

#### MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS VIA ZOOM Notice posted on location at: Knowledge Park; 5240 Knowledge Parkway; Erie, PA 16510 February 18, 2021

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# AGENDA

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# Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting of ECGRA

Date:Thursday, March 18, 2021Time:8:30 a.m. - BOARD MeetingLocation:ZOOM meeting - details to follow



# **Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority**

# Minutes of the Board of Directors' Meeting January 21, 2021

This meeting is held via Zoom due to Governor Wolf's orders to stay at home during the time of this COVID-19 crisis.

# CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Directors' Meeting of the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority was held on January 21, 2021 via Zoom with a link that was provided to all Board members by the Executive Director. An agenda containing the Zoom link to this meeting was posted on the ECGRA website and at 5240 Knowledge Parkway, Erie, PA 16510. Legal Notice of the meeting was given through an advertisement appearing in the Erie Times-News. The meeting was called to order by the Chair.

### ROLL CALL

Mr. Barney, Mr. Cleaver, Mr. DiPaolo, Ms. Hess, Ms. Loll, Mr. Paris, and Mr. Sample. Mr. Lee, Mr. Wachter, and Dr. Wood are also present. It is mentioned that Ms. Loll's computer does not have audio or video options and will be participating in the meeting via the chat function in zoom to discuss or ask anything as well as to cast her votes for motions.

### REASSIGNMENT OF OFFICERS

Dr. Wood: Tim, we have a vacancy for the position of Vice-Chair. What is the normal procedure?

<u>Mr. Wachter</u>: We should consider filling the Vice-Chair's spot now using the same procedure that we would use to fill them when we reorganize; so, you would take any nominations. When we are done taking the nominations, we would take a motion to close the nominations. Following that, we would vote on the nominations in the order that it was received and stop at such point that the first nominee receives the majority vote.

<u>Mr. Sample</u>: I make the motion to have Dale Barney become the Vice-Chair. I don't know if this would require two motions, but I would then make the motion to have Whitey Cleaver go in as Treasurer to fill Dale's vacancy. I don't know if that should be one or two motions.

Mr. Wachter: You can offer that as a slate, if you like.

Mr. Sample: I will offer that as a slate.

Mr. DiPaolo: I second that motion.

Mr. Paris: Is there any discussion on that or are there any other nominations?

<u>Mr. Cleaver</u>: I have a comment to make, if I may. I don't have a problem taking the Treasurer's position, but in my experience – and I have all the respect in the world for Dale and the way he has done it – but I feel that the Treasurer's Report should be presented by the Executive Director and I'm sure there are other things for the Treasurer to do, but who knows better the Treasurer's Report than the CEO? If there are any questions, it could be directed to him; that's what happens anyhow. I did that with the Parking Authority for 40 years and it worked out well. I don't know if we can do that or not at this point.

Mr. Paris: I don't think there is a problem with that.

Mr. Wachter: There is no problem with that.

Mr. Sample: It would streamline the process.

<u>Mr. Paris</u>: When I was Treasurer, I would offer a little bit of information, but Perry did most of the work anyway.

<u>Mr. Barney</u>: That's so true because I have to meet with Perry anyway for him to brief me on the report.

<u>Mr. Cleaver</u>: I take my hat off to Dale for what he has done, but I think that would make it easier and move things along quicker. If there are any questions, fine, just throw them at the guy who's dealing with the numbers every day.

<u>Mr. Sample</u>: Why don't we deal with the slate of officers and then if we need to, we can deal with the obligations of the Treasurer afterwards.

Mr. Cleaver: Sounds good.

<u>Mr. Paris</u>: Are there any other nominations? Hearing none, we need a motion to close the nominations.

Mr. Sample moves to close nominations. Mr. DiPaolo seconds the motion. Motion carries 7-0.

Mr. Paris: Now we will vote on the nomination of Dale as the Vice-Chair and Whitey as the Treasurer.

The full Board is in favor of the nominations as presented and the motion carries 7-0.

<u>Mr. Sample</u>: Tim, do we even need to deal with the responsibilities of the Treasurer, or should we assume that is the way we're going to handle things from now on?

<u>Mr. Wachter</u>: The manner in which the Treasurer has the report presented, whether he or she presents it themselves, is up to the Treasurer. So, if Whitey would like Perry to do that, that is fine, and it does not require any action by the Board.

# APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Sample makes a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Ms. Hess seconds the motion. There is no discussion of the agenda. Motion carries 7-0.

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 2020

Mr. Cleaver makes a motion to accept the minutes. Mr. Sample seconds the motion. There is no further discussion on the minutes. Motion carries 7-0.

### DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

Mr. Cleaver: Mr. Chairman, didn't we get a new Board Member? Is Carol Loll present?

Ms. Loll: Hello everyone.

### COMMENTS BY THE CHAIR

<u>Mr. Paris</u>: I was getting to that introduction in my comments. I want to welcome Carol to the Board and thank you for agreeing to serve. I look forward to the months ahead in Board meetings with you.

Ms. Loll: Thank you for the introduction.

<u>Mr. Paris</u>: I also wanted to send condolences to Dale; I know he had a brother who passed away a few weeks ago and I just wanted to say that we were thinking of him during that time.

Mr. Barney: Thank you.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

There is no public on the call for comments.

#### PRESENTATIONS

There are no presentations at this time.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Treasurer's Report: <u>Mr. Barney</u>: I will be presenting the report today, but this will be my last time. I will make this quick and painless. Everyone has a copy of the report or has had the opportunity to review it. We will start with the Profit & Loss page. As you can see, we had interest coming in from our savings, Bridgeway Capital, and eCAT but there is nothing out of the ordinary there. Moving down under expenses, you see the basic ones for facilities, administration, and payroll but nothing stands out. As we move farther down, we get into Grants and you see the \$167,976 – and as you know you will see it again later in the reports since we do it twice – but that amount indicates the 13 Community Centers that all drew down their funds. You will also see the payment for Special Events, which was the St. Joseph Church, the Mission Main Street payment, which was Waterford Borough, the Anchor Building payment was to Grace Church and that should be noted that that is the final drawdown from a 2018 grant.

The next page is the Balance Sheet which shows nothing out of the ordinary. The Reserve for Uncollectable Notes hasn't changed and nothing else jumps out at me. The next page is the Statement of Cash Flow and I am going to recommend that we get rid of this report. It is just there, but the Net Income is always negative.

The next page is the Budget vs. Actual and we start with Parker Philips under Professional Services, Legal Services with Knox Law, and your payroll shows there. Then you'll see the rent. Next under Books, Subscriptions shows the Erie Times, the Copier Lease is self-explanatory, the Office Supplies you will see on Tammi's Visa, the Bank Fees is so we can do electronic transfers, the Phone/IT and Insurance are basic. Then we get down to the bottom that shows Retirement – that is going away next month because we started the employees with PMRS and the first month will be January. You will see an amount there in February and I wanted to bring that up so you wouldn't be shocked; Perry says that next month it will be higher than what the retirement is because of the new plan and the structure that the employees are going under with the PMRS.

