



WEST VIRGINIA

Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council

APPROVED

A meeting of the West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council (Council) was held **Wednesday, November 1, 2023, 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
Jonathan Fowler, WV Public Service Commission
Kris Warner, WV Economic Development Authority
Kathy Emery, WV Department of Environmental Protection
Erica Boggess, WV Housing Development Authority

Voting Members via phone:

John Reisenweber, Vice Chair/Public Member
Louis Spatafore, Public Member
Virginia King, 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:

Roger Earle, WV DEP – WV Abandoned Mine Lands & Reclamation
Janna Lowery, USDA Rural Development

Invitees not present:

Tracy Rowan, US Economic Development Authority
James Bush, WV ARC
Lesli Stone Smith, US Army Corp. of Engineers

Others in attendance:

Wayne Morgan, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council
Brad Sargent, WDA

Veronica Lewis, WDA
P.E. Bauchem, Capitol City Police
Samme Gee, Jackson Kelly PLLC
Anthony Carpenter, Brown Edwards
Kelly Goes, Jackson Kelly PLLC
Julie Merow, Jackson Kelly PLLC
Michael Griffith, CPA
Amanda Cochran, WVRWA

Others in attendance by phone:

Mike Duminiak, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council
Elizabeth Atkinson, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council
Joel Davis, MOVRC

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 **October 4, 2023**, meeting. Erica Boggess moved for approval and Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Projects Recommended to Pursue Infrastructure Fund Assistance:

Brooke County PSD-Drovers Inn Ext, 12 customers (Tabled application) 2023S-2407
Kathy Emery described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Brooke County PSD pursue a \$517,300 Brooke County ARPA Grant and a \$500,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$1,017,300.

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

East Bank, Town of – Collection Sys Imprvs (Tabled application) 2023S-2415
Kathy Emery described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of East Bank pursue a \$5,500,000 US EPA CDS Grant, a \$1,500,000 CWSRF Principal Forgiveness Loan, a \$1,000,000 Town Contribution, a \$2,000,000 Kanawha County Commission ARPA Grant, a \$3,000,000 WDA EEGF, and a \$500,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$13,500,000.

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

Lincoln County PSD – WTP Imprvs - SOS & Gen (New application) 2023W-2446
Meredith Vance described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Lincoln Co PSD pursue a \$900,000 DWTRF Principal Forgiveness, and a \$500,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$1,400,000.

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

Logan County PSD – Telemetry Sys Repl (New CN application/Cont binding comm) 2023W-2454

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends Logan County PSD pursue a \$200,000 IJDC Grant, and a \$200,000 IJDC Loan (2%, 30 yrs) for an estimated project cost of \$400,000.

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

Midland PSD – Maxwell Tank Repl (New application) 2023W-2441

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

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Midland PSD pursue a \$865,000 DWTRF Principal Forgiveness Loan, a \$365,000 WDA EEGF Grant, and a \$500,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated cost of \$1,730,000.

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

Milton, City of – Sys. Improvements 2023W-2447

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

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Milton pursue a \$1,000,000 CDS Grant, a \$1,000,000 DWTRF Principal Forgiveness Loan, a \$1,000,000 WDA EEGF, a \$1,000,000 Cabell County Commission Grant, a \$300,000 Milton Contribution, and a \$500,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$4,800,000.

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

Montgomery, City of – Sewer separation (New application/Engineering fee variance) 2023S-2424

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

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Montgomery pursue a \$868,000 CDS Grant, a \$290,018 CDS Match Grant, a \$2,000,000 CWSRF Principal Forgiveness Loan, and a \$1,000,00 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$4,158,018 and the request for a total engineering fee variance be approved.

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

Pennsboro, City of -Sys Imprvs (Scope, cost & funding change) 2022W-2177

Wayne Morgan described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Pennsboro pursue a \$1,500,000 DWTRF Principal Forgiveness, a \$500,000 DWTRF Loan (0.5%, 40 yrs, 0.25% AF), a \$2,500,000 WDA EEGF, and a \$1,000,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$5,500,000.

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

Preston County Sewer PSD – Hazelton WWTP Imprvs (Engineering fee variance) 2022S-2194

Kathy Emery described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Ansted engineering fee variance request be approved.

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

Rainelle, Town of – Water Storage Facilities Imprvs (Updated application) 2019W-1828

Wayne Morgan described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Rainelle pursue a \$1,500,000 CDBG, and a \$800,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$2,300,000.

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

RMS PSD – Rt 97 Ext, 53 cust (Cost and funding change) 2022W-2205

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Ravencliff McGraws Saulsville PSD pursue a \$1,500,000 DWTRF Principal Forgiveness Loan, a \$758,000 DWTRF Loan (1.75%, 30 yrs, 0.25% AF), a \$80,000 USDA Search Grant, a \$1,712,000 WDA EEGF, a \$100,000 Wyoming County Commission ARPA Grant, and a \$500,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$4,650,000.

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

Salt Rock Sewer PSD-UV Replacement (New application) 2023S-2445

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

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Salt Rock Sewer PSD pursue a \$1,200,000 CWSRF Principal Forgiveness, a \$500,000 CWSRF Green Principal Forgiveness Loan and a \$500,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$2,200,000.

