

# Commission on Sustainability



## MICHIGAN CITY INDIANA

Thursday, October 14, 2021, 5:30 pm  
City Hall, EOC Room (downstairs across from Council Chambers)  
Agenda

- I. Roll Call
- II. Approval of Minutes, August 12, 2021, and All Votes Taken During Zoom Pandemic Meetings
- III. Project Teams
  - A. **Solar United Neighbors (SUN)** — Round 2 launched last month with a Press Event/Open House at Commissioner Faye Moore's home to view her solar installation. "Solar 101" is scheduled for Thursday, October 21st, 6:30 pm, Michigan City Hall, Common Council Chamber (downstairs) with presentation by Dan Robinson. Already over 20 individuals have signed up as interested. Kindly help spread the word and let your family, friends, neighbors, and community know about this opportunity for FREE cooperative membership with discounted equipment and coordinated installation.
  - B. **"Caught You Being Green"** — Andie Jahnz-Davis [feature article, social media posts, Earth Day Extravaganza 2022]
  - C. **Electric Vehicles and Chargers** — Tristan Bogart [bid for two Michigan City charger installations submitted by Skyler York of MC Planning Dept., EVC network in Indiana, new models]
  - D. **Funeral Homes & Crematoriums with Plant a Tree Opportunity:** Bailey Chavis [list and enrollment]
  - E. **Biking, Hiking, and Walking Culture** — Phillip Kohler & Tim Bauer [Grand Opening of the Singing Sands Trail, bicycle repair and ride along the new Singing Sands Trail needs to be rescheduled in the spring]
  - F. **Soul Power Project** — La'Tonya (Niki) Troutman, NAACP LaPorte County Unit 6031 [new partner Ivy Tech has joined NAACP, WorkOne, and MC Sustainability Commission]
  - G. **Indiana University Resilience Cohort for SolSmart Designation & Electric Vehicle Charging Station Plan** — Laura Henderson, Tristan Bogart, & Nancy Moldenhauer [How close are we to Silver Designation?]
  - H. **Carbon Neutral Indiana (CNI)** — Nancy Moldenhauer, Andie Jahnz-Davis, Laura Henderson, & Daisy Lee [We have partnered with Larry Zimmer, President, of Michigan City Planning Commission to have a "friendly competition" between Tryon Farms, Shoreland Hills, and other neighborhood associations this fall-winter for subscribers; who needs to reschedule an assessment or get an update with Daniel Poynter, Founder of CNI]  
<https://www.carbonneutralindiana.org/> ; <https://www.facebook.com/carbonneutralindiana>
  - I. **Action Alert:** Two spills at U.S. Steel happened within the last couple of weeks, so Save the Dunes and coalition members are asking concerned individuals and organizations to contact Governor Holcomb, Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM), and other elected officials to let them know "Enough is Enough!". <https://savedunes.org/action-alert-us-steel-spill-join-us-in-saying-enough-is-enough/>

- J. **Clean Removal of Coal Ash from NIPSCO Michigan City Generating Plant** —[Continue to sign and recruit others to sign the Just Transition NWI petition to reach next goal of 1,500 signatures at [https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/protect-lake-michigan-communities-from-toxic-coal-ash?clear\\_id=true&fbclid=IwAR1yJAGdSR68IlwftC4-eT77JVMqGLrrLboEdi2ER9p6xbDUmlOuc15mgOg](https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/protect-lake-michigan-communities-from-toxic-coal-ash?clear_id=true&fbclid=IwAR1yJAGdSR68IlwftC4-eT77JVMqGLrrLboEdi2ER9p6xbDUmlOuc15mgOg) ]

- IV. Board Comments
- V. Public Comments
- VI. Announcements
- VII. Adjournment