The following page is the Schedule of Grant Reserve which shows the Committed and Uncommitted Funds and those have stayed the same. Then you will see the third quarter gaming revenue came in and you can see the year-to-date total. When you move down and look under the Grants/Settlements for December you won't see anything listed under December until we get to the third page of this report where you will see the 13 Community Centers that received funding. You will see there is a total of \$308,540 and that is not for the Community Centers, but it is for the Community Centers and the Arts and Culture Grants from earlier this year. The Community Centers received the \$167,976 as reported earlier but the \$308,540 is for all the entities listed there.

The bottom of that page shows the payment to St. Joseph Church that I mentioned earlier, and the next page shows the payments for the Anchor Building and Mission Main Street that I talked about earlier. At the bottom of this page you will see Summer Jobs & More payment and that is for the 2020 Summer Jobs even though we are in the 2021 year. It should be noted that they utilize the County's funds before they come to ECGRA. And with the COVID and the decrease in the number of people that they serviced last year it may seem like they are not utilizing our funds, but we do have it there for them.

The next page shows that the Grace Church drawdown shows that since that was their last payment, they have nothing remaining. Waterford Borough's amount was their second drawdown, so they still have one more left. The next page indicates the Summer Jobs which I just spoke about.

The last report is the Check Detail and it just shows what we disbursed on what I have already spoken on; if there are any questions on the Check Detail, just bring it up.

<u>Mr. Cleaver</u>: I have a question. On that Parker Philips, we got billed \$3,000. Perry, what did we get for that \$3,000 this past month? Did we do anything?

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: Parker Philips continues to maintain our social media presence, website updates, and the short list goes on.

<u>Mr. Cleaver</u>: I thought she did the advertising and I haven't seen much in the paper and I didn't know how we paid them. So, that amount is automatic at \$3,000 a month?

Dr. Wood: Yes, it's basically a retainer.

Mr. Barney: Are there any other questions pertaining to the Check Detail?

<u>Mr. DiPaolo</u>: One question, Dale. In regards to Whitey's question on that Parker Philips, how long is that contract for?

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: There is no contract length; it's month-to-month.

Mr. DiPaolo: So, they are there forever, or do we vote on that again at some point?

Mr. Cleaver: Let me interject here. Perry, I thought that we put together a contract for her.

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: We do have a contract, but Tammi, do you remember if it has an expiration date on it? I think that the expiration is based on the fee schedule, but it's like most Professional Services contracts where we can choose to end those at any time.

<u>Mr. Sample</u>: So, unless someone questions that, we would continue, but if someone on the Board did question that, we could open it for discussion, correct?

Mr. Cleaver: I thought she put together a contract for us from year to year.

<u>Mr. Barney</u>: We opened it up for discussion when Whitey inquired what we were getting for the services.

Dr. Wood: I don't have it in front of me. Tammi, do you?

<u>Ms. Michali</u>: I do. There is a contract and the one I have in front of me is from August 1, 2020 through July 31, 2021.

Mr. Cleaver: That's what I thought.

Mr. Barney: Dom, are you good with that?

Mr. DiPaolo: Yes. So, in July we will have to renew that then.

Mr. Barney: Yes.

Mr. DiPaolo: Very good. Thank you.

<u>Mr. Barney</u>: The last thing we have before us is the Visa credit card. The first page shows the Times News subscription, postage, and Phone/IT charges; nothing out of the ordinary there. The next page shows the purchase of a desk calendar for office supplies.

Basically, that concludes my report as the Treasurer for the last time. I appreciate the opportunity you guys allowed me to serve. Thank you.

Mr. DiPaolo: Good job, Dale.

Ms. Loll: Thank you for serving.

Dr. Wood: Thank you, Mr. Barney.

Mr. Cleaver makes a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Mr. DiPaolo seconds the motion. There are no questions or further discussion of the Treasurer's Report. Motion carries 7-0.

- b. Strategic Planning Committee: There was no meeting held so there is nothing to report.
- c. Update from County Council: <u>Dr. Wood</u>: We actually received word that Chairman Anderson is appointed to the ECGRA Board.

<u>Mr. Paris</u>: That's what I thought. I don't see him on the call to give an update.

d. Update from County Executive's Office: <u>Mr. Lee</u>: Good morning, everyone and Happy New Year. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Welcome, Ms. Loll. I look forward to working with you, although of course I did work with you in the last six years in the capacity of County Council and the Administration and I know you will add quality and value to our process here at ECGRA. So, again, welcome to the team.

Ms. Loll: Thank you.

<u>Mr. Lee</u>: I'm going to be brief. I have a couple of updates. One, as many of you know, the County Executive has announced that she will not be seeking a third term so that means we have 11 months, 10 days, 16 hours, 10 minutes, and 32 seconds but who's keeping track! We are going to continue to make sure that we provide the utmost level of quality and value to the citizens here in Erie County until we leave office. Don't expect anything to change; if anything, we really want to pick it up a level before we move onto our next assignments.

The Request for Proposal for the Summer Jobs Program came in on December 18<sup>th</sup>; I shared a copy with Dr. Wood so that he would be able to provide feedback. I have taken a look at it and extended the opportunity to the Erie Community Foundation, although they decided to forego being part of the review committee, which is fine. The Administration is looking to make the award within the first two weeks of February, before February 12<sup>th</sup>. We are finalizing some questions and concerns that we have with GECAC.

The main concern that I have is from a cost perspective, they are going up 13% which is about \$45,000. We need to find out what's all involved in that; we can't really decipher based on the contract information or on the Request for Proposal information that they

submitted. But you can believe that we will be straight there to make sure that it is clear and that everything makes sense.

I am very happy to say that since I have been involved with the program over the last seven years, we have not had to come to County Council or ECGRA to ask for an increase of any sort in the budgeted amount. We just want to make sure that we continue to monitor the cost to make sure that we are receiving the value we should receive from the program. Are there any questions about the Summer Jobs contract?

Mr. Sample: Gary, is their compensation based upon the level of participants or is it a flat fee?

<u>Mr. Lee</u>: It is based upon level of participants, but there are flat fees based upon what you need to get you there. What I mean by that is that you are going to have the same number of hours put into orientation, whether you're talking 100 students or 150, you're going to have the same number as far as facilitating with the companies and organizations. So, there is a certain amount that is a base amount and you just kind of build from there. But to go back to the initial answer for your question Dave, yes, it is based on the number of students.

<u>Mr. Sample</u>: What number of students is their RFP based off of?

