



**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 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025, 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

Nate Testman, WV Housing Development Fund

Meredith Vance, WV Bureau of Public Health

Jason Billups, WV Department of Environmental Protection

Steven Webb, WV Economic Development Authority

**Voting Members via phone:**

**Voting Members not present:**

**Invitees present or via phone:**

Patrick Murphy, WVBPH

Steve Collins, USDA

Roger Earle, AML DEP

**Invitees not present:**

Ryan Halsey, CDBG

James Bush, WV ARC

Leslie Stone Smith, US ACE

**Others in attendance:**

Wayne Morgan, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council

Elizabeth Smith-Atkinson, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council

Maria Simental, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council

Mike Duminiak, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council

Brad Sergent, WV Water Development Authority

Veronica Lewis, WV Water Development Authority

Julie Merow, Jackson Kelly

Mike Pridemore, Capitol Police

Mark Parsons, Ellenboro WV

Mickey Walters, Ellenboro WV

Michael Hinkle, Ellenboro WV

Debbie Taylor, Ellenboro WV

Pete Taylor, Ellenboro WV

Robert Riggs, City of Pennsboro  
Pete Taylor, City of Pennsboro  
Angie Cokely, City of Pennsboro  
Casey Young, Thrasher Group  
Ryan Holcomb, Thrasher Group  
Betsy Haught, Northern Jackson PSD  
Jerri G. Stephens, Northern Jackson PSD  
Robert McClung, Northern Jackson PSD  
A.C. Wiethe, Belomar Regional Council  
Cary Smith, Region VII PDC  
Marissa Earle, Region VII PDC  
Matt Shelton, New River Engineering  
Doug Hill, City of Elizabeth  
Terry Martin, RIC  
Dan Ferrell, Thrasher Group  
Linda Lambert, City of Ellenboro  
Fred Hypes, Thrasher Group  
Ryan Boustany, Thrasher Group  
Bruce Mullins, RIC  
Terrance Moran, Potesta  
Mark Sankoff, Potesta

**Others in attendance by phone:**

Michael Griffith, Griffith & Assoc.  
Carrie Wallace, Region 7 PDC  
Colin Cutright, Thrasher Group  
Cassie Lawson, Region 4 PDC  
Kenneth Kinder, ELR

**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 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025**. Jonathan Fowler moved for approval and Jason Billups seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**SEWER PROJECTS**

**Belle, Town of-Sys imprvs II (Engineering fee waiver)**

**2024S-2635**

Jason Billups described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the engineering fee waiver request for total engineering fees be approved for the Town of Belle.

Jason Billups moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**Capon Bridge, Town of-Line repl II (Engineering fee waiver)**

**2022S-2181**

Jason Billups described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the engineering fee waiver request for total engineering fees be approved for the Town of Capon Bridge.

Jason Billups moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The

Motion passed.

**Mastontown, Town of-Pineview Dr ext, 45 cust (New application) 2024S-2648**

Jason Billups described the request and the application was technical feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Masontown pursue a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant, and a \$2,000,000 CWSRF PF for a total estimated project cost of \$3,000,000.

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

**Nitro, City of-Walker St storm sewer imprvs (Application upd incl cost & funding chg) 2024SS-2548**

Jason Billups described the request and the application was technical feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Nitro pursue a \$2,888,000 Congressionally Directed Spending grant, a \$722,000 CDS match, a \$500,000 CWSRF PF loan, a \$325,000 Nitro contribution, and a \$800,000 WDA EEGF for an estimated project cost of \$5,235,000

Jason Billups moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**RMS PSD-Glen Rogers WWTP imprvs (New application) 2023S-2384**

Jason Billups described the request and the application was technical feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Ravencliff McGraws Saulsville PSD pursue a \$500,000 CWSRF PF loan, \$1,500,000 CWSRF PF loan, a \$800,000 CDS, a \$1,900,000 ARC grant, a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant, and a \$25,000 Wyoming County Commission grant for an estimated project cost of \$5,725,000.

Jason Billups moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The Motion passed.

**WATER PROJECTS**

**Ellenboro, Town of-Highland Rdg ext, 22 cust (Tbld application until Feb 25th) 2024W-2632**

Jason Billups described the request and the application was technical feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Ellenboro pursue a \$887,500 DWTRF PF loan and a \$887,500 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$1,775,000.

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

**Ice Run PSD-Carolina line repl (New application) 2024W-2638**

Jason Billups described the request and the application was technical feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Ice Run PSD pursue a \$1,262,000 DWTRF loan (1.75%, 30 yrs, 0.25% AF), a \$1,000,000 DWTRF PF loan, and a \$500,000 IJDC grant for an estimated project cost of \$2,762,000.

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

**Pennsboro, City of-Highlands/Bonds Ck ext, 70 cust (Tbld application until Feb 25th) 2024W-2630**

Jason Billups described the request and the application was technical feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the application be returned for the applicant (Pennsboro) to address the technical review comments including working with the funding programs to ensure that a viable funding scenario is proposed upon resubmittal.

