

A meeting of the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency was convened in public session on May 17, 2007 in Canton, New York.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and, upon roll being called, the following were:

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Walter Basmajian	X	
Lynn Blevins		X
Jon. R. Greenwood	X	
Ernest LaBaff	X	
Frederick S. Morrill	X	
Brian W. Staples	X	
R. Joseph Weekes, Jr.	x	

The following persons were ALSO PRESENT: Raymond Fountain, CEO; Patrick Kelly, Interim CFO; Natalie Haggart, Administrative Assistant; Brian Norton, Economic Developer; Richard Williams, Facilities Manager

The following resolution was offered by Mr. LaBaff and seconded by Mr. Basmajian:

(1) TAKING OFFICIAL ACTION TOWARDS THE DEVELOPMENT OF A CERTAIN PROJECT (AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED BELOW) BY BENNETT FAMILY PROPERTIES, LLC (THE "COMPANY") AT HIGHLAND ROAD IN THE TOWN OF MASSENA, NEW YORK; (2) ADOPTING FINDINGS PURSUANT TO THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT ("SEQRA") IN RELATION TO THE PROJECT; (3) AUTHORIZNG FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE COMPANY FOR THE PROJECT IN THE FORM OF (A) A SALES TAX EXEMPTION FOR PURCHASES AND RENTALS RELATED TO THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPPING OF THE PROJECT AND (B) A MORTGAGE RECORDING TAX EXEMPTION FOR THE FINANCING RELATED TO THE PROJECT; (4) APPOINTING BENNETT FAMILY PROPERTIES, LLC AS AGENT TO UNDERTAKE THE PROJECT; (5) AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF TITLE TO CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY AND THE IMPROVEMENTS THEREON IN RELATION TO COMPLETION OF DEVELOPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROJECT; AND (6) AUTHORIZING EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A SALE LEASE-BACK AGREEMENT AND CLOSING DOCUMENTS IN RELATION TO FINANCING OF THE PROJECT.

Resolution No. 07-05-20

WHEREAS, the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York (the "State") as amended, and Chapter 358 of the Laws of 1971 of the State, as amended (collectively, the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of industrial, manufacturing, warehousing, commercial, research, civic, and recreation facilities, including industrial pollution control facilities, railroad facilities and certain horse racing facilities, for the purpose of promoting,

attracting, encouraging and developing recreation and economically sound commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State, to improve their recreation opportunities, prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, Bennett Family Properties, LLC, (the “Company”), has requested the Agency’s assistance with a certain project (the “Project”) consisting of (A) the purchase of an approximately 2.0 acre parcel of land located on Highland Road in the Town of Massena, New York (the “Land”), (B) the construction of a commercial building of approximately 10,000 square feet on the Land to be leased to third parties (the “Building”)(the Land and the Building are collectively the “Facility”), and

WHEREAS, it is contemplated that the Agency will (i) designate the Company as its agent for the purpose of acquiring, constructing and equipping the Project pursuant to an agent agreement (the “Agent Agreement”), (ii) negotiate and enter into a sale-leaseback agreement (the “Sale-Leaseback Agreement”) with the Company, (iii) take title to the Land and the Building constituting the Project (once the Sale-Leaseback Agreement has been negotiated), and (iv) provide financial assistance to the Company in the form of (a) a sales and use tax exemption for purchases and rentals related to the acquisition, construction and equipping of the Project, (b) a mortgage recording tax exemption for the financing related to the Project (the “Financial Assistance”); and

WHEREAS, the Financial Assistance to be provided to the Company by the Agency is not anticipated to exceed \$100,000; and

WHEREAS, the Company has submitted to the Agency a Short Form Environmental Assessment Form (the “EAF”) in compliance with Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law and Regulations adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State (collectively, “SEQRA”) with respect to the Project, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Company has presented an application in a form acceptable to the Agency. Based upon the representations made by the Company to the Agency in the Company’s application, the Agency hereby finds and determines that:

(A) By virtue of the Act, the Agency has been vested with all powers necessary and convenient to carry out and effectuate the purposes and provisions of the Act and to exercise all powers granted to it under the Act; and

(B) It is desirable and in the public interest for the Agency to appoint the Company as its agent for purposes of acquiring, constructing and equipping the Project; and

(C) The Agency has the authority to take the actions contemplated herein under the Act; and

(D) The action to be taken by the Agency will induce the Company to develop the Project, thereby increasing employment opportunities in St. Lawrence County and otherwise furthering the purposes of the Agency as set forth in the Act; and

