



MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
VIA ZOOM/In Person
Knowledge Park; 5240 Knowledge Parkway; Erie, PA 16510
February 16, 2023

ZOOM Meeting Information:

Meeting ID: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88604303457>

Password: not required

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 2023
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 - d. Update from County Executive’s Office
10. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
11. SOLICITOR’S REPORT

12. OLD BUSINESS

13. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Resolution Number 1, 2023 – Resolution to enter into agreements with eight (8) Erie County community organizations and municipalities engaged in Parks, Fields, & Trails as part of the Community Assets
- b. Resolution Number 2, 2023 – Resolution to enter into agreements with five (5) groups that represent the 2023 Beehive Recipients for Ignite Erie Community-University Engagement funding

14. ADJOURNMENT

Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting of ECGRA

Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023
Time: 8:30 a.m. – BOARD Meeting
Location: 5240 Knowledge Parkway, Erie, PA 16510; Board Room
ZOOM meeting – details to follow



Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority

Minutes of the Board of Directors' Meeting

November 17, 2022

Meetings for the Board of Directors of ECGRA can begin meeting in a physical location per Governor Wolf's proclamation of June 11, 2021. However, each member and ex-officio has the option to attend in person or virtually. Members of the public can now speak at the physical location of 5240 Knowledge Parkway.

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Directors' Meeting of the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority was held on January 19, 2023 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 at 8:30am.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Barney, Mr. Cleaver, Ms. Hess, Ms. Loll, Mr. Oberlander, and Mr. Winschel are present via Zoom. Mr. DiPaolo is present via phone. Mr. Wachter is present via zoom. Dr. Wood is present in person.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Ms. Loll makes a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. DiPaolo seconds the motion. There is no discussion of the agenda. Motion carries 7-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 2022

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

DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

There are no comments by any Board member at this time.

COMMENTS BY THE CHAIR

Mr. Barney: I would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year and I'm looking forward to it. I think it's going to be a challenging year, but I feel that we're up to the task.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There is no public present for comments at this time.

PRESENTATIONS

There are no presentations at this time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Treasurer's Report: Mr. Cleaver: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I reviewed the Treasurer's Report with Dr. Wood. There are a few items that are overspent but they are very minor; we had talked about it before with the accounting and how that fluctuates. There was also the web assignments. Other than that, everything is up to snuff and looks real good. That is the end of my report unless there are some questions.

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

- b. Strategic Planning Committee: There was no meeting held.
- c. Update from County Council: Mr. Shank is not present to give a report.
- d. Update from County Executive's Office: Mr. Smith is not present to give a report.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dr. Wood: Good morning, everyone. I want to start with the Maher Duessel document that I believe it requires Board approval, so I'm going to ask you to do that under New Business. But I would like to talk about it right now because this will become a pressing issue in the near future.

Tim and I reviewed the ARPA guidelines as far as financial auditing goes and when you exceed a certain threshold figure within your fiscal year it triggers an audit that you then provide to both the Federal government and Erie County. We have triggered that certain amount which is \$750,000. Is that right, Tim?

Mr. Wachter: Yes.

Dr. Wood: Ok. So, an independent agency has to perform that audit under our purview. We already use Maher Duessel for our annual audit and they also specialize in local government auditing and they have an entire education wing right now around ARPA auditing. They are the only local group

that I know of that are doing webinars on ARPA-based auditing. So, we put in an email to them asking them how much it would cost for them to do our ARPA audit, and that's what you're looking at on your screen. This email tells us two things: first, it's telling us that the cost for 2023 will be going up to \$7,800 for our standard audit, and second, the ARPA audit will cost an additional \$5,500. Now, those funds will come out of the ARPA Professional Services funds that the County provided us, so it won't really affect our budget. But I do believe, since the cost is over \$5,000 that this will need Board approval. Are there any questions about the selection of Maher Duessel to do the audit?

Mr. Cleaver: We have had them for a while, haven't we?

Dr. Wood: Yes, for about five years.

Ms. Loll: We had them on County Council and they did a good job there too.

Mr. Winschel: They do Millcreek also and they do a very nice job.

Mr. Cleaver: Are you looking for someone to move on this, Perry?

Dr. Wood: We have it on the agenda under New Business, but I just wanted to discuss it now. It's probably the most pressing thing we have on the agenda here today. We'll bring it up again under New Business and hopefully I can get some endorsement for it.

Getting back to the beginning of the Executive Director's Report, you will see a letter that came down from the County Executive's office that is based on his veto. I thought it was important to include that for your records, so you have a copy of it. Basically, two forms of ECGRA funding were vetoed; one is to continue the Building a Better Future program that was for \$3M and the second was \$737,500 for the Beehive concept. It was vetoed – it needed a 5-2 vote to be overridden to stay in the budget. It did not get a 5-2 vote, it got a 4-3 vote. So, I wanted to make you aware of that if you didn't already know. That veto was for the Building a Better Future.

The Beehive Network funding was overridden with a 5-2 vote so the County is going to have us administer that \$737,500 for the Beehives. Now this is interesting because typically we have a grant application process, folks come in and present to us and then we decide whether or not they are worthy of the funding. But in this case, County Council said that they liked the Beehive concept so much, which started here at ECGRA, that we want to provide them with a direct line of funding; almost like a line item. It's coming from ARPA though and they want us to administer it.

I'm going to go ahead and schedule the Beehives to come in and present to our Board. It's a different situation though because we already know that they are going to receive money, but we don't know how much they're going to receive, how we're going to distribute it to the five Beehives. I think the presentations are important on a couple levels. (1) If you're not familiar with the Beehives, it's a really important concept for Erie County small businesses; this will be a great opportunity for you to interact with those folks and ask any questions. (2) We will have some level of discussion on how the \$737,000 is distributed to the five Beehives.

I will also tell you, it's not enough money. We probably need closer to \$1 M in order to make sure that they function properly. We also need to consider that these are three-year grants. The staff will come back to you with a proposal on that when we get the money in hand, but in the meantime we're going to ask these Beehives to come and present to us, which will be in February. I believe you all got an email about it from Tammi, as she is in the process of scheduling it.

Let me pause there and ask if there are any questions about the County Council veto situation or questions about the Beehives.

Mr. Barney: I have a question. You say they're going to get the money, but who is going to determine how it's distributed? Is it still just going to be a pass through from us to them and they're going to determine the breakdown?

Dr. Wood: No, we are going to determine how much funding each of the Beehives receive.