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

**BINDING COMMITMENT REQUESTS/BID OVERRUNS**

**Returned Funds**

**Preston Co. 1 - Interconnection (Bid underrun & returned funds)**

**2022W-2265**

Jason Billups described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Preston County 1 PSD request to use \$276,000 (returns \$26,055 IJDC grant funds) for additional equipment be approved.

Jason Billups moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Benwood, City of-WTP & sys imprvs (PFA binding commitment)**

**2025W-2659**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Benwood receive a \$27,500 IJDC (match provided by Benwood) preapplication funding assistance (PFA) binding commitment for pilot study of treatment technologies.

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

**Brooke Co PSD-Drovers Inn ext, 15 cust (Binding commitment ext)**

**2023W-2407**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Brooke County PSD IJDC binding commitment be extended until July 15, 2025.

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

**Canaan Valley PSD-State Park WWTP (Tbld until Feb 25th binding commitment)**

**2022S-2063**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Canaan Valley PSD request for a binding commitment be tabled until the March 25, 2025 meeting.

Jason Billups moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Davis, Town of-Source of Supply (PFA increase binding commitment)**

**2024W-2554**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Davis request for an additional \$30,000 IJDC PFA binding commitment for ground penetrating radar (GPR) study at the dam (match by Davis) be approved.

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

**Junior, Town of-Dist sys improves (binding commitment)**

**2021W-1998**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Junior receive a \$1,000,000 IJDC grant binding commitment transferred from loan funds (if needed).

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

**Mercer Co PSD-Pocahontas sys imprvs (soft cost binding com & returned funds)**

**2022W-2110**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends Mercer County PSD receive a \$15,000 IJDC soft cost grant binding commitment for condemnations and its existing IJDC grant binding commitment be reduced to \$485,000 (thereby, returning \$15,000 of IJDC grant funds).

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

**CRITICAL NEEDS**

**Mingo Co PSD**

Marie Prezioso explained that this was already taken care of because it came in at \$300,000.

**CRITICAL NEEDS EXTENSIONS**

**Birch River PSD-Sugar Tree Rdg CN ext, 11 cust (Binding commitment extension)**

**2023W-2428**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Birch River PSD request to extend its binding commitment until September 15, 2025 be approved.

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

**Boone Co PSD-Whitehouse Rd CN ext, 7 cust (Tbl'd appl until Jan 28th cont binding com)2024W-2517**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the request from Boone Co PSD be tabled until the March 25<sup>th</sup> meeting to allow the applicant time to provide additional information being requested by the Committee.

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

**Gilmer Co PSD-Cox Mills CN ext, 12 cust (New application)**

**2025W-2649**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Gilmer County PSD request be tabled until the March 25<sup>th</sup> meeting to allow the applicant time to provide additional information being requested by the Committee.

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

**Pennsboro, City of-CN WV 74 ext, 14 cust (Tbld appl until Jan 28th cont binding com) 2024W-2580**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the request from City of Pennsboro be tabled until the March 25<sup>th</sup> meeting to allow the applicant time to provide additional information being requested by the Committee.

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

**Northern Jackson Co PSD-Garfield Heights CN ext, 15 cust (Binding commitment ext)2023W-2484**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Northern Jackson County PSD request to extend its binding commitment until September 15, 2025 be approved.

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

**Ohio Co PSD-West Liberty CN ext, 3 cust (New application)**

**2024S-2641**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Ohio Co PSD request be tabled until the March 25<sup>th</sup> meeting to allow the applicant time to provide additional information being requested by the Committee.

Jonathan Fowler moved that the recommendation be approved, Jason Billups seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**ANCILLARY EXPENDITURE/USE OF CONTINGENCY/BID UNDERRUN**

**Elizabeth, Town of-Tucker Ck ext, 14 cust (Ancillary project expenditure)**

**2022W-2079**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of Elizabeth request for \$105,199 for two (2) trucks be approved.

Jason Billups moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Mtn Top PSD-Sys imprvs (Use of contingency)**

**2021W-2016**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Mtn Top PSD request for \$38,671 for C1 CO 5, \$22,184.70 for C2 CO 4, and \$110,000 for RPR fees be approved.

Jason Billups moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Richwood, City of-WWTP impvs & line repl (Use of contingency)**

**2018S-1779**

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the City of Richwood request for \$130,662.30 for CO2 C1 to relocate/replace a section of waterline along Green Street due to its proximity to existing sewer collection line work be approved.

Jason Billups moved that the recommendation be approved, Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Executive Director Comments**

Funding program updates

**Projects Requiring Additional Information**

Oceana, Town of-Line upgrade/repl (Binding commitment)

2019W-1840

**Requests Received**

(Applications by February 10, 2025, and requests to date)

**Water**

Clay-Roane PSD-Little Lefthand Rd, ext 35 cust (New application)

2024W-2628

Kingwood, City of-E Main St waterline repl (New application)

2025W-2654

Sugar Ck PSD-Camp Rd CN ext, 18 cust (New application)

2025W-2652

Sun Valley PSD-Indian Run CN ext, 20 cust (New application)

2024W-2634

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business before the Committee, the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn, Jonathan Fowler moved to adjourn; Jason Billups seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at **10:26 a.m.**

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Wayne D. Morgan  
Secretary & Executive Director