



WEST VIRGINIA

Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council

APPROVED

A meeting of the West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council (Council) was held **Wednesday, December 1, 2021, beginning at 9:30 a.m.** in the Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council Public Hearing Room at 1009 Bullitt Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

Quorum

A quorum was constituted of the following members present:

Chair Ann Urling, Governor's Office

Voting members present:

Marie Prezioso, WV Water Development Authority
John Reisenweber, Vice-Chair
Kathy Emery, WV Dept. of Environmental Protection
Stephanie Hickerson, WV DHHR-Bureau for Public Health
Jonathan Fowler, WV Public Service Commission
Erica Boggess, WV Housing Development Authority
Matthew McComas, Public Member
Kris Warner, WV Economic Development Authority

Voting members (by phone):

Louis Spatafore, Public Member

Voting members that were not present:

Don Rigby, Public Member
John Boyle, Public Member
Joseph Freeland, Public Member

Advisory Members present:

Advisory Members not present:

Senator Glen Jeffries
Senator Chandler Swope
Delegate Brent Boggs

Invitees present:

Invitees (by phone):

Roger Earle, WV DEP – Abandoned Mine Lands
Lesli Stone Smith, US Army Corp. of Engineers
Todd Hooker, WV Development Office
David Cramer, WV Division of Highways

Invitees not present:

James Bush, WV ARC
Janna Lowery, USDA
Tracy Rowan, US Economic Development Authority
Alan Harris, USDA

Others in attendance:

Wayne Morgan, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council
Kristi Ritchie, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council
Samme Gee, Jackson Kelly PLLC
Kelly Goes, Jackson Kelly PLLC
Brock Jarrett, WV Water Development Authority
Leanna Atkinson, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council
Terry Martin, Region 3 Planning & Development Council
Amanda McGinnis, WV Rural Water Association
Todd Grinstead, WV Rural Water Association
Fred Rader, MOVRC

Others in attendance by phone:

Brandon Crace, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council
Mike Duminiak, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council
Randy Lengyel, WV Water Development Authority
Cindy Williams, WV Water Development Authority
A C Wiethe, Region 10 Planning & Development Council
Terry Moran, Potesta
Michael Griffith, Griffith & Associates PLLC
Jeff Brady, WV DEP
Chris Arrington, WV DHHR - Bureau for Public Health
Christopher Thomas, WV DHHR - Bureau for Public Health
Jason Billups, WV Department of Environmental Protection
Ryan Halsey, CDBG Project Manager

Call to Order

Chair Ann Urling called the meeting to order and noted a quorum is present.

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Urling asked for approval of the draft minutes of **November 3, 2021**. Matt McComas moved for approval and John Reisenweber seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Projects Recommended to Pursue Infrastructure Fund Assistance:

Albright, Town of (2019S-1786) System Improvements – District 1 (Cost and Funding Change)

Kathy Emery described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Albright pursue a \$997,500 CWSRF Debt Forgiveness Loan, a \$400,000 CWSRF Loan (0.25%, 0.25% adm. fee, 30 yrs.), and a \$962,500 (includes

\$165,000 bid overrun grant) IJDC District 1 for an estimated project cost of \$2,360,000 which includes the payback of a \$262,437.16 WDA Design Loan.

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

Moundsville Sanitary Board (2021S-2027) Digester and Line Rehabilitation – District 1 (New Application)

Ms. Emery described the application, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Moundsville pursue a \$4,210,000 CWSRF Loan (2.75%, 0.25% adm. fee, 20 yrs.).

Ms. Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Mr. McComas seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Worthington, Town of (2019W-1810) System Improvements – District 1 (Funding Change)

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review & Funding Committee recommends the Town of Worthington pursue a \$1,000,000 IJDC District 1 Grant, a \$500,000 DWTRF Principal Forgiveness Loan, and a \$1,866,390 DWTRF Loan (1%, 0.25% adm. fee, 30 yrs.) for an estimated project cost of \$3,366,390 including the payback of \$277,000 WDA Design Loan.

Ms. Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Mr. Reisenweber seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Buffalo, Town of (2020S-1901) Krystal Lane Extension / Critical Need – District 2 (Cost and Funding Change)

Mr. Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review & Funding Committee recommends the Town of Buffalo request to pursue a \$465,000 IJDC Critical Need Grant be approved.

Ms. Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Mr. McComas seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Elizabeth, Town of (2021W-2015) Enterprise Extension / Critical Need – District 2 (New Application)

Stephanie Hickerson described the application, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review & Funding Committee recommends the Town of Elizabeth's request to pursue a \$20,000 Local Grant and a \$800,000 IJDC Critical Need Grant be approved.

