

City of Evansville **Municipal Services Committee**
Regular Meeting
City Hall, 31 S Madison St., Evansville, WI 53536
Tuesday, May 27, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

MINUTES

1. Call to Order: Corridon called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call:

Members	Present/ Absent	Others Present
Aldersperson Ben Corridon	P	Scott Kriebs, Municipal Services Director
Aldersperson Lita Droster	P	Dale Roberts, Public Works Foreperson
Aldersperson Abbey Barnes	P	Jason Sergeant, City Administrator
		Nick Bubolz & Brian Berquist, Town & Country
		Dianne Duggan, City Mayor
		Mario Millonzi & Patrick Diedrich, Upper 90
		Chuck Boyce, Aldersperson
		Darren Jacobson, WPPI Representative

3. Motion to Approve the Agenda, with striking 7E-1 by Barnes, seconded by Droster. Motion passed 3-0.

4. Motion to Waive the reading of the minutes of the April 29, 2025 regular meeting and Approve them as printed by Barnes, seconded by Droster. Motion passed 3-0.

5. Civility Reminder: Corridon issued a reminder that all City Business shall be conducted with civility and decorum.

6. Citizen appearances: None

7. New Business:

A. Upper 90 Presentation: Millonzi and Diedrich went over the evaluation of the City buildings to look at projects that are designed to improve energy efficiency. The discussion included estimated budget project cost ranges.

B. Discussion on Municipal Code Chapter 126-191 Lead and Galvanized Water Service Line Replacement: The discussion included the ability to sign a waiver and record an affidavit of such to keep existing lead laterals. The plan is to bring the Code edits to the next Municipal Services meeting before taking to Council. There was additional discussion about the financial aspect for Residents.

C. Discussion and Motion to Recommend Approval of Land Division Application LD-2025-06 (525/527 S Seventh Street/Parcel ID 6-27-533.502) by Corridon, seconded by Barnes. Motion passed 3-0.

D. Discussion on How to Handle Mobile Vendors Hooking up to City Outlets: Barnes shared what happened last year with the Dairy Trailer plugging into City electricity and what had been done this year at Creekside with installing a new meter that could record the electric service used. The discussion was about whether to allow anyone to be able to plug into City power, if there should be a fee, and/or if there should be a liability waiver.

E. Madison St. Rail Road Crossing Update: Berquist shared the project update based on the conversation with Union Pacific. There was additional discussion about a pre-authority with the Federal Railroad Administration to begin design work for Main Street and Water Street crossings.

~~**1. Possible Motion to Send to Council the Rail Crossing Agreement**~~

F. Discussion about CIP-Review and Impacts: There was discussion about the possibility of staggering projects, tax burdens (levy to maintain roads where the state limits the amount, but has a loophole to do obligation borrowing, with a portion being general obligation money w/utilities paying the rest). Road projects are so far behind where they should be. While the biggest problems have been fixed, the next 5 years still have some pretty bad roads that also have the smallest water mains, which also affects Fire

Protection. Ehlers does the Financial Management Plan that tells us how much we can afford to do. A lot of what is being done is being paid by the Utilities which is not on the tax bills, so the taxpayers wouldn't see savings. There was discussion about the possibility of slowing down on vehicle rotation purchases, which could be seen on tax bills.

8. Electric & Water Utility

A. Project Updates: Kriebs shared that the current projects are on Mill and Railroad, and there had been a broken main (old one) on Mill. Union/Townline (UTL) project is also occurring with some bids coming in on new breakers and a transformer. Pole inspections have not been scheduled yet this year.

B. Monthly Reports:

- 1. Usage & Outage Reports:** Kriebs shared that there were a few more outages in May than the previous month.
- 2. Disconnection Report:** There was some discussion about occupied residences without power. Corridon asked for there to be a check on those still without power and to send a follow up.

C. WPPI Energy Report:

1. VLU Funds:

- a. Motion to Authorize Evansville Water & Light purchase of 50 \$5 Individual Day Passes and 25 \$55 10 Count Punch Cards to the Aquatic Center by Corridon, seconded by Barnes. Motion passed 3-0.*
- b. Motion to give Evansville Education Fund \$600 for the Strawberry Shortcake Festival by Corridon, seconded by Droster. Motion passed 3-0.*

9. Daupler Dispatch Service Switchover Update: Kriebs shared that the go live date will be June 2nd.

10. Public Works:

A. Wastewater Utility:

- 1. Motion to Recommend to Common Council Resolution 2025-13, Approval of the 2024 Compliance Maintenance Annual Report (CMAR) by Corridon, seconded by Barnes. Motion passed 3-0.*

B. Stormwater Utility: Porter Road culvert project is coming up with the bike path around the ponds. Also, some work is being done to the Retention Pond on Seventh Street.

C. City Engineer Report: Berquist shared that the gas company is starting work on Cherry Street along with some tree removal. Mill and Railroad are the focus right now. Droster asked what grass seed mix was planted in the terrace. Berquist shared that the mix is Madison Parks but has noticed that people are not mowing the lawn. The mowing helps get the grass to come in. The weeds that are mixed in are annuals but help with the germination of the grass seed as long as mowing occurs.

11. Parks and Recreation Report: Roberts shared that they are trying to rehab the rest of the triangle at Lake Leota.

12. Director and Staff Update: Kriebs shared that the ball diamond light have been updated to LED lights, the old shed at the ball diamond was tore down and re-built. In addition, the new meters should be arriving soon so that the swap out of damaged meters from the Hailstorm. On Cherry Street, the gas contractor cut the cable line that resulted in the lift station on Cherry Street being on a generator for 36 hours.

13. Old Business: None

14. Next Meeting Dates: June 24, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

15. Adjourn: Corridon adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.