

AGENDA
REGULAR BOARD MEETING - TOWN OF BOSTON
June 1, 2022 – 7:30 P.M.

ITEM NO. I PRELIMINARY MATTERS

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance and Opening Prayer
4. Other Preliminary Matters

ITEM NO. II REGULAR BUSINESS

1. Correction and Adoption of the Minutes May 18, 2022
2. Consideration of all Fund Bills

ITEM NO. III CORRESPONDENCE

1. Letter from Erie County Clerk's Office Annual Report 2021
2. North Boston Fire Company Form 990 for 2021
3. Letter from Maplewood Cemetery Association
4. NYSEG – News Release – NYSEG & RG&E Announce “Reliable Energy New York” Plans
5. NYSEG – Reliable Energy New York: Investing in our Future
6. Letter from NYSEG General Counsel, Jeffrey Rosenbloom

ITEM NO. IV NEW BUSINESS

1. Requests from the Floor (3-minute time limit per person)
2. Resolution 2022-33 Declaring 2003 Ford F-550 Surplus and Authorizing Disposal through Auction
3. Resolution 2022-34 Standard Work day and Reporting Resolution
4. Resolution 2022-35 Authorizing Lease of Mail Room Copier
5. Resolution 2022-36 Authorizing Procurement of Independence Day Celebration Fireworks Display
6. Resolution 2022-37 Authorizing of Additional Accessory Building at 6290 Pfarner Road
7. Resolution 2022-38 Engineering Services for Senior Center HVAC Upgrades
8. Resolution 2022-39 Approval of Bid for North Boston Town Park Restroom & Pavilion
9. Application for Use of Facility - CAC – L.E.A.F 2022 Community Event

ITEM NO. V OLD BUSINESS

ITEM NO. VI REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Supervisor
2. Town Clerk
3. Highway Superintendent
4. Councilmembers

ITEM NO. VIII ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

1. Adjournment of Meeting

Present: Deputy Supervisor Hawkins, Councilman Michael Cartechine, Councilwoman Jennifer Lucachik, Councilwoman Kelly Martin, and Councilwoman Kathleen Selby.

Also Present: Highway Superintendent Telaak, Attorney for the Town Costello, and Deputy Town Clerk Derk.

Reverend Jeff Snyder, Churchill Memorial United Methodist Church, opened the meeting with a prayer.

Regular business:

A motion was made by Councilman Cartechine and was seconded by Councilwoman Lucachik to adopt the minutes of the May 4, 2022 regular meeting.

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Selby and was seconded by Councilman Cartechine, upon review by the Town Board, that fund bills in the amount of \$170,462.42 be paid.

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes Carried

Deputy Supervisor Hawkins stated the following has been received and filed under correspondence:

ECWA 2021 Annual Water Quality Report

April 2022 Town Clerk report

Tony Rosati letter requesting appointment to the ZBA

New business:

Deputy Supervisor Hawkins stated the floor is open for public comment.

There were no comments from the public.

Deputy Supervisor Hawkins stated the floor is closed.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Lucachik and was seconded by Councilwoman Martin,

RESOLUTION 2022-29

SEQRA REVIEW FOR MONACO POLE BARN
ON SOUTH ABBOTT ROAD

Motion Con't:

The Town Board of the Town of Boston hereby makes a negative declaration pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act for the proposed construction of a new 12,000 square foot pole barn on South Abbott Road, Boston, New York consistent with the January 31, 2022 site plan and supporting materials submitted by Kevin Monaco of Monaco Garden Center.

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Lucachik and was seconded by Councilwoman Martin,

**RESOLUTION 2022-30 SITE PLAN APPROVAL FOR MONACO POLE BARN
ON SOUTH ABBOTT ROAD**

The Planning Board on May 10, 2022 by a unanimous vote determined to forward the final site plan for the project to the Town Board with the recommendation that the Town Board act favorably on the site plan. The Town Board of the Town of Boston hereby approves the site plan for a new 12,000 square foot pole barn on South Abbott Road, Boston, New York consistent with the January 31, 2022 site plan and supporting materials submitted by Kevin Monaco of Monaco Garden Center.

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Martin and was seconded by Councilwoman Selby,

**RESOLUTION 2022-31 AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY
TAX LAW ARTICLE 7 PROCEEDING BY CVS ALBANY, LLC**

CVS Albany, LLC, has brought an action pursuant to Article 7 of the Real Property Tax Law for review of the tax assessment for the premises known 7182 Boston State Road, Boston, New York, bearing S.B.L. No. 211.14-3-13.11 and assessed at \$3,150,685, full market value, for the 2021-2022 tax year. The Town Board of the Town of Boston hereby authorizes the Assessor and Attorney for the Town to execute all documents necessary to settle the above-referenced litigation and approves the following with respect to the assessment of the property known as 7182 Boston State Road, Boston, New York, bearing S.B.L. No. 211.14-3-13.11: that the Article 7 petition with respect to the 2021-2022 tax year be discontinued in consideration of the real property tax assessment for the premises being set at \$2,600,000, full market value, on the tax assessment roll for the tax years 2022-2023, 2023-2024 and 2024-2025.

Motion Con't:

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Selby and was seconded by Councilman Cartechine,

**RESOLUTION 2022-32 AUTHORIZING OF ADDITIONAL ACCESSORY
BUILDING AT 8191 COLE ROAD**

Mr. Tracy Hirsch has requested permission for an additional accessory building at his property located at 8191 Cole Road, Boston, New York; and the Zoning Board of Appeals on May 5, 2022, approved a variance for square footage for the structure.

The Town Board of the Town of Boston hereby authorizes the proposed addition of a 30 X 80 accessory building (2400square feet) at 8191 Cole Road, Boston, New York, subject to all other applicable requirements of Town Code, including issuance of a building permit.

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Cartechine and was seconded by Councilwoman Martin to approve Cody Yetter and Kristen Yetter to begin duty as Boston Volunteer Fire Company Firefighters.

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Martin and was seconded by Councilwoman Lucachik to appoint Tony Rosati as an alternate member to the Zoning Board of Appeals, term through 12/31/2024.

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Selby and was seconded by Councilwoman Lucachik to approve the Use of Meeting Facility application for Early Elementary Southtowns Homeschoolers, for September 20, October 24, November 22, and December 19, 2022, 1:30 pm, Town Hall Community Room.

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Motion Con't:

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Cartechine and was seconded by Councilwoman Selby to approve the Use of Meeting Facility application for Town of Boston, employee compliance training, June 7, 2022, 7:30 am – 1:00 pm, Court Room.

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Cartechine and was seconded by Councilwoman Martin to approve the Use of Meeting Facility application for Erie County Board of Elections, Primary and General Election, for dates in June, October, and November, 2022, Town Hall Community Room.

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Cartechine and was seconded by Councilwoman Selby to approve the Use of Facility application for Boy Scout Troop #491, Flag Day, June 14, 2022, 2:00 pm – 7:00 pm, Lions Shelter and bathroom facilities.

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes Carried

Reports and Presentations:

Highway Superintendent Telaak reported on the following:

Highway Department has been working on ditching and shoulder work, that is just about done, couple more driveway culverts to change. Weather permitting, blacktop work will begin. New trailer is in for hauling the roller for blacktop work. Residents are still putting their brush out, brush pick up is over, every road was done once in April and once in May. Next pick up September 1st and October 1st, then leaf pick up until the snow flies.

Councilwoman Selby reported on the following:

Congratulated and thanked Tony Rosati for stepping forward and serving the Town on the Zoning Board.

Councilman Cartechine reported on the following:

Attended and volunteered at the Sportsman's Raffle at the Boston Volunteer Fire Company. With the pandemic it hasn't taken place for two years. Tickets were all sold and well attended. Welcomed Cody and Kristen Yetter into active duty with the Boston Volunteer Fire Company.
Welcomed Tony Rosati to the Zoning Board. Thanked Highway Superintendent Telaak and Councilwoman Selby in their availability and interest in trying to address some of the drainage issues.

Councilwoman Lucachik reported on the following:

Next Planning Board meeting is the second Tuesday in June. Code Review Committee will meet the hour before the Planning Board meeting on June 14th. Welcomed Tony Rosati to the Zoning Board. The Town can't do its job for the residents without the volunteer boards. Volunteer time and effort is greatly appreciated.

Councilwoman Martin reported on the following:

Welcomed Tony Rosati to the Zoning Board. Welcomed Cody and Kristen Yetter back to Town and back to the Boston fire Company.

Town Clerk Quinlan reported on the following:

Jennifer Warren State Farm, hosting 20th Anniversary luncheon, Friday May 20th. It has been three years since our last Memorial Day parade and service. Parade will start at 1:00 pm, program to follow under the Lions Shelter, music provided by the Boston Town Band, Veteran's will place wreaths at the memorials. Grievance Day is Tuesday May 24th, 9 am to 11 am, 6 pm to 8 pm, information on Town website, please reach out to the Assessor's office.

Deputy Supervisor Hawkins reported on the following:

Thanked Tony Rosati for serving as an alternate on the Zoning Board.
Spoke with the Town Board at work session regarding the proposed work and funding for the North Boston Park.

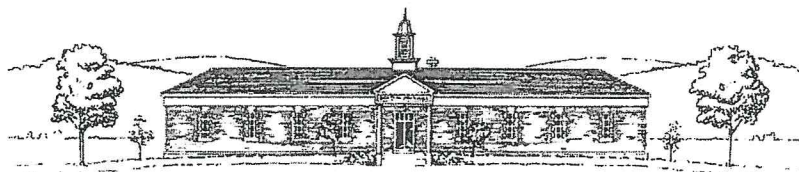
A motion was made by Deputy Supervisor Hawkins and was seconded by Councilwoman Lucachik to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Councilman Cartechine	Yes	Councilwoman Lucachik	Yes
Councilwoman Martin	Yes	Councilwoman Selby	Yes

four (4) Yes

Carried

SANDRA L. QUINLAN, BOSTON TOWN CLERK



TOWN OF BOSTON

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Abstract #1 – 2022 Payables	Journal #AP-3197	\$ 63,207.85
Less Credit – DB Fund	Eden Truck & Auto	- \$ 43.17
Less Credit – DB Fund	Eden Truck & Auto	- \$ 43.17
Less Credit – DB Fund	Eden Truck & Auto	- \$ <u>105.37</u>

Total 2022 Payables Due

\$ 63,016.14

Breakout by Fund:

General (A) Fund:	\$ 15,754.89
Highway (DB) Fund:	\$ 47,019.13
Lighting (L30) Fund:	\$ -
Fire (SF) Fund:	\$ -
Ambulance (SM) Fund:	\$ 242.12
Refuse & Garbage (SG) Fund:	\$ -
Water (H) Funds:	\$ -
Trust & Agency (TA):	\$ -
Capital Projects (H00):	\$ -

Total expenses submitted for approval:

\$ 63,016.14

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Account#	Account Description	Trans Description	Date	Reference	Debit	Credit	ENC/LIQ	Seq #	
A00-0600-0000-0000	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	Fund A00 AP Account	6/1/2022	Fund A00 AP Account	\$0.00	\$15,754.89	\$0.00	76	
A00-1010-4000-0000	TOWN BD-CONTR	The Buffalo News 151213 (Acct. #582586) AD ID #1683603 - Legal Notice of 2021 AUD Filing 5/6/22	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1671	\$60.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	42	
A00-1110-4000-0000	TOWN JUSTICE-CONTR	People Inc. 49598 Court Interpreter (4/18/22) + Fuel/Mileage Expense	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 2031	\$325.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	69	
A00-1110-4000-0000	TOWN JUSTICE-CONTR	Martyn Printing and Graphics 00034675 2,500 #10 Window Envelope w/Security w/Return Address; 2,500 #10 Blank Envelope w/Security w/Return Address - For Court Office	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1793	\$221.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	47	
A00-1110-4000-0000	TOWN JUSTICE-CONTR	Martyn Printing and Graphics 00034675 2,500 #10 Window Envelope w/Security w/Return Address; 2,500 #10 Blank Envelope w/Security w/Return Address - For Court Office	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1793	\$212.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	48	
A00-1355-0401-0000	ASSESSOR- CONTR	The Buffalo News 151212 (Acct. #586370) AD ID #1683335 - Legal Notice Completion of Tentative Assessment Roll - 5/6/22	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1671	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	11	
A00-1410-0401-0000	TOWN CLERK- CONTR	BUFFALO ENVELOPE CO. 238393 Tax Envelopes	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 182	\$81.26	\$0.00	\$0.00	49	
A00-1410-0401-0000	TOWN CLERK- CONTR	BUFFALO ENVELOPE CO. 238393 Tax Envelopes	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 182	\$40.63	\$0.00	\$0.00	50	
A00-1410-0401-0000	TOWN CLERK- CONTR	BUFFALO ENVELOPE CO. 238393 Tax Envelopes	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 182	\$53.13	\$0.00	\$0.00	51	
A00-1410-0401-0000	TOWN CLERK- CONTR	BUFFALO ENVELOPE CO. 238393 Tax Envelopes	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 182	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	52	
A00-1440-0400-0000	ENGINEER- CONTR	LaBella Associates 165002 Project No. 2190909 - General Services 3/19/22 - 4/22/22 (6.5 hr)	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1901	\$360.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	53	
A00-1440-0400-0000	ENGINEER- CONTR	LaBella Associates 165002 Project No. 2190909 - General Services 3/19/22 - 4/22/22 (6.5 hr)	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1901	\$420.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	54	
A00-1440-0400-0000	ENGINEER- CONTR	LaBella Associates 165003 Project No. 2190909.021 - Deanna Drive Subdivision 3/19/22 - 4/22/22 (2 hr)	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1901	\$240.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	55	
A00-1620-0400-0000	BUILDINGS- CONTR	Amazon Capital Services 146K-H1NN-6X1C Buildings - Cup Dispenser (x2) for Town Hall Water Fountains; Jetwell 2-Pack Hand Dryers for Parks Bathrooms	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 2003	\$338.75	\$0.00	\$0.00	57	
A00-1620-0400-0000	BUILDINGS- CONTR	AED Superstore INV3012936 AED Cabinet for Town Hall w/ Sign	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 2030	\$169.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	66	
A00-1620-0400-0000	BUILDINGS- CONTR	Liberty Janitorial 052122 Town Hall - Clean, buff & polish floors; wax stairs	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1878	\$225.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	43	

