

**City of Evansville Common Council**  
**Regular Meeting**  
City Hall, 31 S Madison St, Evansville WI 53536  
**Tuesday, August 12, 2025, 6:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

1. **Call to Order:** Duggan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. **Roll Call:**

Mayor, Dianne Duggan	P	Leah Hurtley, City Clerk
Aldersperson, Bill Lathrop	P	Jason Sergeant, City Administrator
Aldersperson, Abbey Barnes	P	Julie Roberts, City Treasurer
Aldersperson, Erika Stuart	P	Colette Spranger, Community Development Director
Aldersperson, Kelly Shannon	P	Carolyn Kleisch, EMS Chief
Aldersperson, Chuck Boyce	P	Bronna Lehmann, Library Director
Aldersperson, Joe Geoffrion	P	Ian Reilly, Police Lieutenant
Aldersperson, Ben Corridon	P	Mark Kopp, City Attorney
Aldersperson, Lita Droster	P	Nick Bubolz, Town & Country Engineers

Other Staff: Shannon Krueger, Municipal Court Clerk; Tom Alisankus, Municipal Judge

Other Citizens: Andy Phillips, Phillips Contracting/Developer, Troy Pagenkoff, John Brandon, John Paquin, Jim Graham with CHS. Kevin Krysinski, Johnson Block. Mario Millonzi & Patrick Diedrich with Upper 90.

3. **Motion to Approve the Agenda, with moving item 10A to 6A by Barnes, seconded by Corridon. Motion passed 8-0.**

4. **Motion to Waive the Reading of Minutes of the July 8, 2025 Regular Meeting and Approve as Presented by Barnes, seconded by Droster. Motion passed 8-0.**

Correction to 6A3. Lathrop wanted the minutes to reflect that his intention wasn't the mandatory vs. voluntary language but rather the inconsistent legal requirements for homeowners with respect to the voluntary vs. involuntary language.

Correction to 8C, Lathrop wanted it reflected that public housing was inference to local housing option.

Addition to 6A2, to add that the arrest took place at the June 2025 Common Council meeting.

5. **Civility Reminder:** Duggan noted the City's commitment to civility and decorum at Council Meetings.

6. **Special Presentations:**

A. **CHS Presentation:** Graham gave an update on the project.

B. **AWARE Presentation by Amy Floan:** Floan shared information about what they do to assist the families in the Evansville School District. Floan also shared that there new location on Main Street has had a positive impact on AWARE as they see more foot traffic.

C. **2024 Audit Presentation by Johnson Block:** Krysinski broke down the audit process and key items that were discovered during the audit process and are outlined in the packet.

D. **Upper 90's Municipal Energy Audits and Projects:** Millonzi & Diedrich wanted to be available if there were any questions about the proposed improvements.

7. **Public Comments on Items on the Agenda Not Requiring a Public Hearing and on Matters Which can be Affected by Council Action.** (Individuals wishing to address the City Council are required to sign in on the roster and must keep their comments under three minutes. Any materials must be delivered only to the City Clerk.)

- A. John Brandon: Brandon wanted to inquire about the resolution that was approved at the July meeting. Lathrop explained that the Municipal Code originally had mandatory language. The mandatory language has been struck from the Municipal Code but added that there has been a stipulation that those that opt not to replace their lateral, would have to sign an affidavit that would be recorded with the County.
- B. Troy Pagenkopf: Pagenkopf voiced concerns about the growth that is expected for Evansville.

## 8. Reports of Committees:

- A. **Library Board Report:** Lehmann read from a written report: General Updates: The clay tile roof proposal for replacement due to hail damage is approved. There is a 4-6 month lead time for manufacturing. The roof will be replaced in the spring. Chubb Insurance has approved using Destree Design Architects to coordinate the roofing repair for the library and other city buildings. We look forward to having a plan for the flat membrane roof repair soon. Other smaller repairs will be done this fall. Thanks to the generosity of our community and matching funds from the Community Foundation of Southern Wisconsin and the Schlecht Family Foundation, plus an anonymous \$5,000 donation, the library has a new endowment with an initial balance of more than \$17,000. We are rearranging the Children's Area to increase space for picture books which are a very high use item. We will also be improving labeling to make it easier to search through different categories of books. Program Updates: Our summer reading program wrapped up on August 8<sup>th</sup> with a children's musical performer thanks to funding from the Friends of the Library. We will be taking a program break during the next few weeks to allow time for staff to prep fall programming. The fall schedule is available on our website. We now have a monthly emailed newsletter sent to those 13 and up. Subscribe on our website. We will be at Evansville Night Out. Stop by our table to make a button or blow some bubbles!
- B. **Parks and Recreation Board Report:** Sergeant shared that there had been a special meeting to address the music at the Aquatic Center. There was an agreement reached on a trial basis with respect to volume.
- C. **Plan Commission Report:**
- 1) **Motion to Approve Resolution 2025-16: Public Participation Process for Smart Growth Comprehensive Plan** by Barnes, seconded by Lathrop. Motion passed 7-0-1, with Geoffrion recused.  
  