Ms. Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Mr. Reisenweber seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Southern Jackson County PSD (2018W-1732) Extension to 82 Potential Customers – District 2 (Cost and Funding Change)

Ms. Hickerson described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends Southern Jackson County PSD pursue a \$2,000,000 CDBG (SCBG) Grant (\$535,200 increase), a \$426,088 Jackson County Commission ARPA Grant, a \$165,000 IJDC District 2 Bid Overrun Grant, and a \$2,000,000 USDA Loan (3%, 40 yrs.) for an estimated project cost of \$4,591,088.

Fred Rader (MOVRC) approached the podium. Mr. Rader provided Council with an update on the ARPA and CDBG funding.

There was a discussion pertaining to the increase in the cost of materials resulting in bid overrun requests and how they can be reduced.

Ms. Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Mr. McComas seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Boone County PSD (2020W-1868) Rock Creek Industrial Park – District 3 (Scope, Cost and Funding Change)

Ms. Hickerson described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review & Funding Committee recommends Boone County PSD pursue a \$50,000 IJDC PFA Funding, a \$50,000 Boone County Commission Grant, a \$780,000 IJDC District 3 Grant, and a \$3,520,000 US EDA Grant for an estimated project cost of \$4,400,000.

Ms. Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Mr. McComas seconded the motion. The motion passed.

White Oak PSD (2021S-2001) WWTP Improvements – District 3 (Tabled New Application)

Ms. Emery described the application, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review & Funding Committee recommends the White Oak PSD pursue a \$2,000,000 ARC Grant, a \$345,000 Fayette County Commission ARPA Grant, a \$529,566 USDA Grant, a \$1,059,133 USDA Loan (1.125%, 40 yrs.), a \$1,500,000 CWSRF Principal Forgiveness Loan, a \$1,500,000 CWSRF Loan (0.5%, 40 yrs.), and a \$1,000,000 IJDC District 3 Grant for and estimated project cost of \$7,933,699.

Ms. Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Mr. McComas seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Projects Recommended to
Pursue Funding Sources
Other Than
Infrastructure Fund
Assistance:**

None

**Projects Requesting an
Infrastructure Fund
Binding Commitment:**

Albright, Town of (2019S-1786) System Improvements – District 1 (Bid Overrun Binding Commitment)

Mr. Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Albright receive a \$962,500 (replacement of its existing) IJDC District 1 Grant Binding Commitment (includes \$165,000 bid overrun).

Ms. Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Mr. Reisenweber seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Clarksburg Sewer Board (2021S-2049) System Improvements V & West Fork Co-Op – District 1 (PFA Binding Commitment)

Mr. Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review & Funding Committee recommends the City of Clarksburg receive a \$30,000 IJDC PFA Funds binding commitment to file an application for System Improvements V Project including an evaluation of serving the West Fork Co-Op Area.

There was a discussion concerning the Co-Op for this project.

Ms. Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Mr. Reisenweber seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Worthington, Town of (2019W-1810) System Improvements – District 1 (Binding Commitment)

Mr. Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review & Funding Committee recommends the Town of Worthington receive a replacement of its existing Binding Commitment with a \$1,000,000 IJDC District 1 Grant Binding Commitment.

Ms. Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Mr. McComas seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Buffalo, Town of (2020S-1901) Krystal Lane Extension / Critical Need – District 2 (Binding Commitment)

Mr. Morgan described request.

The Technical Review & Funding Committee recommends the Town of Buffalo receive a replacement of its existing Binding Commitment with a \$465,000 IJDC Critical Need Grant Binding Commitment.

There was a discussion on the nature of this critical need and an explanation of how an extension qualifies.

Ms. Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Mr. Reisenweber seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Elizabeth, Town of (2021W-2015) Enterprise Extension / Critical Need – District 2 (Contingent Binding Commitment)

Mr. Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review & Funding Committee recommends the Town of Elizabeth receive a \$800,000 IJDC Critical Need Grant contingent (upon receipt of required documentation) binding commitment.

Ms. Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Mr. Reisenweber seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Ripley Sanitary Board (2018S-1774) System Improvements II – District 2 (Binding Commitment)

Mr. Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Ripley receive a \$1,000,000 IJDC District 2 Grant and a \$2,710,000 IJDC District 2 Loan (1%, 40 yrs.) Binding Commitment.

Ms. Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Mr. Reisenweber seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Southern Jackson County PSD (2018W-1732) Extension to 82 potential customers – District 2 (Bid Overrun Binding Commitment)

Mr. Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends Southern Jackson County PSD receive a \$165,000 IJDC District 2 Grant Binding Commitment (contingent upon receiving the additional CDBG funds or funds from another source).

Mr. Rader approached the podium. There was a discussion regarding the ARPA funds, timing and possible re-bid of the project.