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A00-1620-0400-0000	BUILDINGS- CONTR	Liberty Janitorial 052122 Town Hall - Clean, buff & polish floors; wax stairs	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1878	\$165.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	44	
A00-1620-0400-0000	BUILDINGS- CONTR	Liberty Janitorial 052122 Town Hall - Clean, buff & polish floors; wax stairs	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1878	\$2,250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	45	
A00-1620-0400-0000	BUILDINGS- CONTR	Liberty Janitorial 052122 Town Hall - Clean, buff & polish floors; wax stairs	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1878	\$685.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	46	
A00-1620-0400-0000	BUILDINGS- CONTR	Charter Communications 142054301051422 Acct. #142054301 - Elevator Phone (5/15/22 - 6/14/22)	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1242	\$39.99	\$0.00	\$0.00	41	
A00-1620-0400-0000	BUILDINGS- CONTR	Cintas 4120236477 Town Hall - Cleaning Supplies & Toilet Paper Refill	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1758	\$17.17	\$0.00	\$0.00	28	
A00-1620-0400-0000	BUILDINGS- CONTR	Cintas 4120236477 Town Hall - Cleaning Supplies & Toilet Paper Refill	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1758	\$37.94	\$0.00	\$0.00	29	
A00-1620-0400-0000	BUILDINGS- CONTR	Cintas 4120236562 Town Hall - (14) mats; Floor Cleaner; Wet Mop; Air Freshener; Soap	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1758	\$81.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	30	
A00-1620-0400-0000	BUILDINGS- CONTR	Cintas 4120236562 Town Hall - (14) mats; Floor Cleaner; Wet Mop; Air Freshener; Soap	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1758	\$38.28	\$0.00	\$0.00	31	
A00-1620-0400-0000	BUILDINGS- CONTR	NYSEG 5/22 - Acct. #1001-0312-469 Acct. #1001-0312-469 - Town Hall (7500 kwh)	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 37	\$923.54	\$0.00	\$0.00	34	
A00-1620-0402-0000	BUILDING- CONTR-REC CENTER	NYSEG 5/22 - Acct. #1003-3567-107 Acct. #1003-3567-107 - Boys & Girls Club (1788 kwh)	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 37	\$230.75	\$0.00	\$0.00	39	
A00-1620-0402-0000	BUILDING- CONTR-REC CENTER	Charter Communications 144899201051422 Acct. #144899201 - Boys & Girls Club - Phone/Internet/TV (5/19/22 - 6/18/22)	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1242	\$226.23	\$0.00	\$0.00	40	
A00-1620-0404-0000	BUILDING- CONTR- TROOPER BARRACKS	Cintas 4120236515 Trooper Barracks - (16) Mats	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1758	\$111.04	\$0.00	\$0.00	22	
A00-3310-0400-0000	TRAFFIC CONTROL-CONTR	NYSEG 5/22 - Acct. #1001-9308-690 Acct. #1001-9308-690 - Boston Cross Signal (242 kwh)	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 37	\$45.35	\$0.00	\$0.00	36	
A00-3310-0400-0000	TRAFFIC CONTROL-CONTR	NYSEG 5/22 - Acct. #1001-9307-296 Acct. #1001-9307-296 - Boston Colden Signal (10 kwh)	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 37	\$20.22	\$0.00	\$0.00	37	
A00-3310-0400-0000	TRAFFIC CONTROL-CONTR	NYSEG 5/22 - Acct. #1001-9309-037 Acct. #1001-9309-037 - Boston State Signal (51 kwh)	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 37	\$24.66	\$0.00	\$0.00	38	
A00-3310-0400-0000	TRAFFIC CONTROL-CONTR	RICHARD-CIN SIGNS & SUPPLIES 2962 Street Signs for Road Turn and Driveway	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 91	\$106.90	\$0.00	\$0.00	14	
A00-5132-0400-0000	GARAGE-CONTR	NYSEG 5/22 - Acct. #1001-0312-477 Acct. #1001-0312-477 - Highway Barn (2160 kwh)	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 37	\$261.52	\$0.00	\$0.00	35	

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A00-5132-0400-0000	GARAGE-CONTR	Cintas 4119063301 Highway - Uniforms	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1758	\$58.59	\$0.00	\$0.00	21	
A00-5132-0400-0000	GARAGE-CONTR	Cintas 4119750442 Highway - Uniforms	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1758	\$58.59	\$0.00	\$0.00	23	
A00-5132-0400-0000	GARAGE-CONTR	Cintas 4116339711 Highway - Uniforms	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1758	\$55.95	\$0.00	\$0.00	24	
A00-5132-0400-0000	GARAGE-CONTR	Cintas 4120236522 Highway - (7) Mats, (628) Shop Towels, (4) Disposable Paper	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1758	\$34.22	\$0.00	\$0.00	25	
A00-5132-0400-0000	GARAGE-CONTR	Cintas 4120236522 Highway - (7) Mats, (628) Shop Towels, (4) Disposable Paper	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1758	\$81.70	\$0.00	\$0.00	26	
A00-5132-0400-0000	GARAGE-CONTR	Cintas 4120236522 Highway - (7) Mats, (628) Shop Towels, (4) Disposable Paper	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1758	\$16.86	\$0.00	\$0.00	27	
A00-5132-0400-0000	GARAGE-CONTR	Charter Communications 144899501052122 Acct. #144899501 - HWY - Fax/Alarm/Cable Account (5/29/22 - 6/28/22)	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1242	\$93.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	72	
A00-7620-0400-0000	ADULT REC- BOSTON SRS.	BEDORE TOURS 34526 Boston Seniors Trip to Hawk Creek Wildlife Center (7/12/22)	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1383	\$695.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	32	
A00-8710-0400-0000	CONSERVATION- CONTR	Amazon Capital Services 149D-LKHH-4WN1 CAC - Kids Snowshoes & pole kit for Snowshoe and Snowman Annual Event	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 2003	\$147.98	\$0.00	\$0.00	58	
A00-8710-0400-0000	CONSERVATION- CONTR	Mitch Tucker 5/18/22 Reimb. Reimbursement for Fishing Derby food/drinks/supplies	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1982	\$6.49	\$0.00	\$0.00	59	
A00-8710-0400-0000	CONSERVATION- CONTR	Mitch Tucker 5/18/22 Reimb. Reimbursement for Fishing Derby food/drinks/supplies	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1982	\$91.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	60	
A00-8710-0400-0000	CONSERVATION- CONTR	Mitch Tucker 5/18/22 Reimb. Reimbursement for Fishing Derby food/drinks/supplies	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1982	\$9.98	\$0.00	\$0.00	61	
A00-8710-0400-0000	CONSERVATION- CONTR	Mitch Tucker 5/18/22 Reimb. Reimbursement for Fishing Derby food/drinks/supplies	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1982	\$89.70	\$0.00	\$0.00	62	
A00-8710-0400-0000	CONSERVATION- CONTR	Mitch Tucker 5/18/22 Reimb. Reimbursement for Fishing Derby food/drinks/supplies	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1982	\$11.81	\$0.00	\$0.00	63	
A00-8710-0400-0000	CONSERVATION- CONTR	Mitch Tucker 5/18/22 Reimb. Reimbursement for Fishing Derby food/drinks/supplies	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1982	\$157.97	\$0.00	\$0.00	64	
A00-8710-0400-0000	CONSERVATION- CONTR	Mitch Tucker 5/18/22 Reimb. Reimbursement for Fishing Derby food/drinks/supplies	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1982	\$25.96	\$0.00	\$0.00	65	
A00-9040-0800-0000	WORKERS' COMPENSATION	Comp Alliance NYS Assessment Account 2022 Assessment Workers Comp 2022 Estimated Annual Assessment	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 857	\$1,604.77	\$0.00	\$0.00	73	

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A00-9060-0800-0000	HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL INSURANCE	Highmark BCBS of WNY 22145000936 Health Insurance Premiums 6/1/22 - 6/30/22	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1378	\$4,086.64	\$0.00	\$0.00	71	
A00-9060-0800-0000	HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL INSURANCE	Aflac 972400 Employee Funded Supplemental Health Ins. - May 2022	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 1887	\$217.32	\$0.00	\$0.00	67	
DB0-0600-0000-0000	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	Fund DB0 AP Account	6/1/2022	Fund DB0 AP Account	\$0.00	\$47,019.13	\$0.00	75	
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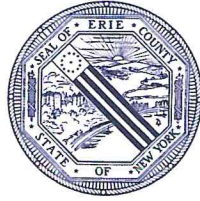
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SM0-0600-0000-0000	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	Fund SM0 AP Account	6/1/2022	Fund SM0 AP Account	\$0.00	\$242.12	\$0.00	77	
SM0-4540-0400-0000	CONTRACTUAL	NYSEG 5/22 - Acct. #1001-6047-341 Acct. #1001-6047-341 - Boston EMS Building (1764 kwh)	6/1/2022	Vendor#: 37	\$242.12	\$0.00	\$0.00	33	
Total Number of 77 Transactions			No Errors		<u>\$63,207.85</u>	<u>\$63,207.85</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>		

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Fund	Debit	Credit	ENC/LIQ
A00	\$15,754.89	\$15,754.89	\$0.00
DB0	\$47,210.84	\$47,210.84	\$0.00
SM0	\$242.12	\$242.12	\$0.00
Total	\$63,207.85	\$63,207.85	\$0.00

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COUNTY OF ERIE

MICHAEL P. KEARNS
COUNTY CLERK

May 6, 2022

Hon. Sandra L. Quinlan
Boston Town Hall- 8500 Boston State Rd.
Boston, NY 14025

Dear Hon. Sandra L. Quinlan:

I am proud to present to you a copy of the Erie County Clerk's Office 2021 Annual Report. The report summarizes the highlights of Fiscal Year 2021, a year which brought unprecedented challenges and opportunities for growth for the County Clerk's Office.

My hope is that you find the Annual Report both helpful and informative. Please feel free to contact my office if you would like to discuss the report or review specific areas of interest, such as the distribution of mortgage taxes as seen on page 13 of this report.

If you have any questions or concerns as it relates to the many services provided by the County Clerk's Office, please contact Kelly Krug at 716-858-6985.

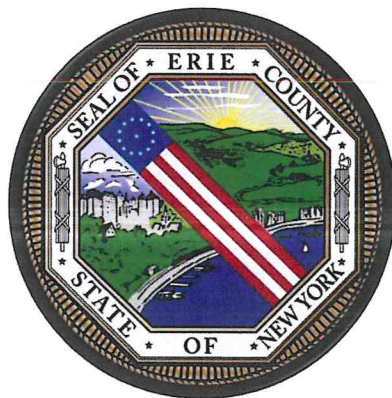
On behalf of the entire Erie County Clerk's Office staff I would like to thank you for your continued support in our effort to continue "Driving Erie County Forward."

Sincerely,



Michael P. Kearns
Erie County Clerk

Enclosure



Annual Report

2021

"Driving Erie County Forward"

MICHAEL P. KEARNS
Erie County Clerk

Your Business Office in Erie County



COUNTY OF ERIE

MICHAEL P. KEARNS

ERIE COUNTY CLERK

May 5, 2022

Honorable April N.M. Baskin
Chairwoman, Erie County Legislature
92 Franklin Street, 4th Floor
Buffalo, New York 14202

Re: Erie County Clerk's Office – Annual Report 2021

Dear Chairwoman Baskin:

I am proud to present this Honorable Body with the Erie County Clerk's Annual Report for 2021.

My top priority for the Erie County Clerk's Office is to continue to provide a safe and healthy workplace for our employees and customers. As an Office, we remain committed to ensuring that our services are accessible to all County residents and businesses and to finding ways to deliver our services more efficiently and cost-effectively.

It was a busy year for the County Clerk's Office. We processed \$167 million worth of transactions and generated a \$6.5 million surplus. Those surplus funds were transferred into the County's general fund to support vital services countywide. The Pistol Permits Office processed 41% more transactions and generated 7% more revenue than the previous year. The Land Records Office processed real estate and associated banking transactions valued at over \$2 billion in 2021. The Actions and Proceedings Department, through timely filing of documents and processing of requests, assisted the Erie County Supreme and County Courts in their return to more expansive operations in 2021.

Looking forward, the Erie County Clerk's Office will face new challenges in 2022 and beyond. Residents and businesses can rest assured however that through strategic planning, willingness to embrace change and the unwavering dedication, hard work and professionalism of our employees, the County Clerk's Office remains well-positioned for success. We are always looking for ways to become more efficient and provide a better customer service experience and will continue to evaluate our internal processes and procedures in 2022.

On May 3, 2023, federal REAL ID requirements will take effect requiring all driver's licenses and non-driver identification cards to meet federal REAL ID standards for use in domestic air travel and entering certain federal facilities. Erie County Auto Bureaus are anticipating a significant spike in customer volume as the deadline to comply draws nearer. Servicing more customers than normal will be challenging but also provide an opportunity for generating increased revenues. The County Clerk's Office has been preparing for this by conducting an on-going campaign to educate the public about

REAL ID requirements and encourage people to obtain REAL ID compliant identification from one of our Erie County Auto Bureaus in advance of the deadline.

The New York State Department of Motor Vehicles (NYS DMV) continues to expand the number of online services available through their website, which could lead to more people transacting their business remotely with NYS DMV rather than in person at Erie County Auto Bureaus. In recognition of this, the Erie County Clerk's Office has been conducting a "Renew Local" campaign. The campaign aims to educate local residents and businesses that when they conduct their DMV business through an Erie County Auto Bureau they are also ensuring that 12.7% of the revenue from their transaction will remain here in Erie County. The County Clerk's Office has also implemented strategies designed to provide a better customer service experience at County Auto Bureaus such as extending business hours, streamlining transactions for high-volume customers, and ensuring employees are available to provide guidance, answer questions and, if necessary, contact NYS DMV for customers in-real time.

