



**WEST VIRGINIA**

**Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council**

**APPROVED**

A meeting of the West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council (Council) was held **Wednesday, September 4th, 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:**

Marie Prezioso, WV Water Development Authority  
Meredith Vance, WV Bureau for Public Health  
Kathy Emery, WV Department of Environmental Protection  
Jonathan Fowler, WV Public Service Commission  
Kris Warner, WV Economic Development Authority  
Kristen Shaffer, WV Housing Authority

**Voting Members via phone:**

John Reisenweber, Public Member

**Voting Members not present:**

Don Rigby, Public Member  
Virginia King, Public Member  
Louis Spatafore, Public Member  
Matt McComas, Public Member

**Advisory Members present in person:**

None

**Advisory Members present via phone:**

None

**Invitees present or via phone:**

Janna Lowery, USDA Rural Development  
Leslie Stone-Smith, USACE  
Patrick Murphy, WVBPH

**Invitees not present:**

Roger Earle, WV DEP – WV Abandoned Mine Lands & Reclamation  
Tracy Rowan, US Economic Development Authority  
James Bush, WV ARC

**Others in attendance:**

Wayne Morgan, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council  
Maria Simental, IJDC

Brad Sargent, WDA  
Veronica Lewis, WDA  
Julie Merow, Jackson Kelly PLLC  
Samme Gee, Jackson Kelly PLLC  
PE Baucham, Capitol Police  
Todd Hooker, WVDEP

**Others in attendance by phone:**

Mike Duminiak, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council  
Elizabeth Atkinson, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council  
Carrie Wallace, Region 7 PDC  
Lucas Pettus, Region 1 PDC  
Michael Griffith, Griffith & Assoc.  
Stacy Fowler, Thompson & Litton

**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 **August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024**, meeting. Jonathan Fowler moved for approval and Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Projects Recommended to Pursue Infrastructure Fund Assistance:**

**Center PSD-Rockview ext, 166 cust (Cost & funding chg) 2022S-2209**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends Center PSD pursue a \$2,608,000 ARC grant, a \$912,500 IJDC grant, a \$87,500 IJDC Soft Cost grant, a \$1,300,000 CWSRF Forgivable Construction Loan, a \$700,000 CWSRF Forgivable Design Loan, a \$500,000 FY 2025 CDS, a \$300,000 FY 2026 CDS, a \$30,000 USDA RD Search Grant, a \$40,000 Wyoming County Commission ARPA grant for an estimated project cost of \$6,478,000.

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

**Marmet, Town of-Sys imprvs (New application) 2024S-2581**

Kathy Emery described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Marmet pursue a \$860,000 CDS, a \$172,000 CDS match, and a \$368,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$1,400,000.

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

**Mason, Town of-Cliffton Imprvs (Cost & funding chg) 2023W-2397**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Mason pursue a \$1,500,000 DWTRF Loan (0.75%, 30 yrs., 0.25AF), a \$1,000,000 DWTRF PF loan, a \$30,000 Town Contribution, and a \$500,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$3,030,000.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, and Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The

motion passed.

**Oceana, Town of-Sys Imprvs II (Cost & funding chg)**

**2019W-1840**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Oceana pursue a \$2,300,000 DWTRF loan, a \$700,000 DWTRF PF loan, a \$2,000,000 ARC grant, a \$52,185 Wyoming County Commission ARPA grant, and a \$500,000 IJDC grant for an estimated cost of \$5,552,185.

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

**Sun Valley-Sys Imprvs IIIB (Cost & funding chg)**

**2022S-2062**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Sun Valley PSD pursue a \$1,000,000 CWSRF PF, a \$1,000,000 CWSRF loan, a \$2,500,000 WDA EEGF, a \$205,351 Harrison County ARPA, and a \$500,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$5,205,351.

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

**Thomas, City of-WTP Imprvs (New application)**

**2024W-2605**

Meredith Vance described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Thomas pursue a \$1,030,000 US ACE grant and/or WDA EEGF and a \$500,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$1,530,000.

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

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

**Vienna, City of-Line repl (New application)**

**2024S-2555**

Kathy Emery described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Vienna pursue a \$1,000,000 CDS grant, a \$250,000 CDS match, and a \$5,480,000 CWSRF loan (2.75%, 20 yrs, 0.25% AF) for an estimated project cost of \$6,730,000.

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

**Projects Requesting Infrastructure Fund Binding Commitment:**

**RETURNED FUNDS** Update provided by Wayne Morgan

**Fairview, Town of-Sys Imprvs I (Bid overrun)**

**2020W-1861**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Fairview receive a \$119,570 IJDC

bid overrun grant binding commitment.

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

**Kanawha Co RDA-Relations Rd ext, 14 cust (Binding commitment)** **2024W-2485**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Kanawha County RDA receive a \$355,000 IJDC grant binding commitment transferred from loan funds.

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

**Masontown, Town of-WWTP Imprvs (Bid overrun)** **2022S-2212**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Masontown receive a \$129,000 \$91,500 IJDC bid overrun grant transferred from loan funds contingent upon receiving additional funding or value engineering to be able to go to construction.

