

**APPROVED** 

A meeting of the West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Technical Review and Funding Committee was held **Tuesday, August 29, 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 Marie Prezioso, WV Water Development Authority

### Voting Members in person:

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

### Voting Members via phone:

None

### Voting Members not present:

Kris Warner, WV Economic Development Authority

#### Invitees present or via phone:

Jason Billups, WV Department of Environmental Protection Roger Earle, WV DEP – Abandoned Mine Lands Janna Lowery, USDA

### **Invitees not present:**

Tracy Rowan, US Economic Development Authority Ryan Halsey, SCBG James Bush, WV ARC Lesli Stone Smith, US ACE

### Others in attendance:

Wayne Morgan, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council Rachel Hill, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council Brad Sergent, WV Water Development Authority Veronica Lewis, WV Water Development Authority Samme Gee, Jackson Kelly PLLC Julie Merow, Jackson Kelly PLLC Steve Buchanan, CEC Steve DeBarr, City of South Charleston Greg Belcher, Chapman Tech Group Jonathan Carpenter, Thrasher Group Dan Ferrell , Thrasher Group IJDC Technical Review & Funding Committee Meeting Minutes August 29, 2023 Page 2 of 9

> Kylea Radcliff, Thrasher Group Isaac Fadiga, Thrasher Group Ryan Boustany, Thrasher Group Jesse Alden, Thrasher Group Michael Griffith, CPA – Griffith & Associates Joel Davis, MOVRC Luke Peters, MOVRC Robert Riggs, Mayor, City of Pennsboro William E Matheny, City of Pennsboro Tim Marks, TSM Consulting Bruce Mullins, RIC Terry Martin, RIC

### Others in attendance by phone:

Mike Duminiak, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council Elizabeth Smith-Atkinson, WV Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council Carrie Wallace, Region 7 Eric Combs, Region 1 Dominic Cerrone, Cerrone & Associates Christopher Thomas, WV Department of Environmental Protection Kennon Chambers, Ghosh Engineering

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 July 25, 2023. Erica Boggess moved for approval and Jonathan Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed.

### **SEWER PROJECTS**

### Belmont, City of - Sys Imprvs (New application)

Jason Billups 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.

20238-2400

2023S-2340

20238-2415

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

### Central Hampshire PSD-Harvest Hills Sys Imprvs (Tabled application)

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

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Central Hampshire PSD be moved to the Consolidation Committee.

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

### East Bank, Town of - Collection Sys Imprvs (New application)

Jason Billups described the request, and it is technically feasible.

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The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Town of East Bank be tabled until the October 24th meeting.

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

### Elizabeth, Town of – Sys Imprvs (New application)

20238-2370

2021S-1980

Jason Billups 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.

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

# Hamlin PSD-Sys Imp and Ext in Lincoln Co Bus Park, 1 cust (Funding change)2022S-2170Wayne Morgan described the request.2022S-2170

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.

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

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

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.

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

# Newburg, Town of-Sys Imprvs (Scope cost and funding chg/eng fee variance)2022S-2233Jason Billups described the request, and it is technically feasible.2022S-2233

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.

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

### **RMS PSD Glen Rogers Sys Imprvs (New application)**

#### 2023S-2384

Jason Billups described the request, and it is technically feasible.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends the Ravencliff McGraws Saulsville (RMS) PSD

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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.

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

### Rowlesburg, City of – Sys Imprvs (New application)

Jason Billups 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.

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

#### Sophia, Town of-WWTP (Funding change) Wavne 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.

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

#### South Charleston, City of WWTP Electrical Dist Sys Repl (New application) 2023S-2345 Jason Billups 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.

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

### WATER PROJECTS

### Belmont, City of- Sys Imprvs (Scope, cost, and funding chg)

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 City ARPA Grant, and a \$1,450,000 WDA EEGF for an estimated project cost of \$3,700,000.

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

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

Jason Billups described the request, and it is technically feasible.

2023W-2414

2016S-1658

2023S-2398

2023W-2332

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.

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

## Northern Jackson County PSD-Dist Sys Imprvs (Cost and funding change)2021W-2028Wavne Morgan described the request.2021W-2028

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.

