

DAUPHIN COUNTY GAMING ADVISORY BOARD
112 Market Street, 7th Floor
Harrisburg, PA
Friday, January 21, 2011
3:00 p.m.

Members Present

George Groves, Chairman
Justin Warren, Vice Chairman
Jim Szymborski
David Craig

Also present were Mark Stewart, Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, LLC; Michael Musser, Community Networking Resources; Skip Memmi, Dauphin County DCED, and Michelle Shade.

Call to Order

Mr. Groves called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Mr. Craig made a motion to approve the minutes of 9/14/10, 11/8/10, 11/9.10, and 11/10/10. Mr. Warren seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved 4-0, with 1 member absent.

Penn National Financial Report

Projected Total Dauphin County	
Direct Local Share	\$5,068,079.49
Projected Unrestricted Funds	\$2,534,039.74
Projected Grant Funds	\$2,534,039.74
 Total East Hanover Township (DC)	
Direct Local Share	\$ 969,067.00
 Total East Hanover Township (LC)	
Direct Local Share	\$ 160,000.00
 Excess Minimum Annual Local Share	
To Dauphin County	\$ 8,870,933.00
 Unrestricted Funds	\$ 4,435,466.50
Grant Funds	\$ 4,435,466.50

Combined Total Dauphin County Local Share	\$13,939,012.49
Projected Total Unrestricted Funds	\$ 6,969,506.24
Total Grant Funds	\$ 6,969,506.24
Available Grant Funds Post-MOU ¹	
Total Grant Funds	\$ 6,969,506.24
less MOU Priority Funding Ceiling	– 3,000,000.00
less EHT Make-Up Grant	– 96,281.41
	<u>\$ 3,876,029.40</u>

Mr. Stewart reported that the Casino is doing very well. It was also reminded that this will be the third year of the four year MOU with East Hanover Township.

Report on Administration of Gaming Grants

Mr. Memmi advised that all projects are running smoothly, with no reports of problems. He stated all of the 2008 projects have, at the least, completed their first draw; noting, however, that many of these projects are completed. He also indicated most of the 2009 projects have begun, some have already been completed, and, he added, the office will be reaching out to those who have not started to make sure they reach the first draw requirement.

Report on Responses to Fire Services Study RFP

Mr. Stewart provided each board member with a copy of the responses received. Mr. Stewart indicated he would work to get a summary of each response to the board also. The board began discussion of this item. It was decided that the board should review the responses and have comments/questions to Mr. Musser and Mr. Stewart by February 10th. Mr. Musser and Mr. Stewart will then create a short list. Those on the short list will then be invited to present to the board on their proposal at the February meeting. Board members requested that a copy of the RFP be forwarded for their review as well.

Approval of Recommendations

The board reviewed and discussed the proposed list of recommendations. With all members in agreement, Mr. Warren made a motion to accept the list of recommendations, as presented, and proceed with presenting these recommendations to the Dauphin County Board of Commissioners. Mr. Szymborski seconded the motion and the motion passed 4 – 0 with 1 member absent from the vote.

Mr. Stewart advised that the Gaming Advisory Board will present these recommendations to the Board of Commissioners on Wednesday, February 9 at 10 a.m. in the Commissioners’ Hearing Room, located in the Dauphin County Administration Building, 4th Floor, in Harrisburg.

Scheduling of Next Meeting

The board decided the next meeting of the group will occur on Thursday, February 24 at 4 p.m.

¹ Reflects discretionary determination to award grants up to priority funding ceiling.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:02 p.m. was made by Mr. Umberger and seconded by Mr. Warren. Motion passed 4 – 0 with 1 member absent.