<u>Mr. Lee</u>: It's based off of 150, 175, and 200. Now, we have gone back and asked them to provide us with a number for 100 students, and the reason for that is that no one knows how this pandemic is going to go and where we're going to be this summer. But if it's like it was last year, we had approximately 90 students participate in the program, where typically we have about 160 students.

<u>Mr. Sample</u>: I realize there is a constant start-up cost, but their compensation last year was then based off of 160 when they had 90?

<u>Mr. Lee</u>: Absolutely not. We went back and required them to pro-rate it based on the number of students; so, it was substantially lower since they only addressed the 90 students as opposed to the 160.

<u>Mr. Sample</u>: Okay. Quite possibly, that may be why they are looking for the increase just because it's tougher to survive on a lower number.

<u>Mr. Lee</u>: Here's the thing. I wanted to compare apples to apples, so when we did the Request for Proposal, we didn't even introduce the 100 students; we based it on the 150. That is what the Request for Proposal was based on four years ago. So, we can compare apples to apples there.

<u>Mr. Sample</u>: I understand, I was just trying to justify the reason for their increase.

<u>Mr. Lee</u>: I'll be honest with you, Dave, based on the information that they provided through the Request for Proposal – and this is why we're requesting a meeting with them – we cannot really decipher the complete \$45,000. They are going to be hiring a project coordinator to work on it for nine months as opposed to six months, but still, we just really want to make sure that we understand what that increase in encompasses.

And just so you know, if they are able to justify it, then we will be fine with it. It's just a matter of us making sure that we are doing our due diligence to make sure that we are comfortable with that increase.

#### <u>Mr. Barney</u>: Gary, were there any competitors?

<u>Mr. Lee</u>: There was not, Dale. They were the only ones that submitted. Even in doing that, as you know, we still have the option of looking at other avenues if we have to. There have been some things that have kind of been pushed around, but I can say this to you, is that we have been extremely pleased with GECAC based on the success of the program. They have had some changes as far as who has been leading the program, but every time they bring a new person on in leading the program, they actually take it to a higher level. So, we are please with the quality of work with GECAC in this program, we really are. Are there any additional questions?

The last point that I'll make is as many of you know, RACP which stands for the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program from the State, they awarded the Erie County Community College \$10 million through the application that the County Administration submitted on behalf of the Community College. Just so we are clear, the Administration's role moving forward will simply be from the financial end. We will not be intervening with the Board; that is why they have a Board. We will make sure that the i's are dotted and the t's are crossed as it pertains to the financial matters. This is why we are going to make sure that the processes for the RACP money is done correctly and properly; there are a lot of moving parts to it. We will be hiring an organization to oversee that for the County because you have to submit a business plan and a more detailed application. What we received the \$10 million for was the pre-award part and now we are ready to go into the post-award and after going into the post-award, you go into the reimbursement process. So, there is a lot of different levels with this.

The main thing that I wanted to share with you is that the Community College will have a total budget, once this \$10 million is allocated from the State and we receive it, it will be \$20 million because the County had to match that \$10 million. We matched that based on the money that we get from the gaming funds from the State, which is about \$7 million, and then about \$3 million came from the Erie Community Foundation. They will be well financially situated to really build upon.

In saying that, going back to our role as far as the Administration, we are going to be watching very, very closely because we of course have to be accountable to the State but equally important is we are accountable to the taxpayers. We want to make sure that we be transparent, everything will be available for residents and citizens to review their financial process as we move forward with the Community College. Any questions?

If not, Mr. Chairman, that concludes my update from the County Administration. Thank you.

### REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: I did want to thank Mr. Barney for his service as Treasurer and welcome Ms. Loll to the Board. I look forward to working with you.

Ms. Loll: Thank you.

<u>Dr. Wood</u>: I'm going to let the Executive Director's Report stand for itself this morning. Unfortunately, the flu bug is going around the Wood household and I've had to excuse myself three times during this meeting for that reason. I'm running out of steam here, so if you have any questions please ask them straight away based on the content of the report and I will try to get them answered here.

I hear no questions, so thank you everyone.

#### SOLICITOR'S REPORT

<u>Mr. Wachter</u>: I would like to thank the Board for allowing us to do this via Zoom, especially now. I did want to disclose two things, the first of which is my firm has been appointed and I am serving as the Solicitor for the Erie County Community College. Similar to the other clients I have that interact with the Gaming Authority, I stay out of those matters. I don't get involved in award decisions anyway. I just wanted you to be aware of that so you wouldn't be surprised in case you heard it.

Secondly, an item that may be coming down the street in a couple years, I have been appointed to the Statewide Commission on the American Semi Quintcentennial, that is the Commission that is planning the Pennsylvania celebration of the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of our nation. Think of it as the bicentennial here, but it's the 250<sup>th</sup>. I'm sure that the Erie County delegation, which is being run by Ferki Ferati, will be looking for some sort of funding at some point. But I am on a Statewide level, but I wanted you to be aware in case that comes up.

Other than that, I am looking forward to a great 2021 and I appreciate the opportunity to continue to serve you.

#### OLD BUSINESS

There is no Old Business to cover at this time.

#### NEW BUSINESS

There is no New Business to cover at this time.

Mr. Sample moves to adjourn.

# Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority Profit & Loss January 2021

	January	YTD	Budget YTD	2019-20 Budget
= Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
44800 · Gaming Revenue		3,184,714.77		
46400 · Other Types of Income			!	
46410 · Interest Income - Savings	741.00	33,929.05	İ.	
46422 · Interest Income - BWC - Erie Grow	th	22,917.67	i	
46424 · Interest Income - Progress Fund		20,000.00	i	
46425 · Interest Income - EDF Restruct	6,505.42	13,010.84		
46426 · Int. Income - BWC - Inclusive		19,097.24		
46427 · Interest Income - Blue Highway	125.41	829.29		
46428 · Interest Income - eCAT		3,889.00		
46440 · Immediate Human Relief Fund		275,000.00		
Total Income	7,371.83	3,573,387.86	!	
			1	
Expense			1	
62100 · Contracted Services	7,620.05	63,007.67	75,420.00	90,500.00
62800 · Facilities & Equipment	1,456.67	16,422.96	15,830.00	19,000.00
65000 · Office Administration	549.89	7,838.98	19,040.00	22,850.00
65100 · Other Types of Expenses	4,948.51	25,663.16	45,630.00	54,750.00
66000 · Payroll Expenses	20,727.58	206,547.34	223,710.00	268,452.00
Total Expense	35,302.70	319,480.11	379,630.00	455,552.00
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Net Ordinary Income	(27,930.87)	3,253,907.75		
Other Income/Expense				
70000 · Grants / Settlements / MRIs				
70030 · Community Assets		308,540.75		
70050 · Municipal Settlements		796,178.69	-	
70070 · Special Events	1,889.65	10,720.37	1	
70090 · Multi-Municipal Collaboration		99,000.00		
70100 · Mission Main Street	104,000.00	364,671.00		
70120 · Summer Jobs Program	6,983.79	20,759.45	!	
70125 · Neighborhoods & Communities MRI		500,000.00	i	
70130 · Small Business Financing		307,123.00	i	
70140 · Pilot Projects			i	
70150 · Shaping Tomorrow		216,666.50		
70170 · Renaissance Block		210,625.00		
70180 · Anchor Building		359,375.00		
70190 · COVID-19 Immediate Human Relief		585,889.00	1	
70195 · Response Fund - Small Business MRI		620,000.00		
Total 70000 · Grants / Settlements	112,873.44	4,399,548.76		
Net Other Income	(112,873.44)	(4,399,548.76)		
Net Income	(140,804.31)	(1,145,641.01)		

# Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority Balance Sheet

As of January 31, 2021

	January
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
10000 · ErieBank - Checking	27,349.25
10100 · ErieBank - Savings	
10101 · Committed Funds	3,189,302.85
10102 · Restricted Funds	3,408,687.75
10100 · ErieBank - Savings - Other	2,700,841.34
Total 10100 · ErieBank - Savings	9,298,831.94
Total Checking/Savings	9,326,181.19
Other Current Assets	
12000 · Notes Receivable	
12003 · Note Receivable - CIBA	18,846.25
12004 · Note Receivable - BWC - Erie Growth	1,000,000.00
12005 · Note Receivable - Progress	1,000,000.00
12010 · Note Receivable - 1855 Capital	500,000.00
12050 · Note Receivable - EDF Restruct	1,300,000.00
12060 · Notes Receivable - BWC - Inclu	2,500,000.00
12070 · Note Receivable - Blue Highway	250,000.00
12080 · NR - BWC - Resp Fund Sm Bus	520,000.00
12085 · NR - BWC - Resp Fund Nnprofit	100,000.00
12090 · Notes Receivable - eCAT	500,000.00
12900 · Reserve for Uncollectable Notes	(1,540,000.00)
Total 12000 · Notes Receivable	6,148,846.25
14500 · Prepaid Insurance	6,899.48
Total Other Current Assets	6,155,745.73
Total Current Assets	15,481,926.92
TOTAL ASSETS	15,481,926.92
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
30000 · Opening Balance Equity	2,927,064.18
32000 · Unrestricted Net Assets	12,952,783.75
Net Income	(397,921.01)
Total Equity	15,481,926.92
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	15,481,926.92

# Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority Budget vs. Actual

January 2021

	January	YTD	Budget	Over/(Under) Budget	% of Budget
Expense					
62100 · Contracted Services					
62110 · Accounting Fees	1,500.00	11,400.00	15,000.00	(3,600.00)	76.00%
62120 · Government Relations Services	0.00	3,189.38	3,189.38	0.00	100.00%
62130 · Professional Services	6,000.00	31,065.00	36,000.00	(4,935.00)	86.29%
62140 · Legal Services	0.00	15,770.94	35,000.00	(19,229.06)	45.06%
62145 · Website Design	0.00	660.00	3,000.00	(2,340.00)	22.00%
62150 · Payroll Services	120.05	922.35	1,500.00	(577.65)	61.49%
Total 62100 · Contracted Services	7,620.05	63,007.67	93,689.38	(30,681.71)	67.25%
62800 · Facilities & Equipment					
62840 · Office Equipment	0.00	1,864.98	1,000.00	864.98	186.50%
62890 · Rent	1,456.67	14,557.98	18,000.00	(3,442.02)	80.88%
Total 62800 · Facilities & Equipment	1,456.67	16,422.96	19,000.00	(2,577.04)	86.44%
65000 · Office Administration					
65010 · Books, Subscriptions, Dues	57.63	1,914.98	3,500.00	(1,585.02)	54.71%
65020 · Postage	19.07	205.70	500.00	(294.30)	41.14%
65040 · Office Supplies	92.24	540.53	2,000.00	(1,459.47)	27.03%
65050 · Cell Phone	0.00	916.57	2,200.00	(1,283.43)	41.66%
65060 · Copier Lease	345.95	3,459.50	4,200.00	(740.50)	82.37%
65070 · Copier Printing Costs	0.00	72.17	2,000.00	(1,927.83)	3.61%
65080 · Bank Fees	35.00	341.00	200.00	141.00	170.50%
65085 · Professional Development	0.00	274.00	4,000.00	(3,726.00)	6.85%
65090 · Meeting Expenses	0.00	16.00	4,000.00	(3,984.00)	0.40%
65095 · Miscellaneous Expense	0.00	98.53	250.00	(151.47)	39.41%
Total 65000 · Office Administration	549.89	7,838.98	22,850.00	(15,011.02)	34.31%
65100 · Other Types of Expenses					
65105 · Outreach	0.00	889.21	8,000.00	(7,110.79)	11.12%
65110 · Advertising	351.90	436.80	7,000.00	(6,563.20)	6.24%
65115 · Phone/IT/Fax	3,817.86	15,606.64	18,000.00	(2,393.36)	86.70%
65120 · Insurance	778.75	3,473.50	9,850.00	(6,376.50)	35.26%
65130 · Grant Management Software	0.00	4,900.00	4,900.00	0.00	100.00%
65150 · Travel	0.00	357.01	7,000.00	(6,642.99)	5.10%
Total 65100 · Other Types of Expenses	4,948.51	25,663.16	54,750.00	(29,086.84)	46.87%
66000 · Payroll Expenses					
66005 · Salaries & Wages	17,441.66	183,698.46	233,000.00	(49,301.54)	78.84%
66010 · FITW Tax	1,372.53	14,249.75	17,302.00	(3,052.25)	82.36%
66015 · FUTA Tax	87.45	87.45	150.00	(62.55)	58.30%
66020 · PASUI Tax	430.60	466.34	2,000.00	(1,533.66)	23.32%
66500 · Retirement	0.00	6,650.00	9,000.00	(2,350.00)	73.89%
66700 · PMRS	1,395.34	1,395.34	7,000.00	(5,604.66)	19.93%
Total 66000 · Payroll Expenses	20,727.58	206,547.34	268,452.00	(61,904.66)	76.94%
Total Expense	35,302.70	319,480.11	458,741.38	(139,261.27)	69.64%