Ms. Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Mr. Reisenweber seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Bluewell PSD (2016W-1629) Browning-Lambert Mountain Extension – District 3 (Binding Commitment Extension)

Mr. Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review & Funding Committee recommends the Bluewell PSD receive a binding commitment extension until February 15, 2022 (allows the district time to update the construction cost estimate).

Ms. Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Mr. McComas seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Mingo County PSD (2014W-1550) Beech Creek Extension – District 3 (Binding Commitment Extension)

Mr. Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review & Funding Committee recommends the Mingo County PSD receive a binding commitment extension until June 15, 2022.

Ms. Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Mr. Reisenweber seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Pea Ridge PSD (2017S-1674) Route 2 Extension & WWTP Improvements – District 3 (Binding Commitment Extension)

Mr. Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review & Funding Committee recommends the Pea Ridge PSD binding commitment be extended until April 15, 2022 (allows District time to determine appropriate funding for new cost estimate).

There was a discussion regarding the rising cost of materials, the \$6 million shortfall in funding, and the time needed to resolve it.

Ms. Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, Mr. McComas seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Projects Requesting
Ancillary Project
Expenditure:**

None

**Projects Recommended
for Infrastructure Fund
Economic Development
Assistance:**

None

Business Items:

Informational Items:

Funding Program Updates

CWSRF

Priority List applications are still being accepted. In addition, the Needs Survey is being kicked off March 1st. This is

Kathy Emery

critical for CWSRF. They will be looking at utilities across the board for long term control plans, facility plans, asset management plans, storm water, etc. These plans are required to be signed and sealed by an engineer. Ms. Emery offered additional information on the criticality of the survey this year.

DWTRF

Priority List applications are being accepted. Looking for projects for lead service line replacements and inventory and emergent contaminant projects.

Stephanie
 Hickerson

**Executive Director
 Comments**

Welcome of Leanna Smith

**Information
 Report**
 Wayne
 Morgan

**Projects Requiring
 Additional
 Information:**

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| Hancock Co. PSD – Sys. Imprvs. (tab. Jan. 4 th , new app.)-1 | 2021S-1968 |
| Nutter Fort, Town of – Sys. Imprvs. (tab. Jan. 4 th , bind. com.)-1 | 2020S-1917 |
| Northern Jackson Co. PSD – Main Repl. (tab – Jan. 4 th – new app.)-2 | 2021W-2028 |
| Cool Ridge-Flat Top PSD – Bennington Rd. Ext./ Critical Need (tab. – Jan. 25 th – contingent binding commitment) -3 | 2021W-2029 |
| Hillsboro, Town of – Sys. Imprvs. / Critical Need (tab. – Jan. 4 th – new app.)-3 | 2021C-132 |
| Marlinton, Town of – Sys. Imprvs. (tab. – Jan. 25 th - new app.)-3 | 2020S-1907 |

Requests Received: (Applications by November 10, 2021, and requests to date)

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| Sewer: | West Union, Town of – Sys. Improvements (new app.)-1 | 2021S-2045 |
| | Pocahontas Co. PSD –WWTP Headworks Imprvs. (new app.)-3 | 2021S-2034 |
| Water: | Anmoore, Town of – Sys. Improvements (new application)-1 | 2021W-1970 |
| | Pennsboro, City of –Tank Replacement (new application)-1 | 2021W-2047 |
| | West Union, Town of – Sys. Improvements (new app.)-1 | 2021W-2046 |
| | Hardy County PSD – Additional Storage (new application)-2 | 2021W-2035 |
| | Kanawha County RDA – Crestwood Extension (new app.)-2 | 2021W-2032 |
| | Boone County PSD – Mountaineer Drive Ext. (new app.)-3 | 2021W-2031 |

Committee Reports:

Consolidation
 Funding
 Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council
 Sewer Technical Review
 Water Technical Review

Erica Boggess
 Marie Prezioso
 Wayne Morgan
 Kathy Emery
 Stephanie Hickerson

Other Reports:

US Army Corp. of Engineers
US Department of Agriculture
Abandoned Mine Lands
Division of Highways
Funding Agency Reports (Projects bidding and closing)

Lesli Stone-Smith
Jana Lowery
Roger Earle
Dave Cramer
Kathy Emery/
Stephanie Hickerson

Public Comment:

Mr. Rader, MOVRC approached the podium. Mr. Rader noted the Infrastructure bill has passed and been signed into law. He then inquired if is there an estimate on what that is going to mean from a water and sewer standpoint and beyond that is there an idea of when the state ARPA funds allocation will be completed and what that might look like?

Ms. Emery offered some insight from a SRF point of view and Madam Chair Urling offered some insight from State's perspective. There was additional questions and insight offered from other members of the Council.

Adjournment:

The Chair entertained a motion to adjourn, Mr. McComas moved the motion, Mr. Reisenweber seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 10:12 a.m.

Wayne D. Morgan
Secretary & Executive Director