



**WEST VIRGINIA**

**Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council**

**APPROVED**

A meeting of the West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Technical Review and Funding Committee was held **Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 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** Marie Prezioso, WV Water Development Authority

**Voting Members in person:**

Jonathan Fowler, WV Public Service Commission  
Kathy Emery, WV Department of Environmental Protection  
Erica Boggess, WV Housing Development Authority  
Meredith Vance, WV Bureau of Public Health

**Voting Members via phone:**

**Voting Members not present:**

Kris Warner, WV Economic Development Authority

**Invitees present or via phone:**

Janna Lowery, USDA  
Leslie Stone Smith, US ACE  
Roger Earle, WV DEP – Abandoned Mine Lands  
Patrick Murphy, WVBPH  
Jason Billups, WV DEP

**Invitees not present:**

Tracy Rowan, US Economic Development Authority  
Ryan Halsey, CDBG  
James Bush, WV ARC

**Others in attendance:**

Wayne Morgan, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council  
Maria E. Simental, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council  
Elizabeth Smith-Atkinson, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council  
Brad Sergent, WV Water Development Authority  
Brock Jarrett, WV Water Development Authority  
Veronica Lewis, WV Water Development Authority  
Roshanda Lambert, WV Water Development Authority  
P.E. Bauchem, Capitol City Police  
Julie Merow, Jackson Kelly PLLC  
Kelly Goes, Jackson Kelly PLLC

Steve Buchanan, CEC  
Anthony Brown, Thrasher  
Doug Smith, Thrasher  
Dan Ferrell, Thrasher  
Shane Whitehair, Region 7  
Stacy McDaniel, Region 7  
Lisa Karickhoff, Region 7  
Carrie Wallace, Region 7  
Cary Smith, Region 7  
Peggy Ball, Region 7  
Dianne Allen, Region 7  
Spencer Fultineer, DEP  
Eric Combs, Region 1  
Betsy Haught, Norther Jackson Co. PSD  
Cassandra Judge, Northern Jackson Co. PSD  
Kenneth Judge, Northern Jackson Co. PSD  
Jerri Stephens, Northern Jackson Co. PSD  
A.C. Wiethe, Belomar Regional Council  
Caroline Stewart, MOVRC  
Scott James, City of St. Albans  
Greg Belcher, CTG  
Michael Griffith, CPA  
Robert Riggs, City of Pennsboro  
Jason Myers, Clarksburg Water Board  
John Stafford, Thompson & Litton  
Eric Hartwell, New River Engineers  
John & Tammy Green, Locals  
Mirvia Arroyo, Northern Jackson Co PSD  
Sean Taylor, Northern Jackson Co PSD  
Bob Rodecker, City of Romney  
Michael King, WVDEP  
Tammy Arthur  
Fred Hypes, Thrasher  
Johnathan Carpenter, Thrasher  
Bruce Mullens, RIC

**Others in attendance by phone:**

Eric Sherard, The Thrasher Group  
Courtney Neese, Region 1  
Jim Hildreth, B & H  
Steve Hayne, The Thrasher Group  
Will Rohrbaugh, Attorney  
Kiley Radcliffe, The Thrasher Group  
Dominic Cerrone, Cerrone Engineers  
Lesley Taylor, Region 4  
John Cole, RKK  
Cassie Lawson, Region 4  
Mike Duminiak, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council

**Call to Order** Chair Maire Prezioso called the meeting to order and noted a quorum was present.

**Approval of Minutes** Chair Marie Prezioso asked for approval of the draft minutes of **January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023**. Erica Boggess moved for approval and Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

## **SEWER PROJECTS**

**Central Hampshire PSD-Harvest Hills Sys Imprvs (Updated app from Con Com) 2023S-2340**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Central Hampshire PSD be tabled until bulk rate is resolved.

Jonathan Fowler moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Kingwood, City of-Sys Imprvs (Cost and funding chg) 2022S-2145**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Kingwood pursue a \$1,500,000 CWSRF principal forgiveness, a \$2,500,000 CWSRF loan (1.75%, 30 yrs, 0.25%), a \$1,600,000 US ACE, a \$198,000 City contribution, a \$1,330,000 WDA EEGF, and a \$500,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$7,628,000 (\$48,00 IJDC PFA to be paid back at closing via the CWSF loan).