as of

January 31, 2021

January 3	1, 2021		
	January	YTD	Totals/Subtotals
Restricted Uncommitted Funds	3,408,687.75		
Committed Funds	3,189,302.85		
2020 Restricted Funds: (75% - after settlement payments)			
First Quarter Gaming Revenue		345,218.83	
Second Quarter Gaming Revenue		1,519,587.33	
Third Quarter Gaming Revenue		1,657,503.80	
Fourth Quarter Gaming Revenue			3,522,309.9
-Y Disbursements:			
First Quarter Disbursements		1,604,410.71	
Second Quarter Disbursements		1,600,696.83	
Third Quarter Disbursements		1,141,346.78	
Fourth Quarter Disbursements	112,873.44	112,873.44	4,459,327.7
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Disburseme	nts Detail		
Grants/Settlements	I	VTD	Quilitatal
	January	YTD	Subtotal
MMEDIATE HUMAN RELIEF FUND (COVID-19)			
Bethany Outreach Center		7,600.00	
Christian Cupboard		3,000.00	
Community Shelter Services		30,750.00	
County of Erie MH/ID		12,500.00	
Edinboro Community & Eco. Devel. Corp.		9,370.00	
Ella Cochran Food Pantry		1,000.00	
Elmwood Food Pantry		2,000.00	
Erie City Mission		39,085.00	
Erie DAWN		10,000.00	
Erie Family Center		13,000.00	
Erie United Methodist Alliance		2,365.00	
Gannon University		23,000.00	
Harbor Creek High School		1,000.00	
HVA Senior Living Alliance		6,800.00	
International Institute of Erie USCRI-IIE		17,210.00	
MECA, Inc.		3,850.00	
Millcreek Counseling & Mental Health		2 500 00	
Minoreen Ceanooning a Montar Floatur		2,500.00	
Northwestern Food Pantry		5,000.00	
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Northwestern Food Pantry		5,000.00	
Northwestern Food Pantry Penn State Erie, The Behrend College		5,000.00 63,321.00	
Northwestern Food Pantry Penn State Erie, The Behrend College Project Face Shield		5,000.00 63,321.00 25,480.00	
Northwestern Food Pantry Penn State Erie, The Behrend College Project Face Shield Project Face Shield for Educators		5,000.00 63,321.00 25,480.00 22,120.00	
Northwestern Food Pantry Penn State Erie, The Behrend College Project Face Shield Project Face Shield for Educators Sacred Heart Church		5,000.00 63,321.00 25,480.00 22,120.00 2,000.00	
Northwestern Food Pantry Penn State Erie, The Behrend College Project Face Shield Project Face Shield for Educators Sacred Heart Church Safe Journey		5,000.00 63,321.00 25,480.00 22,120.00 2,000.00 9,000.00	
Northwestern Food Pantry Penn State Erie, The Behrend College Project Face Shield Project Face Shield for Educators Sacred Heart Church Safe Journey Salvation Army, Corry		5,000.00 63,321.00 25,480.00 22,120.00 2,000.00 9,000.00 9,500.00	

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January 51, 2021		
January	YTD	Subtotal
ServErie	8,710.00	
SSJ Neighborhood Network	25,400.00	
St. Martin Center	7,300.00	
St. Patrick's Haven Inc.	2,500.00	
Union City Family Support Center	2,000.00	
Urban Erie Community Development Corp	76,408.00	
Waterford Food Pantry	5,000.00	
YMCA of Greater Erie	22,960.00	
Youth Leadership Institute of Erie	13,960.00	
		585,889.00
RESPONSE FUND - SMALL BUSINESS & NONPROFITS		
Bridgeway Capital - 1st Draw	125,000.00	
Bridgeway Capital - 2nd Draw	80,000.00	
Bridgeway Capital - 3rd Draw	260,000.00	
Bridgeway Capital - 4th Draw	70,000.00	
Bridgeway Capital - 5th Draw	85,000.00	
		620,000.00
MUNICIPALITIES		
Settlements		
Summit Township	358,280.39	
Greene Township	87,579.66	
McKean Township	87,579.66	
Millcreek Township	87,579.66	
Waterford Township	87,579.66	
Erie County	87,579.66	
		796,178.69
Multi-Municipal Collaboration		
Borough of North East - 2019	(82,000.00)	
Jefferson Educational Society - 2020	100,000.00	
City of Erie - return of unspent funds	(18,000.00)	
Girard Township	17,000.00	
		17,000.00
SHAPING TOMORROW		
Empower Erie, LLC	150,000.00	
Erie's Public Schools - Tech After Hours	66,666.50	
	·	216,666.50

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	January	YTD	Subtotal
QUALITY OF PLACE			
Community Assets			
ACH Albion Area Fair, Inc.		9,375.00	
Erie Bird Observatory		10,000.00	
Erie Contemporary Ballet Theatre		7,700.00	
Erie PAL		15,000.00	
Erie Yesterday		15,000.00	
Goodell Gardens & Homestead		7,901.49	
Impact Corry		14,000.00	
Performing Artists Collective Alliance		14,000.00	
Presque Isle Partnership		15,000.00	
Waterford Community Fair Association		2,750.00	
Wesleyville Area Museum		3,837.50	
WQLN Public Media	12,000.00		
Young Artists Debut Orchestra		14,000.00	
CC Booker T. Washington Center		15,000.00	
Boys & Girls Club of Erie		15,000.00	
Eagle's Nest Leadership Corporation		10,000.00	
Erie Center for Arts & Technology		14,307.90	
International Institute of Erie USCRI-IIE		15,000.00	
JFK Center		15,000.00	
Martin Luther King Center		15,000.00	
Mission Empower		6,441.09	
North East Arts Council		6,500.00	
SSJ Neighborhood Network		15,000.00	
Urban Erie Community Development Corp		14,773.77	
YMCA of Greater Erie		15,000.00	
Youth Leadership Institute of Erie		10,954.00	
			\$308,540

Corry Area Arts Council			900.00	
Holy Trinity RCC			1,250.48	
International Institute of Erie -	USCRI		350.00	
Lake Erie Greek Cultural Soci	ety		1,215.00	
Sisters of St. Joseph Neighbo	rhood Network		1,993.49	
The Nonprofit Partnership			662.50	
Saint Joseph Church			3,359.25	
Young Artists Debut Orchestra	a	1,889.65	1,889.65	

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#### **NEIGHBORHOODS & COMMUNITIES**

Anchor Building			
2018 Grace Church		80,000.00	
2019 Erie Center for Arts & Technology		60,000.00	
Mercy Center for Women		20,000.00	
2020 Borough of Union City		49,375.00	
Gaudenzia Erie		50,000.00	
Woman's Club of Erie		100,000.00	
			359,375.00
Erie Center for Arts & Technology - MRI		500,000.00	
			500,000.00
Mission Main Street			
2019 Borough of Edinboro		119,750.00	
Borough of Union City		121,000.00	
Impact Corry		59,200.00	
Waterford Borough		81,600.00	
Sisters of Saint Joseph Neighborhood Network	104,000.00	104,000.00	
-			485,550.00

