

Staff Fiscal Item 3



ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM April 10, 2023

To: Commissioners Schad, LaGree and Iannello

From: Jessica Brown, Comptroller

Subject: March 2023 Financial Report

Operating Revenue For the Month of: March 2023

Actual operating revenue of \$7,936,000 was lower than the budgeted operating revenue of \$7,973,000 by **(\$37,000)** or **(.46%)**.

Category	Actual	Budget	Higher than Budget (Lower than Budget)
Residential	\$3,857,000	\$3,968,000	(\$111,000)
Commercial	803,000	775,000	28,000
Industrial	220,000	207,000	13,000
Public Authorities	252,000	255,000	(3,000)
Public Fire Protection	325,000	308,000	17,000
Private Fire Protection	57,000	57,000	0
Sales to Other Districts	424,000	417,000	7,000
Infrastructure Inv. Charge	1,890,000	1,878,000	12,000
Other Water Revenues	108,000	108,000	0
TOTAL	\$7,936,000	\$7,973,000	(\$37,000)

Operating Revenue Year-to-Date: March 31, 2023

Total actual year-to-date operating revenue through March of \$23,040,000 was higher than the budgeted operating revenue of \$22,313,000 by \$727,000 or 3.3%.

Category	Actual	Budget	Higher than Budget (Lower than Budget)
Residential	\$11,119,000	\$10,940,000	\$179,000
Commercial	2,285,000	2,127,000	158,000
Industrial	674,000	577,000	97,000
Public Authorities	749,000	637,000	112,000
Public Fire Protection	950,000	956,000	(6,000)
Private Fire Protection	172,000	169,000	3,000
Sales to Other Districts	1,200,000	1,141,000	59,000
Infrastructure Inv. Charge	5,494,000	5,440,000	54,000
Other Water Revenues	397,000	326,000	71,000
TOTAL	\$23,040,000	\$22,313,000	\$727,000

Operating & Maintenance Expense for the Month of: March 2023

Actual operating & maintenance expenses of \$4,655,000 were lower than the budgeted operating & maintenance expenses of \$5,771,000 by \$1,116,000 or 19.3%. Listed below is a summary of the major budget variance categories:

Category	Actual	Budget	Lower than Budget (Higher than Budget)
Salaries & Wages	\$1,573,000	\$1,923,000	\$350,000
Fringe Benefits	800,000	980,000	180,000
Overtime	187,000	191,000	4,000
Chemicals Purchased	196,000	303,000	107,000
Power Purchased	721,000	439,000	(282,000)
Materials and Supplies	163,000	248,000	85,000
Other Public Utilities	110,000	112,000	2,000
Insurance and Damages	234,000	269,000	35,000
Special Services	31,000	56,000	25,000
Payments to Contractors*	325,000	389,000	64,000
Payments to Cont.-Repairs	55,000	205,000	150,000
Payments to Cont.-Restoration	(173,000)	258,000	431,000
* Does not include Repairs or Restoration			

Operating & Maintenance Expense Year-to-Date: March 31, 2023

Total actual year-to-date operating & maintenance expenses through March 2023 of \$13,499,000 were lower than the budgeted operating & maintenance expenses of \$16,978,000 by \$3,479,000 or 20.5%. Listed below is a summary of the major budget variance categories:

Category	Actual	Budget	Lower than Budget (Higher than Budget)
Salaries & Wages	\$4,543,000	\$5,431,000	\$888,000
Fringe Benefits	2,322,000	2,769,000	447,000
Overtime	643,000	672,000	29,000
Chemicals Purchased	489,000	904,000	415,000
Power Purchased	1,445,000	1,482,000	37,000
Materials and Supplies	561,000	601,000	40,000
Other Public Utilities	279,000	336,000	57,000
Insurance and Damages	828,000	807,000	(21,000)
Special Services	68,000	127,000	59,000
Payments to Contractors*	878,000	1,067,000	189,000
Payments to Cont.-Repairs	369,000	680,000	311,000
Payments to Cont.-Restoration	(71,000)	832,000	903,000
* Does not include Repairs or Restoration			

Investment Income:

	Actual	Budget	Higher than Budget (Lower than Budget)
Month of March	\$287,000	\$12,000	\$275,000
YTD through March 31	\$523,000	\$37,000	\$486,000

Net Income/(Loss)*:

Comparison to Last Year	2023	2022	Increase/(Decrease)
Month of March	\$1,941,000	\$1,981,000	(\$40,000)
YTD through March 31	\$5,766,000	\$3,733,000	\$2,033,000

Comparison to Budget	Actual	Budget	Higher than Budget (Lower than Budget)
Month of March	\$1,941,000	\$1,309,000	\$632,000
YTD through March 31	\$5,766,000	\$2,657,000	\$3,109,000

*Income is shown on a GAAP basis – taking into account OPEB expense and other non-cash items

Summary of Non-Cash Charges Year-to-Date:

Non-Cash Charges	Actual	Budget	Lower than Budget (Higher than Budget)
Depreciation	\$1,279,000	\$1,234,000	(\$45,000)
Amortization	(21,000)	(33,000)	(12,000)
Administrative Credits	(181,000)	(687,000)	(506,000)
OPEB Expense	408,000	275,000	(133,000)
TOTAL	\$1,485,000	\$789,000	(\$696,000)

Attached is a chart comparing actual operating revenue, investment income and operating expenses compared to budget on a monthly basis.

cc: J. Tomaka

