MINUTES

Regional Intergovernmental Council
Called Meeting
July 28, 2026; 1:00 P. M.
Regional Intergovernmental Council
315 D Street, South Charleston, WV
Via Zoom

RIC Board Members:

Mayor Frances Armentrout, Town of Marmet - Absent
Andy Backus, City of Charleston Citizen Representative – Present
Mayor Randy Barrett, Town of Winfield – Absent
Mayor Charles Blair, Town of East Bank – Absent
Ericke S. Cage, J.D..,LL.M., Private Sector Representative (Proxy Curtis Johnson) – Absent
Mayor Conrad Cain, Town of Buffalo - Present
Mayor David Casebolt, City of Nitro - Present
Mayor Cam Clendenin, Town of Eleanor – Absent
Mike Dodd, Private Sector 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 – Present
Mayor Donald Fannin, Town of Glasgow - Absent
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 – Present
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 – Absent
Audrey Kirksey, Kanawha County Citizen Representative - Present
Commissioner Brett Kuhn, Boone County Commission (Proxy Chip Shaffer) - Present
Commissioner Duane Legg, Clay County Commission – Present
Mayor Marlene Lewis, Town of Clay – Present
Megan Lomax, Private Sector Representative – Present
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 - Present
Kristi Sarrett, Private Sector Representative - Present
Eric Sharp, Private Sector Representative - Present
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 Melanie Vickers, Town of Belle– Present
Mayor Andy Williams, Town of Pratt – Absent
Mayor Melissa Young, Town of Cedar Grove - Absent
Curt Zickafoose, Private Sector Representative - Absent

RIC Staff and Other Individuals Present:
Tyler Ferrell, Executive Director, RIC
Joanna Keller, Executive Assistant, RIC

The Regional Intergovernmental Council (RIC) met on July 28, 2026, via Zoom.

I. Call to Order

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

II. Authorizing the Executive Director, on behalf of the Regional Intergovernmental Council, to submit a grant application to the USDA Rural Business Development Grant Program

Chair Kris Mitchell presented the grant application to the USDA Rural Business Development Grant Program for authorization to be signed by the Executive Director, on behalf of the Regional Intergovernmental Council.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CONNIE KINDER TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, ON BEHALF OF THE REGIONAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL COUNCIL, TO SUBMIT THE GRANT APPLICATION TO THE USDA RURAL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY DAVID FLETCHER AND WAS CARRIED.

III. Adjournment

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

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Kris Mitchell, Chair **Date**
Regional Intergovernmental Council