



WEST VIRGINIA

Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council

APPROVED

A meeting of the West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council (Council) was held **Wednesday, September 6, 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
Virginia King, Public Member
Matt McComas, Public Member

Voting Members via phone:

John Reisenweber, Vice Chair/Public Member

Voting Members not present:

Don Rigby, Public Member
John Boyle, Public Member
Louis Spatafore, Public Member
Erica Boguess, WV Housing Development Authority

Advisory Members present in person:

None

Advisory Members present via phone:

Senator Chandler Swope, WV Senate

Invitees present or via phone:

Roger Earle, WV DEP – WV Abandoned Mine Lands & Reclamation
Jason Billups, WV Department of Environmental Protection

Invitees not present:

Tracy Rowan, US Economic Development Authority
James Bush, WV ARC
Lesli Stone Smith, US Army Corp. of Engineers
Janna Lowery, USDA
Ryan Halsey, SCBG

Others in attendance:

Wayne Morgan, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council
Rachel Hill, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council
P.E. Bauchem, Capitol City Police
Samme Gee, Jackson Kelly PLLC
Kelly Goes, Jackson Kelly PLLC
Julie Merow, Jackson Kelly PLLC
Dan Ferrell, The Thrasher Group
Jesse Alden, The Thrasher Group
Todd Hooker, WV Department of Economic Development
Todd Grinstead, WVRWA
Amanda Cochran, WVRWA
Michael Griffith, CPA – Griffith & Associates
Brad Sergent, WV WDA
Shane Whitehair, Region 7
Tim Meeks, TSM Consulting
Robert Riggs, Mayor, City of Pennsboro
Joel Davis, MOVRC
Bob Rodecker, KC & C Elkins

Others in attendance by phone:

Mike Duminiak, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council
Elizabeth Atkinson, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council
Steve Buchanan, CEC
Eric Combs, Region 1
Kylea Radcliff, The Thrasher Group

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 2, 2023**, Matt McComas moved for approval and Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Projects Recommended to Pursue Infrastructure Fund Assistance:

Belmont, City of Sys Imprvs (New application) 2023S-2400
Kathy Emery described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Belmont pursue a \$1,500,000 CWSRF Principal Forgiveness Loan, a \$1,670,000 CWSRF Loan (0.75%, 30 yrs., 0.25% AF), and a \$500,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$3,670,000.

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

Elizabeth, Town of – Sys Imprvs (New application) 2023S-2370
Kathy Emery described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Elizabeth pursue a \$1,700,000 CWSRF Principal Forgiveness Loan, and a \$1,000,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$2,700,000.

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

Hancock County PSD-Newell I (Cost & funding change)

2021S-1980

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Hancock County PSD pursue a \$1,500,000 CWSRF Principal Forgiveness Loan, a \$500,000 CWSRF Green Forgiveness Loan, a \$2,169,279 CWSRF Loan (1.75%, 30 yrs., 0.25% AF), a \$1,411,079 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 \$11,130,358.

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

Masontown, Town of-Herring Rd Line Repl (New application)

2023W-2414

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

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Masontown pursue a \$900,000 US ACE Grant and a \$300,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$1,200,000.

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

Northern Jackson County PSD-Dist Sys Imprvs (Cost and funding change)

2021W-2028

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends Northern Jackson County PSD pursue a \$1,500,000 US ACE Grant, a \$387,000 WDA EEGF, a \$133,000 Jackson County Commission ARPA Grant, and a \$500,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$2,520,000.

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

Rowlesburg, City of – Sys Imprvs (New application)

2023S-2398

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

The Technical Review and Funding committee recommends the City of Rowlesburg pursue a \$7,578,000 CDS Grant, a \$1,895,000 CDS Match Grant, a \$1,177,000 CWSRF Principal Forgiveness, and a \$500,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated cost of \$11,150,000.