In closing, I want to thank all of our government partners for their continued support and once again commend the employees of the Clerk's Office for their professionalism and unwavering commitment to serving the residents and business of Erie County during difficult times.

Sincerely,



MICHAEL P. KEARNS
Erie County Clerk

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ERIE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

The Erie County Clerk is an independently elected official responsible for recording, filing and maintaining a central repository of legal documents and records relating to property titles (including land and real estate transactions), corporate filings, assumed names, and, as Clerk of the Supreme and County Courts, all court pleadings and papers. Responsibility for maintaining all court records was transferred to the County Clerk from the State Court System in 1986 and responsibility for processing pistol permits and maintaining those records was transferred to the County Clerk from the State Court System in 1987. The County Clerk carries out his duties pursuant to the laws of the State of New York and the Erie County Charter and Administrative Code.

The County Clerk, as agent for the State Department of Motor Vehicles, also manages and staffs the Erie County Auto Bureau, which has a separate budget from the Registrar Division. The County Clerk oversees the operations of Erie County Auto Bureau branches and of a Mobile Unit that serves different locations on a weekly schedule.

The fees charged by the Erie County Clerk's Office are mandated by New York State and local laws. The Erie County Clerk's Office generates revenue primarily from recording, filing and processing legal documents, and by providing services that include copying and certifying public records maintained in the County Clerk's Office. As an agent of New York State, the County Clerk's Office collects mortgage and real estate transfer taxes that are later apportioned between the State, State agencies, Erie County and the cities, towns and villages located within the County. Recording fees, filing fees, licensing fees, criminal surcharges and fines paid to the County Clerk are later divided among State agencies including the NYS Department of Education, NYS Department of Finance, NYS Department of Motor Vehicles, the State of New York Mortgage Agency (SONYMA), the NYS Unified Court System and the Niagara Frontier Transportation Agency (NFTA). Expenses, administrative costs and costs of complying with New York State document and record retention requirements are paid for through the Erie County general fund, which is also where revenues collected by the Erie County Clerk's Office are deposited.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN 2021

FINANCIAL

In 2021, the Erie County Clerk's Office:

- Processed more than \$167 million in transactions;
- Processed real estate and associated banking transaction valued at over \$2 billion;
- Generated a \$6.5 million revenue surplus, which was transferred into Erie County's general fund and supports county services;
- Generated \$19.8 million for the County Road fund.

AUTO BUREAU

In 2021, the Erie County Clerk's Office:

- Moved forward with plans to relocate the Evans Auto Bureau branch to a larger location in Highland Plaza in the Town of Evans that will better accommodate transaction volumes and improve customer service;
- Implemented an appointment only system for all in-person Auto Bureau transactions and provided scheduling assistance to customers lacking internet access;
- Opened a new Dealer Division Center to streamline service for auto dealerships to ensure that the Erie County Auto Bureau keeps as much as \$1.5 million in revenue generated from vehicle registration transactions in Erie County each year. The Dealer Division has enabled us to expedite registration transactions, offer business hours six days each week, and have County Auto Bureau employees available to provide real-time assistance to customers, including contacting NYS DMV on their behalf if necessary;
- Expanded hours of operation by opening Auto Bureau branches for business at 7AM on weekdays;
- Continued to invest in and upgrade our appointment system technology.

PISTOL PERMIT DEPARTMENT

In 2021, the Erie County Clerk's Office:

- Finalized plans to reopen the Elma Pistol Permit Satellite Office;
- Continued to streamline processes to better accommodate increased customer volumes while improving customer service;
- Examined ways to create a new "Dealer Portal" for the Pistol Permit Department and studied the feasibility of implementing this service;
- Continued to scan and digitize older paper-based documents to ensure these records are preserved and enable more efficient processing of requests involving these records.

VETERANS SERVICES

In 2021, the Erie County Clerk's Office continued our S.A.L.U.T.E.S. initiative (Showing Appreciation, Loyalty and Unity Towards Erie County Service Members) and:

- Continued our Thank-A-Vet Discount Card Program;
- Continued to offer S.A.L.U.T.E.S. services through the Clerk's Outreach Center;
- Planned our third annual Thank-a-Vet Day in partnership with the Buffalo Bisons;
- Continued to publicly display and collect new nominations for the County Clerk's William J. Donovan Purple Heart Book of Merit, which now honors over 500 Erie County veterans;
- Celebrated Purple Heart Day by holding a ceremony outside of Old County Hall and delivering Purple Heart themed lawn signs and commemorative pins to Erie County Purple Heart recipients and their families;
- Partnered with Veterans Post Restoration of Erie County NY, Inc. in support of their efforts to repair veterans posts, upgrade veterans posts so that they are Americans with Disabilities Act compliant, and preserve veterans posts for our next generation of armed service members.

TECHNOLOGY

In 2021, the Erie County Clerk's Office:

- Upgraded County Clerk's Office servers;
- Continued planning for and developing a new "Dealer Portal" for use in the Pistol Permit Department;
- Neared completion of a new Property Alert system;
- Continued to upgrade work stations and technology;
- Purchased new passport photo cameras for the Clerk's Outreach Center;
- Continued to scan and digitize older Deed Books and Pistol Permit Department documents so that those records can be accessed via the New Visions system.

ERIE COUNTY CLERK'S ZOMBIES INITIATIVE & TASK FORCE

Since being launched by the County Clerk:

- The Erie County ZOMBIES Task Force has met with and advised supervisors, mayors, code enforcement officers, clerks, municipal attorneys, and town and village boards from nearly every municipality in Erie County regarding New York State's zombie property and foreclosure laws;
- The ZOMBIES Task Force has conducted research into hundreds of vacant and abandoned properties, leading to at least one quarter of those properties being brought back into property code compliance and/or having their deed of title transferred to a new owner;

- The ZOMBIES Task Force has received hundreds of tips from concerned Erie County residents about problem properties in their communities and forwarded that information to the New York State Department of Financial Services (DFS), resulting in numerous properties being brought into property code compliance;
- The ZOMBIES Initiative has been widely covered by the media and the ZOMBIES Task Force has created a website and Facebook page to allow people to report specific vacant and abandoned properties that are problems in their neighborhoods;
- In addition to meeting with municipalities, the ZOMBIES Task Force has been meeting with individual homeowners who have fallen behind on their mortgages. These homeowners are being advised of their right to stay in their home until a foreclosure action has been completed and linked with free services to help them explore options for securing a forbearance, loan modification or repayment plan from their mortgage lender;
- The ZOMBIES Task Force has partnered with groups including Western New York Law Center, Belmont Housing Resources for WNY, the New York State Department of Financial Services, M&T Bank, Hunt Real Estate, Buffalo Urban League, OCWEN, the Center for Elder Law & Justice, Legal Aid Bureau of Buffalo, Inc., and numerous local municipalities;
- The ZOMBIES Task Force has held quarterly meetings as well as sub-committee meetings to provide a venue for representatives from municipalities, legislator's offices, nonprofits, real estate agencies, businesses and banks to discuss New York State's zombie property and foreclosure laws and work collaboratively to develop new enforcement strategies, policies and legislation for dealing with problem properties;
- The ZOMBIES Task Force has been holding roundtable discussions with municipal code enforcement officers;
- The ZOMBIES Task Force has been compiling documentation to assist homeowners threatened with foreclosure. Forbearances for many homeowners will expire in 2022 and so the Task Force is encouraging homeowners to stay in their homes to help prevent their financial issues from snowballing while the Task Force assists them in developing plans for getting current on their mortgage.

CONSTITUENT COMMUNICATION

In 2021, the Erie County Clerk's Office:

- Continued to film and air "Catching Up with the Clerk" episodes on a cable TV channel in the City of Buffalo;
- Continued to record and air "Catching Up with the Clerk" episodes on radio channel WUFO, 1080 AM;
- Continued to communicate with constituents through social media sites including Instagram, Twitter, Facebook, and YouTube. The County Clerk can be found at:
 - Instagram: @mickey.kearns
 - Twitter: @ErieCountyClerk
 - Facebook: @ErieCountyClerkMickeyKearns
 - YouTube: Erie County Clerk Michael P. Kearns

CLERK ON THE GO

In 2021, the Erie County Clerk's Office:

- Served approximately 15,000 constituents through Clerk on the Go;
- Brought Clerk on the Go to numerous outreach events, including the Taste of Orchard Park, a Veterans Appreciation event in Sloan, a Buffalo Stand Down event at the Buffalo and Erie County Naval & Military Park, Clarence and Irving's Health and Wellness events, the Erie County Fair, and events at the Amherst Senior Center, Lancaster Senior Center, and Springville Senior Center;
- Received Erie County Legislature approval to accept a donation from Lamar Advertising of two billboards through 2021 and into the beginning of 2022. These billboards are expected to create approximately 18,000 "impressions" per week while advertising Clerk on the Go services and advertising the upcoming May 3, 2023 deadline to comply with new Federal REAL ID requirements;
- Redesigned literature and banners to promote the services provided by the County Clerks Office at upcoming outreach events and at the Outreach Center.

COUNTY CLERK'S OUTREACH CENTER

In 2021, the Erie County Clerk's Office:

- Temporarily closed the Clerk's Outreach Center for the month of August and reopened in a new, larger location in September. Since opening in the new location, traffic to the Outreach Center has doubled and we have been able to increase the programing and staffing at the Outreach Center;
- Transitioned to the Clerk's Outreach Center becoming the only fully accessible point of contact by phone for the Erie County Auto Bureau. Employees of the Clerk's Outreach Center triage all Auto Bureau related calls and direct callers to personnel who can assist them. The Clerk's Outreach Center scheduled approximately 6,100 appointments, assisted 7,500 customers with making appointments, and provided an additional 2,100 customers with information by phone regarding Erie County Auto Bureaus in 2021;
- Processed 317 new passports, provided renewal assistance for 345 passports, and took 310 passport photos through the Clerk's Outreach Center;
- Administered the Clerk's Thank-A-Vet Program and processed 178 Thank-A-Vet Discount Card applications through the Clerk's Outreach Center;
- Provided in-person assistance for multiple services (including the Thank-A-Vet Program and passport services) to 739 customers through the Clerk's Outreach Center;
- Processed 305 pistol permit applications through the Clerk's Outreach Center;
- Took in \$13,580 in fees for providing photo and passport services through the Clerk's Outreach Center;
- Offered expanded business hours at the Clerk's Outreach Center, including on Saturdays. For the first time, passport and Outreach Center services were provided on Saturdays without the need for customers to schedule an appointment.

REVENUES IN 2021

In 2021, the County Clerk's Office generated overall revenue of \$19 million from the Registrar Division and the Auto Bureau, which allowed the Clerk's Office to provide \$6.5 million dollars to the County's general fund and thus offset the need to seek funding from taxpayer contributions. Overall, the Clerk's Office spent less money than it was budgeted and generated \$1.2 million more in revenue overall than anticipated.

ERIE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE 2021 Revenues Summary

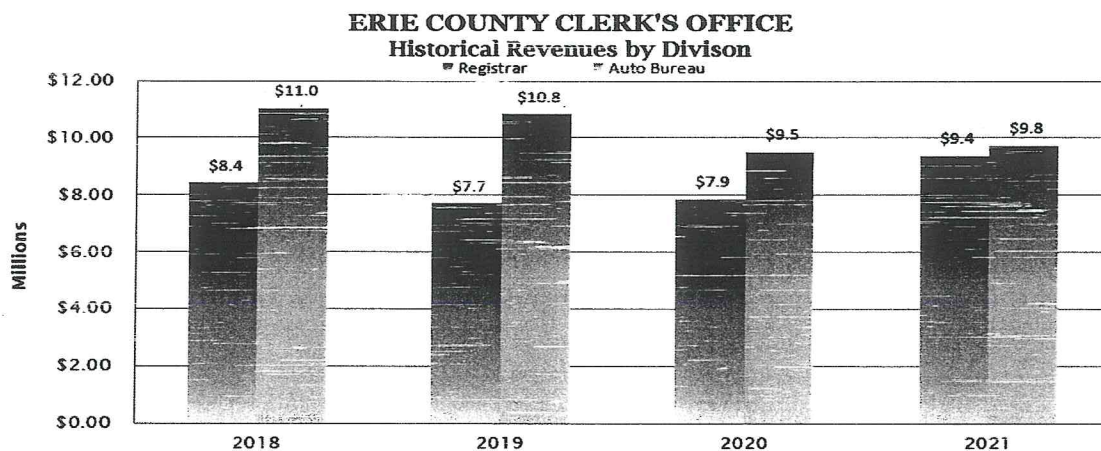
Registrar	
Revenues	\$ 9,397,559
Expenses	<u>5,322,480</u>
Surplus	\$ 4,075,079

Auto Bureau	
Revenues	\$ 9,751,727
Expenses	<u>7,294,295</u>
Surplus	\$ 2,457,432

Clerk's Office Total	
Revenues	\$19,149,285
Expenses	<u>\$12,616,774</u>
Surplus	\$ 6,532,511

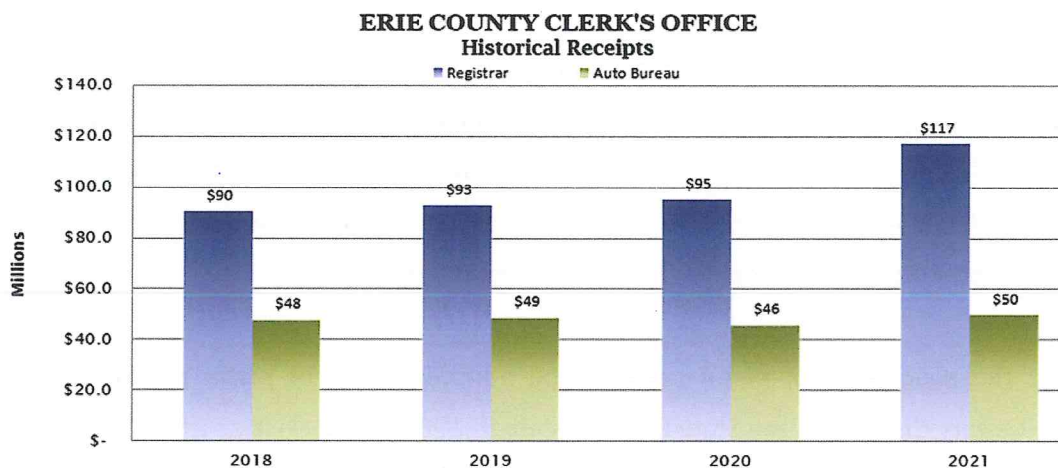
HISTORICAL REVENUES

The Registrar Division was able to significantly increase revenues in 2021 due to Erie County's recent real-estate market boom. Auto Bureau revenues also increased from 2020, with the County Clerk's Office opening a new Auto Bureau branch, launching a new Dealer Division, and expanding Auto Bureau service hours at all branches in 2021.