**Public Comment Open:**  
  
John Paquin: voiced concerns about the traffic on the street and the parking situation for the street.
  - 2) Discussion, Final Reading, and **Motion to Approve Ordinance 2025-04: Rezoning Land in the Capstone Ridge Subdivision** by Barnes, seconded by Lathrop. Motion passed by Roll Call 4-3-1, with Stuart Abstaining, Boyce, Droster, and Shannon opposed.
  - 3) **Motion to Approve 2025 Capstone Ridge Final Land Divider's Agreement** by Barnes, seconded by Lathrop. Motion passed by Roll Call 8-0.  
  
Recess called at 7:48 p.m.  
  
Meeting resumed at 8:00 p.m.
- D. **Finance and Labor Relations Committee Report:**
- 1) **Motion to Accept the July 2025 City Bills in the Amount of \$1,896,185.74** by Barnes, seconded by Corridon. Motion passed by Roll Call 8-0.

- 2) **2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Treasurer's Report:** Roberts provided the Council with a brief overview and advised the city seems to be on track midway through 2025.
- 3) **Motion to Award the EMS Garage Bid (for Phase 1) to KSW by Barnes, seconded by Droster. Motion passed by Roll Call 8-0.**
- 4) **Aldersperson District 1 Debt Discussion:** Lathrop provided the Council with a report he created titled - Capital Spending and Long-Term Debt. Information was shared on how Evansville compared to other same size communities with expenses, growth, and taxes. Lathrop expressed concerns and possible solutions that also were outlined in the written report.

**E. Public Safety Committee Report:**

- 1) **Motion to Approve the Renewal Alcohol Beverage License Applications for a Class "A" Beer/ "Class A" Liquor License for:** (background check recommendations provided by Chief Jones, unless otherwise noted)
  - A. **SD Evansville Minimart, Inc., Manvir Singh, Agent, 905 E. 10th Street, Brodhead, WI 53520, d/b/a SD Evansville Minimart, Inc., 350 Union Street, Evansville, WI 53536**  
**Motion by Stuart, seconded by Boyce. Motion passed 8-0.**

**F. Municipal Services Report:**

- 1) **Motion to Accept ATC Common Facilities Agreement by Corridon, seconded by Barnes. Motion passed by Roll Call 8-0**
- 2) **Motion to Award the Contract of the Lincoln Lift Station Upgrade, Plus the Cherry Street Lift Station Generator w/o the CFWP Requirements in the Amount of \$808,625 to Zignego Company, Inc by Corridon, seconded by Barnes. Motion passed by Roll Call 7-1, with Droster opposed.**

Droster researched the company and shared findings of OSHA, FLSA, and Class Action Lawsuits.

- 3) **Motion to Approve Resolution 2025-15: Amending City of Evansville Fee Schedule – Cemetery by Corridon, seconded by Barnes. Motion passed 8-0.**
- 4) **Second Reading and Motion to Approve Ordinance 2025-05: Amending Chapter 126 – Utilities by Corridon, seconded by Lathrop. Motion passed 8-0.**

**G. Economic Development Committee Report:** Did Not Meet.

**H. Youth Center Advisory Board Report:** Did Not Meet.

**I. Historic Preservation Commission Report:** Shannon reported the events of the meeting.

**J. Fire District Report:** Droster shared the updated numbers of fire calls and that the Fire District had gone to the Rock County Fair.

**9. Communications and Recommendations of the Administrator:** Sergeant gave updates on the Youth Center, the Youth Center building, insurance updates, and a meeting with GFL trash service.

- A. **Update on 2026 Budget, CIP and Financial Planning:** Sergeant gave updates.
- B. **Motion to Accept the Offer to Purchase Vacant Land located at 55 S Cty Rd. M, Evansville, WI, Parcel #6-27-1150 by Barnes, seconded by Corridon. Motion passed by Roll Call 8-0**

**10. Communications and Recommendations of the Mayor**

- A. **Mayoral Proclamation 2025-10 Recognition of Municipal Court Clerk:** Read by Barnes
- B. **Discussion on the Paper of Record:** Sergeant explained that the City had been approached by Evansville Examiner. The Evansville Examiner now shows that they are published in the City and

based on state law as a result, the City will need to shift the Paper of Record to the Evansville Examiner.

11. **Unfinished Business:** None
12. **New Business:** None
13. **Introduction of New Ordinances:**
  - A. **First Reading of Ordinance 2025-06: Rezoning Land in the Windmill Ridge 2<sup>nd</sup> Addition Subdivision:** Read by Duggan
  - B. **First Reading of Ordinance 2025-07: Amending the Smart Growth Comprehensive Plan:** Read by Duggan
  - C. **First Reading Ordinance 2025-08: Amending Chapter 2 – Administration, Adding Article VII - Responsible Bidding:** Read by Duggan
14. **Upcoming Meeting Reminder:**
  - A. Regular Common Council Meeting, Tuesday, September 9, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.
  - B. 2025 Meetings: October 14<sup>th</sup>, November 11<sup>th</sup>, and December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.
15. **Adjourn:** Duggan adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.