

**Town of  
Cedar Lake  
Town  
Council**



**Town Council Meeting Agenda  
December 16, 2025-7:00 PM**

**ELECTED TO A  
4-YEAR TERM:**

**Robert H. Carnahan,  
Ward 1 (R)** ☐  
(01/01/2023-  
12/31/2026)

**Julie Rivera,  
Ward 2 (R)** ☐  
(01/01/2023-  
12/31/2026)

**Nicholas A. Recupito,  
Ward 3 (R)** ☐  
**President**  
(01/01/2023-  
12/31/2026)

**Chuck Becker,  
Ward 4 (R)** ☐  
(01/01/2024-  
12/31/2027)

**Greg Parker,  
Ward 5 (I)** ☐  
**Vice President**  
(01/01/2024-  
12/31/2027)

**Mary Joan Dickson,  
At Large (D)** ☐  
(01/01/2024-  
12/31/2027)

**Richard Thiel,  
At Large (R)** ☐  
(01/01/2024-  
12/31/2027)

**Jennifer Sandberg,  
IAMCA,  
Clerk-Treasurer** ☐  
(01/01/2024-  
12/31/2027)

**Benjamin Eldridge,  
Town Manager** ☐

**David Austgen,  
Town Attorney** ☐

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
OPENING PRAYER  
CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:**

**PUBLIC COMMENT (on agenda items only)**

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

1. Minutes: September 2<sup>nd</sup> and September 16, 2025
2. Claims: All Town Funds: \$1,326,507.48; Wastewater Operating: \$37,646.66; Water Utility: \$121,386.22; Storm Water: \$4,663.95; Payroll: \$457,021.10; November Remittances: \$191,779.06
3. Donations:
  - Hawthorne Arbor of Gleaners- amount of \$2,000.00 to the Fire Department
  - Ann Sharp- amount of \$100.00 to the Fire Department
  - Timothy and Lori Brown-amount of \$100.00 to the Fire Department
4. Manual Journal Entries: November 1, 2025- November 30, 2025

**ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS:**

1. Resolution No. 1383- A Transfer Resolution

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Approval of stop sign placement on Kings Street to add to Ordinance #71.09
2. 2025 CDBG Utopia ADA Improvement Project Bid and Award
3. Park Board Recommendation to amend Park Superintendent job description
4. Park Board Recommendation to amend Ordinance No. 1512 Recreation Activity Fees
5. Park Board Recommendation to Appoint Board members to serve on the Tree City and Recreation Impact Fee Boards
6. Appointment of an Unsafe Building Board Member
7. Building Permit # 25-558 Refund Request (Permit was issued July 18, 2025)

**UPATE ITEMS:**

1. Olthof Homes-Blue Sky Development water update

**PLAN COMMISSION UPDATE ITEMS: (Businesses approved on 11-19-2025 for occupancy)**

1. **2025-36** Dr. Leestma Medical Clinic- 9855 Lincoln Plaza Way
2. **2025-38** Sherman's Towing & Recovery LLC- 13781 Alexander St., Unit A- Railside Business Park
3. **2025-39** BT Video Systems LLC-13781 Alexander St., Unit C- Railside Business Park
4. **2025-41** Eagle One Cleaning Service- 13201 Morse Street
5. **2025-42** Give and Gather Thrift Store- 12615 Wicker Ave.

**REPORTS:**

1. Town Council
2. Town Attorney
3. Clerk-Treasurer
4. Town Manager
5. Director of Operations
6. Police Department
7. Fire Department
8. Parks Department

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATION:**

1. Building Department Report
2. Christopher B. Burke Report

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**PRESS SESSION:**

**NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, January 6, 2025 immediately following the Redevelopment Commission Meeting.**

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