

Chemung County Industrial Development Agency
Public Hearing Minutes
September 4, 2015

Attendance: Shawn Crater, Town of Big Flats, Water System Supervisor; Thomas Reilly, Town of Big Flats Attorney; Natalie Abruzzo, WENY TV; Maggie Barnes, 6283 Skyline Drive, Waverly, New York; George Miner, Southern Tier Economic Growth Inc., Elmira, New York

The Public Hearing was called to order at 9:00 AM by George Miner, Chemung County Industrial Development Agency, located at 400 East Church Street, Elmira New York.

The Public Hearing was held at the Town of Big Flats, Town Hall, 476 Maple Street, Big Flats, New York on Friday, September 4, 2015.

The purpose of the hearing was to listen to comments on the proposed expansion of the DeMet's Candy Company in the Town of Big Flats, New York.

Mr. Miner provided an overview of the DeMet's Candy Company expansion project, their history in Chemung County, and a description of the proposed financial assistance.

The Agency is considering undertaking an expansion of the 2008 Project for the benefit of the Company or such other person designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency, said 2015 Project to consist of the following: (A) (1) the acquisition of an interest in an approximately 17 acre parcel of land located at One Turtle Circle in the Airport Corporate Park in the Town of Big Flats with an approximately 100,000 square foot building thereon, (2) the construction of an approximately 21,300 square foot expansion of the Existing Facility, (3) the construction of an approximately 24,000 square foot expansion of the 2015 Phase I facility in approximately 2018, (4) the expansion of parking up to a total of 103 parking spaces, (5) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of certain machinery and equipment, all of the foregoing to constitute a confections manufacturing facility and related activities ; all of the foregoing to be operated by the Company as a confectionary manufacturing facility; (B) the granting of certain financial assistance with respect to the foregoing , including potential exemptions from certain sales and use taxes, real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes and mortgage recording taxes .

Maggie Barnes asked if the financial assistance was standard for such projects. G. Miner responded yes. Maggie Barnes stated she wished she could get the same incentive for her home.

There being no further comments, the public hearing was closed at 9:07 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

George E. Miner