



A meeting of the West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council (Council) was held **Wednesday, February** 7th, **2024, beginning at 9:30 a.m.** in the Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council Public Hearing Room at 1009 Bullitt Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

Voting Members that were present:

Quorum A quorum was constituted of the following members present:

Chair Ann Urling, Governor's Office

Voting Members in person:

John Reisenweber, Vice Chair/Public Member Marie Prezioso, WV Water Development Authority Meredith Vance, WV Bureau for Public Health Kathy Emery, WV Department of Environmental Protection Erica Boggess, WV Housing Development Authority Jonathan Fowler, WV Public Service Commission Kris Warner, WV Economic Development Authority Virginia King, Public Member

Voting Members via phone:

Louis Spatafore, Public Member

Voting Members not present:

Don Rigby, Public Member Matt McComas, Public Member

Advisory Members present in person:

None

Advisory Members present via phone:

Senator Swope

Invitees present or via phone:

Janna Lowery, USDA Rural Development Jason Billups, DEP

Invitees not present:

Tracy Rowan, US Economic Development Authority
James Bush, WV ARC
Lesli Stone Smith, US Army Corp. of Engineers
Roger Earle, WV DEP – WV Abandoned Mine Lands & Reclamation

Others in attendance:

Wayne Morgan, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council

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Maria Simental, IJDC
Brad Sargent, WDA
Veronica Lewis, WDA
P.E. Bauchem, Capitol City Police
Samme Gee, Jackson Kelly PLLC
Julie Merow, Jackson Kelly PLLC
Kelly Goes, Jackson Kelly PLLC
Terry Martin, RIC
Jonathan Carpenter, The Thrasher Group

Others in attendance by phone:

Mike Duminiak, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council Elizabeth Atkinson, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council Eric Sherrard, The Thrasher Group Kylea Radcliffe, The Thrasher Group Jeff Johnson, Region 1 PDC Betsy Haught, NJC PSD Jack Ramsey, EL Robinson Engineering Steve Buchanan, CEC Caroline Stewart, MOVRC Scott Lannan, MOVRC Jim Hildreth, Boyles, Hildreth Engineering Dana Tackett, MOVRC Michael Griffith, G Corp

Call to Order Ann Urling called the meeting to order and noted a quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes Ann Urling asked for approval of the draft minutes of **January 10th**, 2023, meeting.

Marie Prezioso moved for approval and Erica Boggess seconded the motion. The

motion passed.

Projects Recommended to Pursue Infrastructure Fund Assistance: Lincoln Co PSD-Raw water intake (Scope, cost and funding change)

2023W-2446

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends Lincoln County PSD pursue a \$595,000 DWTRF Principal Forgiveness and a \$500,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$1,095,000.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Mason Co PSD-Henderson Development ext (New application)

2023W-2481

Meredith Vance described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends Mason County PSD pursue a \$6,200,000 WDA EEGF, and \$50,000 Mason County Commission ARPA Grant for an estimated project cost of \$6,250,000.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, John Reisenweber seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Paden City, Town of-Sys Imprvs II (Cost and funding change)

2021S-1977

Wayne Morgan described the request..

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Paden City pursue a \$1,500,000 US ACE, a \$310,000 WDA EEGF, a \$150,000 Wetzel County Commission grant, a \$150,000 Tyler County Commission grant, and a \$500,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$2,630,000.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Salem, City of-Sys and WWTP Imprvs (Updated application)

2021S-2042

Kathy Emery described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Salem pursue a \$2,100,000 CDS, a \$1,500,000 CWSRF Debt Forgiveness Loan, and a \$1,000,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$4,600,000.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The motion passed.

