

**NY FORWARD  
GRANT APPLICATION  
SEPTEMBER 12, 2023  
6:30 PM**

**Present:** Mayor Dellerba, Trustees Stanford, and Satterly, Treasurer Kaiding, Clerk Lee and Attorney Jessica Young. **Absent:** Trustee Brach.

**Visitors:** Lisa Kornmeyer, Jonathan Kornmeyer, Mike Andrews II, Jerry and Terri Britton, Melanie Hastwell, Heather Collins and Dina Olmstead.

Mayor Dellerba called the Public Hearing to order at 6:30 pm.

Mayor Dellerba offered the following information on the NY Forward Grant Program and application:

NY Forward is a highly competitive grant process and public input is an important element of the application. This is your chance to have input on the future of our community. This funding is provided for the downtown recovery of New York's smaller and rural communities, with a focus on hamlets, villages, and neighborhood-scale municipal centers. NY State has allocated \$100 million for the first round of NY Forward. Each of the State's ten REDCs (Regional Economic Development Councils) will have the option of nominating two communities for \$4.5 million NY Forward awards or three communities one of which will receive \$4.5 million and two that will be awarded \$2.25 million.

The Village Office is seeking input, suggestions and feedback from the public as to what are high priority needs and wants for downtown Boonville.

Mayor Dellerba opened the floor for public comment. Ms. Kornmeyer and Ms. Collins offered many suggestions for façade improvements to the downtown area, a youth center, music lessons, yoga classes arts & crafts classes and Ms. Collins mentioned the idea of a lighted pathway along her property from Main Street to the municipal parking lot in back of the stores.

There being no additional comment from the public, Mayor Dellerba closed the Public Hearing at 6:49 pm.

  
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Wendy Lee, Village Clerk