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

**Midland PSD-Maxwell Tank repl (Bid overrun)** **2023W-2441**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Midland PSD receive a \$97,000 IJDC bid overrun grant binding commitment transferred from loan funds.

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

**Richwood, City of-Sys Imprvs (Bid overrun & binding commitment ext)** **2018S-1779**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Richwood receive a \$165,000 IJDC bid overrun grant binding commitment transferred from loan funds and contingent upon progressing value engineering of the project to be able to proceed to construction; and its existing binding commitment be extended until November 15, 2024.

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

**Sissonville PSD-WWTP Imprvs (Bid overrun)** **2019S-1784**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Sissonville PSD receive a \$165,000 IJDC bid overrun grant binding commitment transferred from loan funds (if no other funding is available) contingent upon receiving additional funds or value engineering so the project can move to construction.

Marie Prezioso moved that the recommendation be approved, and Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The

motion passed.

**Welch, City of-McDowell St Imprvs (PFA binding commitment) 2024S-2592**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Welch receive a \$25,000 IJDC Preapplication Funding Assistance (PFA-City providing \$25,000 match) binding commitment transferred from loan funds.

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

**Westover, City of-Dunkard Ave LS and line repl (Bid overrun) 2023S-2325**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

Marie Prezioso informed the Council that the Technical Review and Funding Committee rescinded their recommendation based on the assessment that the City no longer needed the bid overrun funds due to EEGF providing the funds.

**Critical Needs**  
**Piedmont, City of-Wells (alternate water source) (New appl & cont binding com) 2024W-2607**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Piedmont pursue a \$775,000 WDA EEGF and a \$775,000 IJDC critical need grant for an estimated project cost of \$1,055,000; and receive a \$775,000 IJDC grant contingent (upon receiving additional funding to have a fully funded project) binding commitment.

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

**Thomas, City of-Repl Benbush tank (Binding Commitment ext) 2023W-2335**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Thomas request for a critical need binding commitment extension until December 15, 2024 be approved.

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

**Ancillary Project Expenditure**  
**Canaan Valley PSD-Sys Imprvs II (bid underrun) 2015S-1604**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Canaan Valley PSD bid underrun request be approved for \$300,000 for power service, and PLC upgrades: and return (\$725,414-\$300,000) \$425,414 (CWSRF DF funds).

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

**Mercer Co PSD-Matoaka Sys Imprvs (Ancillary project expenditure) 2020S-1883**

Kathy Emery described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Mercer Co PSD \$107,118.62 ancillary project expenditure request for excavator, tools, and 2024 Ford F350 4x4 truck be approved.

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

**Economic Development Assistance  
Business Development Corporation of the Northern Panhandle (Loan Modification) 2022E-209**

Kris Warner excused himself from this portion of the agenda and returned after the voting had concluded.

The West Virginia Department of Economic Development is requesting that loan 2022E-209 to the Business Development Corporation of the Northern Panhandle in the amount of \$1,900,000 be deferred. Due to delays in the building being leased the monthly payments scheduled to begin on October 11, 2024, cannot be made.

**MOTION:**

MOVE THAT loan 2022E-209 to the Business Development Corporation of the Northern Panhandle have the payment deferred, with the following terms:

1. Be deferred until the building can provide sufficient revenues to service the loan
2. The loan will amortize for a new 10-year term beginning once payments commence with all other original terms and conditions
3. The re-amortization will be subject to review of the lease agreement to be signed
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

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

**Executive Director**

**Comments:**

Fairview, Town of-Sys Imprvs II (Release of binding commitment)	2022W-2087
Kanawha Co PSD-Lens Ck ext, part I (Cost & funding chg)	2016S-1625
McDowell Co PSD-Iaeger Sys (Cost & funding chg)	2016S-1631
Sun Valley PSD-Sys Imprvs IIIA (Release of binding commitment)	2022S-2148
Funding program updates	
Janna Lowry gave a brief program update.	

**Projects Requiring Additional Information**

Benwood, City of-WTP imprvs, PFAS & PFOS (Tbled until 09242024 application)	2024W-2539
Boone Co PSD-Whitehouse Rd CN ext, 7 cust (Tbld until Jan cont binding com)	2024W-2517

**Requests Received: (Applications by August 10, 2024, and requests to date)**  
**Information**

**Sewer**

Cedar Grove, Town of-Sys Imprvs (New application)  
Weston, City of-WWTP sludge facility upg (Cost and funding chg)

**Report**

2024S-2578  
2022S-2158

**Water**

Fountain PSD-Line ext, 50 cust (New application)  
Morgantown, City of-Morgans Run ext, 28 cust (New application)  
Spencer, City of-Line repl (New application)

2024W-2575  
2024W-2496  
2024W-2523

**Committee Reports**

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

Erica Boggess  
Marie Prezioso  
Wayne Morgan  
Kathy Emery  
Meredith Vance

**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  
Janna 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. Jonathan Fowler Boggess moved to adjourn; Erica Bogess seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at **9:59 a.m.**

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Wayne D. Morgan  
Secretary & Executive Director