HISTORICAL RECEIPTS

The \$19 million in revenue generated by the Registrar Division and Auto Bureau represent only a portion of the total receipts of the County Clerk's Office in 2021. The Registrar Division handled \$117 million in transactions and the Auto Bureau handled \$50 million in transactions, for a total of \$167 million in receipts in 2021. Those receipts are distributed monthly to agencies including the NYS Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV), NYS Department of Taxation and Finance, Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority (NFTA) and various local towns and villages. The County Clerk's Office has generated \$588 million in receipts during the last 4 years.



EMPLOYEE PRODUCTIVITY IN 2021

In 2021, the equivalent of 134.5 full-time employees worked in the County Clerk's Office, with 56 employees working in the Registrar Division and 78.5 employees in the Auto Bureau. Full-time employees of the County Clerk's Office completed over 605,000 transactions in 2021, which is an average of 4,499 transactions per full-time employee. Each full-time employee processed an average of \$1,241,453 in receipts and \$142,374 in revenue 2021.

ERIE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE 2021 Employee Production

	2021		
	Registrar	Auto Bureau	Office
Full Time Equivalents (FTE)	56	78.5	134.5
Transactions	165,931	439,165	605,096
<i>Transactions per FTE</i>	<i>2,963</i>	<i>5,594</i>	<i>4,499</i>
Receipts	\$ 117,232,805	\$ 49,742,564	\$ 166,975,368
<i>Receipts per FTE</i>	<i>\$ 2,093,443</i>	<i>\$ 633,663</i>	<i>\$ 1,241,453</i>
Revenues	\$ 9,397,559	\$ 9,751,727	\$ 19,149,285
<i>Revenues per FTE</i>	<i>\$ 167,814</i>	<i>\$ 124,226</i>	<i>\$ 142,374</i>

REGISTRAR DIVISION

The Registrar Division is responsible for recording, filing and maintaining records relating to land transactions or affecting title to real estate, corporations, assumed name certificates, court papers, and Uniform Commercial Code filings affecting title to real property. It provides a central repository for legal documents that require recording or filing, as well for those documents requested to be filed but which are not necessarily required to be filed with the County Clerks' Office. Once a document or record is accepted by the Registrar Division, the Registrar Division becomes responsible for maintaining that record as required by State and local laws.

As Clerk of the Supreme and County Courts in Erie County, the County Clerk is responsible for filing and maintaining all court records of the New York State Supreme and County Courts in accordance with State laws and regulations of the Administrative Office of the Unified Court System. This responsibility was transferred to the County from the State Court System in 1986. In addition, the County Clerk is responsible for certain duties set forth in the New York Civil Procedure Law and Rules, which include granting of default judgments.

Responsibility for the processing of pistol permits and administration of pistol permit application files was transferred to the County Clerk from the State Court System in 1987. The Registrar Division accepts and processes pistol permits as well as hunting and fishing licenses through the County Clerk's Pistol Permit Department.

All revenues connected with operations of the Registrar Division are derived from mandatory fees collected for recording, processing and filing legal documents and records and from issuance of licenses and permits. Mortgage and Real Property Transfer Taxes are also collected by the Registrar Division, which are then distributed to various State and local agencies.

PROGRAM AND SERVICE OBJECTIVES

The Erie County Clerk's Office's Registrar Division is responsible for:

- Recording and filing documents required or entitled to be filed under New York State law, including deeds, mortgages, powers of attorney, certificates of incorporation, certificates of partnership, doing business under an assumed name, liens, real estate brokers entitlements to commissions, bail bond liens, local laws, wage assignments and pistol permits;
- Providing efficient, effective customer service to taxpayers and residents of Erie County;
- Providing access and assistance to the public for inspection of all filings and recordings;
- Recording all judgments entered in Erie County and New York State Supreme Court and maintaining the current status of judgment records;
- Processing all court papers submitted for civil actions and proceedings, and for criminal cases on appeal;
- Administering the processing of pistol permit applications, issuing pistol permits upon the direction of an Erie County Court Judge and maintaining existing pistol permit files;
- Serving as an agent of State government by selling hunting and fishing licenses, collecting mortgage taxes, real property transfer taxes and capital gains taxes, and collecting court fees;
- Issuing certificates, exemplifications, certified copies, executions against real and personal property and notary public commissions;
- Serving as an agent of the federal government by administering declarations of intent for individuals seeking U.S. citizenship and accepting United States passport applications for the U.S. Department of State;
- Administering and filing oaths of public officials, notaries public and commissioners of deeds;
- Properly collecting, recording, depositing and monitoring all fees and taxes collected, and assuring they are distributed as required by law, regulations or agreements.

CORPORATION AND DBA FILINGS

In 2021, there were approximately 6,000 Corporate and DBA filings with the County Clerk's Office, which was a 19% increase from the prior year. In 2020, business filings were significantly down, likely due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Over the last four years, there have been approximately 24,000 business filings in Erie County.

ERIE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE DBA & Corporation Filings

	2018	2019	2020	2021
Corporations	2,773	2,631	2,011	1,817
DBA	3,409	3,335	2,760	3,900
DBA Discontinuance	344	277	210	209
Total	6,526	6,243	4,981	5,926
Annual Growth		-4.3%	-20.2%	19.0%

INDEX NUMBERS AND COURT FILINGS

ERIE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

Actions & Proceedings

	Annual Case Filings			
	2018	2019	2020	2021
Small Claims	70	36	17	30
Paper Filings	141	167	87	61
Scanned Foreclosures	245	155	20	-
Mental Hygiene	339	334	775	-
Scanned Filings	424	458	249	421
E-File Foreclosure	962	787	301	182
Sealed Files	2,827	2,706	3,298	386
E-File	12,639	13,137	13,498	14,445
Total	17,647	17,780	18,245	15,525
<i>Annual Growth</i>		0.8%	2.6%	-14.9%

JUDGMENTS AND LIENS

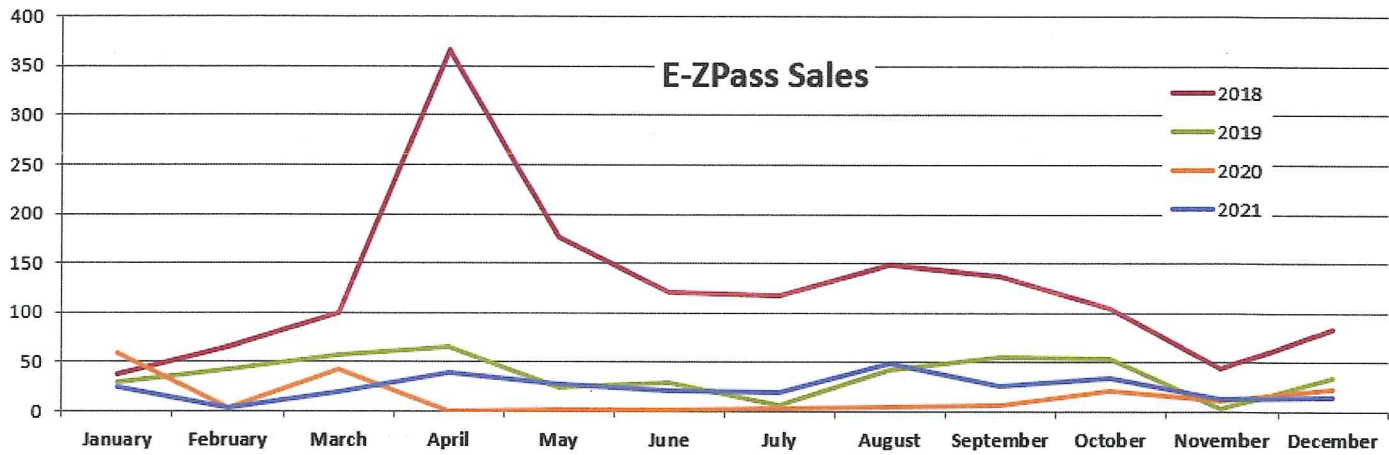
ERIE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

Judgements & Liens

	2018	2019	2020	2021
Judgments	41,017	35,243	17,327	16,961
Liens	3,194	2,965	2,084	1,929
Satisfaction of Judgment	30,937	57,724	28,381	26,580
Total	75,148	95,932	47,792	45,470
<i>Annual Growth</i>		27.7%	-50.2%	-4.9%

E-ZPASS

The Erie County Clerk's Office sells New York State E-ZPass units that can be used by vehicles on toll roads in New York and other participating states. The cost of an E-ZPass is \$25 and the County Clerk's Office retains \$4.00 from each unit sold. We sold 297 E-ZPass units in 2021, which is a 64% increase over the 181 units we sold in 2020. The County Clerk's Office sold significantly more E-ZPass units in 2021 than in 2020 due to sales in 2020 having been negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.



Notary Public & Commissioner of Deeds

On behalf of New York State, the County Clerk's Office processes both new applications and renewal applications for Notaries Public and Commissioners of Deeds. Certification for a Commissioner of Deeds is valid for as long as two years, with all certifications expiring on December 31st of odd numbered years. Certification for a Notary Public is valid for four years, with all certifications expiring four years after the certification date.

ERIE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

Notary Public & Commissioner of Deeds

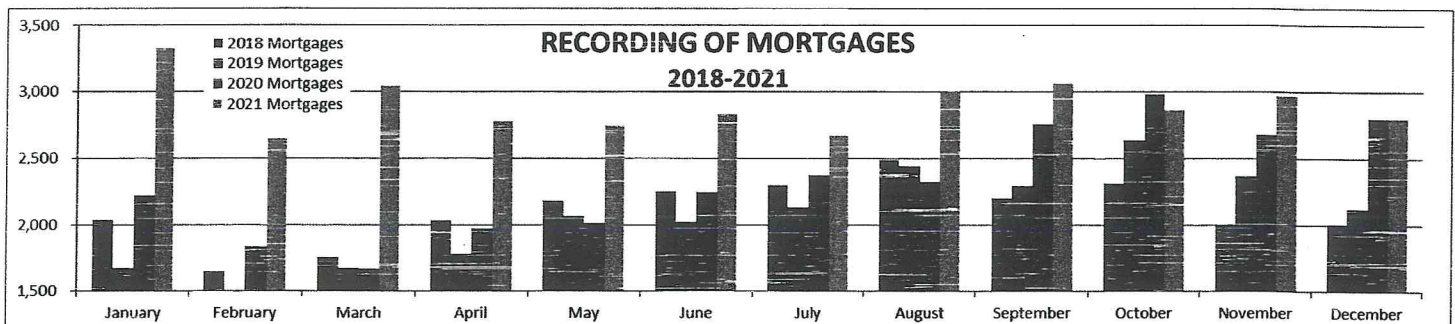
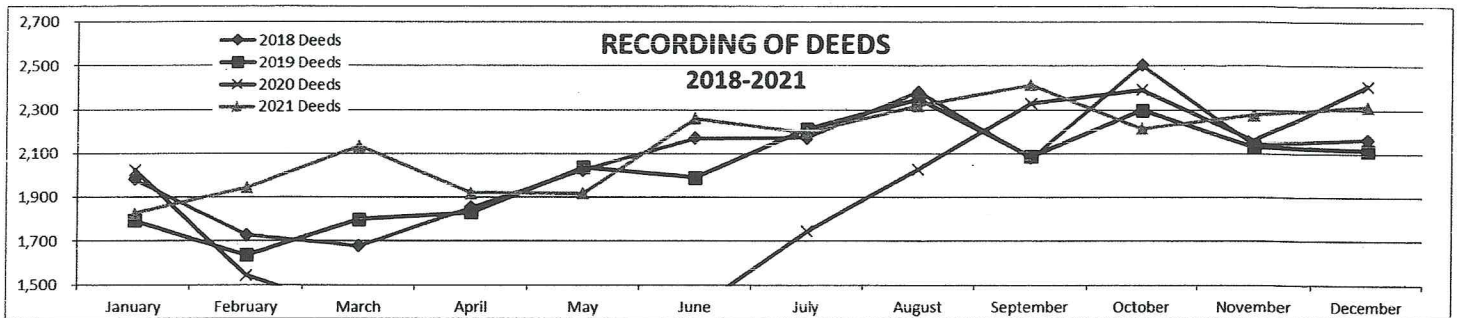
	2018	2019	2020	2021
Notary	609	577	420	614
Notary Renewals	4,456	3,217	1,274	2,850
Commissioner of Deeds	1,356	347	1,078	360
Total	6,421	4,141	2,772	3,824
<i>Annual Growth</i>		-35.5%	-33.1%	38.0%

DEEDS & MORTGAGE FILINGS

All real estate transactions, including deed and mortgage filings, are filed through the County Clerk's Office. The table below shows that the County Clerk recorded approximately 105,000 real estate transactions in 2021, which was a 23.3% increase from 2020. The two graphs that follow show new mortgages and deeds recorded by the County Clerk over the last four years.