Mr. DiPaolo: What about the \$3M, Perry?

Dr. Wood: The \$3M is not coming to ECGRA. In essence, there is \$3M in the budget that was passed, it just won't be coming to ECGRA. There is no clarity on what will happen with that \$3M – who will administer it, where it will go. The intention from the County Executive was to have the Administration directly administer the \$3M instead of a third party entity like ECGRA, the RDA, or some other county-affiliated group.

Mr. DiPaolo: Wow.

Dr. Wood: I know it's disappointing, but you can't win 'em all, right?

Mr. DiPaolo: How many places does that affect us in giving people grants and money?

Dr. Wood: The original intent was to continue the Building a Better Future program with the additional \$3M and that's why we did the rural listening tours last summer. So, those groups are all going to be affected, but if there is some other grant program created, they can go apply there. But when we inquired, "if we're not going to get the \$3M, where's it going to go, how's it going to work?" because folks are going to be asking us these questions. The answers were, "we don't know, we have no process in place, we have no criteria, we have no grant programs, but we'll figure it out."

Mr. DiPaolo: Alright. Thank you.

Mr. Barney: There is a time frame for them to figure it out, right?

Dr. Wood: That is true. Tim, this money has to be distributed and then spent by a certain time.

Mr. Wachter: The money has to be committed by December 31, 2024 and spent by December 31, 2026. If it fails to be committed by the end of 2024, then it is to be returned to the United States Department of the Treasury. If it fails to be spent by the end of 2026, it also needs to be returned to the Treasury.

Dr. Wood: Next in the Director's Report is the agenda for that meeting in which the override took place. As you can see, my name is on the list of speakers. I went and spoke on behalf of ECGRA to administer these funds. I don't do that very often; it's once in a blue moon. The majority of my communication with County Council takes place offline in order to make sure that they have a level of comfort with what we're doing and they can ask me any questions in a non-public setting. However, I felt it was important in this circumstance to go on the record. I want to stress again that this is something I rarely do.

The next is a letter to County Council from Mr. Cleaver that I presented as part of my speech to county government; it was a very well-thought out letter endorsing ECGRA. I'll let you read that in your spare time. Up next we have a quick overview of what's going on with Infinite Erie, a project that we're sponsoring. Infinite Erie has chosen the Chamber to lead their Inclusive Entrepreneurship delivery concept. That's really important to us since we have a small business grant and we work in the small business ecosystem community. I've been attending those meetings to see what's going on and making sure that everything is going in the right direction and participating. I think the small business ecosystem is really important for us to continue to support, as we just made huge grant dollars to it just last month in December. We will be doing it again when we put money out there for the Beehives. Then you will see just a little more information about what that delivery team is and the participants in that program.

Let's wrap it up with a couple of perfunctory things here, one being a letter from Knox Law Firm on bidding thresholds. I always keep a copy of this by the phone in case we ever need to refer to it. This has to do with when bidding thresholds kick in. Notice I didn't go out to bid on the Maher Duessel audit, for example, because it's a professional service and it doesn't require us to go out to bid. That doesn't mean we should never go out to bid, but in this particular circumstance, we already had an existing relationship with them; it's really an extension of their contract. This is the kind of document that would guide me in that process.

Finally, you'll see the report from Parker Philips and our communications. That's all I have for the Director's Report. I will open it up at this time to any comments or questions. Hearing none, I just want to end with something that I don't think I say often enough and that is, thank you. I appreciate you all. I appreciate the time and effort that the Board and the staff put into the organization. While I'm out there receiving tremendous compliments from all the people that we work with, it's a reflection on you and your leadership to the organization. I just wanted to take a moment and say Happy New Year and thank you all for the time and effort you put into ECGRA.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Wachter: I was prepared to enthrall you with the federal code as it relates to the auditing requirements, however Dr. Wood stole my thunder.

OLD BUSINESS

There is no old business to discuss at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Maher Duessel agreement for additional audit fees (ARPA)

Dr. Wood: I will just need a motion on this.

Mr. Cleaver moves to approve the agreement to have Maher Duessel perform the additional audit concerning ARPA funds. Ms. Hess seconds the motion.

Ms. Loll: Do you have an estimated amount of time this may take them concerning the \$5,500? Is this going to be a week, or how long are they going to spend on getting that audit together?

Dr. Wood: I do not have that answer. Tammi, do you know?

Ms. Michali: I am going to assume that it will take approximately 3-5 business days to complete the ARPA audit. The regular audit usually takes about one week to complete.

Ms. Loll: Thank you.

Dr. Wood: That being said, our fiscal year ends at the end of March. During that time, we prepare documents for the auditors. They will be working on the ARPA audit in parallel because it is based on our fiscal year. I imagine we will have a draft completed for you to look at in June. June

is typically the time frame that we get a draft back and the way the process works is we bring the draft back to the Board, we have Maher Duessel come in and present, . . .

Ms. Loll: They have done that for Council too.

Dr. Wood: Excellent. It's the same process then. They come in and give a presentation, the draft is distributed to the Board, if the Board has any questions they can ask them at that time or they can ask Maher Duessel directly in follow-up if they think of things later or they don't want to bring it up in the meeting. If there are any revisions that need to be made, which I can't think of any revisions that have ever been made; maybe some minor tweaks. Tim and I look at it every year and maybe make a tweak or two. Then it would go to final Board vote in July.

Ms. Loll: What I like about Maher Duessel is the fact that if they find something that is being done in a way it shouldn't be done, they make a recommendation to correct the process of doing that.

Dr. Wood: Yes, they do. And that would come in the form of a letter . . .

Ms. Loll: Right.

Dr. Wood: That letter typically says there were no major findings but we're going to make a couple recommendations to tweak this or that.

Ms. Loll: Right.

There is no further discussion or questions regarding the agreement of the \$5,500. Motion carries 7-0.

Mr. Barney: We promised short and sweet but we don't want to move too fast if anyone else has any comments or anything for the good of the order. Hearing none, I will just remind you that the next Board meeting will be held on February 16th but we will see each other before that because of the Beehive presentations coming up.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Cleaver moves to adjourn. Mr. Winschel seconds the motion. Meeting is adjourned at 8:51am.

**Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority
Profit & Loss
January 2023**

	<u>January</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Budget YTD</u>	<u>2022-23 YTD</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
44800 · Gaming Revenue		2,923,876.91		
44801 · Interactive Gaming Revenue		1,767,845.21		
46400 · Other Types of Income				
46410 · Interest Income - Savings	45,034.33	141,124.54		
46422 · Interest Income - BWC - Erie Growth		22,833.33		
46424 · Interest Income - Progress Fund	5,000.00	20,000.00		
46425 · Interest Income - EDF Restruct	3,250.00	13,000.00		
46426 · Interest Income - BWC - Inclusive		19,027.78		
46427 · Interest Income - Blue Highway	153.92	168.23		
46428 · Interest Income - eCAT	2,556.00	10,224.00		
46510 · Interest Income - YLI		58,862.80		
Total Income	<u>55,994.25</u>	<u>4,976,962.80</u>		
Expense				
62100 · Contracted Services	3,289.84	51,131.04	60,000.00	72,000.00
62800 · Facilities & Equipment	1,372.50	17,865.90	23,333.00	28,000.00
65000 · Office Administration	1,171.53	11,940.87	14,960.00	17,950.00
65100 · Other Types of Expenses	5,350.88	31,244.30	39,750.00	47,700.00
65500 · PASCDU	1,169.54	7,021.84	12,710.00	15,250.00
66000 · Payroll Expenses	19,378.28	209,872.89	261,700.00	314,050.00
67000 · Building a Better Future (ARPA)	436,162.49	1,425,060.17	3,333,330.00	4,000,000.00
7000 · Provision for Uncollect Notes	0.00	12,800.00		
Total Expense	<u>467,895.06</u>	<u>1,766,937.01</u>	<u>3,745,783.00</u>	<u>4,494,950.00</u>
Net Ordinary Income	(411,900.81)	3,210,025.79		
Other Income/Expense				
70000 · Grants / Settlements / MRIs				
70030 · Community Assets		(11,942.55)		
70050 · Municipal Settlements		1,172,930.53		
70070 · Special Events		165,097.25		
70090 · Multi-Municipal Collaboration		152,328.00		
70100 · Mission Main Street		335,256.18		
70120 · Summer Jobs Program		53,867.10		
70125 · Neighborhoods & Communities MRI				
70130 · Small Business Financing	20,250.00	141,127.00		
70140 · Pilot Projects				
70150 · Shaping Tomorrow				
70170 · Renaissance Block		120,000.00		
70180 · Anchor Building	40,000.00	165,333.00		
70190 · COVID-19 Immediate Human Relief				
Total 70000 · Grants / Settlements	<u>60,250.00</u>	<u>2,293,996.51</u>		
Net Other Income	<u>(60,250.00)</u>	<u>(2,293,996.51)</u>		
Net Income	<u>(472,150.81)</u>	<u>916,029.28</u>		

Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority
Balance Sheet
As of January 31, 2023

	January
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	518,342.05
10000 · ErieBank - Checking	
10100 · ErieBank - Savings	
10101 · Committed Funds	2,219,350.00
10102 · Restricted Funds	3,211,533.22
10104 · ARPA Fund	2,635,261.85
10100 · ErieBank - Savings - Other	8,942,058.90
Total 10100 · ErieBank - Savings	17,008,203.97
Total Checking/Savings	17,526,546.02
Other Current Assets	
12000 · Notes Receivable	
12003 · NR - CIBA	4,635.00
12004 · NR - BWC - Erie Growth	1,000,000.00
12005 · NR - Progress Fund	1,000,000.00
12010 · NR - 1855 Capital	500,000.00
12050 · NR - EDF Restructured	1,300,000.00
12060 · NR - BWC - Inclusive Erie	2,500,000.00
12070 · NR - 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 · NR - eCAT	500,000.00
12500 · NR - Youth Leadership Institute	188,000.00
12900 · Reserve for Uncollectable Notes	(1,542,800.00)
Total 12000 · Notes Receivable	6,319,835.00
14500 · Prepaid Insurance	1,792.44
Total Other Current Assets	6,321,627.44
Total Current Assets	23,848,173.46
TOTAL ASSETS	23,848,173.46
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
20100* · Deferred Revenue	(4,000,000.00)
20300 · Unerarned Revenue	7,989,488.00
Total Current Liabilities	3,989,488.00
Total Liabilities	3,989,488.00
Equity	
30000 · Opening Balance Equity	2,927,064.18
32000 · Unrestricted Net Assets	16,015,592.00
Net Income	916,029.28
Total Equity	19,858,685.46
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	23,848,173.46

Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority
Budget vs. Actual
January 2023

