

**DELAWARE COUNTY**  
**INTERACTIVE GAMING REVENUE AUTHORITY (DCIGRA)**

**Minutes of meeting on 2023 September 21.**

Present: Board members Paul Johnson, Frances Sheehan, Vince Rongione, and Ron Evans.

Excused: Board member Stefan Roots.

Also in attendance was Solicitor Frank Daly.

Call to order: Chair Paul Johnson called the meeting to order at 2:03 pm.

We said the Pledge of Allegiance.

The previously proposed agenda was approved unanimously.

There were no comments from the public.

The minutes of the August meeting were approved unanimously with no amendments.

**Treasurer's Report:**

- In Stefan's absence Paul presented the previously supplied Treasurer's Report, noting that the opening balance was \$130,053.46 and the closing balance as of August 31 was \$208,852.86. Interest earned was \$9.60. Total checks paid was \$77,030. There were 2 outstanding checks as of our meeting. We received a deposit of \$155,869.80 on August 3. The bank balance as of 9/20 was \$204,744.34. Frances noted that check #1152 is reported as outstanding but the August bank statement says that it cleared on 8/3. It was also noted the the numbers don't seem to add: the 8/31 closing balance seems \$50 too low. We unanimously tabled a motion to approve the Treasurer's report due to our questions.
- We unanimously approved a motion to ratify the e-vote of August 18, 2023, to reimburse Stefan Roots \$150 for his payments to CourseVector.

**Solicitor's Report:** Frank told us that the Spirit newspaper is approved for legal notices by the President Judge.

**Old Business:**

- We discussed changing the grants application period to 1 month instead of 3 for some categories.
- We discussed that all grant applications must be legible/complete for progress to consideration and availability of electronic version (e.g., Google Forms).
- Frances provided a budget update.
- Vincent provided an update on finance and grant-making outsourcing. He talked with the Commerce Committee in addition to the Foundation for Delaware County. Paul desires that we put out an RFP for these services. It was agreed that it made sense to check with County Council to find out their thoughts on our outsourcing some of our tasks.

- Paul mentioned the ongoing discussion to transition website, email, and treasurer duties for 2024 in light of Stefan's term expiring.

New Business:

Emergency Services Grants

- We unanimously approved a motion to increase total \$50,000 grant allocation for Emergency Services grants to total \$75,867.89 for the period of June 1 – August 31, 2023 applicants.
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$2,500 grant for Safe Corridors (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$2,500 grant for Prospect Park Police Department (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$2,500 grant for Prospect Park Fire Company (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$2,450 grant for Narberth Ambulance-Haverford Division (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$2,500 grant for Darby Township Police Sunshine Club (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$7,500 grant for Eddystone Borough Police Department (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$5,000 grant for Media Borough Police Department (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$2,500 grant for Morton Police Department (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$2,484 grant for Darby Borough Police Department (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$4,500 grant for Yeadon Borough Police Department (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$1,785.28 grant for Media Fire & Hook & Ladder Company No. 1 (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$7,500 grant for Brookhaven Police Department (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$2,363.90 grant for Aston Township Police Department (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$5,005 grant for Upper Darby Township Police Department (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$2,500 grant for Parkside Borough Police Department (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$2,500 grant for Marple Township Ambulance Corps. (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$5,000 grant for Upper Chichester Township Police Department (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$894.81 grant for Lower Chichester Police Department (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$2,500 grant for Boothwyn Fire Company Ambulance (subject to County Council approval)

- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$2,246 grant for Eddystone Fire Company (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$2,500 grant for Trainer Police Department (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$6,639.79 grant for Marple Police Department (subject to County Council approval)

#### Food Insecurity Grants

- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$10,000 grant for Greener Partners (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$10,000 grant for Murphy's Giving Market (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$10,000 grant for Mitzvah Circle (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$10,000 grant for Multicultural Community Family Services (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$10,000 grant for Centro de Apoyo Comunitario (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$10,000 grant for Pettaway Pursuit Foundation (subject to County Council approval)
- We approved a motion to approve \$10,000 grant for YMCA of Eastern Delaware County (subject to County Council approval). Frances, Vincent and Ron voted yes. Paul voted no.
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$10,000 grant for City Team Chester (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$10,000 grant for Chester Housing Initiatives (subject to County Council approval)
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve \$7,500 grant for Chester Upland Youth Soccer (subject to County Council approval)

#### Arts & Culture Grants

- We unanimously approved a motion to establish Arts & Culture total grant allocation of \$50,000 with individual grants of up to \$10,000 to Delco Arts participating organizations, and other non-profit organizations with an arts and/or cultural mission. Grant would commence October 1, 2023, through October 31, 2023, with consideration on a rolling basis.
- A motion to authorize the solicitor to advertise Arts & Culture grant in Daily Times on or around October 1, 2023, failed due to a lack of a second.
- We unanimously approved a motion to authorize the solicitor to commence legal advertising in The SPIRIT, owned by Spirit Media Group, Inc.
- We unanimously approved a motion to authorize solicitor to advertise Arts & Culture grant in The SPIRIT on or around October 1, 2023
- We unanimously approved a motion to approve a special grant of \$20,000 for mural arts installation in Lansdowne Borough.

Public comments: There were no comments or questions from the public.

Authority member comments: Frances told us that the Delaware County Literacy Council is prepared to address us at our October meeting.

Adjournment: The board adjourned the meeting at 3:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

**Ron Evans**

Ron Evans, Secretary