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

Southern Jackson Co PSD-Statts Mills Ext, 35 cust (Cost and funding change)2022W-2291Wayne Morgan described the request.2022W-2291

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.

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

# West Union, Town of -WTP & Sys Improvs (Updated application)2022W-2119Jason Billups described the request, and it is technically feasible.2022W-2119

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.

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

### **BINDING COMMITMENT REQUESTS**

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

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.

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

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### Cowen PSD-Upper Glade II (Bid overrun/binding commitment)

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 \$1,069,302.90 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 \$11,229,352.90 (\$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.

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

### Fairview, Town of-Sys Imprvs I (Binding commitment)

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommend the Town of Fairview application be returned.

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

### Fairview, Town of-Sys Imprvs II (Binding commitment)

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommend the Town of Fairview application be returned.

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

### Mt Hope Water Assoc-Dist Sys Imprvs (Binding commitment)

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.

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

### Nutter Fort, Town of-Sys Imprvs IV (Binding commitment)

Wayne Morgan described the request.

The Technical Review and Funding Committee recommends he Town of Nutter Fort be tabled until the October 24th meeting.

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

### Pea Ridge PSD-Rt 2 Part 1 (Bid overrun/binding commitment)

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)

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2023W-2372

2022W-2087

20218-2059

20228-2294

2014S-1515

2020W-1861

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.

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

## Pennsboro, City of - CN Rt 74 N. 30 cust (Binding commitment extension)2022W-2128Wayne Morgan described the request.2022W-2128

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

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

## Webster Springs PSD -Sys Improvs (Binding commitment extension)2019S-1812Wesser Menser described the manual

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.)

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

# Worthington, Town of – Dist Sys Improvs (Binding commitment extension)2019W-1810Wayne Morgan described the request.2019W-1810

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

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

**Business Items** 

None

Unfinished Business None

### **Executive Director Comments**

### Update Consolidation Committee (Logan, City & County PSD)2022W-2155

**Jonathan Carpenter** - the source has been identified and sampled. They are waiting for the analytical results to come back. They were able to put a flow meter in the pump and it's pumping 3700 GPM. They have the backup information for the recharge, and he checked with the mine as well. He stated it has been doing this for the last 20 years. He concluded that as soon as the analytical results return, his plan is to assemble a letter report and get it back to the Consolidation Committee for review unless the Committee sees another path forward.

### **Beverly, Town of-Collection Sys Imprvs (Funding update)**

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. Note: Marie Prezioso mentioned the project had closed.

### Clay, Town of-Sys Imprvs (Funding update)

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 and Clean Water Needs

Wayne Morgan -Regarding Central Hampshire and Romney possibly being scheduled for the Consolidation Committee meeting September 26<sup>th</sup> following the Technical Review and Funding Committee meeting. There were no objections. Circulation for approval will be sent.

Janna Lowery - The end of their FY is approaching. They are very limited as far as any funding right now. After October 1<sup>st</sup> there will likely be a period of time where they will not have access to funds but will let everyone know the status after the first of the year.

Wayne Morgan for Lesli Stone-Smith – The application process is open A mass email was sent to the planning and development councils and engineers. Lesli Stone Smith is the contact, and her information is on the release.

Kathy Emery – Both Clean Water and Drinking Water IUPs are final and on the website. She added when requesting a binding commitment; work with the funding agency before submitting a request.

Jonathan Fowler – The Infrastructure Summit was last week. West Virginia is slated to receive \$9.2 billion over the next 5 years. He encouraged the group to get a share.

### **Projects Requiring Additional Information**

Buffalo Creek PSD-WWTP Imprvs & Greenville Ext, 178 cust (Returned application) 2022S-2168 Logan, City of-WTP Imprvs (Application referred CC) 2022W-2155 Montgomery, City of-Sewer separation (new application) 2023S-2424 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

2020S-1897

**2019S-1793** 

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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)	20228-2281
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

### PUBLIC COMMENT

None

### ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Committee, the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn, Kathy Emery moved to adjourn; Erica Boggess seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at **10:31 a.m.** 

Wayne D. Morgan Secretary & Executive Director