	January	YTD	Subtotal
Renaissance Block			
2020 Borough of Girard		25,625.00	
Borough of North East		30,000.00	
Borough of Union City		50,000.00	
Sisters of Mercy		25,000.00	
Impact Corry		50,000.00	
Our West Bayfront		25,000.00	
YMCA of Greater Erie		25,000.00	
			230,625.00
SMALL BUSINESS FINANCING			
Beehive Network			
Edinboro University Foundation		57,000.00	
Gannon University		90,500.00	
Mercyhurst University		97,500.00	
Erie Regional Library Foundation		62,123.00	
			307,123.00
YOUTH & EDUCATION			
Summer Jobs & More	6,983.79	20,759.45	
			20,759.45
PILOT PROGRAMS			
Total Funda Disburgamente	110 070 11	4 450 227 76	4 450 227 76

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	_	January	Amount Remaining	Original Commitment
	ted Funds:			
N&C	Renaissance Block 2018			
	1 Academy Neighborhood Association		11,250.00	22,500.00
	Our West Bayfront		10,000.00	100,000.00
	SSJ Neighborhood Network		7,000.00	70,000.00
	2 Bayfront Eastside Taskforce		25,000.00	50,000.00
	ServErie		29,000.00	58,000.00
	Renaissance Block 2020			
	Borough of Girard		25,625.00	51,250.00
	Borough of North East		30,000.00	60,000.00
	Borough of Union City		10,000.00	60,000.00
	Impact Corry		50,000.00	100,000.00
	Sisters of Mercy/House of Mercy		25,000.00	50,000.00
	YMCA of Greater Erie		25,000.00	50,000.00
	Anchor Building			
	18 Emmaus Ministries, Inc.		5,000.00	100,000.00
	Grace Church		0.00	100,000.00
	Performing Artists Collective Alliance		5,000.30	93,126.50
	19 Erie Masonic Temple Preservation Foundation		56,000.00	70,000.00
	Housing & Neighborhood Development Services		40,000.00	50,000.00
	Impact Corry		60,000.00	75,000.00
	Mission Main Street			
	1 Borough of North East		110,000.00	250,000.00
	City of Erie		225,000.00	250,000.00
	Erie Downtown Partnership		180,000.00	250,000.00
	2A Borough of Edinboro		34,900.00	250,000.00
	Borough of Union City		4,000.00	200,000.00
	2B Our West Bayfront		133,810.00	250,000.00
	Preservation Erie		122,000.00	150,000.00
	SSJ Neighborhood Network	104,000.00	55,500.00	250,000.00
	3 Borough of Girard		90,000.00	170,000.00
	Impact Corry		28,000.00	202,400.00
	Waterford Borough		84,600.00	249,800.00
MUN	Multi-Municipal Collaboration			
SB	Beehive Network			
	Edinboro University Foundation		86,000.00	200,000.00
	Erie Regional Library Foundation		52,877.00	200,000.00
	Gannon University		84,500.00	200,000.00
	Mercyhurst University		5,000.00	200,000.00
	Penn State University (Behrend)		100,000.00	200,000.00
PP	Pilot Program			
	Partnership for a Healthy Community		50,000.00	100,000.00
QP	Response Fund (COVID)			
	Small Business		680,000.00	1,200,000.00
	Non-Profit		300,000.00	400,000.00

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# Committed Funds (cont):

		January	Amount Remaining	Original Commitment
Y&E	Shaping Tomorrow			
	Empower Erie - Community College		220,000.00	400,000.00
	GECAC - Summer Jobs Program 2020	6,983.79	129,240.55	150,000.00
Total Con	nmitted Funds	110,983.79	3,189,302.85	6,732,076.50

# Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority Check Detail Report January 2021

Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
01/05/2021	EFT	Penn State University - Knowledge Park	2021 January Rent	-1,456.67
01/05/2021	EFT	Diligent Corporation	2021 Quarters 1,2	-3,000.00
01/05/2021	EFT	Greater Erie Community Action Committee	2020 Summer Jobs	-6,983.79
01/05/2021	EFT	MaherDuessel, CPA	2020 Quarter 1 Review	-1,500.00
01/05/2021	EFT	Parker Philips	2020 December Professional Services	-3,000.00
01/05/2021	EFT	Wells Fargo Financial Leasing	2021 January Copier Lease	-345.95
01/06/2021	EFT	VISA	2020 December Statement	-281.44
01/08/2021	EFT	ECCA, Inc.	12/19/20 to 1/1/21 Payroll	-9,860.17
01/08/2021	EFT	Fidelity Investments	12/19/20 to 1/1/21 Retirement	-250.00
01/08/2021	EFT	SSJ Neighborhood Network	2019 MMS - 2nd Installment	-104,000.00
01/08/2021	EFT	Velocity Network, Inc.	2021 January Phone/IT	-794.36
01/08/2021	EFT	Young Artists Debut Orchestra	2020 Special Events	-1,889.65
01/15/2021	EFT	PMRS	Administration Fee	-60.00
01/20/2021	EFT	ECCA, Inc.	1/2/21 to 1/15/21 Payroll	-9,592.12
01/20/2021	EFT	Fidelity Investments	1/2/21 to 1/15/21 Retirement	-250.00
01/21/2021	EFT	PMRS	Pay Periods 1-1-21 and 1-15-21	-1,335.34
01/26/2021	EFT	Erie Times News	Ads 1/8, 1/12, 1/14	-262.90
01/27/2021	EFT	Parker Philips	2021 January Professional Services	-3,000.00
01/27/2021	EFT	Great Lakes Insurance Services Group	2021 Public Officials Liability Insurance	-7,338.00
01/27/2021	EFT	Erie Insurance	2021 Insurance	-2,676.00
01/31/2021	EFT	Erie Bank	Service Charge	-35.00

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#### ERIEBANK

#### BL ACCT 00100029-10000000 ERIE COUNTY GAMING Account Number: #### ##### 8643 Page 1 of 3



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Billing Cycle		12/10/2020		
Days In Billing Cycle		31		
Previous Balance		\$123.49		
Purchases	+	\$281.44		
Cash	+	\$0.00		
Balance Transfers	+	\$0.00		
Special	+	\$0.00		
Credits	-	\$0.00		
Payments	-	\$123.49		
Other Charges	+	\$0.00		
Finance Charges	+	\$0.00		
NEW BALANCE		\$281.44		
redit Summary		S. ALWY DOL		
Total Credit Line		\$40,000.00		
Available Credit Line	\$39,718.56			
Available Cash	\$39,718.56			
Amount Over Credit Line	\$0.00			
Amount Past Due		\$0.00		
Disputed Amount		\$0.00		

#### CASHBACK CASHBACK CURRENT SCORECARD BALANCE PAYOUT DATE \$0.00 05/15/2021 **Account Inquiries** 6 Call us at: (866) 317-0355 Lost or Stolen Card: (866) 317-0355 ወ Go to WWW.MyCardStatement.com $\square$ Write us at PO BOX 30495, TAMPA, FL 33630-3495 Payment Summary

NEW BALANCE	\$281.44
MINIMUM PAYMENT	\$281.44
PAYMENT DUE DATE	01/04/2021

NOTE: Grace period to avoid a finance charge on purchases, pay entire new balance by payment due date. Finance charge accrues on cash advances until paid and will be billed on your next statement.

