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Infrastructure Council Conducts Regular April 2021 Meeting

The West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council (IJDC) convened in regular session on April 7, 2021 at the Water Development Authority in Charleston.

At that meeting, eleven projects were Recommended to Pursue Infrastructure Fund Assistance. One project was Recommended to Pursue Funding Sources Other Than Infrastructure Fund Assistance. Eleven projects Requested an Infrastructure Fund Binding Commitment. Three projects were Recommended for In-

frastructure Fund Economic Development Assistance. Four projects Required Additional Information. One sewer and three water applications were received.

Projects Recommended to Pursue Infrastructure Fund Assistance

Brooke County Public Service District, 2021S-1945. This project proposes to extend sanitary sewer service to residents along St. John's Road, branching off to the following streets: Delta Route 934, Moore Lane, Karol Way, Memorial Lakes Rd., Mulberry Lane, Pleasant Valley Lane, Walker Manor Dr., County Rt. 14/1, Yost Mobile Home Park, and Delta Lane. Miscellaneous improvements will be done to the existing system, including pump stations and valves. 178 new customers will be added to the system. The proposed rate per 3,400 gallons is \$58.00. The 1.5 percent MHI is stated at \$57.77. The engineer is Steve Buchanan. The sources and amounts proposed in the preliminary application consisted of an IJDC District 1 Loan (2%, 30 years) of \$5,450,000 with a total cost of \$5,450,000. The proposed funding is an IJDC Dis-

trict 1 Grant of \$500,000 and an IJDC District 1 Loan (2%, 30 years) of \$5,450,000. Total project cost is \$5,950,000. *Motion passed.*

Greater Harrison County Public Service District, 2021S-1943. The Greater Harrison County Public Service District owns and operates a wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) in West Milford, West Virginia, which is associated with this project. The West Milford WWTP includes two aerated lagoon ponds. Lagoon Pond #1 is very near the sludge capacity and has never been cleaned out. An ongoing project will add an additional 315 customers, from the Clarksburg Country Club and Laurel Park areas, to the West Milford WWTP. The additional flow and the Lagoon Pond #1 nearing sludge capacity could trigger an overflow and interrupt the function of the Bio Dome shells in Lagoon Pond #2. This interruption in function of the Bio Dome shells, could allow ammonia nitrogen content levels to rise. The WWTP could then fall out of compliance. We are proposing to remove the sludge through the process of dredging. The Lagoon Pond #1 will remain fully operational during the dredging process.

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This newsletter is published for informational purposes only.
Await notification from the IJDC before proceeding with your projects.

This is the most efficient and cost-effective method. The proposed rate per 3,400 gallons is \$70.26. The 1.5 percent MHI is stated at \$60.16. The engineer is Daniel Ferrell. The proposed funding is an IJDC District 1 Grant of \$500,000 and a CWSRF Debt Forgiveness Loan of \$500,000. Total project cost is \$1,000,000. **Motion passed.**

Belle Sanitary Board, 2021S-1937. The proposed project is to repair and separate the combined storm and sanitary sewer on West Reynolds Avenue. The proposed rate per 3,400 gallons is \$67.29. The 1.5 percent MHI is stated at \$55.73. The engineer is Lee McCoy. The proposed funding is an IJDC District 2 Grant of \$394,900, a commitment from the Town of Belle and Belle Sanitary Board of \$50,000, and a CWSRF Principal Forgiveness Loan of \$344,900. Total project cost is \$789,800. **Motion passed.**

Town of Beverly, 2020S-1897. This project will make improvements to the wastewater collection system by replacing the gravity collection system in place at the Beverly Hills Housing Development and the old Bennett Trailer Court. In addition, the CIP force mains will also be replaced along with upgrading the existing pump stations throughout the collection system. The existing rate per 3,400 gallons is \$24.24 and the proposed rate is \$28.66. The 1.5 percent MHI is stated at \$28.65. The engineer is Eric J. Coberly. The sources and amounts approved by the Council consisted of a US EDA Grant of \$3,241,600, an IJDC District 2 Grant of \$500,000, and an IJDC District 2 Loan of \$310,400 with a total cost of \$4,052,000. The proposed funding is a US EDA Grant of \$3,241,600, an IJDC District 2 Grant of \$410,000, an IJDC Soft Cost Grant of \$90,000, and an IJDC District 2 Loan (2%, 30 years) of \$310,400. Total project cost is \$4,052,000. **Motion passed.**