Expense	Over/(Under)				
	January	YTD	Budget	Budget	% of Budget
62100 · Contracted Services					
62110 · Accounting Fees	0.00	8,950.00	7,500.00	1,450.00	119.33%
62130 · Professional Services	3,000.00	30,000.00	40,000.00	(10,000.00)	75.00%
62140 · Legal Services	156.00	8,133.00	20,000.00	(11,867.00)	40.67%
62145 · Website Design	0.00	3,088.92	3,000.00	88.92	102.96%
62150 · Payroll Services	133.84	959.12	1,500.00	(540.88)	63.94%
Total 62100 · Contracted Services	3,289.84	51,131.04	72,000.00	(20,868.96)	71.02%
62800 · Facilities & Equipment					
62840 · Office Equipment	0.00	4,263.90	10,000.00	(5,736.10)	42.64%
62890 · Rent	1,372.50	13,602.00	18,000.00	(4,398.00)	75.57%
Total 62800 · Facilities & Equipment	1,372.50	17,865.90	28,000.00	(10,134.10)	63.81%
65000 · Office Administration					
65010 · Books, Subscriptions, Dues	65.00	2,923.88	3,000.00	(76.12)	97.46%
65020 · Postage	19.07	190.70	500.00	(309.30)	38.14%
65040 · Office Supplies	211.27	1,180.50	2,000.00	(819.50)	59.03%
65050 · Cell Phone	392.70	1,487.10	3,000.00	(1,512.90)	49.57%
65060 · Copier Lease	311.35	3,113.50	4,200.00	(1,086.50)	74.13%
65070 · Copier Printing Costs	67.38	71.08	500.00	(428.92)	14.22%
65080 · Bank Fees	35.00	410.00	500.00	(90.00)	82.00%
65085 · Professional Development	0.00	350.00	2,000.00	(1,650.00)	17.50%
65090 · Meeting Expenses	69.76	2,214.11	2,000.00	214.11	110.71%
65095 · Miscellaneous Expense	0.00	0.00	250.00	(250.00)	0.00%
Total 65000 · Office Administration	1,171.53	11,940.87	17,950.00	(6,009.13)	66.52%
65100 · Other Types of Expenses					
65105 · Outreach	43.00	627.69	5,000.00	(4,372.31)	12.55%
65110 · Advertising	0.00	365.04	4,000.00	(3,634.96)	9.13%
65115 · Phone/IT/Fax	4,044.47	15,030.83	18,000.00	(2,969.17)	83.50%
65120 · Insurance	879.67	8,796.70	10,200.00	(1,403.30)	86.24%
65130 · Grant Management Software	0.00	5,150.00	5,500.00	(350.00)	93.64%
65150 · Travel	383.74	1,274.04	5,000.00	(3,725.96)	25.48%
Total 65100 · Other Types of Expenses	5,350.88	31,244.30	47,700.00	(16,455.70)	65.50%
65500 · PASCDU	1,169.54	7,021.84	15,250.00	(8,228.16)	46.04%
66000 · Payroll Expenses					
66005 · Salaries & Wages	16,005.53	177,089.06	276,400.00	(99,310.94)	64.07%
66010 · FITW Tax	1,369.30	15,243.61	17,400.00	(2,156.39)	87.61%
66015 · FUTA Tax	87.84	87.84	150.00	(62.16)	58.56%
66020 · PASUI Tax	423.65	423.65	2,000.00	(1,576.35)	21.18%
66700 · PMRS	1,491.96	17,028.73	18,100.00	(1,071.27)	94.08%
Total 66000 · Payroll Expenses	19,378.28	209,872.89	314,050.00	(104,177.11)	66.83%
67000 · Building a Better Future (ARPA)					
67005 · Contracted Services - ARPA	0.00	4,263.00	273,274.00	(269,011.00)	1.56%
67010 · Subawards - ARPA	431,281.74	1,364,094.13	3,622,025.00	(2,257,930.87)	37.66%
67025 · Indirect Costs - ARPA	272.54	2,711.74	11,295.00	(8,583.26)	24.01%
67030 · Salaries & Wages - ARPA	4,608.21	53,991.30	93,406.00	(39,414.70)	57.80%
Total 67000 · Building a Better Future (ARPA)	436,162.49	1,425,060.17	4,000,000.00	(2,574,939.83)	121.03%
7000 · Provision for Uncollect Notes	0.00	12,800.00	12,800.00	0.00	100.00%
Total Expense	467,895.06	1,766,937.01	4,507,750.00	(2,740,812.99)	39.20%

Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority
Schedule of Grant Reserve
as of
January 31, 2023

	<u>January</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Totals/Subtotals</u>
Restricted Uncommitted Funds	3,211,533.22		
Committed Funds	2,219,350.00		
ARPA Funds	2,635,261.85		
2022 Restricted Funds: (75% - after settlement payments)			
First Quarter Gaming Revenue		245,818.17	
Second Quarter Gaming Revenue		924,773.35	
Third Quarter Gaming Revenue		1,022,316.16	
Fourth Quarter Gaming Revenue			2,192,907.68
2022 Interactive Gaming Revenue			
FY 2021-2022		1,767,845.21	1,767,845.21
FY Disbursements:			
First Quarter Disbursements		776,260.31	
Second Quarter Disbursements		1,047,811.78	
Third Quarter Disbursements	491,531.74	1,792,938.49	
Fourth Quarter Disbursements			3,617,010.58

Disbursements Detail

Grants/Settlements/MRIs

	<u>January</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Subtotal</u>
MUNICIPALITIES			
Settlements			
Summit Township		527,818.73	
Greene Township		129,022.36	
McKean Township		129,022.36	
Millcreek Township		129,022.36	
Waterford Township		129,022.36	
Erie County		129,022.36	
			1,172,930.53
Multi-Municipal Collaboration			
2022 Edinboro Community & Economic Development		50,000.00	
Erie Area Council of Governments		50,000.00	
Girard Township		19,000.00	
Jefferson Educational Society		100,000.00	
McKean Township	86,500.00	86,500.00	
			305,500.00

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January 31, 2023

	January	YTD	Subtotal
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT			
Small Business Ecosystem			
Bridgeway Capital		200,000.00	
Erie's Black Wall Street	48,000.00	48,000.00	
Impact Corry	87,500.00	87,500.00	
SSJ Neighborhood Network	57,750.00	57,750.00	
Erie County Investment Playbook			
The Nonprofit Partnership		33,623.22	
			426,873.22
 NEIGHBORHOODS & COMMUNITIES			
Anchor Building			
2018 Emmaus Ministries, Inc.		5,000.00	
Performing Artists Collective Alliance		5,000.00	
2019 Housing & Neighborhood Development		40,000.00	
2021 Performing Artists Collective Alliance		50,000.00	
2022 Christian Ministries	50,000.00	50,000.00	
Emmaus Ministries, Inc.		76,000.00	
Maggie Knox Western	20,000.00	20,000.00	
Mercy Center for Women	100,000.00	100,000.00	
			346,000.00
 Mission Main Street			
2018 Erie Downtown Partnership		134,108.00	
2019 Borough of North East		110,000.00	
Preservation Erie		(8,185.82)	
SSJ Neighborhood Network		55,500.00	
2020 Borough of Girard		45,000.00	
Impact Corry		28,000.00	
2022 Downtown Girard		75,000.00	
Downtown North East		87,500.00	
Edinboro Community & Economic Development		62,500.00	
Erie Center for Arts & Technology		25,000.00	
			614,422.18
 Renaissance Block			
2020 Borough of North East		30,000.00	
2021 Borough of Union City		50,000.00	
2021 Impact Corry		40,000.00	
2022 Borough of Edinboro		50,000.00	
Borough of Union City		100,000.00	
Downtown Girard	50,000.00	50,000.00	
Our West Bayfront		50,000.00	
			370,000.00

Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority
Schedule of Grant Reserve
as of
January 31, 2023

