

TOWN OF CEDAR LAKE, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA

ORDINANCE NO.: 1427

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TOWN ORDINANCE NO.: 1385, BEING “AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE TOWN OF CEDAR LAKE, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA, ADOPTING SAID RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE TOWN, REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND TOWN CODE SECTIONS, OR PORTIONS THEREOF, IN CONFLICT HEREWITH, AND ALL MATTERS RELATED HERETO”, REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND TOWN CODE SECTIONS, OR PORTIONS THEREOF, IN CONFLICT HEREWITH, AND ALL MATTERS RELATED HERETO”.

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Cedar Lake, Lake County, Indiana (hereinafter, the “Town Council”), has reviewed its business and management practices for the Town Municipal Water Utility for water sprinkling regulations as a consequence of constant monitoring and vigilance in the administration of the Town Municipal Water Utility, as well as for responsible preservation and utilization of the existing water supply available to the Town Municipal Water Utility customers and ratepayers; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council, being duly informed and advised, now concurs, and agrees that the current water sprinkling usage regulations and guidelines require amendment to responsibly preserve and utilize the existing water supply available to Town customers and ratepayers of the Town Municipal Water Utility; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council, being duly informed and advised, and based upon its determination to responsibly preserve and utilize the existing water supply available to the Town customers and ratepayers of the Town Municipal Water Utility, as well as to manage the water supply to reduce the establishment or creation of water shortages, now concurs and agrees that further amendment and modification of Town Water Usage Regulations and Ordinance No. 1385, which was adopted by the Town Council the 18th day of May, 2021, is necessary and required for such purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council, upon its further review and assessment, concurs and agrees that continuing responsible management and operation of the Town Municipal Water Utility for the benefit of Town customers and ratepayers is essential, and that in order to preserve water supply, and properly and adequately maintain the Municipal Water Utility supply and distribution system, determines that further amendment for operational regulations is appropriate, advisable, and should be established.

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

SECTION ONE: That **SECTION THREE**, of Town Ordinance No. 1385, duly adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Cedar Lake, Lake County, Indiana, the 18th day of May, 2021, be, and the same is hereby amended to read and provide hereinafter as follows, namely:

SECTION THREE That notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the following water usage by customers and residents served by the Waterworks System of the Town are exempt from the aforesaid water conservation policies and regulations set forth hereinafter, namely:

A. Homeowners with newly planted or seeded lawns may water the newly planted lawn for no longer than four (4) weeks from date of newly planting or seeding such lawns are exempt.

B. Retail businesses offering primarily car washing services to patrons are exempt.

C. That notwithstanding the provisions of **SECTION TWO** and **SECTION THREE** of Town Ordinance No. 1385, as set forth hereinabove, homeowners with newly planted or seeded lawns may water the newly planted lawn for no longer than four (4) weeks from the date of newly planting or seeding such lawns, or as determined by the Town Municipal Water Utility Superintendent, or Town Manager, as set forth herein. Further, the Town Municipal Water Utility Superintendent or Town Manager shall have the authority under this Sprinkling Usage Regulations Amendatory Ordinance to require homeowners in new homes with newly planted or seeded lawns to be placed on the even/odd rotation for sprinkling usage when the demands on the supply in the Municipal Water Utility system are reduced and conditions are too exigent for the safety of the system to permit unlimited usage.”

SECTION TWO: That all remaining terms and provisions of Town Ordinance No. 1385, adopted by the Town Council May 18, 2021, not amended hereby, are ratified and reaffirmed in the entirety.

SECTION THREE: That all existing Ordinances and Town Code Sections, 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 FOUR: If any section, clause, provision or portion of this Ordinance and these Regulations shall be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect any other section, clause, provision or portion of this Ordinance and these Regulations.

SECTION FIVE: That this Ordinance and these Regulations shall take effect, and be in full force and effect, from and after passage and adoption by the Town Council of the Town of Cedar Lake, Lake County, Indiana, in conformance with applicable law.

ALL OF WHICH IS PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CEDAR LAKE, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA THIS 9th DAY OF JULY, 2022.

**TOWN OF CEDAR LAKE, LAKE COUNTY,
INDIANA, TOWN COUNCIL**




Randall C. Niemeyer, President



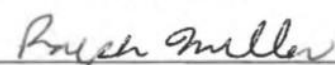
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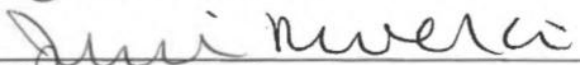
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