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				TOTAL COR	PORATE ACTIVITY	\$123.49-	
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11/25	11/26	PBUS01	24493980330083007998093	AT&T*BILL PAYMENT 800-331-0500 TX	\$19.07 PO: \$23.50 Ph		
11/27	12/01	PBUS01	24789300335872500577878	ERIE TIMES NEWS CIRCULATI 814-8701600 PA	\$57.63 SU		

#### Additional Information About Your Account

MANAGE YOUR CARD ACCOUNT ONLINE. IT'S FREE! IT'S EASY! SIMPLY GO TO WWW.MYCARDSTATEMENT.COM AND ENROLL IN OUR ONLINE SERVICE. YOU CAN REVIEW ACCOUNT INFORMATION, TRACK SPENDING, SET ALERT NOTIFICATIONS, DOWNLOAD FILES, AND MUCH MORE. MANAGING YOUR ACCOUNT IS FAST, SECURE AND EASY WITH MYCARDSTATEMENT. ENROLL TODAY!

	Beginning Balance \$0.00		Current Earned \$0.00		ashBack Adjusted	Ending Balance		CashBack Payout Date	
					\$0.00		\$0.00		05/15/2021
Finance C	harge Summa	ary / Pla	an Level Inf	ormation			States 1	- April 17	
Plan Name	Plan Description	FCM <sup>1</sup>	Average Daily Balance	Periodic Rate *	Corresponding APR	Finance Charges	Effective APR Fees **	Effective APR	Ending Balance
Purchases PBUS01 001	PURCHASE	E	<b>\$0</b> .00	0.58333%(M)	7.0000%(V)	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.0000%	\$281.44
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# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2021

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#### Sparber, James

From: Sent: To: Subject: RV, BFM Gaming <RA-BFM-Gaming@pa.gov> Wednesday, January 27, 2021 3:23 PM Sparber, James 4th Quarter 2020 Local Share Assessment Payment Notification - Erie County

Dear Mr. Sparber:

In accordance with the Pennsylvania Race Horse Development and Gaming Act 42 of 2017, the Department is required to distribute quarterly the Local Share Assessment collected for interactive gaming and slots to the municipalities in which a licensed gaming entity is located. This distribution is based on the interactive gaming and slots local share assessment amount collected plus the slot machine license operation fee amount collected over Summit Township's budget limitation.

An ACH for the 4th quarter of 2020 payment in the amount of \$2,772,408.90 should be deposited in your bank account within 5 - 7 business days. This payment includes the interactive gaming local share assessment of \$8,909.08, the slots local share assessment of \$263,499.82 and the slot machine license operation fee of \$2,500,000.00. Any reductions to the Gross Interactive Gaming Revenue (GIGR) and Gross Terminal Revenue (GTR) for promotional items is the result of the Gaming Bulletin 2015-01 and the Pennsylvania Supreme Court's April 28, 2014 decision in Greenwood Gaming and Entertainment Incorporated v. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Revenue (90 A.3d 699 (Pa. 2014)).

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thank you.

Jennifer Heckert | Division Chief PA Department of Revenue Bureau of Fiscal Management | Gaming Division 1147 Strawberry Square | Harrisburg PA 17128 Phone: 717.346.4004 | Fax: 717.787.6738 E-mail: jeheckert@pa.gov www.revenue.pa.gov

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ECGRA 067-021050-042100



501 East 38th Street Erie, PA 16546

> 814-824-2000 800-825-1926 mercyhurst.edu

January 14, 2021

Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority 5340 Fryling Rd., Ste. 201 Erie PA 16510

Dear Perry,

On behalf of the Mercyhurst community, we thank you for your recent gift to Mercyhurst. Your gift of \$32,605.96 on December 31, 2020 to the Mercyhurst Institute for Arts & Culture makes a significant difference in the lives of our students and provides for the continued well-being and growth of Mercyhurst.

The coronavirus pandemic poses a host of challenges for all of us - and Mercyhurst is no exception. Especially now, as Mercyhurst rises to these new challenges, your generosity and loyalty matter greatly to us and our students. In making a gift to Mercyhurst, you are providing for enriching academic opportunities and program improvements; scholarships and financial assistance for our talented students; construction and renovations to new and existing campus infrastructure; improvements to our athletic facilities; and new experiences to encourage students' intellectual, personal, and spiritual growth.

The Sisters of Mercy overcame many challenges in the years leading up to Mercyhurst's founding in 1926, from negotiating land deals, to serving as painters and bricklayers during a labor strike, to pursuing advanced degrees to form the first faculty. Through it all, they demonstrated amazing generosity, ingenuity, and a pioneering spirit. In making a gift to Mercyhurst, you are continuing the Sisters' inspiring legacy and securing the Mercyhurst experience for generations to come.

Many that for your generous support! -R

We thank you for being a friend of Mercyhurst and for your commitment to our future!

Carpe Diem Palm Associate Vice President for Advancement

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Wednesday, January 20, 2021 1:00 p.m.

ZOOM Information Link: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84509360856?pwd=RjBRVnpNcUZIa09rMVhGNVIhVDY2UT09</u> Meeting ID: 845 0936 0856 Passcode: 128266

- 1. Review of Dr. Ken Louie's Research
- 2. Business Community Survey
- 3. Main Street Survey
- 4. Listening Sessions
- 5. Other Surveying Suggestions
- 6. Marketing of COVID Impact Effort





Wednesday, January 27, 2021 1:00 p.m.

ZOOM Information Link: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/i/84509360856?pwd=RiBRVnpNcUZIa09rMVhGNVIhVDY2UT09</u> Meeting ID: 845 0936 0856 Passcode: 128266

- 1. Jessica Horan-Kunco Municipal Surveying
- 2. Good of the Order





Wednesday, February 3, 2021 1:00 p.m.

ZOOM Information Link: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84509360856?pwd=RjBRVnpNcUZIa09rMVhGNVlhVDY2UT09</u> Meeting ID: 845 0936 0856 Passcode: 128266

- 1. Presentation by Bruce Katz
  - a. Organizing at the Metro level
  - b. Getting Ready for the Biden Stimulus Package
- 2. Next Steps
- 3. Good of the Order





Wednesday, February 10, 2021 11:00 a.m.