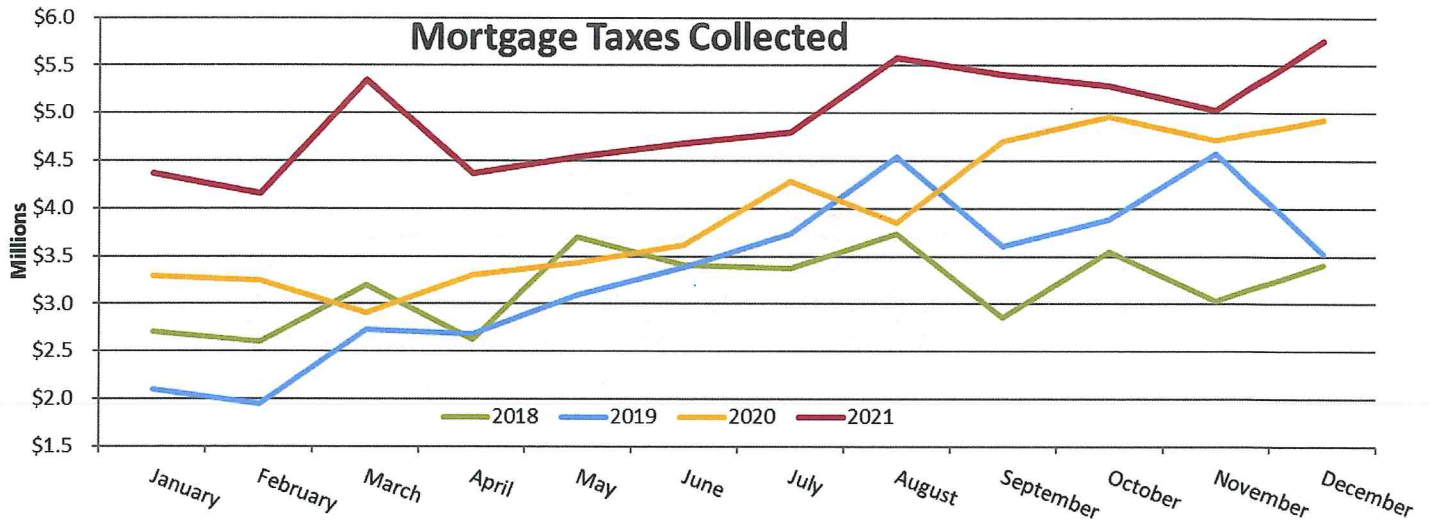
ERIE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE Deeds & Mortgage Filings

	2018	2019	2020	2021
Deeds	24,886	24,290	21,673	25,741
Mortgages	25,220	24,676	27,889	34,754
Mortgage Release & Discharge	27,527	25,809	29,499	36,779
Other Mortgage Filings	5,661	5,433	6,022	7,666
Total	83,294	80,208	85,083	104,940
Annual Growth		-3.7%	6.1%	23.3%



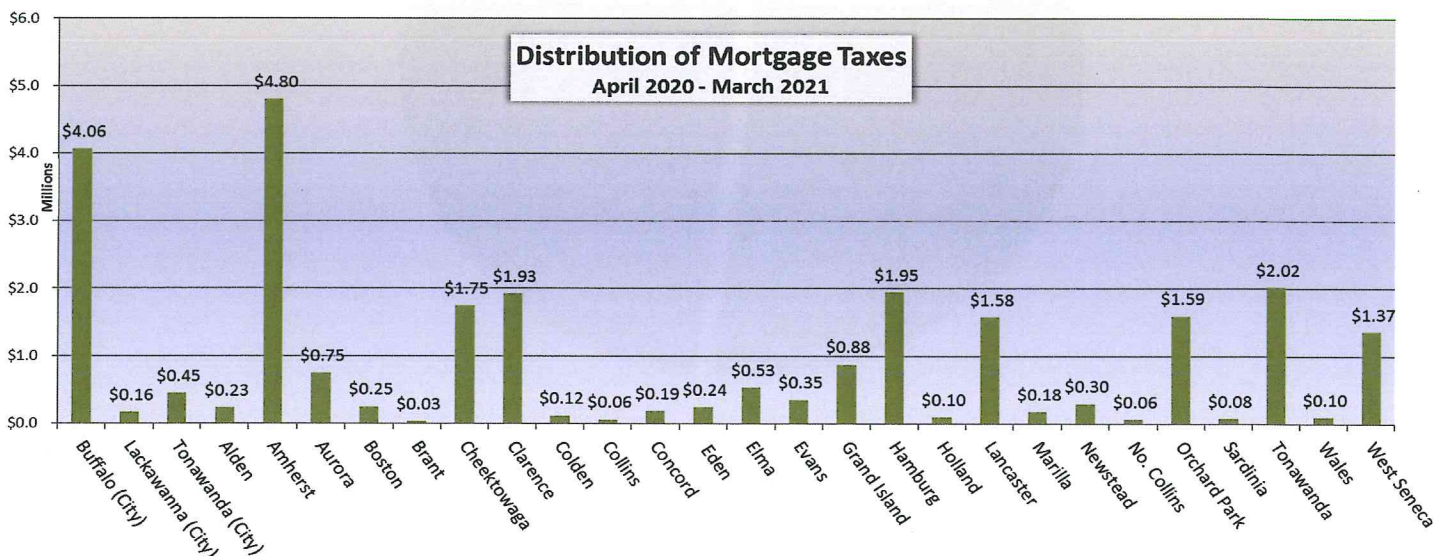
MORTGAGE TAX

In 2021, \$59.3 million in mortgage taxes were collected by the County Clerk's Office, which was a 26% increase from 2020. Of that \$59.3 million, \$30.3 million was distributed to local cities and towns, \$26 million to the Niagara Frontier Transit Authority (NFTA) and \$2.9 million to the State of New York Mortgage Agency (SONYMA).



Erie County Clerk's Office Mortgage Tax Distribution

	Annual			
	2018	2019	2020	2021
Basic Tax	\$ 19,311,000	\$ 20,506,000	\$ 24,063,000	\$ 30,353,000
NFTA	\$ 15,652,000	\$ 16,733,000	\$ 20,921,000	\$ 26,069,000
SONYMA	\$ 2,723,000	\$ 2,560,000	\$ 2,243,000	\$ 2,889,000
Total	\$ 37,686,000	\$ 39,799,000	\$ 47,227,000	\$ 59,311,000
		6%	19%	26%



TRANSFER TAX

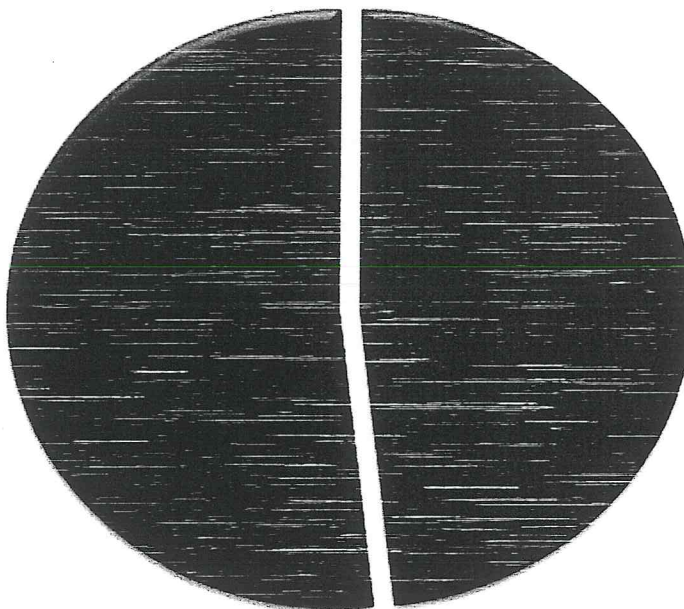
In 2021, the County Clerk collected 36% more in transfer taxes than in 2020. For every \$500 of a property's recorded deed sale price, the County Clerk's Office collects \$4.50, of which \$2.00 is transferred to New York State and \$2.50 is transferred to Erie County's Road Fund. Over the last four years, the County Clerk's Office has collected over \$64.5 million for the County's Road Fund.

Erie County Clerk's Office

Transfer Taxes

	Annual			
	2018	2019	2020	2021
New York State	\$ 13,414,590	\$ 14,217,116	\$ 13,666,473	\$ 18,463,987
County Road Fund	14,951,863	15,344,460	14,427,229	19,823,770
Total	\$ 28,366,000	\$ 29,562,000	\$ 28,094,000	\$ 38,288,000
		4%	-5%	36%

Transfer Taxes 2021 Collections



PISTOL PERMIT DEPARTMENT

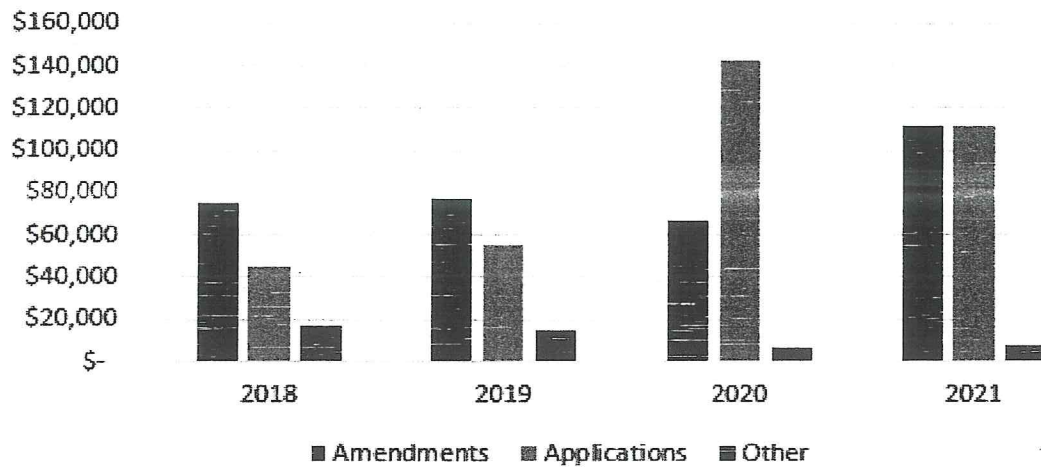
The Pistol Permit Department issues pistol permits and dealer permits, registers new gun purchases, and processes transfers of ownership and transfers of permits in or out of Erie County. The Pistol Permit Department additionally issues hunting and fishing licenses.

Prior to COVID-19, an application for a pistol permit could only be filed in person by appointment. Since the COVID-19 pandemic however, we have been able to accept mailed applications. This has led to a larger number of pistol permit applications being filed in the last two years than what we had received historically prior to 2020. Overall, transactions relating to pistol permit applications and amendments increased by 41% in 2021 and more revenue was generated from these transactions than in 2020. This is largely attributable to a spike in the number of pistol permit amendments filed in 2021 however, as fewer pistol permit applications were filed in 2021 than in 2020. A fee of \$5 or less is charged to amend a pistol permit, whereas a fee of \$20 is charged to apply for a Pistol Permit.

Annual Transactions				
	2018	2019	2020	2021
Pistol Permits				
Amendments	24,262	24,498	22,500	36,273
Applications	2,241	2,750	7,177	5,627
Other	1,570	1,318	591	763
Total	28,073	28,566	30,268	42,663
<i>Annual Growth</i>		1.8%	6.0%	41.0%

Annual Revenue				
	2018	2019	2020	2021
	\$ 75,344	\$ 77,334	\$ 67,000	\$111,881
	\$ 45,130	\$ 55,420	\$143,000	\$111,875
	\$ 17,668	\$ 14,688	\$ 6,666	\$ 8,114
	\$138,142	\$147,442	\$216,666	\$231,870
		6.7%	46.9%	7.0%

Pistol Permit Dept Transactions 2018 - 2021 Revenue



ERIE COUNTY AUTO BUREAU

The Erie County Auto Bureau acts as an agent for the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles to receive and process motor vehicle applications, to issue vehicle registrations, driver's licenses and enhanced driver's licenses, to handle financial security transactions, and to enforce Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) sanctions in accordance with the Vehicle and Traffic Laws of New York State. The County Auto Bureaus also issue NYS non-driver photo identification and issue registrations for boats, motorcycles, snowmobiles and trailers. Additional responsibilities of the County Bureaus include the collection and monitoring of all fees related to issuing auto registrations and driver's licenses and sales taxes collected from the private sale of automobiles.

Prior to COVID-19, the Erie County Auto Bureau had full-service offices in Buffalo, Cheektowaga, Tonawanda, Clarence, West Seneca and Evans in addition to a Mobile Unit that offered services in the Towns of Grand Island, Elma, Concord, West Seneca and Hamburg one day each week. In 2021, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Mobile Unit and Evans Auto Bureau branch were closed but a new Eastern Hills Mall location was opened.

REVENUES

ERIE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE *2021 Auto Bureau Revenues Summary*

Revenues		
Vehicle Use Tax	\$	5,695,669
Auto Fees	\$	4,056,057
Total Revenues	\$	9,751,727
Total Expenses	\$	7,294,295
Auto Bureau Surplus		\$2,457,432

The Auto Bureau retains a portion of transaction fees it collects and keeps 12.7% of fees collected from registering vehicles, issuing permits, issuing driver's licenses and non-driver identification cards, and processing miscellaneous transactions.

