City of Evansville Energy Independence Team

Regular Quarterly Meeting Wednesday, August 6, 2025 7:30 a.m. City Hall, 31 S. Madison Street Evansville, WI 53536

MINUTES

- 1. Call to Order. Corridon called the meeting to order at 7:35am
- **2. Introductions and Welcome.** Ben Corridon, Colette Spranger, Scott Kriebs, Bronna Lehmann, Patrick Diedrich, Paul Liesse
- 3. Approve the Agenda by Consensus. Committee approved agenda.
- 4. Approve the minutes of the May 7th, 2025 meeting by consensus. Committee approved minutes.
- 5. Evansville Municipal Energy Plan Discussion and Next Steps
 - **A.** Update on Upper 90 Grant

Upper90 has applied for round 2 of the Rural Energy Start-Up program. They applied for \$101,000 in implementation funds to target projects that would be most appealing to the PSC, and the most likely to be approved. It includes shoring up many of the building envelopes for most municipal buildings except City Hall. City Hall is left out because the amount of needs associated with improving the building would outweigh what's able to be done with the same amount of money on the other buildings. To do improvements to City Hall's envelope would cost \$495,000, which would not include windows. Instead, focus will be on the police station, EMS office and garage, and EMS office. Grant funds would also go toward installing LED lighting throughout the City, which has a good record of payback.

- 6. Quarterly Energy Updates (20 min)
 - A. Business, Community, and School Initiatives.
 - Spranger updated about potential WPPI projects to help homes and businesses in Evansville. It has been a difficult year for generating interest for those projects because of the April hailstorm. People's funds are going into maintenance and repair, not energy efficiency.
 - **B.** EHS Green Team Updates. Scott Anderson on vacation, but a report that the Green team continues to track their energy usage at the high school with a focus on measurable cost savings.
 - **C. Tree City and Bird City.** Spranger charged Kriebs with making a report about what being a part of Bird and Tree City means for the City.
 - **D.** ECSD Nature Center. Closed for the summer.
 - **E.** Ice Age Trail. Mammoth hike challenge coming up in October.
 - F. Community Garden. No report.
 - **G. WPPI.** No report.
 - H. Park Improvements. None.
 - I. Other.

- **7. Next meeting date:** November 5, 2025
- **8. Adjourn.** 8:54 am.