ZOOM Information Link: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/i/84509360856?pwd=RiBRVnpNcUZIa09rMVhGNVIhVDY2UT09</u> Meeting ID: 845 0936 0856 Passcode: 128266

- 1. Presentation by Ben Franklin Technologies
- 2. Listening Sessions Schedule
- 3. Good of the Order



Our West Bayfront's new headquarters in the 400 block of West Eighth Street has been renovated and includes commercial/retail space and three second-floor apartments. KEVIN FLOWERS/ERIE TIMES-NEWS

# **Our West Bayfront group** refurbishes building

Kevin Flowers Erie Times-News USA TODAY NETWORK

Our West Bayfront Is ready to show off its new headquarters in a 139-yearold West Eighth Street building.

The neighborhood organization on Friday plans a virtual grand opening of Its new office in the 404-406 W. Bighth St., a 5,200-square-foot building constructed in 1882 that housed Howard's Photography for decades.

Because of the ongoing pandemic, Our West Bayfront's ribbon-cutting ceremony Friday will be streamed live on the organization's Facebook page, starting at 1 p.m.

'It's been a pretty significant project for us and it's taken several years to pull together," said Anna Frantz, Our West Bayfront's executive director. "We see this as a way to bring more vibrancy to the West Eighth Street corridor, support businesses that are already here, and hopefully attract new businesses to this area

The nonprofit began renovating the building in 2018 as part of its neighbor-

ounding in 2018 as part of its neighbor-hood revitalization agenda. Our West Bayfront's headquarters is located on the building's first floor. "We moved in at the end of December," Frantz said.

The first floor also includes a community meeting space and roughly 1,000 square feet of retail/commercial space that will be available for rental.

Three upper-floor apartments - a pair of two-bedroom units and a single one-bedroom unit - have also been refurbished as part of the \$1 million project.

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Our West Bayfront will accept applications from potential tenants soon, Frantz said.

Our West Bayfront purchased the operty for \$30,000 in March 2018. The building had been vacant for several

The development will pay property taxes to the city, Brie County go ment and the Brie School District be-cause It will generate rental income.

Our West Bayfront was launched in 2016 to boost the quality of life in Erie's west bayfront neighborhoods, focusing on improving the area from Presque Isle Bay south to West 12th Street and from Sassafras Street west to the Bayfront Parkway

A portion of the project's funding comes from the Brie Community Foundation, which awarded Our West Bayfront a \$250,000 grant in June 2018. Another \$300,000 in funding came from the Brie County Gaming Revenue Authority; bank financing also helped fund the project.

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# **Funds** again available to UC property owners

BY MARYANN MOOK Staff writer

Union City property owners who want to make improve-ments to their property and have property on East High Street, West High Street, South Street and the avenues may now apply for a grant.

Union City Borough officials announced in 2020 that the borough was the recipient of a \$60,000 grant. The two-year grant was provided through the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority's Renaissance Block Grant Program.

Authority's Renaissance Block Grant Program. Part of the funding was spent in 2020, but the borough is now accepting applications for 2021 projects. The program, which requires a matching grant, is intended to make a positive impact on blight. The funds help property owners make improvements to private property. As much as \$\$,5000 may be awarded for each property, and a dollar to dollar mother in answinder.

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Corry Federal Credit Union is offering a loan program specifically for property owners selected to participate. The loans are available for up to \$10,000. There is a different loan option available for projects that would cost more than \$10,000. The goals of the Renaissance Grant Program are to deter blight, enhance the appearance of residential districts and pro-vide financial help to property owners who want to improve their perperty. their property.

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The funds can be used for improvements to doors and windows visible from the street; soffit, gutters and downspouts; porches, stairs and steps; painting; exterior lighting; siding and shut-ters; and chimney and

masonry. Manager Cindy Wells urges any property owner who lives in the designated areas

"There are several resi-dents who have contacted dents who have contacted my office who are interested in a grant," Wells said. "I would encourage them to apply, even though funds may be limited."

Grants will be awarded based on the degree of improvements and the Impact those improvements would have on the neighborhood.

All grant applications must be approved by Union City Borough Council. In 2020, there were 17 applica-tions. Council had approved all 17 applications.

Applications must be submitted by March 5. Anyone interest in filling out an application is asked to contact Wells by phone at 438-2331 or by stopping in the Union City Borough Building at 13 S. Main St.

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# UC gets \$49,375 for borough hall

BY JORDAN SCHRECENGOST Jordan@thecorryjournal.com

The Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority (ECGRA) recently recapped its more than \$700,000 investment into Erie County buildings through an Anchor Building Grant Program during the last two years, including two local buildings.

In 2020, ECGRA invested in four Anchor Buildings, which included a grant given to the Borough of Union City to help with its Union City Hall Building Project. The borough was awarded \$49,375.

The program provides funding to enable local governments, nonprofit organizations and municipal authorities to strengthen a community, neighborhood or commercial district by redeveloping, enhancing and preserving an underutilized or vacant building that has the potential to serve as a catalyst for greater investment and commercial or social activity, according to ECGRA's website and a press release.

The Anchor Building Program supports major repairs, system upgrades or rehabilitation of area buildings.

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Union City Borough Manager Cindy Wells said UC received the grant in September of 2020 and it will be used to make the borough building Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessible.

"It's going to go toward making the first floor ADA accessible," Wells said. Union City is currently

Union City is currently seeking additional funds to complete a feasibility study, which will also explore usage of space on the second floor of the borough building located at 13 S. Main St., Union City.

"We're trying to get additional funds to finish a feasibility study for ADA accessibility and second floor use," Wells said.

The borough is seeking matching funds since grants through the Anchor Building Program require a 1:1 cash match.

Wells said it's important to make the building ADA accessible because of the services that are housed inside.

"The police department is in the building and the borough office, and the building is not ADA accessible at this time," she said.

The feasibility study will also explore the possible utilization of space on the second floor of the building so there is more room for socially distanced meetings.

"With COVID and having to do virtual meetings, we do not have facilities that we can readily utilize for Council meetings, and that may entail something with the second floor use," Wells said.

She added there is not enough space to social distance depending on the number of people in attendance at Borough Council meetings.

"Our conference room isn't large enough to meet the social distancing requirements depending on the attendance," Wells said.

**'Anchor Building Grants** have made a tremendous impact on projects across several communities that may not have been able to continue their ongoing community revitalization efforts," ECGRA Executive Director Perry Wood said in the press release. "By directing our focus on areas with historic buildings that can be adaptively re-used thanks to the quality of original construction and marquee locations, we are investing ECGRA dollars wisely and stimulating economic impact as well as positive community outcomes."

A total of \$412,000 was invested in Anchor Buildings in 2019, including a grant awarded to Impact Corry for its rehabilitation of the Railway Express Office in Corry. Impact Corry received \$75,000 from ECGRA for that ongoing project.