



NEWSPLASH

News for Customers of the Erie Water Works

Fourth Quarter 2022

Erie Host to the Pennsylvania Municipal Authorities Association

Representatives of authorities from all over the Commonwealth flocked to Erie September 11-14, 2022 to attend the Pennsylvania Municipal Authorities Associations (PMAA) annual conference and trade show at the Bayfront Convention Center. Over 700 people attended the four day event which included a tour of the Erie Water Works (EWW) primary water treatment plant, educational sessions, professional lunches and other networking opportunities.



Mayor Schember welcomed everyone to Erie during the opening ceremonies on Monday morning.

For more than 80 years, PMAA has been the primary voice of community-based service representing the interests of more than 2,600 municipal authorities across the Commonwealth. PMAA's mission is to assist municipal authorities in providing services that protect and enhance the environment and promote the economic vitality and general welfare of the Commonwealth and its citizens.

EWW has been a member of the PMAA for 46 years.



EWW's CEO Paul Vojtek was presented the William H. Markus award at the annual awards banquet. It's the Association's highest honor. Given to a person that follows the example of honesty, integrity, fairness, efficiency, and fiscal responsibility in the operation of Pennsylvania municipal authorities, and to recognize those persons who have emulated William H. Markus in the performance of their duties to the Pennsylvania Municipal Authorities Association.



The conference concluded with a taste of Erie and fireworks display over Presque Isle Bay.

The Erie Water Works 2021 Water Quality Report is now available.

Visit "www.eriewater.org/wqr/2021wqr.erie.pdf."

To have a paper copy mailed to you please call 814-870-8000 ext. 299.

When Seconds Count

EWW supplies water to 4,114 fire hydrants across the communities we serve. Help us and local firefighters by keeping hydrants clear of snow this winter.

Snow burying a fire hydrant could mean the difference of whether or not firefighters can quickly get the upper hand on a blaze. If hydrants are blocked or covered by snow it can result in a loss of crucial time during an emergency. If there is a hydrant near your property, please keep it clear!



Give 'Em a Brake

Erie winters can cause quite a few headaches, adding to the pain are water main breaks. As temperatures fluctuate and dip below freezing we see an increase in water main breaks.

When main breaks occur, our crews work around the clock in all types of weather to make the needed repairs and restore service as quickly as possible.

If you encounter a work zone that can't be avoided, please follow these helpful tips to keep everyone safe.



- ◆ SLOW DOWN!
- ◆ Stay alert and pay close attention to signs and flaggers.
- ◆ Maintain a safe distance between vehicles.
- ◆ Give your full attention to the road. Never text and drive!
- ◆ Always buckle up.
- ◆ Lastly, please be patient.

Fun Fact

You may have noticed the copper dome at the Richard S. Wasielewski Water Treatment Plant is getting completely renovated to its original condition.



AW Farrell is performing the work for EWW's general contractor, EE Austin. The 90-year old dome was leaking and in need of replacement.

Did you know the copper sheet used on the dome is 0.027 of an inch thick? That's equal to three sheets of copy paper stacked on top of each other! Work on the third phase of the water treatment plant facility improvements are expected to wrap up early next year. The \$20M project is being funded by a low-interest PENNVEST loan.



Bill Pay Options

Customers of the Erie Water Works have several options to choose from when paying their quarterly water, sewer and refuse bills.

- Use Online Bill Pay services through your bank.
- Pay Online at www.eriewater.org using your credit/debit card, check or PayPal.
- Pay by phone at 1-855-907-3211 using your credit/debit card or check.
- Sign up for auto pay from your checking account or credit card at www.eriewater.org.
- Mail your payment to Erie Water Works, P.O. Box 4170, Woburn, MA 01888-4170.
- Pay in person at 340 West Bayfront Parkway using a credit/debit card, check or cash.

Please note EWW's business hours are 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

- Drop your payment in one of the outside payment boxes located at 240 West 12th Street or 340 West Bayfront Parkway.