Town of Capon Bridge, 2018S-1765. The proposed project is the

Capon Bridge WWTP upgrade and expansion with service extension to Capon Bridge Technology Park. The existing rate per 3,400 gallons is \$30.94 and the proposed rate is \$44.10. The 1.5 percent MHI is stated at \$34.38. The engineer is Daniel Ferrell. The sources and amounts approved by the Council consisted of an IJDC District 2 Loan of \$600,000, a Local/City/Council of \$100,000, a Local/City/Council of \$250,000, a US EDA Grant of \$1,232,000, an IJDC District 2 Grant of \$500,000, and an IJDC District 2 Grant of \$500,000 with a total cost of \$3,182,000. The proposed funding is for the Town of Capon Bridge to pursue a CWSRF Debt Forgiveness Loan of \$950,000. Total project cost is \$4,132,000 (bids received). **Motion passed.**

Town of Harman, 2020F-102. Due to the flooding, approximately 2,000 LF of sewer lines were washed out, leaving seven homes along Blizzards Gate Road without sewer service. The engineer is Erasmo Rizo with Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc. The sources and amounts approved by the Council consisted of an IJDC District 2 Grant (Reimbursable) of \$227,364, an IJDC District 2 Grant of \$308,151, and a FEMA Grant of \$894,587.94 with a total cost of \$1,430,102.94. The proposed funding is an additional IJDC District 2 Grant of \$26,610.21, an additional IJDC District 2 Grant (Refundable) of \$11,842.04, an additional FEMA Grant of \$62,236.22, an IJDC District 2 Grant of \$308,151, an IJDC Refundable Grant of \$227,364, and a FEMA Grant of \$894,587.94. Total project cost is \$1,530,791.41. **Motion passed.**

Boone County Public Service District, 2020S-1929. The proposed project is the Boone Memorial Hospital Sewer line extension to the new satellite location in Danville (former Magic Mart) and other businesses. This is critical before the opening of the facility this summer 2021. The existing rate per 3,400 gallons is \$43.32

and the proposed rate is \$43.32. The 1.5 percent MHI is stated at \$33.59. The engineer is Terence "Terry" Moran. The sources and amounts proposed in the preliminary application consisted of an IJDC District 3 Critical Needs & Crisis Situation Grant of \$720,000 with a total cost of \$720,000. Boone County Public Service District is requesting total engineering fee variance be approved. **Motion passed.**

Town of Ceredo, 2021S-1946. Critical Need Request—The proposed project includes the construction of 650' of gravity sewer line to serve a 5-unit, 40 year old commercial facility built on an outparcel of a strip mall, with service also being provided to a 1 acre developable adjacent site. Currently, there is no direct service to either parcel and means of sanitary wastewater disposal for the existing 5-unit commercial building would not comply with regulations. The proposed rate per 3,400 gallons is \$45.60. The 1.5 percent MHI is stated at \$51.43. The engineer is Terence "Terry" Moran. The sources and amounts proposed

IJDC Technical & Funding Committee Meeting

*Tuesday, 10:00 a.m.
April 27, 2021*

IJDC Council Meeting

*Wednesday, 9:30 a.m.
May 5, 2021*

Water Development Authority
1009 Bullitt Street
Charleston, WV

in the preliminary application consisted of an IJDC Critical Needs Grant of \$249,000 with a total cost of \$249,000. The proposed funding is an IJDC Critical Needs Grant of \$124,500 to match \$124,500 of local grant funding. Total project cost is \$249,000. **Motion passed.**

Town of Durbin, 2018S-1764. Broken sanitary and storm sewer

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other activities.

