

**Village of Bellaire
Downtown Development Authority
Grants Committee
September 1, 2026
Minutes**

Members present: Shelly Dayton, Margie Boyd, Jamie Creason

Members absent: None

Others present: Marcy Dwyer

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Shelly Dayton.

2. Attendance

3. Public Comment on Agenda Items

None

4. New Business

The committee members discussed the Consumers Energy Foundation 2026 Community Impact Awards program (attached). Ms. Boyd said she would attend the September 2nd webinar. Members discussed eligibility of various projects. The deadline for projects to be complete is December 31, 2027. It was the consensus of the committee to apply for the Consumers Energy grant to help fund a wayfinding sign project.

Members also discussed the possibility of applying for a Great Lakes Energy Peoples Fund grant. Ms. Boyd reviewed project eligibility for the GLE grant. Ms. Creason and Ms. Dayton noted the requirement to collaborate with other organizations was one that would be easily met. It was also noted that it is possible to use the in-kind donations and actual raised funds as leverage in the grant proposal. It was the consensus of the committee to apply for the GLE Peoples Fund grant to use toward funding the Duck Drop.

5. Old Business

None.

6. Miscellaneous Business

7. Public Comment

None

Meeting adjourned at 10:02 a.m.