

TENNESSEE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
May 14, 2024

The Tennessee Local Development Authority (the "TLDA") met on Tuesday, May 14, 2024, at 3:20 p.m. in the Volunteer Conference Center, 2nd Floor, Cordell Hull Building, Nashville, Tennessee. The Honorable Tre Hargett, Secretary of State, was present and presided over the meeting.

The following members or proxies were also present:

Mr. William Wood, proxy for the Honorable Jason E. Mumpower, Comptroller of the Treasury
 The Honorable David H. Lillard, Jr., State Treasurer
 Commissioner Jim Bryson, Department of Finance and Administration
 Mayor Paige Brown, House Appointee

The following member participated electronically as authorized by Tennessee Code Annotated § 8-44-108:

Mayor Rollen "Buddy" Bradshaw, Senate Appointee

The following member was absent:

The Honorable Bill Lee, Governor

Recognizing a physical quorum present, Secretary Hargett called the meeting to order. Secretary Hargett asked Ms. Thompson to conduct a roll call:

Commissioner Bryson—Present
 Treasurer Lillard—Present
 Secretary Hargett—Present
 Mayor Bradshaw—Present
 Mayor Brown—Present
 Mr. Wood—Present

Secretary Hargett, in accordance with Public Chapter 300 and Board guidelines, asked Ms. Sandra Thompson, TLDA Assistant Secretary and the Director of the Division of State Government Finance (SGF), if any requests for public comment had been received. Ms. Thompson responded that no requests for public comment had been received.

Secretary Hargett stated that the next item of business was approval of the minutes from the March 25, 2024, TLDA meeting. He inquired if there were any questions or comments. Hearing none, Mayor Brown moved approval, and Treasurer Lillard seconded the motion. Secretary Hargett asked Ms. Thompson to conduct a roll call vote:

Commissioner Bryson—Aye
 Treasurer Lillard—Aye
 Secretary Hargett—Aye
 Mayor Bradshaw—Aye
 Mayor Brown—Aye
 Mr. Wood—Aye

The minutes were unanimously approved.

Secretary Hargett stated that the next item on the agenda was the consideration and approval of a Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) loan. He recognized Ms. Vena Jones, Program Manager, Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) Division of Water Resources, to present the request. Ms. Jones first presented the Report on Funds Available for Loan Obligation for the CWSRF Loan Program. She stated the

unobligated fund balance was \$124,611,175 as of March 25, 2024. Since that time, the unobligated balance had increased by \$3,468,080 with the return of unused loan funding for a project from the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County. Upon approval of the loan request to be presented totaling \$509,843, the remaining funds available for loan obligations would be \$127,569,412. She then presented the CWSRF loan request.

- **Tullahoma Utilities Authority (CW8 2023-442-01)** Requesting \$509,843 for a new pump station (PS) and force main: replacement of the existing Ovoca Road PS and the installation of approximately 10,000 linear feet of 12-inch diameter force main along Ovoca Road; recommended interest rate of 2.35% based on the Ability to Pay Index (ATPI); Priority ranking 16 of 53 (FY2021); Term: 20 years

Secretary Hargett inquired if there were any questions or comments. Hearing none, Secretary Hargett motioned to approve the loan, and Commissioner Bryson seconded the motion. Secretary Hargett asked Ms. Thompson to conduct a roll call vote:

Commissioner Bryson—Aye
 Treasurer Lillard—Aye
 Secretary Hargett—Aye
 Mayor Bradshaw—Aye
 Mayor Brown—Aye
 Mr. Wood—Aye

The loan was unanimously approved.

Secretary Hargett stated that the next item on the agenda was the consideration and approval of Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) loans and said that unless there were any objections the TLDA would hear all three loan requests prior to asking for a motion to approve. Hearing none, he recognized Ms. Jones to present the requests. Ms. Jones first presented the Report on Funds Available for Loan Obligation for the DWSRF Loan Program. She stated the unobligated fund balance was \$74,035,301, as of November 29, 2023. Since that time, the unobligated had increased by \$633,538 with the return of unused loan funding for a project from the City of Smyrna. Upon approval of the loan requests to be presented totaling \$24,280,432, the remaining funds available for loan obligations would be \$50,388,407. She then presented the DWSRF loan requests.

- **Oak Ridge (DWF 2022-253-01)** Requesting \$20,000,000 for construction of a new 16 million gallons per day water treatment plant; recommended interest rate of 3.33% based on the ATPI; Priority ranking 20 of 48 (FY2020); Term: 30 years
- **Winchester (DG21 2024-265)** Requesting \$4,170,500 (\$3,336,400 (80%) loan; \$834,100 (20%) principal forgiveness) for water meter replacements: installation of approximately 12,950 advanced metering infrastructure meters; recommended interest rate of 2.17% based on the ATPI; Priority ranking 119 of 143 (FY2022); Term: 15 years
- **Woodbury (DW7 2020-220-01)** Requesting \$109,932 for new water storage tank: Construction of a new 0.75-million-gallon water storage tank adjacent to the existing Parker Hill storage tank; recommended interest rate of 2.30% based on the ATPI; Priority ranking 5 of 21 (FY2018); Term: 20 years

Secretary Hargett inquired if there were any questions or comments. Hearing none, Secretary Hargett motioned to approve the loans, and Commissioner Bryson seconded the motion. Secretary Hargett asked Ms. Thompson to conduct a roll call vote:

Commissioner Bryson—Aye
 Treasurer Lillard—Aye
 Secretary Hargett—Aye
 Mayor Bradshaw—Aye

Mayor Brown—Aye
Mr. Wood—Aye

The loans were unanimously approved.

Secretary Hargett stated that the next item on the agenda was an update on the SRF program's Clean Water (CW) and Drinking Water (DW) priority ranking lists (PRL). Ms. Jones was recognized to present the item. Ms. Jones stated that she had included a summary of the PRLs in the meeting materials. She explained that while many communities were still interested in SRF funding, some were less interested because they were accessing American Rescue Plan (ARP) funding. Ms. Jones pointed out that 27 of the 104 communities on the CWPRL had opted not to pursue SRF funding. Regarding the DW survey, Ms. Jones reported that 143 communities were on the DWPRL, with 33 still interested in obtaining approval for SRF funding with only 16 that decided not to proceed. She noted that the primary reason that communities were opting out was because they were utilizing ARP funds instead. Ms. Jones pointed out that there were 14 DW communities considering SRF with ARP funding. Secretary Hargett asked if that concluded her report, and Ms. Jones responded affirmatively. Secretary Hargett inquired if there were questions or comments. Hearing none, he commended Ms. Jones for her presentation and assured the board members that Ms. Jones could address any follow-up questions in the future.

Hearing no other business, Secretary Hargett called for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Wood motioned to adjourn the meeting. Treasurer Lillard seconded the motion. Secretary Hargett asked Ms. Thompson to conduct a roll call vote:

Commissioner Bryson—Aye
Treasurer Lillard—Aye
Secretary Hargett—Aye
Mayor Bradshaw—Aye
Mayor Brown—Aye
Mr. Wood—Aye

The meeting was adjourned.

Approved on this 24th day of June, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,


Sandra Thompson
Assistant Secretary