West Union, Town of-Sys & WWTP Imprvs (Cost & funding chg and eng fee variance) 2021S-2045 Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of West Union pursue a \$10,022,000 CDS Grant, \$2,505,500 CDS Match, \$1,900,0000 US ACE Grant, \$750,000 Doddridge County Commission Grant, \$80,000 West Union ARPA Grant, a \$1,000,000 CWSRF Debt Forgiveness Loan, \$2,452,500 CWSRF Loan (0.25%, 40 yrs, 0.25% AF), and a \$1,000,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$19,710,000; and the request for a design and total fee variance be approved.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Projects Recommended to Pursue Funding Sources Other Than Infrastructure Fund Assistance: Cottageville PSD-TIMET Emergency ext (New application) 2024W-2494

Meredith Vance described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Cottageville PSD pursue a \$1,350,000 WDA EEGF; and that it be determined to be an "Emergency Project" per 31-15A-2(h) and 31-15A-8(a) and finds that (1) it is essential to immediate economic development (2) it is solely grant funded and (3) will have no significant effect on operational costs.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendations be determined and be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Logan, City of-WTP Imprvs (Upd application per Consolidation Com mtg)

2022W-2155

Kathy Emery described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Logan pursue a \$1,000,000 USDA grant, a \$8,200,000 USDA Loan (2.25%, 38 yrs), a \$2,000,000 USACE, a \$500,000 Congressionally Directed

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Spending grant, a \$100,000 CDS match, and a \$200,000 City of Logan ARPA grant for an estimated project cost of \$12,000,000.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, John Reisenweber seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Projects Requesting Infrastructure Fund Binding Commitment: Bluewell PSD-Sys Imprvs (Binding commitment)

2023W-2357

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Bluewell PSD receive a \$500,000 IJDC binding commitment.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, John Reisenweber seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Mineral Wells PSD-Sys Imprvs (Bid overrun binding commitment)

2019S-1817

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Mineral Wells PSD receive a \$165,000 IJDC bid overrun grant binding commitment (\$193,744 of additional funds received from WDA EEGF for a total project cost of approximately \$10,381,894).

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, seconded the motion. The motion passed.

New Haven PSD-Sunday Rd ext, 67 cust (Binding commitment)

2018W-1761

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the New Haven PSD receive a \$500,000 IJDC binding commitment, transferred from loan funds.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Northern Wayne Co PSD-Sys Imprvs (PFA binding commitment)

2024S-2500

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends Northern Wayne County PSD receive a \$69,647 Preapplication Funding Assistance (PFA) binding commitment (match from Wayne Co Com of \$70,353).

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Nutter Fort, Town of – Sys Imprvs IV (Tabled binding commitment)

2021S-2059

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Nutter Fort receive a \$1,000,000 IJDC Grant Binding Commitment, transferred from loan funds.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Romney, City of-Sys Imprvs (Binding commitment)

2020S-1880

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Romney receive a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant binding commitment, transferred from loan funds.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The motion passed.

West Milford, Town of-Sys Imprvs (Binding commitment)

2023W-2425

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of West Milford receive a \$470,000 IJDC Grant binding commitment, transferred from loan funds.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Critical Needs Extensions

Birch River PSD-Sugar Tree Rdg, CN ext, 11 cust (9 user agrs) (Cont binding com and eng fee variance) 2023W-2428

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the request from Birch River PSD for \$1,130,000 CN grant to extend water service to 11 customers (9 signed user agreements) along Sugar Tree Rdg be approved; and a contingent (upon receipt of required documentation) binding commitment be approved; and the total engineering fee variance be approved.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Kanawha Co RDA-Upper Rambling Hill CN ext, 11 cust (11 user agrs) (Cont bdg com) 2023W-2479 Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the request from Kanawha County RDA for \$1,083,000 CN grant to extend water service to 11 customers (11 signed user agreements) for Upper Rambling Hill Area be approved and includes a WV American contribution of \$67,000 for an estimated project cost of \$1,150,000; and a contingent (upon receipt of required documentation) binding commitment be approved.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Use of Contingency

Greater Harrison PSD-Enterprise ext, 383 cust (Ancillary expenditure)

2014S-1510

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Greater Harrison County PSD request to use remaining funds for lands and ROWs reimbursement and three (3) trucks for \$323,904.51 be approved.