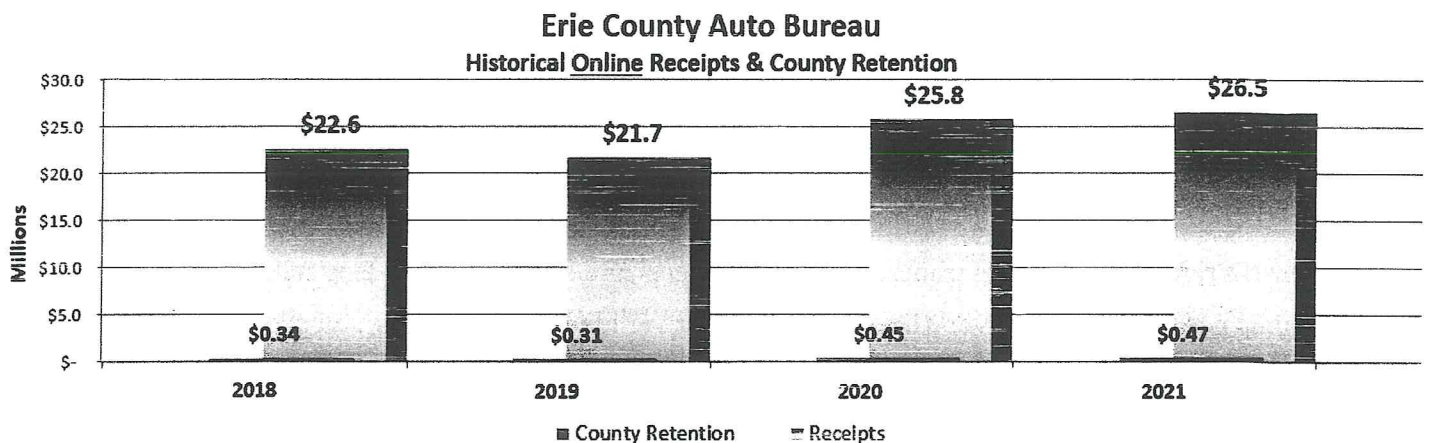
The Erie County Auto Bureau generated nearly \$9.8 million in revenues for Erie County from processing over 439,000 transactions. Auto Fee revenues also include revenue shared by the State with Erie County for transactions completed online through the State's DMV website. Pursuant to the current revenue sharing agreement, Erie County retains 3.25% of all online revenues which exceed the threshold of \$11,999,580.

Between 2018 and 2021, the number of online transactions made through the NYS DMV website increased each year other than in 2019. Over the last four years, Erie County residents completed \$97 million in transactions with NYS DMV on-line, which translates to potentially \$11 million in lost revenue for Erie County.

In recognition of this, the Erie County Clerk's Office has been conducting a "Renew Local" campaign. The campaign aims to educate local residents and businesses that when they conduct their DMV business through an Erie County Auto Bureau they are also ensuring that 12.7% of the revenue from their transaction will remain in Erie County. The County Clerk's Office has also implemented strategies designed to provide a better customer service experience at County Auto Bureaus, such as extending business hours, streamlining transactions for high-volume customers, and ensuring employees are available to provide guidance, answer questions and, if necessary, contact NYS DMV for customers in-real time.

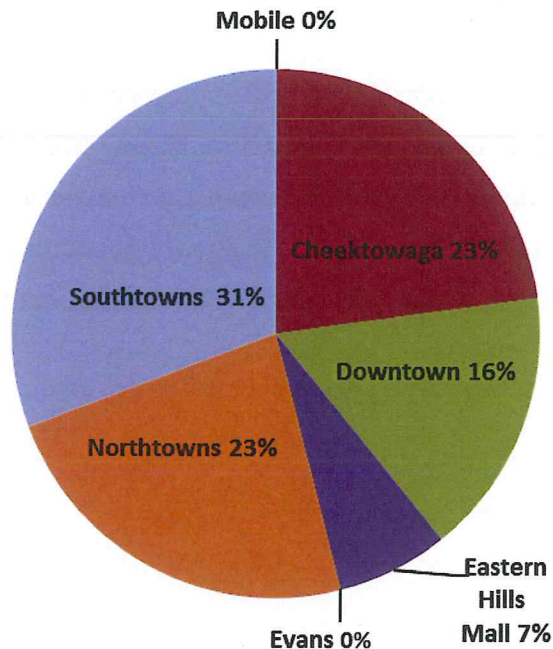
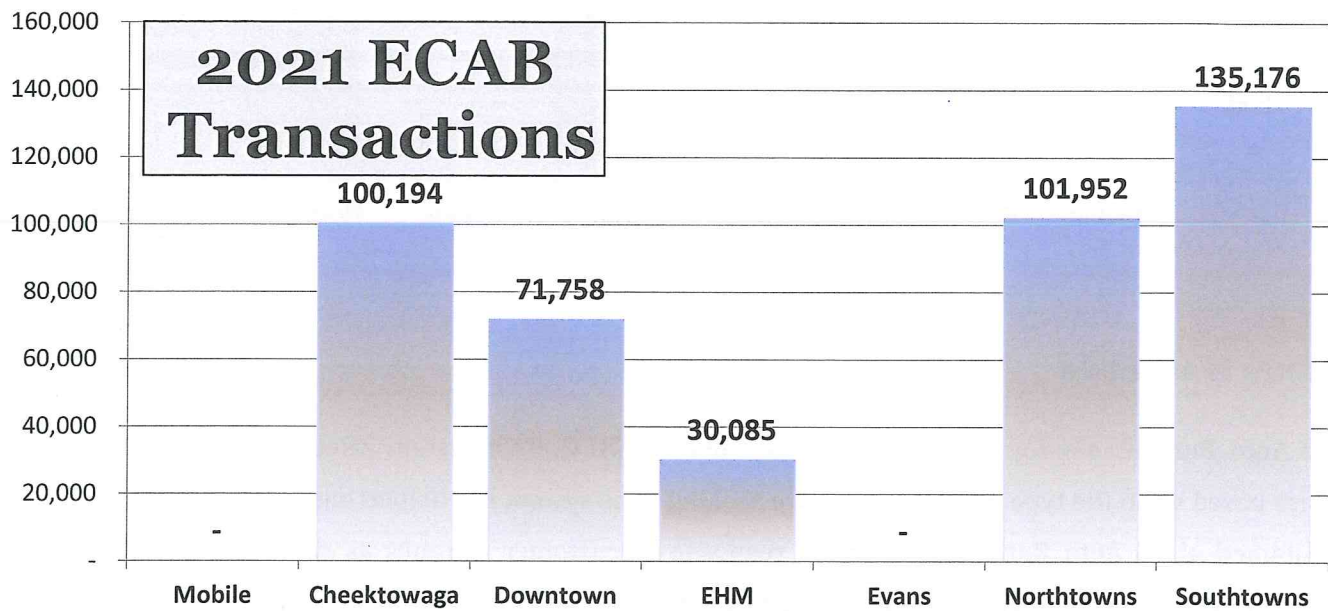
Erie County Auto Bureau
Historical Internet Shared Revenues

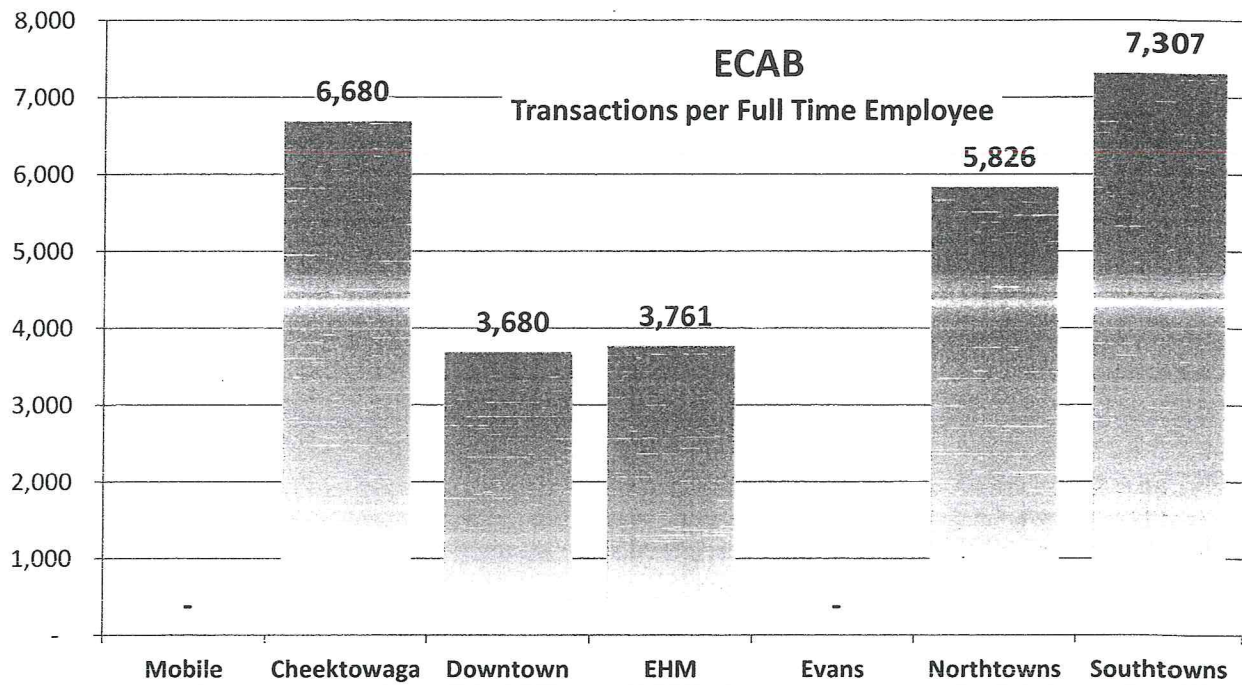
	2018	2019	2020	2021	4 Year Total
Threshold	\$ 11,998,583	\$ 11,998,583	\$ 11,998,583	11,998,583	
Annual Receipts	22,613,766	21,687,667	25,779,534	26,504,178	96,585,145
Shared Revenues	344,993	314,895	447,881	471,431	1,579,200
Lost Opportunity	\$ 2,526,955	\$ 2,439,438	\$ 2,826,120	\$ 2,894,599	10,687,112
		-4.1%	18.9%	2.8%	



TRANSACTIONS

In 2021, the Erie County Auto Bureaus processed over 439,000 driver and non-driver identification documents, vehicle registrations, and other DMV related transactions. Transactions in 2021 increased 10% from 2020. The Southtowns Auto Bureau branch processed 31% of all such transactions completed by the Erie County Auto Bureau, in part due to that location offering expedited processing of registrations for Erie County based auto dealers. Of the 78.5 full-time equivalent ("FTE") employees, including management, that work at Erie County Auto bureau locations or in the Mobile unit, on average each FTE processed 6,594 transactions in 2021.





CUSTOMER WAIT TIMES

County Auto Bureaus employ a queuing system called NEMO-Q. This system issues a ticket to each incoming customer based upon the type of service they are seeking. This system has helped ensure that appropriate staffing is maintained at all Auto Bureau locations in response to customer volumes as the system tracks how many customers have been served, average wait and service times, and other useful metrics. The NEMO-Q system has also improved customer service and minimized wait times by enabling customers to schedule reservations online.

To maximize safety for County Auto Bureau customers and employees as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, in 2021 a policy was enacted requiring that all in-person County Auto Bureau transactions be handled on an appointment only basis. To facilitate this, the County Clerk's Office created a system for making reservations on the Erie County Auto Bureau website whereby customers can schedule their own appointments and Auto Bureau staff have been made available to provide scheduling assistance for customers that lack internet access or familiarity.

LOOKING FORWARD

Looking forward, the Erie County Clerk's Office will face new challenges in 2022 and beyond. Residents and businesses can rest assured however that through strategic planning, being willing to embrace change and the unwavering dedication, hard work and professionalism of our employees, the County Clerk's Office remains well-positioned for success. We are always looking for ways to become more efficient and provide a better customer service experience and will be continuing to evaluate our internal processes and procedures in 2022.

In closing, the Erie County Clerk's Office would like to thank all of our government partners for their continued support and commend our employees for their professionalism and commitment to serving the people of Erie County.

Form **990****Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

OMB No. 1545-0047

2021Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.

Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.**A For the 2021 calendar year, or tax year beginning**

and ending

B Check if applicable:☐ Address change☐ Name change☐ Initial return☐ Final return/
terminated☐ Amended return☐ Application pending**C Name of organization****NORTH BOSTON VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY
INC.****D Employer identification number**

Doing business as

Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address)

P. O. BOX 124

Room/suite

E Telephone number

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code

NORTH BOSTON**NY 14110****G Gross receipts \$ 579,02****F Name and address of principal officer:****RODNEY J. CARR****P.O. BOX 362****NORTH BOSTON****NY 14110****H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates?** Yes ☐ No ☒**H(b) Are all subordinates included?** Yes ☐ No ☐

If "No," attach a list. See instructions

I Tax-exempt status:☒ 501(c)(3)☐ 501(c) ()

(insert no.)

☐ 4947(a)(1) or☐ 527**J Website:****NORTHBOSTONFIRE.COM****H(c) Group exemption number****K Form of organization:**☒ Corporation☐ Trust☐ Association☐ Other**L Year of formation:****M State of legal domicile:****N****Summary****Activities & Governance****1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities:****THIS ORGANIZATION WAS FORMED AS A VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY TO
SUPPORT THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY WITH FIRE AND FIRST AID
SERVICES.****2 Check this box ☐ if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.****3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)****3 16****4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)****4 16****5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2021 (Part V, line 2a)****5 0****6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)****6 45****7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (A), lines 1-11****7a 0****b Net unrelated business taxable income from Part VIII, column (A), lines 1-11****7b 0****Revenue****8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)**

Prior Year

Current Year

194,386**201,207****9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)****0****10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)****2,724****159,634****11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 6c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)****52,998****51,916****12 Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)****250,108****412,757****Expenses****13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)****0****14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)****0****15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)****0****16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)****0****b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25)****0****0****17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)****137,446****455,942****18 Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)****137,446****455,942****19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12****112,662****-43,185****Net Assets or Fund Balances****20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)**

Beginning of Current Year

End of Year

1,727,728**2,660,930****21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)****156,500****1,132,887****22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20****1,571,228****1,528,043****Signature Block**

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here

Signature of officer

RODNEY J. CARR

Type or print name and title

TREASURER

Date

5/11/2022**Paid**

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Date

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Firm's address

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May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions

☒ Yes ☐ No

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

DAA

Form **990** (2021)

MAY 23 2022 #9:30

Maplewood Cemetery Association
Boston, New York 14025

May 17, 2022

Boston Town Board
Highway Superintendent Bob Telaak
Boston Town Hall
8500 Boston State Road
Boston, New York 14025

Dear Members,

The annual meeting of the Maplewood Cemetery Association was held on May 7, 2022. At that time, the members of the association once again expressed their appreciation to you for helping the cemetery by plowing, picking up debris, allowing us to use the community room for our meeting, removing a huge limb and other services. This definitely helps the cemetery maintain it's beautiful grounds.