	<u>January</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Subtotal</u>
QUALITY OF PLACE			
Community Assets			
2018 Harborcreek Township		(11,942.55)	<u>(11,942.55)</u>
Special Events			
Albion Area Fair, Inc.		9,560.40	
Asbury Woods Partnership		1,855.16	
Borough of Edinboro		1,315.95	
Borough of Wesleyville		781.53	
CAFE		16,507.50	
Crime Victim Center of Erie County, Inc,		2,504.22	
Downtown North East		2,979.26	
Edinboro Arts & Music Festival		3,022.50	
Erie Contemporary Ballet Theatre		5,068.04	
Erie Downtown Partnership		6,300.75	
Erie Homes for Children and Adults		930.70	
Erie Regional Chamber & Growth Partner.		4,650.00	
Erie-Western PA Port Authority		6,165.46	
Film Society of NWPA		6,863.40	
Fort LeBoeuf Historical Society		841.65	
Goodell Gardens & Homestead		1,655.40	
Harborcreek Township		1,162.50	
Holy Trinity RC Church		6,347.25	
Humane Society of NWPA		4,650.00	
Impact Corry		1,148.55	
Iroquois School District Foundation		1,962.30	
Jefferson Educational Society of Erie		20,000.00	
Lake Erie Fanfare		4,394.25	
Lake Erie Greek Cultural Society		7,440.00	
Mercy Center For Women		910.24	
Nonprofit Partnership, The		3,514.24	
Presque Isle Light Station		576.60	
Presque Isle Partnership		4,008.30	
Saint Joseph Church		6,783.19	
SSJ Neighborhood Network		4,726.61	
Union City Pride, Inc.		1,209.00	
Waterford Community Fair Association		7,851.76	
Wattsburg Agricultural Society		10,481.57	
YMCA of Greater Erie		1,422.90	
Young Artists Debut Orchestra		4,201.74	
Youth Leadership Institute of Erie		1,304.33	
		<u>165,097.25</u>	<u>165,097.25</u>

Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority
Schedule of Grant Reserve
as of
January 31, 2023

	<u>January</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Subtotal</u>
SMALL BUSINESS FINANCING			
Beehive Network			
Edinboro University Foundation	-5,000.00	0.00	
Erie Regional Library Foundation		5,877.00	
Gannon University	-5,000.00	0.00	
Mercyhurst University	-5,000.00	0.00	
Penn State University		100,000.00	
Community Enterprise Financing Loan			
Youth Leadership Institute of Erie		63,920.00	
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
			169,797.00
YOUTH & EDUCATION			
Summer Jobs & More			
	6,781.74	163,333.01	
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
			163,333.01
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Total Funds Disbursements	491,531.74	3,722,010.64	3,722,010.64

Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority
Transaction List Detail
January 2023

<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
01/03/2023	EFT	VISA	2022 December Visa	-408.10
01/05/2023	EFT	Christian Ministries	2022 Anchor Building - Initial Installment	-50,000.00
01/05/2023	EFT	Downtown Girard	2022 Renaissance Block - Initial Installment	-50,000.00
01/05/2023	EFT	Erie's Black Wall Street	2022 Small Business Ecosystem	-48,000.00
01/05/2023	EFT	Greater Erie Community Action Committee	2022 Summer Jobs	-6,781.74
01/05/2023	EFT	Knox McLaughlin Gornall & Sennett	2022 November Legal - General	-156.00
01/05/2023	EFT	McKean Township	2022 Multi-Municipal Collaboration	-86,500.00
01/06/2023	EFT	ECCA, Inc.	12/17/22 to 12/30/22 Payroll	-9,111.65
01/06/2023	EFT	PASCDU	2022 December	-584.77
01/06/2023	EFT	Fidelity Investments	12/17/22 to 12/30/22 Simple IRA	-250.00
01/06/2023	EFT	PMRS	Pay Ending 12/30/2022	-715.98
01/06/2023	EFT	Diligent Corporation	2022 Semi-Annual Board Software	-3,213.60
01/06/2023	EFT	Wells Fargo Financial Leasing	2023 January Copier Lease	-345.95
01/06/2023	EFT	Altair Real Estate	2023 January Rent	-1,525.00
01/06/2023	EFT	Maggie Knox Western	2022 Anchor Building	-20,000.00
01/06/2023	EFT	Parker Philips	2022 December Professional Services	-3,000.00
01/06/2023	EFT	SSJ Neighborhood Network	2022 Small Business Ecosystem	-57,750.00
01/06/2023	EFT	Velocity Network, Inc.	2023 January Phone/IT	-916.31
01/17/2023	EFT	UPMC Health Plan	2023 January Benefits	-3,883.88
01/17/2023	EFT	Perry Wood	2022 Q4 Travel, Phone	-453.41
01/17/2023	EFT	Tammi Michali	2022 Q4 Travel, Phone	-289.86
01/17/2023	EFT	Impact Corry	2022 Small Business Ecosystem	-87,500.00
01/17/2023	EFT	Mercy Center for Women	2022 Anchor Building	-100,000.00
01/18/2023	EFT	ECCA, Inc.	12/31/2022 to 1/13/2023 Payroll	-9,132.84
01/18/2023	EFT	Fidelity Investments	12/31/2022 to 1/13/2023 Simple IRA	-250.00
01/18/2023	EFT	PASCDU	January 2023	-584.77
01/18/2023	EFT	PMRS	Pay Ending 1/13/2023	-715.98
01/18/2023	EFT	PMRS	2023 Administration Fee	-60.00
01/19/2023	EFT	Erie Insurance	2023 Ultraflex Insurance	-1,290.00
01/19/2023	EFT	Erie Insurance	2023 Worker's Compensation Insurance	-689.00
01/19/2023	EFT	Erie Insurance	2023 Business Catastrophe Insurance	-648.00
01/26/2023	EFT	Dale Barney	2022 Q1-Q4 Travel	-33.17
01/26/2023	EFT	ComDoc, Inc.	2022 Q4 Copy Overage	-67.38
01/30/2023	EFT	Erie Bank	Security Token Fee	-35.00

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ERIE COUNTY GAMING
Account Number: #####-####-8643
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SCORECARD CASHBACK CURRENT BALANCE \$0.00 CASHBACK PAYOUT DATE 05/15/2023

Account Summary

Billing Cycle		12/11/2022
Days In Billing Cycle		32
Previous Balance		\$896.58
Purchases	+	\$408.10
Cash	+	\$0.00
Balance Transfers	+	\$0.00
Special	+	\$0.00
Credits	-	\$0.00
Payments	-	\$896.58-
Other Charges	+	\$0.00
Finance Charges	+	\$0.00

NEW BALANCE \$408.10

Credit Summary

Total Credit Line	\$40,000.00
Available Credit Line	\$39,591.90
Available Cash	\$39,591.90
Amount Over Credit Line	\$0.00
Amount Past Due	\$0.00
Disputed Amount	\$0.00

Account Inquiries

- Call us at (866) 317-0355
Lost or Stolen Card. (866) 317-0355
- Go to WWW.MyCardStatement.com
- Write us at PO BOX 30495, TAMPA, FL 33630-3495