(E) The Project will not result in the removal of a civic, commercial, industrial, or manufacturing plant of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project from one area of the State of New York (the “State”) to another area of the State or result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project located within the State; and the Agency hereby finds that, based on the Company’s application, to the extent occupants are relocating from one plant or facility to another, the Project is reasonably necessary to discourage the Project occupants from removing such other plant or facility to a location outside the State and/or is reasonably necessary to preserve the competitive position of the Project occupants in their respective industries; and

(F) The Project involves an “Unlisted Action” as said term is defined under SEQRA. The review is uncoordinated. Based upon the review by the Agency of the EAF and related documents delivered by the Company to the Agency and other representations made by the Company to the Agency in connection with the Project, the Agency hereby finds that (i) the Project will result in no major impacts and, therefore, is one which may not cause significant damage to the environment; (ii) the Project will not have a “significant effect on the environment” as such quoted terms are defined in SEQRA; and (iii) no “environmental impact statement” as such quoted term is defined in SEQRA, need be prepared for this action. This determination constitutes a “negative declaration” for purposes of SEQRA. The Agency’s findings are incorporated in Part II of the EAF.

Section 2. The Agency hereby authorizes financial assistance (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the General Municipal law) to the Company with respect to the Project consisting of (a) a sales and use tax exemption for purchases and rentals related to the acquisition, construction and equipping of the Project, (b) a mortgage recording tax exemption for the financing related to the Project.

Section 3. Subject to the Company executing an Agent Agreement and the delivery to the Agency of a binder, certificate or other evidence of liability insurance policy for the Project satisfactory to the Agency, the Agency hereby authorizes the Company to proceed with the acquisition, construction and equipping of the Project and hereby appoints the Company as the true and lawful agent of the Agency: (i) to acquire, construct and equip the Project; (ii) to make, execute, acknowledge and deliver any contracts, orders, receipts, writings and instructions, as the stated agent for the Agency with the authority to delegate such agency, in whole or in part, to agents, subagents, contractors, and subcontractors of such agents and subagents and to such other parties as the Company chooses; and (iii) in general, to do all things which may be requisite or proper for completing the Project, all with the same powers and the same validity that the Agency could do if acting in its own behalf.

Section 4. The Chairman, Vice Chairman and/or the Chief Executive Officer of the Agency are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to (A) accept a deed from the Company conveying the Land and any improvements thereon, including, without limitation, the Building, to the Agency, (B) execute and deliver the Sale Leaseback Agreement as negotiated with the Company (in a form consistent with the general practices of the Agency) and related documents necessary or incidental thereto, and (C) upon completion of development and construction of the Project or upon such other occurrence as specified in the Sale Lease-Back Agreement, to execute and deliver a deed conveying the Facility back to the Company.

Section 5. The Chairman, Vice Chairman and/or Chief Executive Officer of the Agency are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to execute and deliver any mortgage, assignment of leases and rents, security agreement, UCC-1 Financing Statements and all documents reasonably contemplated

by this resolution or required by an lender or financial institution designated by the Company (the "Lender") in a sufficient amount to undertake the Project (hereinafter, with the Sale Lease-Back Agreement, collectively called the "Closing Documents"); and, where appropriate, the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Agency is hereby authorized to affix the seal of the Agency to the Closing Documents and to attest the same, all with such changes, variations, omissions and insertions as the Chairman, Vice Chairman and/or Chief Executive Officer of the Agency shall approve, the execution thereof by the Chairman, Vice Chairman and/or Chief Executive Officer of the Agency to constitute conclusive evidence of such approval; provided in all events recourse against the Agency is limited to the Agency's interest in the Project.

Section 6. The officers, employees and agents of the Agency are hereby authorized and directed for and in the name and on behalf of the Agency to do all acts and things required and to execute and deliver all such certificates, instruments and documents, to pay all such fees, charges and expenses and to do all such further acts and things as may be necessary or, in the opinion of the officer, employee or agent acting, desirable and proper to effect the purposes of the foregoing resolutions and to cause compliance by the Agency with all of the terms, covenants and provisions of the documents executed for and on behalf of the Agency.

Section 7. This resolution and any and all related documents shall expire **November 30, 2007** unless extended for good cause by the Chief Executive Officer of the Agency.

Section 8. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Walter Basmajian	X			
Lynn Blevins				X
Jon R. Greenwood	X			
Ernest LaBaff	X			
Frederick S. Morrill	X			
Brian W. Staples	X			
R. Joseph Weekes, Jr.	x			

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) SS.:
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE)

I, the undersigned Chairman of the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on May 17, 2007 with the original on file, and that the same is a true and correct copy of said original and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (i) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting, (ii) said meeting was in all respects duly held, (iii) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public, and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was duly given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law, and (iv) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present throughout said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that as of the date hereof the attached Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, repealed or rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this 17th day of May, 2007.

Brian W. Staples, Chairman

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