mains have resulted in raw sewage leaking into the ground and lying in ditches, creating a health hazard for residents. The proposed project will replace broken sanitary and storm sewer mains, as well as replacement of the disinfection system at the WWTP. The existing rate per 3,400 gallons is \$28.46 and the proposed rate is \$46.41. The 1.5 percent MHI is stated at \$39.35. The engineer is Dewayne N. Hannah. The sources and amounts approved by the Council consisted of a USDA Loan of \$277,000, an IJDC District 3 Loan of \$200,000, a USDA Grant of \$2,083,000, and an IJDC District 3 Grant of \$300,000 with a total cost of \$2,860,000. The proposed funding is a USDA Grant of \$2,083,000, a USDA Loan (1.25%, 40 years) of \$277,000, an IJDC District 3 Grant of \$300,000, an IJDC District 3 Loan (2%, 30 years) of \$200,000, and a District 3 Bid Overrun Grant of \$100,000. Total project cost is \$2,960,000. **Motion passed.**

McDowell County Public Service District, 2015S-1571. The proposed project is a new collection system and package plant for 60 customers (59 dwellings and 1 store) mainly along Route 16 in Coalwood, WV. The proposed rate

per 3,400 gallons is \$48.00. The 1.5 percent MHI is stated at \$27.69. The engineer is Robert D. Hazelwood. The sources and amounts approved by the Council consisted of a SCBG of \$200,000, a SCBG of \$1,300,000, a CWSRF Principal Forgiveness of \$750,000, and an IJDC District 3 Grant of \$1,000,000 with a total cost of \$3,250,000. The proposed funding is a CDBG (SCBG) Grant of \$1,500,000, a CWSRF Debt Forgiveness Loan of \$1,207,470, an IJDC District 3 Grant of \$1,000,000, and an IJDC District 3 Bid Overrun Grant of \$100,000. Total project cost is \$3,807,470. **Motion passed.**

City of Smithers, 2020S-1871. The proposed project includes separating storm sewer from sanitary sewer to reduce CSO, line replacement including service laterals, drop inlets, etc. The existing rate per 3,400 gallons is \$51.00 and the proposed rate is \$53.21. The 1.5 percent MHI is stated at \$35.42. The engineer is Jonathan Carpenter. The sources and amounts approved by the Council consisted of a CWSRF Debt Forgiveness of \$877,549 and an IJDC District 3 Grant of \$500,000 with a total cost of \$1,377,549. The proposed funding is a CWSRF Debt Forgiveness Loan of \$877,549, an IJDC District 3 Grant of \$500,000, and an IJDC Soft Cost Grant of \$80,000. Total project cost is \$1,457,549. **Motion passed.**

Project Recommended to Pursue Funding Sources Other Than Infrastructure Fund Assistance

Town of Union, 2015W-1577. The proposed project is the extension of water line to approximately 89 customers in the community of Pickaway, north of Union on U.S. Route 219. The existing rate per 3,400 gallons is \$25.16 and the proposed rate is \$32.64. The 1.5 percent MHI is stated at \$46.15. The engineer is Jonathan Carpenter. The sources and amounts ap-

proved by the Council consisted of a SCBG of \$1,121,000, a US COE of \$900,000, and a DWTRF Loan of \$300,000 with a total cost of \$2,321,000. The proposed funding is a CDBG (SCBG) Grant of \$1,496,000, a US ACE Grant of \$975,000, a DWTRF Design Loan (1%, .25% admin fee, 30 years) of \$283,000, and a contribution from the Town of \$42,000. Total project cost is \$2,796,000.