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

Sophia, Town of-WWTP (Funding change)

2016S-1658

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Sophia pursue a \$3,000,000 CWSRF Loan (0.25%, 40 yrs., 0.25% AF), a \$2,000,000 CWSRF Debt Forgiveness Loan, a \$1,000,000 USDA Loan (2.875%, 40 yrs.), a \$1,000,000 USDA Grant, a \$8,000,000 WDA EEGF, and a \$1,000,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$16,000,000.

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

Southern Jackson Co PSD-Stats Mills Ext, 35 cust (Cost and funding change) 2022W-2291

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends Southern Jackson County PSD pursue a \$1,300,000 US ACE Grant, a \$416,000 WDA EEGF, and a \$434,000 IJDC Loan (3%, 20 yrs.) for an estimated project cost of \$2,150,000.

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

West Union, Town of -WTP & Sys Improvs (Updated application) 2022W-2119

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

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of West Union pursue a \$17,420,000 DWTRF Loan (0.5% requested, 40 yrs., 0.25% AF), a \$1,000,000 DWTRF Principal Forgiveness, a \$600,000 DWTRF Emerging Contaminant PFL, a \$3,000,000 WDA EEGF, a \$500,000 Doddridge County ARPA Grant, A \$500,000 Doddridge County Commission Grant, \$80,000 Town ARPA Grant, and a \$1,000,000 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$24,100,000.

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:

Belmont, City of- Sys Imprvs (Scope, cost, and funding chg) 2023W-2332

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

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Belmont pursue a \$1,050,000 DWTRF Loan (1%, 40 yrs., 0.25% AF), a \$1,000,000 DWTRF Principal Forgiveness, a \$100,000 Pleasants County Commission Grant, a \$100,000 of City ARPA Grant, and a \$1,450,000 WDA EEGF for an estimated project cost of \$3,700,000.

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

Hamlin PSD-Sys Imp and Ext in Lincoln Co Bus Park, 1 cust (Funding change) 2022S-2170

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Hamlin PSD pursue a \$3,325,000 ARC Grant, a \$750,000 US ACE, a \$230,000 Lincoln County Grant, and a \$20,000 Town of Hamlin contribution for an estimated project cost of \$4,325,000.

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

Newburg, Town of-Sys Imprvs (Scope cost and funding chg/eng fee variance) 2022S-2233

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

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Newburg pursue a \$1,650,000 US

ACE Grant, a \$1,500,000 CWSRF Debt Forgiveness, a \$1,000,000 WDA EEGF, and a \$125,000 Preston County ARPA Grant for an estimated project cost of \$4,275,000. The Town of Newburg request for a total engineering fee variance is approved.

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

RMS PSD Glen Rogers Sys Imprvs (New application) 2023S-2384
Kathy Emery described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Ravencliff McGraws Saulsville (RMS) PSD pursue a \$4,400,000 DEP AMLER Grant, a \$1,500,000 CWSRF Principal Forgiveness Loan, and a \$1,931,000 ARC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$7,831,000.

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

South Charleston, City of WWTP Electrical Dist Sys Repl (New application) 2023S-2345
Kathy Emery described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of South Charleston pursue a \$3,960,000 CWSRF Loan (2.75%, 20 yrs., 0.25% AF) and a \$1,000,000 WDA EEGF for an estimated project cost of \$4,960,000.

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

Projects Requesting Infrastructure Fund Binding Commitment:

Barrackville, Town of-Sys Imprvs (Funding change and binding commitment repl) 2021S-1972
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Barrackville pursue a \$500,000 IJDC Grant and a \$2,075,000 IJDC Loan (2%, 30 yrs.) for an estimated project cost of \$2,575,000; and receive a \$500,000 IJDC Grant and \$2,075,000 IJDC Loan (2%, 30 yrs.) binding commitment replacing its existing binding commitment.