We are grateful for your continued kindness and cooperation in providing us continued service.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Karla Mead

Karla Mead
Secretary

cc. Mr. Bob Teelak



NEWS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

NYSEG AND RG&E ANNOUNCE “RELIABLE ENERGY NEW YORK” PLANS

Companies propose upgrading infrastructure and investing in smart technology to improve reliability and customer service

BINGHAMTON, NY — May 26, 2022, 4:15 p.m. — Today, New York State Electric & Gas (NYSEG) and Rochester Gas and Electric (RG&E), subsidiaries of AVANGRID, Inc. (NYSE: AGR), announced the companies have filed proposed changes to delivery rates with the New York State Public Service Commission (NYSPSC). The plans, titled “Reliable Energy New York: Investing in Our Future,” outline a proposal for each company that include infrastructure investments for a more resilient, sustainable and smart system, more resources to support customers and local communities, energy efficiency programs and investments to enable renewable energy, as well as economic development proposals that will help build cleaner, healthier communities. As inflation and other economic impacts affecting customers here in New York and across the country, the companies recognize the importance of balancing the critical investments our grid requires as well as the needs and expectations of our customers.

Under the “Reliable Energy NY” proposals, NYSEG and RG&E will replace aging infrastructure and make smart investments for a more resilient system that can minimize the impacts of climate change on the energy system. The companies will also further encourage customers, community partners and business clients to adopt sustainable tools and technologies and support them as they make the transition to clean energy. That transition will lower their overall impact on the environment and give them more control over their total energy consumption and costs.

“Reliable Energy NY” proposes a rate structure that would add \$10-18 to the average electric or gas residential customer's monthly delivery costs, or a 13-22% increase on each

total bill. New delivery rates are proposed to go into effect May 1, 2023. Even with these proposed increases in delivery rates, the companies will continue to have among the lowest electric and gas rates in New York.

Key aspects of the “Reliable Energy NY” plans include investments in:

- **Reliability and resilience**, which includes upgrades to critical infrastructure like substations to limit the impacts of increased flooding, installing more than 10,000 new, stronger poles a year and tree wire that can withstand more intense and more frequent storms, increased and smart tree trimming driven by data and analytics.
- **More customer resources** including increased automated options to reflect our customers’ preferences for interacting with us, enhanced resources for customers who are elderly (typically on a fixed income) or are low-to-moderate income (LMI), and additional employees for our customer call centers to respond to customer questions and concerns. We will assist disadvantaged communities and LMI customers through focused energy efficiency program offerings, such as our ongoing collaboration and support of NYSEERDA’s Empower Program, which promotes free energy audits and efficiency upgrades for income-eligible customers. We will provide ongoing referrals from our low-income billing assistance programs. Additionally, continued participation in the Statewide Affordable Energy Efficiency Multi-Family Program (AMEEP) will allow us to provide free energy audits and efficiency upgrades for low-income, multi-family dwellings.
- **Investments in smart technology** including more grid automation tools to reduce outage impacts and manage outages remotely – these investments will mean that when outages do occur, they will be identified earlier and power can be restored faster and fewer customers will be affected. The plans also propose the development of an e-portal for municipalities to check on the status of service interruptions, impacts on critical facilities and restoration status, and investing in an automated customer communications system to ensure positive contact with customers who use life support equipment (LSE) during storms.
- **Enabling clean energy.** The existing New York energy grid was not built with renewable energy sources in mind. That’s why we are proposing investments in smart technology that will improve reliability and enable us to connect more renewables, like wind and solar, to our system more effectively, efficiently and safely. In addition, our investments will help achieve emissions reductions through supporting electrification of buildings and transportation. The plans also propose procuring 11MW of company-owned battery storage and another 70MW of company-owned solar for low-income customers, supporting adoption of our Heat Pump Make-Ready program, and

expanding EV infrastructure by 700% to support New York's mandate of over 161,000 EVs in our service territories by 2025. Our low-income retail lighting program helps customers choose LED light bulbs over traditional or halogen incandescent bulbs through informational signage and discounts at big box stores and local retailers, as well as through LED bulb donations to area food banks. In our gas distribution business, we will continue our gas leak-prone pipe replacement programs while looking for opportunities to invest in green hydrogen and renewable natural gas blending.

Under the Public Service Law, the rates proposed in "Reliable Energy NY" are for a one-year period and will not immediately go into effect upon filing; the filing starts an 11-month process. The process includes a review of the filings by the Department of Public Service and other interested parties, questions to NYSEG and RG&E and, as appropriate, responsive testimony. During this process, we will seek to engage in discussions with parties regarding potential multi-year rate recovery of costs to mitigate annual impacts on customers.

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About NYSEG: New York State Electric & Gas Corporation (NYSEG) is a subsidiary of AVANGRID, Inc. Established in 1852, NYSEG operates approximately 35,000 miles of electric distribution lines and 4,500 miles of electric transmission lines across more than 40% of upstate New York. It also operates more than 8,150 miles of natural gas distribution pipelines and 20 miles of gas transmission pipelines. It serves approximately 894,000 electricity customers and 266,000 natural gas customers. For more information, visit www.nyseg.com.

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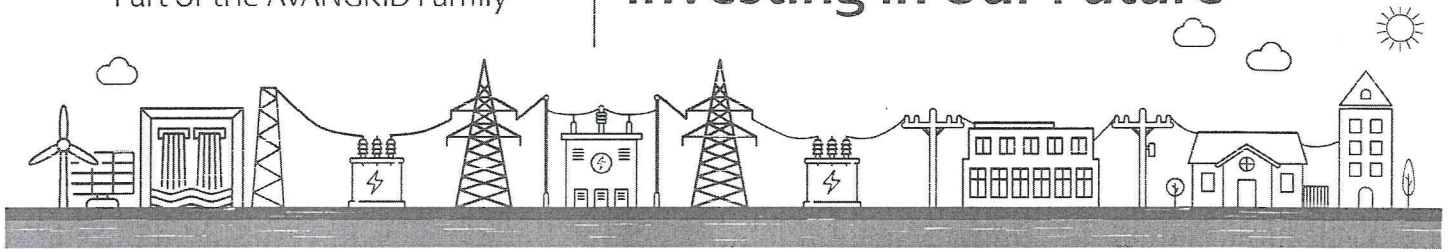
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Reliable Energy New York: Investing in Our Future



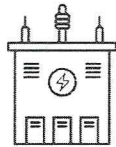
In May 2022, New York State Electric & Gas (NYSEG) and Rochester Gas and Electric (RG&E) filed proposed plans with the New York State Public Services Commission (NYSPSC) to upgrade our infrastructure and invest smart technology to improve reliability.

What does this mean for customers?



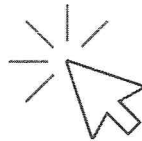
Reliable Energy NY proposes a rate structure that would add \$10-18 to the average electric or gas residential customer's monthly delivery costs, or a 13-22% increase on each total bill. **Even with these proposed investments, NYSEG and RG&E will continue to have among the lowest electric and gas rates in New York.**

How will these investments benefit customers?



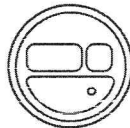
Infrastructure Investments

Improved reliability and resiliency



Customer Resources

Increased automated options to reflect our customers' preferences



Smart Technology

Automating our grid and our communications to respond to outages faster and make contact with customers easier



Energy Efficiency

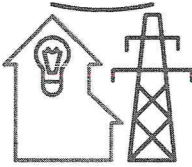
Supporting customers and communities as they make the transition to clean energy



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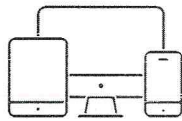
Reliability & Resilience

- Upgrades to critical infrastructure
 - Substations to limit the impacts of increased flooding
 - More than 10,000 new, stronger poles a year
 - Tree wire that can withstand more intense and more frequent storms
- Increased tree trimming
 - Smarter tree trimming that relies on data and analytics



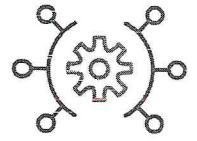
Customer Resources

- Increased automated options to reflect our customers' preferences for communicating with us
- Enhanced resources for customers who are elderly or have low-to-moderate income
 - Home energy audits
 - Efficiency upgrades
- Additional employees for our customer call centers to respond to customer questions and concerns



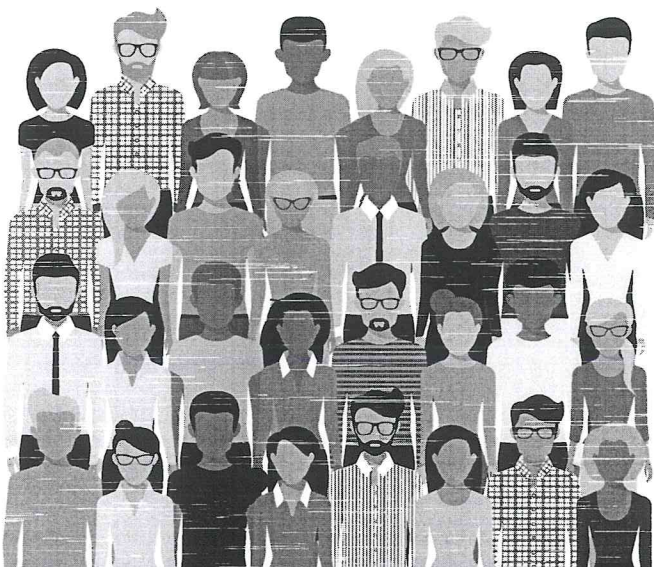
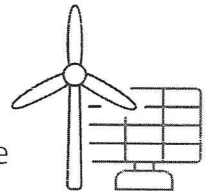
Smart Technology

- More grid automation tools to reduce outage impacts remotely
 - When outages do occur they will be identified faster, power can be restored sooner, and fewer customers will be affected
 - Efficiency upgrades
- Development of an e-portal for towns and cities to check on the status of service interruptions, impacts on critical facilities, and restoration status
- Automated communications systems to ensure direct contact with customers who rely on life-saving equipment during storms



Clean Energy

- New York's energy grid was not built with renewable sources of energy in mind. That's why we're proposing investing in smart technology that will improve reliability and enable us to connect more renewables – wind, solar – more effectively, efficiently and safely
- Procurement of company-owned battery storage and solar for low-income customers
- Low-income retail lighting to help customers choose energy efficient LED bulbs over other options through information and discounts; and LED bulbs distributed via area food banks



Our goal is simple: to best serve our customers.

We will accomplish that through these necessary investments, new programs and enhancements – all while continuing to have among the lowest electric and gas rates in the state.



NYSEG



RG&E

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May 26, 2022

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

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Re: Case 22-E- - Proceeding on Motion of the Commission as to the Rates, Charges, Rules and Regulations of New York State Electric & Gas Corporation for Electric Service

Case 22-G- - Proceeding on Motion of the Commission as to the Rates, Charges, Rules and Regulations of New York State Electric & Gas Corporation for Gas Service

Case 22-E- - Proceeding on Motion of the Commission as to the Rates, Charges, Rules and Regulations of Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation for Electric Service

Case 22-G- - Proceeding on Motion of the Commission as to the Rates, Charges, Rules and Regulations of Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation for Gas Service

Dear Secretary Phillips:

By this filing, we¹ submit rate cases allowing us to proactively address an increasingly complex energy environment coupled with a pressing need to make important core investments in the grid to support safe and reliable service for customers.

I. Overview

The investments proposed in our rate cases are necessary to address increasing system-wide exposure to equipment failure driven by aging infrastructure and to address growing exposure to tree-related outages, particularly given the increase in weather events and heightened expectations around outage restoration times.

¹ New York State Electric & Gas Corporation ("NYSEG") and Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation ("RG&E" and together with NYSEG, the "Companies")

They also allow us to continue to evolve from a traditional one-way power delivery model to a more complex two-way power flow version incorporating multiple distributed energy resources (“DERs”) while meeting increasing customer expectations and important public policy objectives, including the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (“CLCPA”).

We have identified the resources and investments necessary to carry out these important objectives in a cost-effective manner for our customers, while confronting the realities of residual rate impacts from our last rate cases, the impacts of the Covid Pandemic and current macro-economic conditions, including inflation at levels not seen in decades.

To develop these rate cases, we analyzed what needs to be done to improve our service to customers and to meet the State of New York’s clean energy objectives. We then balanced those needs against customer affordability. For example, in some cases, the Companies identified capital investments that while necessary, could be temporarily delayed or deferred. In addition, we voluntarily utilized other moderators, such as the use of excess depreciation reserve to mitigate the rate increase impact to our customers.

The result is proposed rates reflective of what is needed to meet the challenges to our networks and systems today and to reliably and safely provide service to customers during the transition to New York’s clean energy future. We are committed to all CLCPA goals, including the efficiency targets set forth in the Commission’s New Efficiency: New York proceeding, and the commitments we previously made at the conclusion of the 2019 Rate Cases. In this case, we seek approval of the resources and investments necessary to carry out these important objectives in a cost-effective manner for our customers.

While we filed traditional one-year rate cases, the Companies strongly support a settlement process to achieve a multi-year settlement. Multi-year settlements often benefit customers and the Companies by providing enhanced rate predictability and opportunities to shape or levelize rates over time, while spreading rate case expenses over a longer period.

II. Context: Residual Rate Pressure from the Last Rate Cases And Historic Inflation

In addition to reliability, customer service, storm response, and CLCPA-driven business needs, there is also significant residual rate pressure deferred from the Companies’ last rate cases. The Companies and parties to the 2019 Rate Cases, in response to the Covid Pandemic and its impacts on our customers, incorporated substantial rate mitigation into the final Joint Proposal presented to the Commission. In its approval order, the Commission further modified the Joint Proposal to include the addition of new customer assistance programs and various approaches to further mitigate rates.