Projects Requesting an Infrastructure Fund Binding Commitment

Town of Albright, 2019S-1786. This project proposes rehabilitation in the areas of State Rt. 26, Methany Avenue, Main Street, Wall Street, Bishop Avenue, St. Joe Road, Central Avenue, McCrumb Street, 1st Street, Park Avenue, 2nd Street, and the beginning of the Crane School Road by cleaning the existing collection lines, repairing and replacing manholes, replacing customer service laterals, replacing lateral wyes, and cutting and capping any open service connections or clean outs not being used that are currently collection storm and ground water. The project also proposes the upgrade of all 3 existing submersible grinder pump stations as well as the existing WWTP. The existing rate per 3,400 gallons is \$42.34 and the proposed rate is \$47.40. The 1.5 percent MHI is stated at \$35.55. The engineer is Steve Buchanan. The sources and amounts approved by the Council consisted of a CWSRF Loan of \$400,000, a CWSRF Principal Forgiveness of \$997,500, and an IJDC District 1 Grant of \$797,500 with a total cost of \$2,195,000. The Town of Albright is requesting an IJDC District 1 Grant binding commitment of \$797,500. **Motion passed.**

City of Follansbee, 2021S-1944. The proposed project is to replace an existing 8 inch sewer line that runs along the banks of the Allegheny Steel Run alongside Blosser Lane in Follansbee. The

line has deteriorated beyond repair resulting in raw sewage flowing into the creek. The existing rate per 3,400 gallons is \$31.99 and the proposed rate is \$43.21. The 1.5 percent MHI is stated at \$63.93. The engineer is Kennon T. Chambers. The sources and amounts proposed in the preliminary application consisted of an IJDC Critical Needs Grant of \$339,281.25 with a total cost of \$339,281.25. The City of Follansbee is requesting an IJDC Critical Needs Grant binding commitment of \$374,281. **Motion passed.**

City of Keyser, 2012S-1345. The proposed project is to upgrade the current sewer plant to meet Chesapeake Bay standards. The engineer is Fredrick "Fred" L. Hypes. The sources and amounts approved by the Council consisted of an IJDC Chesapeake Bay Grant of \$11,231,960.71, an IJDC District 1 Grant of \$782,500, an IJDC Chesapeake Bay Design Grant of \$1,428,250, and a CWSRF Wrap Loan of \$20,400,000 with a total cost of \$33,842,710.71. The City of Keyser is requesting use of contingency for ancillary funds (to purchase the digester controls upgrade) for \$85,000. **Motion passed.**

Town of Beverly, 2020S-1897. The proposed project will make improvements to the wastewater collection system by replacing the gravity collection system in place at the Beverly Hills Housing Development and the old Bennett Trailer Court. In addition, the CIP force mains will also be replaced along with upgrading the existing pump stations throughout the collection system. The existing rate per 3,400 gallons is \$24.24 and the proposed rate is \$28.66. The 1.5 percent MHI is stated at \$28.65. The engineer is Eric J. Coberly. The sources and amounts approved by the Council consisted of a US EDA Grant of \$3,241,600, an IJDC District 2 Grant of \$500,000, and an IJDC District 2 Loan of \$310,400 with a total cost of \$4,052,000. The Town of Beverly

is requesting an IJDC Soft Cost Grant binding commitment of \$90,000. **Motion passed.**

Town of Capon Bridge, 2018S-1765. The proposed project is the Capon Bridge WWTP upgrade and extension with service extension to Capon Bridge Technology Park. The existing rate per 3,400 gallons is \$30.94 and the proposed rate is \$44.10. The 1.5 percent MHI is stated at \$34.38. The engineer is Daniel Ferrell. The sources and amounts approved by the Council consisted of an IJDC District 2 Loan of \$600,000, a Local/City/Council of \$100,000, a Local/City/Council of \$250,000, a US EDA Grant of \$1,232,000, an IJDC District 2 Grant of \$500,000, and an IJDC District 2 Grant of \$500,000 with a total cost of \$3,182,000. The Town of Capon Bridge is requesting a six (6) month binding commitment extension from April 12 and May 6 until October 8, 2021. **Motion passed.**

Town of Harman, 2020F-102. Due to the flooding, approximately 2,000 LF of sewer lines were washed out, leaving seven homes along Blizzards Gate Road without sewer service. The engineer is Erasmo Rizo with Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc. The sources and amounts approved by the Council consisted of an IJDC District 2 Grant (Reimbursable) of \$227,364, an IJDC District 2 Grant of \$308,151, and a FEMA Grant of \$894,587.94 with a total cost of \$1,430,102. The Town of Harman is requesting a binding commitment for an IJDC District 2 Grant of \$26,610.21 and an IJDC District 2 Grant (Refundable) of \$11,842.04. **Motion passed.**