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Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Virginia King seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Economic Development Council Assistance: Action

Berkeley County Development Authority-Martinsburg & Monument (Loan)

2024E-215

John Reisenweber recused himself for this portion of the agenda.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends that loan to the Berkeley County Development Authority (BCDA) (2024E-215) in the amount of \$1,800,000 be approved, with terms as follows:

- 1. The interest rate on the loan will be 3.00% per annum.
- 2. The principal shall be amortized over a 20 period.
- 3. The principals of the developer, JDB Properties, LLC dba Monument Construction, will provide personal guaranties and the company will provide a liquidity covenant that will be sufficient at all times to retire the outstanding balance of the loan in full.
- 4. Any additional terms and conditions shall be negotiated by the West Virginia Water Development Authority on behalf of the Infrastructure Jobs and Development Council., BE APPROVED

Kris Warner moved that the recommendation be approved, Marie Prezioso seconded the motion. The motion passed.

John Reisenweber returned to the meeting.

Executive Director Comments:

2023 Needs Assessment Update

This item is being finalized and a draft will be provided to the committee in a couple of weeks.

Davy, Town of-Sys Imprvs (Transfer PFA binding com from 2419)

Update Consolidation Committee (Central Hampshire PSD)

2023W-2489
2023S-2340

Funding program updates

Projects Requiring Additional Information

Central Hampshire PSD-Harvest Hills Sys Imprv (Application referred to CC)	2023S-2340
Northern Jackson Co PSD-Garfield Hgts CN ext, 15 cust (13 user agrs) (Cont bdg com)	2023W-2484

Requests Received: (Applications by November 10, 2023, and requests to date) Information Report

Sewer

Big Bend PSD-Sys Imprvs (Cost & funding chg and soft cost binding com)	2019S-1823
Central Hampshire PSD-Harvest Hills Sys Imprvs (Updated application per CC)	2023S-2340
Greater Harrison PSD-Woodstock Hgts ext decommission lagoon (Binding com)	2021S-2053
Masontown, Town of-WWTP Imprvs (Cost & funding chg and binding com)	2022S-2212
Mount Hope, City of-Rt 16 Bypass ext, 50 cust (New application)	2023S-2490
Ronceverte, City of-Sys Imprys (Scope, cost & funding chg)	2019S-1857

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Water

Big Bend PSD-Sys Imprvs (New application)	2023W-2493
Birch River PSD-Keener Rdg ext, 29 cust (New application)	2024W-2498
Boone Co PSD-Hobet ext, 1 cust (New application)	2023W-2499
Cameron, City of-Sys Imprvs (New application)	2024W-2499
Davy, Town of-Sys Imprvs II (New application)	2023W-2489
Flatwoods Canoe Run PSD-Old Rt 19 Sys Imprvs (Cost and funding chg)	2021W-2043
Hardy County PSD-Baker Alt Source of Supply (PFA binding commitment)	2024W-2509
Hodgesville PSD-Sys Imprvs (Binding commitment)	2022W-2136
Northern Jackson County PSD (Binding commitment)	2021W-2028
Pendleton Co PSD-Sandy Ridge ext, 25 cust (Binding commitment)	2021W-1947
Red Sulphur PSD-Rich Ck ext, 13 cust (New application)	2023W-2387
Southern Jackson PSD-Belgrove Rd CN ext, 13 cust (New application)	2023W-2466
Southern Jackson PSD-New Stone Rdg CN ext, 5 cust (New application)	2023W-2467
Southern Jackson PSD-Statts Mill Rd CN ext, 22 cust (New application)	2023W-2468
St Albans, City of-City Park Tank (New application)	2024W-2497

Committee Reports

ConsolidationErica BoggessTechnical Review & FundingMarie PreziosoInfrastructure & Jobs Development CouncilWayne MorganSewer Technical ReviewKathy EmeryWater Technical ReviewKathy Emery

Other Reports

US Army Corps of Engineers
US Department of Agriculture
Abandoned Mine Lands
Division of Highways
Funding Program Reports (projects bidding and closing)
Lesli Stone Smith
Ranna Lowery
Roger Earle
Perry Keller
Kathy Emery

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

With no further business before the Committee, the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn. John Reisenweber moved to adjourn; Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Wayne D. Morgan Secretary & Executive Director