Payment Summary

NEW BALANCE	\$408.10
MINIMUM PAYMENT	\$408.10
PAYMENT DUE DATE	01/04/2023

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

Corporate Activity

TOTAL CORPORATE ACTIVITY				\$896.58-
Trans Date	Post Date	Reference Number	Transaction Description	Amount
12/02	12/02	1612581675	INTERNET PMT-THANK YOU	\$896.58-

Cardholder Account Summary

TAMMI MICHALI ##### 9468	Payments & Other Credits \$0.00	Purchases & Other Charges \$408.10	Cash Advances \$0.00	Total Activity \$408.10
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Cardholder Account Detail

Trans Date	Post Date	Plan Name	Reference Number	Description	Amount
11/09	11/10	PBUS01	24692162314104165002942	TOPS MARKETS #601 ERIE PA	\$11.86
11/09	11/10	PBUS01	24226382314400003417444	WAL-MART #5445 ERIE PA	\$5.34
11/09	11/11	PBUS01	24121572314000313090121	KOLDROCK WATERS, INC 000-0000000 PA	\$9.00

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ERIEBANK
PO BOX 42
CLEARFIELD PA 16830-0042

Account Number
8643

Check box to indicate name/address change on back of this coupon

AMOUNT OF PAYMENT ENCLOSED

Closing Date	New Balance	Total Minimum Payment Due	Payment Due Date
12/11/22	\$408.10	\$408.10	01/04/23

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ERIE COUNTY GAMING
5340 FRYLING ROAD
SUITE 201
ERIE PA 16510-4672



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MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO:



VISA
PO BOX 4517
CAROL STREAM IL 60197-4517

17 4335 2636 1000 8643 00040810 00040810 5

Cardholder Account Detail Continued

Trans Date	Post Date	Plan Name	Reference Number	Description	Amount
11/13	11/14	PBUS01	24692162317106896954249	AMZN Mktp US*HB1BW5U00 Amzn.com/bill WA	\$37.52 <i>U.S.</i>
11/14	11/15	PBUS01	24692162318107762604867	Amazon.com*HB8UJ5941 Amzn.com/bill WA	\$54.99 <i>U.S.</i>
11/21	11/21	PBUS01	24431062325083356442379	AMAZON.COM*H17H25YF1 AMZN AMZN.COM/BILL WA	\$21.70 <i>U.S.</i>
11/21	11/22	PBUS01	24692162325102754581539	STAMPS COM 855-608-2677 TX	\$19.07 <i>U.S.</i>
11/22	11/23	PBUS01	24692162326104032377671	IN *KINGPINS AWARDS 814-8351405 PA	\$43.00 <i>outreach</i>
11/29	11/30	PBUS01	24455012333141007257350	SAMSLUB #6675 ERIE PA	\$20.12 <i>U.S.</i>
12/04	12/05	PBUS01	24692162338100472139239	AMZN Mktp US*YD9J38JA3 Amzn.com/bill WA	\$6.99 <i>U.S.</i>
12/02	12/05	PBUS01	24789302338121803050669	GANNETT NEWSRPRR NE 888-8710686 IN	\$65.00 <i>subscript.</i>
12/05	12/06	PBUS01	24137462340001381162564	GIANT EAGLE #4038 ERIE PA	\$52.56 <i>mtg. exp.</i>
12/06	12/08	PBUS01	24121572341000340060128	KOLDROCK WATERS, INC. 000-0000000 PA	\$9.00 <i>U.S.</i>
12/07	12/08	PBUS01	24692162341103327022597	AMZN Mktp US*006SR35X3 Amzn.com/bill WA	\$51.95 <i>U.S.</i>

Additional Information About Your Account

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ScoreCard CashBack Earnings as of 12/09/2022

SCORECARD	Beginning Balance	Current Earned	CashBack Adjusted	Ending Balance	CashBack Payout Date
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	05/15/2023

Finance Charge Summary / Plan Level Information

Plan Name	Plan Description	FCM ¹	Average Daily Balance	Periodic Rate *	Corresponding APR	Finance Charges	Effective APR Fees **	Effective APR	Ending Balance
Purchases									
PBUS01001	PURCHASE	E	\$0.00	0.83333%(M)	10.0000%(V)	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.0000%	\$408.10
Cash									
CBUS01001	CASH	G	\$0.00	0.83333%(M)	10.0000%(V)	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.0000%	\$0.00
* Periodic Rate (M)=Monthly (D)=Daily							Days In Billing Cycle: 32		
** includes cash advance and foreign currency fees							APR = Annual Percentage Rate		
¹ FCM = Finance Charge Method									
(V) = Variable Rate If you have a variable rate account the periodic rate and Annual Percentage Rate (APR) may vary.									

Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority
Draft Budget
 2022-23

	<u>2022-23</u> <u>Budget</u>	<u>2023-24</u> <u>Budget</u>
Expense		
62100 · Contracted Services		
62110 · Auditing Fees	7,500	8,200
62130 · Professional Services	40,000	40,000
62140 · Legal Services	20,000	20,000
62145 · Website Design	3,000	3,000
62150 · Payroll Services	1,500	1,500
Total 62100 · Contracted Services	72,000	72,700
62800 · Facilities & Equipment		
62840 · Office Equipment	10,000	6,000
62890 · Rent	18,000	18,000
Total 62800 · Facilities & Equipment	28,000	24,000
65000 · Office Administration		
65010 · Books, Subscriptions, Dues	3,000	3,000
65020 · Postage	500	250
65040 · Office Supplies	2,000	2,000
65050 · Cell Phone	3,000	3,000
65060 · Copier Lease	4,200	4,200
65070 · Copier Printing Costs	500	500
65080 · Bank Fees	500	500
65085 · Professional Development	2,000	6,000
65090 · Meeting Expenses	2,000	4,000
65095 · Miscellaneous Expense	250	250
Total 65000 · Office Administration	17,950	23,700
65100 · Other Types of Expenses		
65105 · Outreach	5,000	5,000
65110 · Advertising	4,000	4,000
65115 · Phone/IT/Fax	18,000	18,000
65120 · Insurance	10,200	18,600
65130 · Grant Management Software	5,500	5,500
65150 · Travel	5,000	5,000
Total 65100 · Other Types of Expenses	47,700	56,100
66000 · Payroll Expenses		
66005 · Salaries, Wages, Benefits	276,400	290,082
66010 · FITW Tax	17,400	18,400
66015 · FUTA Tax	150	150
66020 · PASUI Tax	2,000	2,000
66700 · PMRS	18,100	18,100
Total 66000 · Payroll Expenses	314,050	328,732
7000 · Reserve for Uncollectable Notes	0	0
Total Expense	479,700	505,232



