

MINUTES

**Regional Intergovernmental Council
Called Meeting
April 21, 2026; 11:00 A. M.
Regional Intergovernmental Council
315 D Street, South Charleston, WV
Via Zoom**

RIC Board Members:

Mayor Frances Armentrout, Town of Marmet - Present
Andy Backus, City of Charleston Citizen Representative – Present
Mayor Randy Barrett, Town of Winfield – Absent
Mayor Charles Blair, Town of East Bank – Present
Erick S. Cage, J.D.,LL.M., Private Sector Representative (Proxy Curtis Johnson) – Present
Mayor Conrad Cain, Town of Buffalo - Absent
Brian Carr, Private Sector Representative - Absent
Mayor David Casebolt, City of Nitro - Absent
Mayor Cam Clendenin, Town of Eleanor - Absent
Coston Davis, Minority Group Representative - Present
Andrew Dunlap, Private Sector Representative – Absent
Mayor Jami Echols, Town of Bancroft - Present
Mayor Scott Edwards, City of Hurricane - Absent
Mayor Scott Elliott, City of Dunbar – Absent
Mayor Donald Fannin, Town of Glasgow - Present
Victor Farmer, City of Madison Council Representative – Present
Mayor Harvey Ferrell, Town of Sylvester – Absent
Mayor David Fletcher, Town of Belle – Present
Mayor Essie Ford, Town of Handley – Absent
Mayor Amy Shuler Goodwin, City of Charleston – Absent
Mayor Fred Harless, Town of Whitesville – Absent
Mayor Melissa Hill, City of Chesapeake – Absent
Mayor Scott James, City of St. Albans – Present
Mayor William Jones, Town of Poca - Present
Connie Kinder, Private Sector Representative – Present
Kenneth Kinder, Private Sector Representative – Present
Audrey Kirksey, Kanawha County Citizen Representative - Present
Commissioner Brett Kuhn, Boone County Commission (Proxy Chip Shaffer) - Present
Commissioner Duane Legg, Clay County Commission – Absent
Mayor Marlene Lewis, Town of Clay – Absent
Megan Lomax, Private Sector Representative – Absent
Charles Mays, Private Sector Representative – Absent
Mayor Mark McClure, Town of Danville – Absent
Clark McCoy, Private Sector Representative – Present
Barry McCune, Clay County Citizen Representative – Absent
Kris Mitchell, Boone County Citizen Representative - Present

Mayor Frank Mullins, City of South Charleston – Absent
Leonard Price, Private Sector Representative – Present
Shannon Robinson, Minority Group Representative - Absent
Kristi Sarrett, Private Sector Representative - Absent
Eric Sharp, Private Sector Representative - Absent
Commissioner Andy Skidmore, Putnam County – Present
Mark Stolle, Putnam County Citizen Representative – Absent
Mayor Kay Summers, Town of Clendenin - Absent
Commissioner Natalie Tennant, Kanawha County Commission – Present
Joy Underwood, Private Sector Representative – Absent
Mayor Andy Williams, Town of Pratt – Absent
Mayor Melissa Young, Town of Cedar Grove - Absent
Curt Zickafoose, Private Sector Representative - Present

RIC Staff and Other Individuals Present:

Tyler Ferrell, Executive Director, RIC
Joanna Keller, Executive Assistant, RIC
Michael Dodd, DOH
Laci Webb, Kanawha County Commission

The Regional Intergovernmental Council (RIC) met on April 21, 2026, via Zoom.

I. Call to Order

Chair Kris Mitchell declared a quorum and called the meeting to order.

II. Approval of Staffing Contract Between RIC and Mountain State Small Business Finance, Inc.

Chair Kris Mitchell presented the staffing contract between RIC and Mountain State Small Business Finance, Inc. for approval.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CHIP SHAFFER FOR APPROVAL OF THE STAFFING CONTRACT BETWEEN RIC AND MOUNTAIN STATE SMALL BUSINESS FINANCE, INC. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY ANDY BACKUS AND WAS CARRIED.

III. Approval of Professional Services Contract with J. R. Bruno and Associates

Chair Kris Mitchell presented the Professional Services Contract with J. R. Bruno and Associates for approval.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CONNIE KINDER FOR APPROVAL OF THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH J. R. BRUNO AND ASSOCIATES. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY DAVID FLETCHER AND WAS CARRIED.

IV. Adjournment

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CONNIE KINDER TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY WILLIAM JONES AND WAS CARRIED. THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:07 A.M.

Kris Mitchell, Chair
Regional Intergovernmental Council

Date