

Buffalo & Erie County Greenway Fund Standing Committee

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Minutes of the March 15, 2024, Meeting

Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo, 726 Exchange St., Suite 525, Buffalo, NY

1. The meeting was called to order by Chair Daniel Castle at 8:46 AM.

2. Roll Call and Remarks

Members in Attendance: Daniel Castle, (Erie County); Kevin Kelly, (Buffalo Olmsted Parks Conservancy); Brendan R. Mehaffy (City of Buffalo) and Carol Jasen Sampson (New York Power Authority).

3. Meeting Minutes

Motion to adopt the meeting minutes of February 21, 2024. Moved by Kevin Kelly, Second by Brendan R. Mehaffy. Approved 4-0

4. Public Comment (reserved for agenda items only)- NONE

5. Project Funding Determination(s)

Chair Castle conveyed the Buffalo and Erie County Greenway Fund Standing Committee had six (6) applications to consider for 2023 Greenway Awards. While each applicant submittal was considered a worthy project, the Committee had a difficult task in the allocation of the annual Greenway funding of \$2 million. This Greenway funding is intended to preserve, enhance, and develop the natural, historic, cultural and recreational resources in the Niagara River Greenway, which will benefit residents and visitors throughout Western New York.

The Buffalo and Erie County Greenway Fund Standing Committee announced new awards to the following:

- 1) Buffalo Lighthouse Association: South Buffalo Lighthouse -Site Stabilization Project-\$105,000
- 2) Buffalo Olmsted Parks Conservancy: Wayfinding and Signage Project Phase 2-\$420,000
- 3) Buffalo Niagara Waterkeeper: Expanding Blueway/Greenway Connections through the Buffalo Niagara Blueway-\$56,650
- 4) Buffalo Scholastic Rowing Association: Inclusive Rowing on the Buffalo River- Phase 2-\$257,792
- 5) Cazenovia Community Resource Center, Inc. (Sail-Buffalo Sailing School): Sailing School Classroom-\$118,400
- 6) Citizen Coalition for Wildlife and Environment: Alt Nature Trail & Alt Nature Center Improvements-\$95,000

6. Other Business- NONE

7. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Brendan Mehaffy, Second by Kevin Kelly. Meeting adjourned 9:07 AM.