

Plan Commission backs impact fee concept

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CEDAR LAKE | The Plan Commission has recommended the Town Council approve an impact fee amendment.

Indiana law allows municipalities to levy impact fees on developers through the ordinance. The fees defray costs of capital improvements such as roads, sewers and parks.

Cedar Lake passed an impact fee amendment late last year but had to repeal it because some of the data was incorrect.

The town conducted a new study with a new committee, which gave three options to the Plan Commission. The commission recommended the third option, which would institute a \$963 fee based on a formula of 12.5 acres per 1,000 people.

The other two options suggested fees of \$1,151 or \$1,147.