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

Cowen PSD-Upper Glade II (Bid overrun/binding commitment) 2014S-1515
Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Cowen PSD pursue a \$1,950,000 USDA Loan (2.375%, 38 yrs.), a \$500,000 USDA Loan (1.25%, 38 yrs.), a \$2,450,000 USDA Grant, a \$1,500,000 ARC Grant, a \$2,595,050 WDA EEGF, a \$1,069,303 WDA EEGF Bid Overrun Grant, a \$1,000,000 IJDC Grant and a \$165,000 IJDC Bid Overrun Grant for an estimated project cost of \$11,229,353 (\$400,000 WDA funding for design to be paid off at closing); and receive a binding commitment for the \$165,000 IJDC Bid Overrun Grant.

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

Mt Hope Water Assoc-Dist Sys Imprvs (Binding commitment) 2023W-2372

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Mt Hope Water Association receive a \$1,408,000 IJDC Loan (3%, 20 yrs.) binding commitment.

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

Pea Ridge PSD-Rt 2 Part 1 (Bid overrun/binding commitment) 2022S-2294

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Pea Ridge PSD pursue a \$7,411,801 CWSRF Loan (1.75%, 30 yrs., 0.25% AF), a \$1,500,000 CWSRF Debt Forgiveness, a \$500,000 CWSRF Debt (green) Forgiveness, a \$2,500,000 US EDA Grant, a \$4,312,000 WDA EEGF, a \$500,000 IJDC Grant and a \$165,000 IJDC Bid Overrun Grant for an estimated project cost of \$16,888,801; and receive a binding commitment for the \$165,000 IJDC Bid Overrun Grant.

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

Pennsboro, City of – CN Rt 74 N. 30 cust (Binding commitment extension) 2022W-2128

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Pennsboro receive a binding commitment extension until January 15, 2024.

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

Webster Springs PSD -Sys Imprvs (Binding commitment extension) 2019S-1812

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Webster Springs PSD pursue a \$1,500,000 CDBG, a \$500,000 IJDC Grant and a \$1,310,500 IJDC Loan (2%, 30 yrs.) for an estimated cost of \$3,310,500; and replace its existing binding commitment with a \$500,000 IJDC Grant and \$1,310,500 IJDC Loan (2%, 30 yrs.)

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

Worthington, Town of – Dist Sys Imprvs (Binding commitment extension) 2019W-1810

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Worthington receive a binding commitment extension until January 15, 2024.

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

**Economic Development
Assistance:**

**Council
Action**

New River Gorge RDA - Carbon Activated (Loan modification)

2019E-183

Kris Warner described the request.

RE: New River Regional Development Authority is requesting an extension of the performance period for the Carbon Activated Project in Mount Hope, WV. The loan was approved in June 2019 and the company experienced pandemic related delays in implementing the project. They will begin hiring at the facility this year.

MOTION:

I MOVE THAT the loan to the New River Regional Development Authority (2019E-183) for Carbon Activated in Mount Hope, WV have the performance period extended until June 2025. All other terms and conditions will remain the same as previously approved, **BE APPROVED**

Kris Warner moved that the recommendation be approved, Matt McComas seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Benedum Airport Authority – Hangar (Loan modification)

2021E-198

Kris Warner described the request.

RE: Benedum Airport Authority is requesting to convert loan 2021E-198 from a loan to a grant. The loan was originally approved in June 2021 for the construction of a hangar at the North Central Regional Airport in Bridgeport to be occupied by Mitsubishi Heavy Industries. The hangar is complete and Mitsubishi Heavy Industries has created over 100 new jobs and retained over 400 jobs. Thus, the performance requirements for the reduction of the principal balance to \$0 have been satisfied by the Authority prior to the loan being funded. The change from loan to a grant will greatly reduce closing costs associated with this transaction. The building will remain publicly owned and in operation as a hangar in perpetuity, and the company has performed as promised.

MOTION:

I MOVE THAT the loan to the Benedum Airport Authority (2021E-198) be converted to a grant.

