

# THE CITY OF FRANKFORT



## *People and Places*

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### **THE CITY OF FRANKFORT : FRANKFORT CITY LIGHT & POWER**

#### ***The History of Frankfort, Indiana***

Brothers John, William and Nicholas Pence from Warren County, Ohio settled on the land on which Frankfort now stands in 1829.

In 1830, the brothers donated 60 acres to the county commissioners, a donation which led to the establishment of the county seat at that site rather than in Jefferson, a community which also had been vying for the honor.

The new town was named Frankfort at the brothers' request, in honor of their German great-grandparents' home of Frankfurt am Main in Germany.

The Town of Frankfort was laid off on the 60-acre tract by County Agent William Douglass and the plat was filed on June 8, 1830. The original plat consisted of 64 lots in eight blocks surrounding a public square where the courthouse now stands. The County Board paid contractors Allen & Michael \$20 to erect the first courthouse, a 1 ½-story temporary structure made of logs hewn from trees that grew on the square and surrounding streets.

Its replacement was built by contractor John Elder in 1837–1838 for \$12,000 and operated for 45 years. In 1881, Indianapolis architect George W. Bunting designed the third courthouse, a 165-foot structure built of Indiana limestone by contractors Farman & Pearce for approximately \$200,000. Its cornerstone was laid September 2, 1882.



#### ***The "Gem City" Name***

Frankfort is called the Gem City for its brightness in the new electric light era. It was said you could see Frankfort shine from miles away on the prairie due to the new electric lights and its location.

#### ***Frankfort City Light & Power : 2021 Newest Projects and Development***

Frankfort City Light & Power was established in 1902. The electric department has 25 employees and provides electric service to the residents and commercial buildings in Frankfort with over 7,723 residential meters. Also, supplying an industrial substation and adding an additional industrial substation and adding an additional industrial substation.

Frankfort Light & Power is supplied by Indiana Municipal Power Agency (IMPA). Frankfort Utilities also provides Water, and Wastewater services within its service territory.

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## Congratulations to Mike Myers 48 Years of Dedicated Service

Mike Myers recently retired from Frankfort City Light and Power. Mike's career with the utility began in September 1972 working in the Meter Department and was promoted to Assistant Superintendent in April 1992 and Superintendent in March 2017.

In a career spanning 48 years it's impossible to acknowledge all of Mike's accomplishments. A few notable projects include upgrading the electric system metering to AMI as well as the Burlington and Fairground substation upgrades and most recently the West side Substation rebuild. His knowledge and dedication will be missed by all.

The IMEA Board & Staff would like to thank Mike for his outstanding leadership and dedication to Frankfort City Light & Power and the City of Frankfort.



**Mike Myers, Utility Superintendent**

***Happy Retirement Mike !  
It's time to kick back and enjoy.  
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