEGREES 22 MINUTES 14 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE SOUTHWESTERLY LINE OF SAID OUTLOTS 20 AND 21. A DISTANCE OF 49.81 FEET TO THE NORTHWESTERLY CORNER OF SAID OUTLOT 21; THENCE NORTH 72 DEGREES 12 MINUTES 39 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE NORTHWESTERLY LINE OF SAID OUTLOT 21, A DISTANCE OF 103.57 FEET TO THE NORTHEASTERLY CORNER OF SAID OUTLOT 21 AND A POINT ON A NON-TANGENT CURVE CONCAVE TO THE SOUTHWEST AND HAVING A RADIUS OF 1872.23 FEET: THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG SAID CURVE AN ARC LENGTH OF 7.56 FEET (CHORD BEARING SOUTH 24 DEGREES 45 MINUTES 03 SECONDS EAST, A CHORD LENGTH OF 7.56 FEET); THENCE SOUTH 72 DEGREES 12 MINUTES 39 SECONDS WEST PARALLEL WITH AND 7.50 FEET SOUTH, AS MEASURED BY PARALLEL LINES. OF THE SAID NORTHWESTERLY LINE, A DISTANCE OF 96.64 FEET TO A POINT 7.50 FEET NORTHEASTERLY, AS MEASURED BY PARALLEL LINES, OF THE SAID SOUTHWESTERLY LINE: THENCE SOUTH 20 DEGREES 22 MINUTES 14 SECONDS EAST ALONG SAID PARALLEL LINE, A DISTANCE OF 42.30 FEET TO A POINT ON THE SOUTHEASTERLY LINE OF SAID OUTLOT 20; THENCE SOUTH 72 DEGREES 12 MINUTES 39 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID SOUTHEASTERLY LINE, A DISTANCE 7.51 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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STUART

TWO SURVEY

8448 W 139TH AVENUE, CEDAR LAKE, IN 46303

OUTLOTS 20 AND 21, IN LAKE SHORE ADDITION TO CEDAR LAKE, INDIANA, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE SOUTH HALF OF SECTION 27, TOWNSHIP 34 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST OF THE SECOND PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN. AS THE SAME APPEARS OF RECORD IN PLAT BOOK 20, PAGE 9, IN THE RECORDER'S OFFICE IN LAKE COUNTY

JOB #: 2025-0276

SCALE: N/A

DRAWN: JSA

CLIENT: JOHN RAGO

DATE: JULY 8, 2025

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TORRENGA SURVEYING, LLC

PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS 907 RIDGE ROAD, MUNSTER, INDIANA 46321

TEL. No.: (219) 836-8918 WEBSITE: WWW.TORRENGA.COM

SURVEYOR'S STATEMENT

R. LS29\
STATE

MDIAN

SURVE THE PURPOSE OF THIS DOCUMENT IS TO CREATE A UTILITY EASEMENT TO BE GRANTED TO NORTHERN INDIANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY FROM A PARCEL OF LAND DEEDED TO: JOHN C. RAGO AND DORYS JEAN RAGO IN A WARRANTY DEED DATED SEPTEMBER 6, 2018 AND RECORDED SEPTEMBER 24, 2018 AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 2018-065542 IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER. LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA.

THIS IS NOT A BOUNDARY SURVEY

This drawing is not intended to be represented as a retracement or original boundary survey, a route survey, or a Surveyor Location Report.

JOHN STUART ALLEN - Registered Land Surveyor No. LS29900011





Statement Date:05/29/2025 125

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Customer Service 1-800-464-7726 For credit questions, call 7 A.M. - 7 P.M. CT Mon. - Fri.

Emergency Service 24/7

1-800-634-3524 For gas leaks or odor of gas 1-800-464-7726 Report electric lines down or power outage

Pay by credit/debit card Call 1-855-763-6277 (Paymentus convenience fee will apply)

For hearing-impaired TDD 1-800-635-0952



Web

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Mail Payments

NIPSCO P.O. Box 13007 Merrillville, IN 46411-3007



Payment Locations

Find locations online at NIPSCO.com

Account Profile

Customer Name: Jean Rago

Your Contact Information:

Jean Rago 8448 W 139Th Ave Cedar Lake IN 46303-8999

Pre-paid Job Order

A FIRM ESTIMATE Job Order has been created for CONTRIBUTION. This Job Order is for the purpose of:

RELOCATE ELECTRIC SERVICE

Upon receipt of your payment in the amount of \$29,357.00, we will schedule your request.

If the Job Order has already been paid, please disregard.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please call 1-219-886-5673 and ask to speak with KELLY HAYS.

Current Charges Due

\$29,357.00

Your Safety

Report a Power Outage

To report an electric power outage, call us or visit NIPSCO.com/OutageCenter.

Gas Safety

In case of an emergency, such as odor of gas, carbon monoxide or fire;

- Leave the building or area immediately.
- Leave windows and doors in their positions and avoid doing anything that could cause a spark.
- From a safe place, away from the building or area, call **911** and NIPSCO at **1-800-634-**3524.

Always call 8-1-1 Before you Dlg

If you're planning a home or landscaping project, call Indiana 811 at least two business days before digging. A representative will mark the approximate location of underground utility lines for free.



Electric Safety

Stay away from downed or hanging power lines or anything touching them. Please call 1-800-464-7726 to report any hazardous situations.

Employee Identification

All our employees and contractors carry photo identification. Ask to see it before allowing anyone who claims to be a utility representative into your home. Call the police if you see suspicious activity.

mailed 7/11/25 \$ 29,357

Please fold on the perforation below, detach and return with payment.

TOWN OF CEDAR LAKE, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA

RESOLUTION NO. 1379

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS BY THE CLERK-TREASURER FOR THE FOLLOWING FUNDS DURING BUDGET YEAR 2025

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Cedar Lake, Lake County, Indiana does find that conditions exist at this time, and that it is indispensably necessary to expend certain sums of money by the proper legal officers of the Town of Cedar Lake, Lake County, Indiana by way of transfer of funds within the categories of appropriations.

NOW THERFORE, be it resolved by the Town Council of the Town of Cedar Lake, Lake County, Indiana, that the following transfers are to be made in the specified funds between major budget categories;

GENERAL FUND #101		TOTAL TRANSFERS \$14,500.00
Planning, Zoning & Building (004	
\$ 11,000.00	From: 317 - Unsafe Building Serv	To: 399 – Facilities
Parks & Recreation 006		
\$ 3,500.00	From: 115 – Part-Time	To: 116 – Overtime
LAKE COUNTY SOLID WASTE #104		TOTAL TRANSFERS \$7,500.00
\$ 7,500.00	From: 112 – Full-Time	To: 231 – Repair Parts
	IANA THIS 2 nd DAY OF SEPTEM	CEDAR LAKE, LAKE COUNTY, MBER, 2025
Nick Recupito, President	Greg Park	er, Vice President
Robert H. Carnahan	Julie Rive	ra
Chuck Becker	Mary Joan	n Dickson
Attest:	Richard C	. Thiel Jr.
Jennifer N. Sandberg, IAMCA	, CMC, CPFIM	
Clerk-Treasurer		