This change will be subject to the following conditions:

1. Submission of \$2 million or more invoices associated with the construction of the hangars in question and evidence that such invoices have been paid.
2. Written proof that Authority/company project of constructing and equipping hangars has met the stated goal of approximately \$16 million in capital investment in the project.
3. Submission of the executed lease between the Benedum Airport Authority or its affiliates and MHI for operation of the facility as a hangar.
4. Certification that a minimum of 500 people are employed by MHI at the Bridgeport facility, **BE APPROVED**

Kris Warner moved that the recommendation be approved, Matt McComas seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Business Items:

None

Unfinished Business Items

None

Informational Items:

**Information
Report**

None

Executive Director Comments:

Update Consolidation Committee (Logan, City & County PSD) 2022W-2155
Wayne Morgan for Erica Boggess – The City of Logan has done water quality and capacity testing of the source of supply as a result of receiving Congressionally Directed Spending and will provide a report to the Consolidated Committee in 60 days.

Central Hampshire PSD – Harvest Hills Project 2023S-2340
This project has been scheduled for a Consolidated Committee meeting on October 24th with the City of Romney.

Beverly, Town of-Collection Sys Imprvs (Funding update) 2020S-1897
The Executive Director reported the Town of Beverly is proceeding to close with a \$35,000 bid Underrun which has been approved.

Brooke County PSD – Eldersville Ext 178 cust (Funding change) 2021S-1945
The Executive Director reported the Brooke Co PSD closing on August 24th has a \$608,482 County Commission ARPA Grant, a \$1,783,547 WDA EEGF, and a \$4,450,000 IJDC Loan (2%, 30 yrs.) for an estimated project cost of \$6,842,029; therefore, the IJDC Grant binding commitment is being reduced by \$500,000.

Clay, Town of-Sys Imprvs (Funding update) 2019S-1793
The Executive Director reported the Town of Clay is proceeding to close with the funding listed below and on the Schedule B.

Elizabeth, Town of-Tucker Ck Ext, 14 cust (Funding change) 2022W-2079
The Executive Director reported the Town of Elizabeth closing on October 12th has a \$766,000 Wirt County Commission ARPA Grant, and a \$ 567,762 IJDC Grant for an estimated project cost of \$1,333,762; therefore, the IJDC Grant binding commitment is being reduced by \$198,238.

Funding program updates
None

**Projects Requiring
Additional Information**

Buffalo Creek PSD-WWTP Imprvs & Greenville Ext, 178 cust (Returned application)	2022S-2168
Central Hampshire PSD-Harvest Hills Sys Imprvs (Tabled application)	2023S-2340
East Bank, Town of – Collection Sys Imprvs (Tabled new application)	2023S-2415
Logan, City of-WTP Imprvs (Application referred CC)	2022W-2155
Montgomery, City of-Sewer separation (New application)	2023S-2424

Nutter Fort, Town of-Sys Imprvs IV (Binding commitment)	2021S-2059
Oak Hill, City of-Minden Collection Sys Imprvs (Cost and funding change/Binding com)	2020S-1859
Salem, City of WWTP Imprvs (Returned application)	2021S-2042
St Albans, City of-1 MG Tank (New application)	2023W-2336

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

Sewer

Brooke County PSD - Sanitary Sewer Sys (New application)	2023S-2407
Elk Valley PSD-Disinfectant Upgrade (New application)	2023S-2427
Wayne, Town of-Sys Imprvs (New application)	2022S-2281

Water

Beech Bottom, Village of-Dist Sys Imprvs (New application)	2023W-2426
Birch River PSD-Sugar Tree Rdg CN ext,11 cust (9 user agr)(New app/bind com)	2023W-2428
Mason, Town of-Dist Sys Imprvs (New application)	2023W-2397
Red Sulfur PSD – Rich Ck & Adair Rd ext, 82 cust (New application)	2023W-2387
Welch, City of-Main repl (New application)	2023W-2423

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)	Meredith Vance/ Kathy Emery

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

With no further business before the Committee, the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn. Jason Billups moved to adjourn; Kathy Emery seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at **9:59 a.m.**

Wayne D. Morgan
Secretary & Executive Director