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Mount Hope, City of-Rt 16 Bypass ext, 50 cust (New application) 2023S-2490**  
Jason Billups described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Mount Hope pursue a \$3,200,000 US EDA Grant, a \$685,200 CWSRF Principal Forgiveness Loan, and a \$1,000,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$4,855,200.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Ravenswood-2B WWTP Imprvs (New application) 2023S-2347**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Ravenswood pursue a \$4,000,000 WDA EEGF (design funding); and that it be determined to be an "Emergency Project" per 31-15A 2(h) essential to immediate economic development.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

## **WATER PROJECTS**

**Beech Bottom, Village of-Water Loop (Scope, cost & funding chg) 2023W-2426**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Village of Beech Bottom pursue a \$1,957,000 CDS, and a \$488,000 WDA EEGF for an estimated project cost of \$2,445,000.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Big Bend PSD-Sys Imprvs (New application)**

**2023W-2493**

Jason Billups described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Big Bend PSD pursue a \$2,000,000 ARC grant, a \$300,000 Summers County Commission grant, a \$500,000 IJDC grant and a \$811,000 IJDC Loan (2%, 30 yrs) for an estimated project cost of \$3,611,000.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Birch River PSD-Keener Rdg ext, 29 cust (New application)**

**2024W-2498**

Jason Billups described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Birch River PSD pursue a \$2,000,000 ARC Grant and a \$500,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$2,500,000.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Cameron, City of-Sys Imprvs (New application)**

**2024W-2499**

Jason Billups described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Cameron pursue a \$1,500,000 DWTRF Principal Forgiveness Loan, a \$1,500,000 WDA EEGF, a \$350,000 Marshall County Commission grant, a \$50,000 Cameron ARPA grant, and a \$1,000,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$4,400,000.

Jonathan Fowler encouraged the project to have a back up source.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Clarksburg, City of-3A Sys Imprvs (Scope, cost and funding chg)**

**2022W-2234**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and funding Committee recommends the City of Clarksburg pursue a \$1,632,223 DWTRF Base Series A Design Loan (1%, 40 yrs, 0.25% AF), a \$440,558 - DWTRF LSL Replacement Series B Design Loan (0%, 30 yrs, 0.25% ), a \$409,169 DWTRF LSL Replacement Principal Forgiveness Series C Design Loan, a \$12,000,000 WDA EEGF, a \$6,880,000 CDS grant, a \$1,720,000 - CDS Match, a \$6,642,922 DWTRF LSL Replacement Loan (0%, 30 year, 0.25%), a \$6,382,416 DWTRF LSL Replacement Principal Forgiveness Loan, a \$19,833,712 DWTRF Base Loan (1%, 40 yrs, 0.25% AF), and a \$2,500,000 DWTRF Base Principal Forgiveness Loan for an estimated project cost of \$58,441,000.

Kathy Emery reminded them that the DWTRF monies are dependent on binding commitments by June 30<sup>th</sup>.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The

Motion passed.

**Davy, Town of-Sys Imprvs II (New application)**

**2023W-2489**

Jason Billups described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Davy pursue a \$1,500,000 CDBG, a \$878,000 CDS Grant, a \$925,000 US ACE, a \$1,477,000 ARC Grant, a \$1,500,000 DWTRF Debt Forgiveness Loan, a \$25,000 McDowell County Commission Grant, a \$1,000,000 IJDC Grant, and a \$25,000 IJDC PFA Grant for an estimated project cost of \$7,330,000.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Flatwoods Canoe Run PSD-Old Rt 19 Sys Imprvs (Cost/funding chg)**

**2021W-2043**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends Flatwoods Canoe Run PSD pursue a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant, and a \$1,216,000 IJDC Loan (1%, 40 yrs) for an estimated project of \$2,216,000.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Red Sulphur PSD-Rich Ck ext, 13 cust (New application)**

**2023W-2387**

Jason Billups described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Red Sulphur PSD pursue a \$1,000,000 USDA grant, a \$4,133,000 USDA Loan (3%, 38 yrs), and a \$250,000 Monroe County Commission ARPA grant for an estimated project cost of \$5,383,000.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**St Albans, City of-City Park Tank (New application)**