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ERIE COUNTY GAMING REVENUE AUTHORITY

**EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR'S
REPORT
FOR
FEBRUARY
2023**



Strategic Planning Committee Meeting

Tuesday, January 31, 2023
11:00 am
5240 Knowledge Parkway

AGENDA

- 11:00 – 11:15am
ECGRA business
- » Public Officials Insurance Increase
 - » Parks, Fields, Trails Review

PRESENTATIONS

- 11:15 – 11:30 Edinboro University
Amanda Brown-Sissem, Christopher Lantinen
- 11:30 – 11:45 Erie Regional Library Foundation
Diane Chido, Andrew Miller
- 11:45 – 12:00 Mercyhurst University
Abbey Lisniewski, Brian Fuller

LUNCH BREAK (12:00 – 12:30)

- 12:30 – 12:45 Gannon University
Kathy Roach, Brad Gleason
- 12:45 – 1:00 Penn State Behrend
Jacob Marsh

KEY MESSAGES: TALKING POINTS

INFINITE ERIE WAS FORMED AND FUNDED BY ERIE INSURANCE, ERIE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, AND ECGRA

With the mass influx of federal and state funds available for cities and counties across the country, we are presented with a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity — and Erie is ready to meet the moment through the creation of Infinite Erie.

WE PUT PLANS INTO ACTION

Infinite Erie is responsible for implementing Erie's Investment Playbook, which was the result of extensive community feedback and input into community and neighborhood plans, has identified investment-ready projects for which there exist state and federal funding opportunities.

Infinite Erie aims to transcend politics to transform place. Through the collaboration and coordination of inclusive growth strategies, the Erie Action Team will put the Infinite Erie plans into action to serve as a catalyst for equitable and inclusive growth and deliver transformative change.

By having community leaders on the same page and agreeing to follow a road map for strategically pursuing funding opportunities, the creation of this strong investment playbook Infinite Erie will help us better compete with other cities across the country by positioning Erie to attract and secure more public and private sector funding than like-size regions.

ERIE'S INVESTMENT PLAYBOOK IS AN EVER-EVOLVING GUIDE WITH AN INFINITE EYE ON THE HORIZON

The playbook is organic. As we move forward with identifying, applying for, and securing grants, and as additional projects become shovel-ready, this playbook will continue to evolve.

INFINITE ERIE IS POWERED BY THE ERIE ACTION TEAM

Infinite Erie is powered by the *Erie Action Team*, comprised of the organizations and people responsible for crafting Erie's Investment Playbook.

Collaboration is the key that unlocks the door to infinite possibilities, infinite growth, and infinite hope for Erie County. When we are unified, great things can be accomplished — and Infinite Erie is proof of that.

The team consists of eight entities leading economic and community development in Erie County, including: Erie County, City of Erie, Erie Community Foundation, Jefferson Educational Society, Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority, Erie Insurance, Diverse Erie, and the Erie Regional Chamber & Growth Partnership.

Tammi Michali

From: Mark Majewski <mark.majewski@greatlakesins.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 18, 2023 8:12 AM
To: Tammi Michali; Perry Wood
Cc: Christa Bastow
Subject: 23-24 Renewals
Attachments: 23-24 ERIE Insurance Renewals.pdf; 23-24 Renewal Proposal.pdf; PGU 1133 0122 - US Professional Indemnity - Cyber Exclusion.pdf; PGU Employer Resource Center Marketing.pdf; Public Officials Feature Sheet 8.16.21.pdf

Good morning,

We have received your 2023-24 Insurance renewals for your final review. Please see attached and summary below:

- Erie renewals are level with only \$1 premium increase
- The Public Officials premium has increased to \$16,523 from \$7,685
 - The revenues increased to \$10,379,061 as conveyed on the application. Generally your revenues have usually been between \$4 million and \$6 million so the increase in based on the substantial jump in total revenues.

Please review and let us know if you have any questions. Please confirm you would like us to renew.

Thank you for your business!

Mark

Mark Majewski

Sales Manager

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Monday, January 30, 2023

Union City to upgrade city building



Maryann Mook/The Corry Journal

Union City Borough Streets Supervisor Bob Phillips shows the borough's new 2022 Chevrolet Silverado 6500 pickup truck.

BY MARYANN MOOK
Staff writer

The city building at 13 S. Main St., Union City, will be getting a facelift.

Borough Manager Cindy Wells told Union City Borough Council during Council's Jan. 24 meeting that a request for proposal for Phase I of the city building has been completed and, as soon as the solicitor reviews it, it can be advertised for bid. Council approved advertising the RFP once it receives the solicitor's OK.

Phase I includes making the building accessible for those with disabilities, or compli-

ant with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Phase I includes installation of a ramp in front of the building, with a handrail and steps at one end. The plan also includes refurbishing the front doors, cleaning and repointing the bricks, painting the trim, and any other necessary work for restoration of the building.

Phase I also focuses on upgrades to the restrooms. This includes updating the restrooms fixtures, installing new tile on the floors, installing a hot water tank on the first floor rather than the second floor, redoing the walls and installing new light fixtures.

The restrooms will be ADA accessible as well.

◀ See Upgrade, P.3

Upgrade

(Continued from front page)

The building was completed in December 1884 and dedicated Jan. 23, 1895, according to an article on Union City Borough's website. The plan is to update the building using as much period décor as possible.

"We want to go with a period design, to help preserve the historic aspects," Wells said.

A feasibility study was conducted on the building, and that study showed the building needs to be upgraded.

The total amount of the project is \$132,750. The borough applied for and received the following grants

to cover the cost: Penn Historic Museum Commission Grant, \$66,375; Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority (ECGRA) Anchor Building Grant, \$49,375; ECGRA Mission Main Street Grant, \$12,000; and the PA Route 6 Heritage Grant, \$5,000.

"We're excited to move ahead on this project," Wells said. "It's been a long time in the works."

Council hopes to award the bid in spring.

In other news, Streets Supervisor Bob Phillips said the borough's new pickup truck was ready to be picked up. It is a 2022 Chevrolet Silverado 6500 equipped with a dump bed, plow package and tailgate spreader.

The total cost of the truck is \$110,580. The truck was financed with a U.S. Depart-

ment of Agriculture grant for \$38,000, plus a low-interest loan from the Erie County Redevelopment Authority.