The Companies, the Commission, and the parties did the right thing at that time. We needed to assist customers by minimizing bill impacts during the height of the Covid Pandemic. At the same time, implementation of the rate moderation and mitigation changes that helped customers during the term of the current rate plan, now result in significant upward pressure on the revenue requirement and proposed delivery rates in these cases for costs that cannot be avoided.

We are also experiencing macro-economic pressures including higher rates of inflation, higher interest rates, and restrictions in supply that have substantially increased costs beyond the Companies' control for essential business items like labor, benefits, materials and contractor costs. In addition, due to the CLCPA-driven commitments set forth in the Companies' 2019 Rate Cases, as well as the impact of Covid on small commercial customers, we are anticipating a reduction in gas unit sales, which increases rates for our gas customers as there are fewer unit sales over which to spread the costs of doing business.

III. Companies' Approach to Developing the Rate Filings

To develop our rate filings, we analyzed all that needs to get accomplished in the next few years for our customers and the State of New York, considering what it would take from an investment and people standpoint while keeping in mind overall rate impacts. To help prioritize, we grouped our identified costs into five categories:

Category	Description of Costs	% of Delivery Rate Increase (averaged across Companies and customer classes)
Residual Rate Pressure from 2019 Cases	Expiring tax credits, full amortization of other regulatory liabilities, ending of shaping/levelization, and plant investment necessary for reliability reasons but not included in 2019 rate plans	~10%
Costs Necessary to Support Core Business	Property tax increases, impacts of inflation on labor, outside contractors, and baseline needed investments	~8%
State Policy Costs	Increase in energy efficiency spend, EVs, battery storage and other CLCPA-related offerings, and shortened depreciable lives for gas assets	~3%
Reliability & Resiliency	5-year trim cycle, reliability capital investments, and cyber security	~4%
Other	ROE and Equity Ratio increases to reflect market conditions, tracking adjustments, new amortizations	~5%

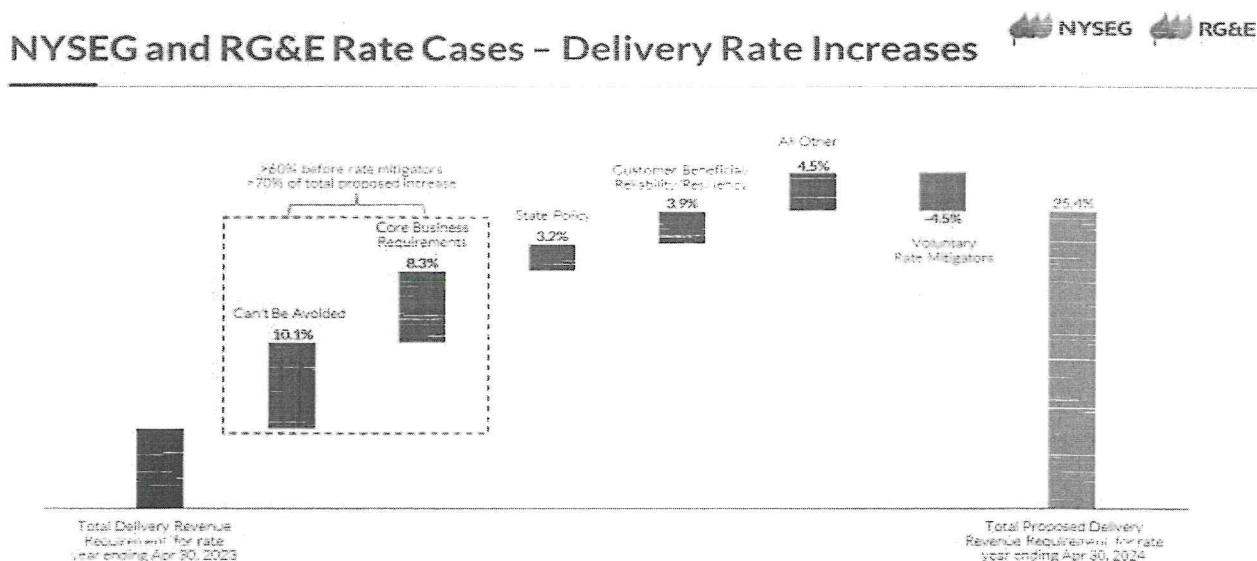
We balanced the identified costs against customer affordability. In some cases, we put off capital investments that, while necessary, could be temporarily deferred or delayed. As detailed by the Electric and Common Capital panel, the Five Year Plan filed by the Companies in April of this year identified a total NYSEG plus RG&E Electric, Gas, and Common capital

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spend of \$12.2 billion which reflected the overall needs of the Companies' business areas to address existing and known needs across our systems, including transmission needs in support of CLCPA. These investments are considered to be critical for the Companies to continue to provide safe, secure, reliable, and resilient service to customers and help New York State reach its environmental and clean energy goals. However, recognizing the impact that this level of capital spend would have on customer rates, the Companies are proposing as part of these rate filings a reduced five-year capital spend of \$9.8 billion. We also found ways to defer certain activities and their related labor needs to mitigate cost impacts to customers and have voluntarily employed various rate moderators that were still available to help blunt the rate increase impact to our customers.

For example, the Companies' rate filings reduce the Companies' calculated inflation adjustment by two percent while proposing a symmetrical inflation reconciliation mechanism. In addition, the current rate filings utilize a portion of available Excess Depreciation Reserve in NYSEG Electric, RG&E Electric and RG&E Gas to moderate rates. Each of these had a significant downward impact on the Companies' revenue requirement and rates. They also have a deleterious impact on cash flows and corresponding credit metrics for the Companies. We closely monitor these metrics as negative impacts to them will result in an increase to customers in debt costs. Our rate cases include our attempt to balance the need for cash recovery, to support healthy credit metrics, with the impact on rates, recognizing the challenging economic atmosphere that currently exists.

The chart below depicts the rate drivers just described:



IV. Overview of the Companies' Rate Case Filings

The Companies' rate filings are based on test year 2021 financial results adjusted to the rate year May 1, 2023 – April 30, 2024 ("Rate Year"). Since the Companies are submitting these rate case filings on May 26, 2022, the effective date of new rates, assuming an approximately 11-month suspension period, will be May 1, 2023.

Our filings demonstrate the need and provide support for delivery rate increases for each business. Table 1 below provides a summary of the proposed delivery rate increases, delivery revenue percentages and total revenue percentages for all four businesses.²

Table 1: Rate Increase Amounts and Revenue Percentages

Company	Requested Increase / (Decrease) \$000	Delivery Percentage	Overall Percentage
NYSEG Electric	\$ 273,906	31.2%	16.8%
RG&E Electric	93,795	19.0%	11.3%
NYSEG Gas	43,353	20.7%	9.8%
RG&E Gas	37,663	20.9%	9.7%

Table 2 below illustrates the monthly average residential customer bill increases being proposed in these rate case filings. The average residential customer bill increase percentages differ from the revenue increase percentages because of revenue allocation that is guided by cost of service studies and the Companies' proposed rate design.

Table 2: Monthly Average Residential Customer Bill Increases³

Business	Monthly Average Bill Increase	Total Bill Percentage
NYSEG Electric	\$18.31	22.2%
NYSEG Gas	\$14.94	15.6%
RG&E Electric	\$12.95	15.0%
RG&E Gas	\$9.62	12.8%

² Total revenue reflects the inclusion of Supply Revenue provided by each business and Energy Service Companies ("ESCOs"). The ESCO supply revenue is based on the 2021 average costs of supply provided by each business times the energy units served by ESCOs.

³ Average electric residential customer bill impacts are based on 600 kwh per month. Average gas residential customer bill impacts are based on 83 therms per month.

V. Key Elements of the Rate Case Filings

Notable key elements include:

1. Customer Experience

- offering mobile-friendly payment pages, digital options for completing transactions, and access to Webchat for communication with contact center representatives;
- offering Energy Manager to help customers reduce energy usage to support New York in achieving its energy efficiency goals;
- enhancing our ability to support billing options tied to community distributed generation necessary to hit the CLCPA target of 70% renewable generation by 2030;
- converting the existing MV90 system to use AMI functionality (thereby leveraging all AMI benefits for customers);
- offering payment notifications for payment-challenged customers to proactively avoid disconnections for non-payment;
- offering 24x7 internal resource support for customer emergencies to improve customer experience; and
- increasing enrollment in outage notifications.

2. Emergency Response

- entering into a retainer agreement with a vendor to provide storage and set up of “base camp” facilities in or near the Companies’ service territory and in proximity to the location of an emergency event to proactively address scarcity of lodging resources during storm events;
- implementing a municipal portal that would provide immediate situational awareness to municipal partners during emergency events in the areas of interruption, critical facility, and other key data points that would complement the current, personal outreach conducted by the Companies’ Government and Community Relations personnel and public liaisons;
- entering into a right-of-first refusal retainer agreement with a storm line contractor that would provide line resources during emergency events to proactively ensure adequate staffing during storm events; and
- developing an automated system designed to track and enhance the Companies’ ability to contact life support equipment (“LSE”) customers within required timeframes during emergency events.

Climate Action and Innovation

- Beneficial Transportation Electrification Programs to support New York’s goal of over 850,000 electric vehicles (“EVs”) in the State by 2025, including:
 - 2,000 additional charge ports for medium and heavy duty EVs, including school and transit buses;

- 100 new chargers in disadvantaged communities (with the goal of driving down the cost of charging to costs comparable to in-home charging); and
- a new fast charging hub that will bank as many as 80 fast chargers in a strategic location;
- an Electric Heat Make-Ready Program to assist customers with electrical upgrades necessary to electrify heating sufficient to increase the number of homes heating with electricity in the Companies' service territories by 300% and to support Governor Hochul's stated target of two million electric heat-ready homes in the State by 2030;
- a Low-Income Clean Generation Program to ensure that disadvantaged communities receive the benefits of distributed generation investment through electric bill credits and increasing the amount of installed solar capacity in the Companies' service territory by eight percent;
- continued progress on two existing energy storage projects and a proposal for three new projects (consisting of 29 MWs of new storage capacity and resulting in a 47% increase to installed energy storage capacity in the Companies' service territories) that will serve customers by addressing multiple distribution system needs via direct integration into the Companies' operations and processes; and
- Innovative Collaborations, Partnerships, and Pilot Projects including a geothermal district energy pilot project to support the City of Ithaca's electrification efforts and a Hydrogen Blending Pilot in the RG&E service territory.

Operations and Reliability

- replacement of aging infrastructure in poor condition as the network matures to address increasing system wide exposure to equipment failures;
- addition of incremental full-time equivalents ("FTEs") to strengthen operational integrity and to support the growing construction, maintenance, and compliance programs impacting electric and gas operations and reliability for customers; and updating NYSEG's SAIFI targets to ensure they appropriately reflect current conditions and the efforts being made to mitigate the Company's unique and acute tree exposure.

Vegetation Management

- expanding NYSEG Electric's distribution system Reclamation Program from \$17.2 million per year to an annual five-year average of \$24.2 million per year, which would allow NYSEG to reclaim its entire system within five years (bringing NYSEG in line with all other major New York electric utilities, including RG&E);
- maintaining RG&E's current, successful five-year full-cycle distribution vegetation management program via inflationary adjustments;
- continuing the Companies' Danger Tree Removal Programs (with an inflationary adjustment) due to the demonstrable improvements in SAIFI for circuits included in the programs; and

- investing an incremental three million dollars at NYSEG for transmission corridor widening and danger tree purposes, and an additional one million dollars at RG&E for transmission danger tree purposes, focusing strategically on those transmission sections that have experienced the highest SAIFI impact historically.

Gas Operations

- continuing all gas business commitments agreed to as part of the 2019 Rate Cases;
- continuing our best in class leak prone pipe replacement programs;
- in order to support our existing gas customers with safe and reliable service, maintaining the Companies' Incremental Maintenance Programs (including public awareness, bridge corrosion control inspection and maintenance, conversion of paper records to an electronic format, installation of residential methane detectors, and the creation of a quality assurance/quality control for excavations and field support);
- moving programs from the Incremental Maintenance Program into Reconcilable Gas Programs, including initiatives related to fire department outreach, damage prevention, leak surveys, and outside and inside residential meter inspections;
- continuing gas vegetation management programs;
- continuing Integrity Management Programs to address Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration ("PHMSA") Gas "Mega-Rule" requirements, as well as enhancements related to software, the robotic in line inspection program, the pipeline rehabilitation program, the pipeline safety management system, and a meter relocation pilot program; and
- increasing research and development ("R&D") program spending to reflect forecasted New York State Energy Research and Development Authority ("NYSERDA") surcharge expenditures.

VI. Proposed Rate Plan Term

These rate filings reflect one-year rate cases for NYSEG and RG&E electric and gas service. The Companies believe that multi-year settlements can be in the public interest by allowing effective long-range planning, while spreading rate case expense over a longer period. The Companies are interested in engaging in settlement discussions and will be providing additional multi-year data to support the settlement process.

VII. Information Accompanying This Rate Filing

The Companies are contemporaneously transmitting revised Tariff Leaves electronically to the Commission. The Tariff Leaves have an issue date of May 26, 2022 and an effective date of June 24, 2022. The Companies expect that the Commission will suspend the effective dates of the proposed Tariff changes such that the proposed rates and other charges will become effective on May 1, 2023.

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May 26, 2022

VIII. Conclusion and Public Notice

The written testimony and exhibits constitute the Companies' direct case in support of these rate filings. The testimony, exhibits and tariffs submitted with these filings explain the reasons for and the nature of the Companies' proposed changes to their rates and services.

Assuming the normal suspension period for consideration of the rate filings, the Companies respectfully request that, in the absence of agreement of the parties, the Commission approve the proposed rate changes to become effective on and as of May 1, 2023. Newspaper publication will be made in accordance with §66(12) of the Public Service Law and 16 NYCRR §720-8.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Jeffrey A. Rosenbloom", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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