**2024W-2497**

Jason Billups described the application and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of St. Albans pursue a \$1,200,000 St. Albans ARPA Grant, a \$1,200,000 WDA EEGF, and a \$3,249,456 IJDC Loan (3%, 20 yrs) for an estimated project cost of \$5,649,456.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**BINDING COMMITMENT REQUESTS**

**Big Bend PSD-Sys Imprvs (Cost/funding chg and soft cost binding com)**

**2019S-1823**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Big Bend PSD pursue a \$2,338,000 CWSRF green principal forgiveness loan, a \$454,000 IJDC grant and a \$40,000 IJDC soft cost grant for an estimated project cost of \$2,832,000; and receive a \$20,000 IJDC grant binding commitment increase to its soft cost grant.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Boone Co PSD-Hobet ext, 1 cust (New application and contingent BC) 2023W-2491**

Jason Billups described the request and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends Boone County PSD pursue a \$4,000,000 US EDA grant, a \$525,811 Boone County Commission grant, and a \$474,189 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$5,000,000; and receive a \$474,189 IJDC contingent (upon receipt of US EDA funding commitment) binding commitment transferred from loan funds.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Greater Harrison PSD-Woodmark Hgts ext, decommission lagoon (BC) 2021S-2053**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends Greater Harrison PSD receive a \$500,000 IJDC grant binding commitment transferred from loan funds.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Hardy Co PSD-Alt Sourde of Supply-(PFA binding commitment) 2024W-2509**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Hardy Co PSD receive a \$150,000 Preapplication Funding Assistance (PFA funds) binding commitment (Hardy County Commission providing \$150,000 grant for match) transferred from loan funds.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Hodgesville PSD-Sys Imprvs & Pecks Run ext, 5 cust (Binding commitment) 2022W-2136**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Hodgesville PSD be tabled until the next funding committee meeting.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Lewis Co EDA-Oil Ck ext, 167 cust (Cost/funding chg and binding commitment upd) 2016W-1630**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Lewis County EDA pursue a \$2,500,000 CDBG, a \$2,000,000 WDA EEGF, a \$590,688 WV American Water Contribution, a \$50,000 Lewis County EDA contribution, a \$50,000 Lewis County Commission grant, a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant, and a \$4,177,783 IJDC Loan (1%, 40 yrs) for an estimated project cost of \$10,277,079; and receive a \$1,000,000 IJDC binding commitment transferred from loan funds and a \$4,677,783 IJDC Loan (1%, 40 yrs) replacing its existing binding commitment.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**New Creek PSD-Sys Imprvs (Funding chg and binding commitment) 2021S-2004**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the New Creek PSD pursue a \$500,000 USDA grant, a \$340,000 USDA loan (2.25%, 38 yrs), a \$1,000,000 CWSRF principal forgiveness loan, a \$2,796,800 CWSRF loan (0.25%, 40 yrs, 0.25% AF), a \$300,000 Mineral County Commission ARPA grant, a \$1,484,200 WDA EEGF, and a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$7,421,000; and receive a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant binding commitment transferred from loan funds.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Northern Jackson PSD-Sys Imprvs & conn to Ravenswood (Binding commitment) 2021W-2028**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

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

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Pea Ridge PSD-Guyan Estates repl/lining collection system (Binding commitment) 2022S-2279**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends Pea Ridge PSD be tabled until the next funding committee meeting.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Pendleton Co PSD-Sandy Rdg ext, 25 cust (Binding commitment) 2021W-1947**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding recommends Pendleton County PSD receive a \$500,000 IJDC grant binding commitment transferred from loan funds.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Pennsboro, City of-Collection Sys Imprs (Binding commitment) 2022S-2161**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Pennsboro receive a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant binding commitment transferred from loan funds contingent upon receiving WDA EEGF commitment.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Richwood, City of-WTP Intake Imprvs (Binding commitment ext) 2021W-1959**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Richwood binding commitment be extended until February 15, 2025.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Weirton, City of-WTP Imprvs (Cost/funding chg and binding commitment) 2019W-1795**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Weirton's previous binding commitment of \$5,655,000 be increased to \$14,000,000 loan (3%, 20 yrs).