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

Tomlinson PSD – Newell Sys Imprvs (Cost and funding change) 2021W-1982

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical; Review and Funding Committee recommends the Tomlinson PSD pursue a \$2,360,488 DWTRF Principal Forgiveness Loan, a \$3,679,421 DWTRF Loan (1%, 40 yrs), a \$8,694,091 WDA EEGF, a \$50,000 Hancock County Commission Grant, a \$5,000,000 IJDC Distressed Utility Grant, and a \$500,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$20,284,000.

Marie Prezioso expressed concerns regarding the timing. Kathy Emery expressed concerns regarding the eligibility.

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

West Milford, Town of – Sys Imprvs (New application)

2023W-2425

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

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of West Milford pursue a \$470,000 USDA Loan (2.125%, 40 yrs), and a \$470,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$940,000.

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

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

Athens, Town of – Distribution Sys Imprvs (Engineering fee variance)

2023W-2380

Meredith Vance described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Athens's request for an engineering fee variance be approved.

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

Clarksburg, City of – Sys Imprvs V-B (Funding change)

2023S-2404

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Clarksburg pursue a \$3,660,000 CWSRF Loan (2.75%, 20 yrs, 0.25% AF) and a \$1,000,000 WDA EEGF for an estimated project cost of \$4,660,000.

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

Morgantown, City of-Cheat Lake WWTP (Engineering fee waiver)

2023S-2399

Kathy Emery described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends City of Montgomery's request for an engineering fee waiver be approved.

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

Poca, Town of – Stormwater Sys Imprvs (New application)

2023SS-2438

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

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Poca pursue a \$351,300 WDA EEGF, and a \$250,000 Poca ARPA Grant for an estimated project cost of \$601,300.

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

Projects Requesting Infrastructure Fund Binding Commitment:

Logan PSD – Upper Huff Ck Ext, 87 cust (Cost & funding chg/Bid overrun grant req) 2017W-1690
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Logan County PSD pursue a \$1,389,000 CDBG, a \$203,000 Wyoming County Commission Grant, a \$378,000 WDA EEGF, a \$665,000 IJDC Grant (\$165,000 bid overrun), and a \$1,343,700 IJDC Loan (2%, 30 yrs) for an estimated project cost of \$3,978,700; and receive a \$165,000 IJDC bid overrun grant binding commitment.

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

Pea Ridge – Part 2 Ext, 258 cust (Cost & funding chg/Bid overrun binding commitment) 2022S-2295
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Pea Ridge PSD pursue a \$1,500,000 CWSRF Debt Forgiveness, a \$6,691,600 CWSRF Loan (1.75%, 30 yrs, 0.25%), a \$4,832,400 WDA EEGF (\$402,000 bid overrun), a \$665,000 IJDC Grant (165,000 bid overrun) for an estimated project cost of \$13,689,000; and receive a \$165,000 IJDC bid overrun grant binding commitment.

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

Salt Rock Sewer PSD – Fox Fire Ext (Binding Commitment) 2022S-2121
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Salt Rock PSD receive a \$122,545 IJDC Grant Binding Commitment.

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

Economic Development Assistance: **Council Action**

Business Items:

Audit report

Marie Prezioso introduced Anthony Carpenter from Brown Edwards. Anthony Carpenter reported a clean report with no findings.

Unfinished Business Items
None

Informational Items: **Information Report**
None

Executive Director Comments:

Draft Meeting schedule for 2024 – Wayne asked that everyone review the meeting schedule in order to vote at the next meeting.

Update Consolidation Committee:

Logan, City & County PSD	2022W-2155
Central Hampshire PSD	2023S-2340

Funding program updates:

Jana Lowy, Leslie Stonesmith, and Kathy Emery gave brief updates regarding their funding programs.

**Projects Requiring
Additional Information**

Birch River PSD-Sugar Tree Rdg CN Ext(Application tabled until January 2024)	2023W-2428
Central Hampshire PSD-Harvest Hills Sys Imprv (Application referred to CC)	2023S-2340
Logan, City of-WTP Imprvs (Application referred to CC)	2022W-2155
Oak Hill, City of-Minden Collection Sys Imprvs (Cost and funding change/Binding com)	2020S-1859
Nutter Fort, Town of – Sys Imprvs IV (Tabled binding commitment)	2021S-2059

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

Sewer

Anstead, Town of – Sys Imprvs (New application)	2023S-2413
Benwood, City of – Sys Improvs IV (New application)	2023S-2460
Bluefield, City of -Nicholas Rd Ext & Thompson PS Imprvs (New application)	2023S-2432
Davy, Town of – Sewer Sys (New application)	2023S-2431

Water

Davy, Town of – Sys Imprvs II (New application)	2023W-2419
McDowell Co PSD – Anawalt Impvs & Leckie Ext, 60 cust (New application)	2023W-2376
McDowell Co PSD – Jolo Step 5, 119 cust (New application)	2023W-2430
St. Marys, City of – Main Repl (New application)	2023W-2439
Whitmer Water Association or the City of Elkins (New application)	2023W-2455

Committee Reports

Consolidation	Erica Boggess
Technical Review & Funding	Marie Prezioso
Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council	Wayne Morgan
Sewer Technical Review	Kathy Emery
Water Technical Review	Meredith Vance

Other Reports

US Army Corps of Engineers	Lesli Stone Smith
US Department of Agriculture	Janna Lowery
Abandoned Mine Lands	Roger Earle
Division of Highways	Perry Keller

Funding Program Reports (projects bidding and closing)

Kathy Emery

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

With no further business before the Committee, the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn. Jonathan Fowler moved to adjourn; Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at **10:02 a.m.**

Wayne D. Morgan
Secretary & Executive Director