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proposed rate is \$44.10. The 1.5 percent MHI is stated at \$33.59. The engineer is Terence "Terry" Moran. The sources and amounts proposed in the preliminary application consisted of an IJDC District 3 Critical Needs & Crisis Situation Grant of \$720,000 with a total cost of \$720,000. Boone County Public Service District is requesting an IJDC Critical Needs Grant binding commitment of \$720,000. **Motion passed.**

Town of Durbin, 2018S-1764. Broken sanitary and storm sewer mains have resulted in raw sewage leaking into the ground and lying in ditches, creating a health hazard for residents. The proposed project will replace broken sanitary and storm sewer mains, as well as replacement of the disinfection system at the WWTP. The existing rate per 3,400 gallons is \$28.46 and the proposed rate is \$46.41. The 1.5 percent MHI is stated at \$39.35. The engineer is Dewayne N. Hannah. The sources and amounts approved by the Council consisted of a USDA Loan of \$277,000, an IJDC District 3 Loan of \$200,000, a USDA Grant of \$2,083,000, and an IJDC District 3 Grant of \$300,000 with a total cost of \$2,860,000. The Town of Durbin is requesting a District 3 Bid Overrun Grant (transferred from District 3 Loan Funds) binding commitment of \$100,000. **Motion passed.**

Elk Valley Public Service District, 2021S-1952. The proposed project is to provide stability of the Elk River bank, which has the major transmission lines from customers to the Elk Valley Treatment Plant. Erosion from heavy rains and high water are affecting the integrity of the mains. The 1.5 percent MHI is stated at \$57.35. Elk Valley Public Service District is requesting a PFA District 2 binding commitment of \$166,750 for feasibility and environmental studies to verify the cost (\$5m to \$6m) of the project and file application(s) for funding, which will be matched with a US ACE Grant

of \$266,750 to complete the \$433,500 of studies. **Motion passed.**

McDowell County Public Service District, 2015S-1571. The proposed project is a new collection system and package plant for 60 customers (59 dwellings and 1 store) mainly along Route 16 in Coalwood, WV. The proposed rate per 3,400 gallons is \$48.00. The 1.5 percent MHI is stated at \$27.69. The engineer is Robert D. Hazelwood. The sources and amounts approved by the Council consisted of a SCBG of \$200,000, a SCBG of \$1,300,000, a CWSRF Principal Forgiveness of \$750,000, and an IJDC District 3 Grant of \$1,000,000 with a total cost of \$3,250,000. McDowell County Public Service District is requesting an IJDC District 3 Bid Overrun Grant (transferred from District 3 Loan Funds) binding commitment of \$100,000. **Motion passed.**

City of Smithers, 2020S-1871. The proposed project includes separating storm sewer from sanitary sewer to reduce CSO, line replacement including service laterals, drop inlets, etc. The existing rate per 3,400 gallons is \$51.00 and the proposed rate is \$53.21. The 1.5 percent MHI is stated at \$35.42. The engineer is Jonathan Carpenter. The sources and amounts approved by the Council consisted of a CWSRF Debt Forgiveness of \$877,549 and an IJDC District 3 Grant of \$500,000 with a total cost of \$1,377,549. The City of Smithers is requesting an IJDC Soft Cost Grant binding commitment of \$80,000. **Motion passed.**

Projects Recommended for Infrastructure Fund Economic Development Assistance

Hampshire County Economic Development Authority, 2001E-058. The Hampshire County Economic Development Authority is requesting a change in the maturity date for the above referenced loan

to allow for the sell or lease of the property in the park. The new maturity is proposed to be February 1, 2036. **Motion passed.**

Hardy County Rural Development Authority, 2020E-190. The Hardy County Rural Development Authority is requesting that the collateral from the \$430,000 loan on behalf of American Woodmark be changed from a first lien position on fixtures and equipment to a first lien on the land, building, fixtures, and an assignment of the lease. All other terms and conditions will remain the same. **Motion passed.**