In other business, Council appointed Nathan Shontz to fill an open seat on the Union Area Planning Commission.

Council also passed a resolution adopting a Fiscal Procedures Policy, contingent upon the solicitor's approval. The policy would address procedures for financial issues such as auditing and purchasing.

Council approved submitting a proposed zoning amendment regarding residential dumpsters to the Erie County Department of Planning and the Union Area Planning Commission and, upon approval from both, to advertise the ordinance and a public hearing.

Council tabled a motion to advertise a towing ordinance for abandoned and illegally parked vehicles. The motion was tabled due to changes requested by Council and the police chief.

In other news, Police Chief David Pernice said he contacted the district director for Sen. Dan Laughlin, R-49th, about why the police department was not awarded a PA Commission on Crime and Delinquency Grant. Pernice said several other departments were awarded a grant but not Union City.

Also, Mayor Natalie Wilmoth said she would be meeting with Laughlin, who represents Union City as a result of redistricting, and would invite him to attend a Council meeting.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 1, 2023

**Resolution to enter into agreements with eight (8)
Erie County community organizations and municipalities engaged
in Parks, Fields, & Trails as part of the Community Assets**

Whereas, the Strategic Planning Committee reviewed funding proposals and made funding recommendations to support community assets as they relate to ECGRA’s Strategic Plan and community goals;

Whereas, there were twelve (12) applicants for Community Assets funding and the Board of Directors affirms that eight (8) applicants have met the threshold for funding including being in good standing with taxing bodies and other reporting requirements;

Whereas, the eligible applicants are awarded grants totaling \$362,240.00 to the extent outlined in the attached Exhibit “A”;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority, pursuant to the Economic Development Financing Law and the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority Bylaws, resolves to enter into agreements with ten (10) Erie County Community Assets so they may flourish, create an economic impact on the region through tourism and continue to enrich the quality of life for Erie County residents.

On the motion of _____, seconded by _____.

This resolution was passed on 16th day of February 2023 by a vote of ____ - ____.

ERIE COUNTY GAMING REVENUE AUTHORITY

Chairman, Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority
February 16, 2023

ATTEST:

Secretary, ECGRA



2022 Community Assets Grants Recipients

PARKS, FIELDS, & TRAILS			
Organization	Project	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended
Borough of Edinboro	Nature's Outlet Improvement Project	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
Borough of Union City	French Creek Trail & Access Improvements - Devereaux Park	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
Downtown Girard	Construction of New Park at Girard Hotel Site	\$50,000.00	On Hold
Edinboro Legion Pool, Inc	Edinboro Legion Pool Improvement Project	\$12,340.00	\$12,340.00
Erie Downtown Partnership	Phase 1: Energizing Perry Square for Improved Economic Vitality & Quality of Life	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
Fairview School Foundation	Fairview Elementary School Inclusive Playground	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church	Outdoor Recreation Area for Church and Preschool	\$25,000.00	\$0.00
Goodell Gardens & Homestead	Observation Platform	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
Humane Society of NWPA	Bark Park & Wagging Trails Courtyard Revitalization	\$25,000.00	On Hold
McKean Borough	Youth Athletic Field Development	\$25,000.00	On Hold
Northwest Pennsylvania Trail Association	Corry Junction Greenway Trail (CJGT)	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
Washington Township	Powering Township Parks	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
TOTAL Requested		\$487,340.00	\$362,340.00

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2, 2023

Resolution to enter into agreements with five (5) groups that represent the 2023 Beehive Recipients for Ignite Erie Community-University Engagement Funding

Whereas, ECGRA's mission of economic and community development recognizes the importance of accelerating the development of intellectual property-based products and technology transfer to companies through Industry-University and Community-University engagement models to strengthen the economy; and

Whereas, the Economic Development Financing Law states that "economic insecurity due to unemployment is at any time a serious menace to health, safety, morals and general welfare of the people of the Commonwealth and that a high level of unemployment and lack of business opportunity particularly in areas of urban and rural blight are threats to the strength and permanence of American political and economic institutions"; and,

Whereas, Beehives are a dedicated space at an institution such as a university where institutional resources such as research and development may be accessed for the purposes of assisting entrepreneurs, small businesses, and the industrial sector with technology transfer, business development, student engagement, and/or adoption of existing technologies; and,

Whereas, ECGRA's Strategic Plan calls for an economic development approach that targets small business financing that creates jobs, bridges gaps in the current ecosystem, supports demographic groups underrepresented in business ownership, leverages other sources of funding, both public and private, and develops entrepreneurial services in the form of technical assistance; and,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority, pursuant to the Economic Development Financing Law and the ECGRA Bylaws, resolves to enter into agreement with the specified Beehive Recipients funding in the amount of \$896,000 for Erie County, Pennsylvania. Organizations and the amounts awarded are outlined in the attached Exhibit "A".

On the motion of _____, seconded by _____.

This resolution was passed on 16th day of February, 2023 by a vote of ____ - ____.

ERIE COUNTY GAMING REVENUE AUTHORITY

Chairman, Erie County Gaming Revenue Authority

February 16, 2023

ATTEST:

Secretary ECGRA

Building a Better Future Entrepreneur & Small Business



Organization	Project Name	Amount Awarded
Small Business Ecosystem		
Bridgeway Capital	(re)Making Erie	\$200,000.00
Erie Regional Chamber & Growth Partnership	Inclusive Business Outreach for Disadvantaged Businesses	\$0.00
Erie's Black Wall Street	Erie Minority Business Support Program	\$48,000.00
GECAC	Greater Erie Food Club/Burn & Learn Incubator	\$0.00
Impact Corry	Increasing Rural Businesses Throughout Erie County	\$175,000.00
Sisters of St. Joseph Neighborhood Network	Small Business Technical Assistance Program	\$57,750.00
U.S. Committee for Refugees & Immigrants	R3 Revolving Loan Fund	\$150,000.00
TOTAL		\$630,750.00

Beehives		
Edinboro University Foundation	PennWest Edinboro Beehive	\$200,000.00
Erie Regional Library Foundation	Idea Lab and Support Services	\$96,000.00
Gannon University	Gannon University's NWPA Innovation Beehive	\$200,000.00
Mercyhurst University	Mercyhurst University NWPA Beehive	\$200,000.00
Penn State University	Leveraging the Impact and Strength of Meehl Innovation Commons	\$200,000.00
TOTAL		\$896,000.00