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**CRITICAL NEEDS**

**Pratt, Town of-Campbell Ave main repl, CN req (Contingent binding commitment) 2024S-2516**

Wayne Morgan & Jason Billulps described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the request from the Town of Pratt to be administered by Kanawha PSD for \$790,000 CN funds (grant or loan) to replace the sewer along Campbell Avenue be approved; and a binding commitment also be approved .

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**RMS PSD-Glen Rogers WWTP Imprvs, CN req (Contingent binding commitment) 2024S-2518**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Ravencliff McGraws Saulsville PSD be approved to use the remaining \$160,000 from project 2024S-2416.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**CRITICAL NEEDS EXTENSIONS**

**N Jackson Co PSD-Garfield Hgts, CN ext, 15 cust (13 user agrs) (Cont binding com) 2023W-2484**

Jason Billulps described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the request from Northern Jackson County PSD for \$1,510,000 CN funds (grant or loan) to extend water service to 15 customers (? signed user agreements) in Garfield Heights be approved; and a contingent (upon receipt of required documentation) binding commitment be approved.

Kathy Emery moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Southern Jackson PSD-Belgrove Rd CN ext, 13 cust (Cont binding commitment) 2023W-2466**

Wayne Morgan described the request.



The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Southern Jackson County PSD pursue \$730,000 WDA EEGF to extend water service to 13 customers (12 signed user agreements) along Belgrove Road.

Jonathan Fowler moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Southern Jackson PSD-New Stone Rdg CN ext, 5 cust (Cont binding commitment) 2023W-2467**  
Jason Billups described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Southern Jackson County PSD pursue \$340,000 WDA EEGF to extend water service to 5 customers (3 signed user agreements) along New Stone Ridge.

Jonathan Fowler moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Southern Jackson PSD-Statts Mill Rd CN ext, 22 cust (Cont binding commitment) 2023W-2468**  
Jason Billups described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Southern Jackson County PSD pursue \$1,670,000 WDA EEGF to extend water service to 22 customers (18 signed user agreements) along Statts Mill Road.

Jonathan Fowler moved that the recommendation be approved, Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed.

#### **Use of Contingency**

**Midland PSD-Faulkner Rd ext, 130 cust (Bid underrun) 2022W-2152**  
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommend Midland PSD request for a \$55,000 use of bid underrun be approved and the \$355,637 IJDC grant remaining be returned to the Infrastructure Fund.

Meredith Vance moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

#### **Executive Director Comments**

**2023 Needs Assessment Update Oak Hill, City of-Minden Collection Sys Imprvs (funding update) 2020S-1859**

**Update Consolidation Committee (Central Hampshire PSD) 2023S-2340**

**Funding program updates**

Leslie Stone Smith notified the committee that USACE was opening up applications again.

#### **Projects Requiring Additional Information**

Masontown, Town of-WWTP Imprvs (Cost/funding chg and binding commitment) 2022S-2212

**Requests Received (Applications by January 10, 2023, and requests to date)**

**Information  
Report**

**Sewer**

Boone Co PSD-WWTP Imprvs (New application)	2023S-2488
Greater Paw Paw PSD-PS Imprvs (New application)	2023S-2367
Warm Springs PSD-522 N ext, 22 cust (New application)	2024S-2514

**Water**

Boone Co PSD-Whitehouse Rd CN ext, 7 cust (Contingent binding commitment)	2024W-2517
Kanawha Co RDA-Relations, Taylor Cem & Marigold Rds, 4 cust (New application)	2023W-2485
Mason Co PSD-Milton connection (New application)	2024W-2507
Milton, City of-Mason Co PSD connection (New application)	2024W-2508
Putnam Co Com-Bowles Rdg Rd CN ext, 4 cust (Contingent binding commitment)	2024W-2510

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Robert Riggs signed up for public comment and notified the Committee that 56 customers within his jurisdiction had arsenic in their water supply.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business before the Committee, the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn, Kathy Emery moved to adjourn; Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at **11:23 a.m.**

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Wayne D. Morgan  
Secretary & Executive Director