Berkeley County Economic Development Authority, 2021E-197. On May 6, 2020, the Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council approved an additional \$250,000 loan to be added to the existing loan (Loan #2016E-164) with the same performance terms. The purpose of the additional funding is to aid Proctor & Gamble (P&G) and the Berkeley County Economic Development Authority (BCEDA) in addressing a storm water management issue that affects P&G, property owned by BCEDA, and an adjacent subdivision. P&G has met the performance requirements and is requesting that the additional \$250,000 loan be changed to a grant. **Motion passed.**

Business Items

Marie Prezioso presented the Council with the West Virginia Infrastructure & Jobs Development Council Certification Resolution, which certifies to the Treasurer of the State of West Virginia and to the West Virginia Water Development Authority, that the principal and interest coverage ratio and amount for the 2022 Fiscal Year (ending June 30, 2022) is \$21,954,900. **Motion passed.**

Marie Prezioso presented the Council with the Supplemental Interest Rate Resolution. The Res-

olution states: 1) The Executive Director of the Council shall return any pre-application submitted to the Council that requests Infrastructure Fund non interest bearing loan funding (i.e. 0%/40 years); 2) Paragraph 2 of the 2010 Resolution is hereby supplemented and clarified to read as follows: When preparing pre-applications requesting Infrastructure Fund assistance, project sponsors with MHI's over 1.50% and under 2% should request terms of 2% and thirty years; and project sponsors with MHI's at or over 2% should request terms of 1% and 40 years. Project sponsors with MHI's at or under 1.50% who cannot obtain commercial/public market funds on terms deemed reasonable by the Council should request terms of 3% and twenty years; provided however, that the Council may set a lower interest rate at the time of the issuance of a binding commitment letter for funding. These terms and rates are for illustrative purposes and are not a commitment of funding; 3) The Council may adopt quarterly resolutions establishing the interest rate for twenty year loans; 4) The Council retains the right to award non interest bearing loans on a case by case basis; 5) This supplemental resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption. **Motion passed.**

Marie Prezioso presented the



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Council with the Quarterly Interest Rate Resolution. The Resolution states: 1) The interest rate for a twenty-year loan to a project sponsor awarded a binding commitment of funding from April 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021 shall be 2.75% per annum and 2) This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption. ***Motion passed.***

Informational Items

Kathy Emery reported that they are in the process of finalizing their SRF 2022 Intended Use Plan and will be going out to public comment some time in the next few months. In addition, they are tracking what's happening on the federal level and learned information on the Overflow Stormwater Grant (OSG) Program—the first initial allocations aren't going to be much and they're trying to figure out how to handle that.

Lesli Stone Smith with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers reported that they have received funding for their FY21 Workplan Allowance for Section 340 and Section 571 Programs. Those projects have been selected and they will be moving forward with the kickoff meetings.

Janna Lowery with the U.S. Department of Agriculture reported that they have their 2021 State Allocation and they're actively funding projects. They'll be doing that from now through their end-of-the-year pooling date at the beginning of August.

John Reisenweber asked about the possibility of returning to in-person Council Meetings. It may be possible for the June Council Meeting to be held in person with proper social distancing.

Executive Director Comments

Wayne Morgan reported that IJDC has policies and procedures and have required an update on cost estimates that are more than twelve (12) months old. There are a lot of projects coming in over budget, so they're going to modify their policies and procedures and require an update every three (3) months. ***Motion passed.***

Projects Requiring Additional Information

Denver Water Association,
2020W-1888

Bradley Public Service District,
2020S-1884

McDowell County Public Service District, 2019W-1838

Town of Pax, 2021S-1933

Applications Received

The following sewer application was received:

Town of Paw Paw, 2021S-1948

The following water applications were received:

Pendleton County Public Service District, 2021W-1947

Greenbrier County Public Service District, 2020W-1898

Wilderness Public Service District, 2021W-1940

Public Comment

There was a written comment from Todd Swanson relating to Bradley Public Service District's project being tabled.