

PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

**Herkimer County Industrial Development Agency
July 10, 2019 @ 8:00 AM
Little Falls Solar, LLC
Town of Little Falls, Town Hall,
478 Flint Avenue Extension, Little Falls, NY 13365**

John J. Piseck, Jr. introduced himself as the Executive Director of the Herkimer County Industrial Development Agency and opened the public hearing at 8:01 AM.

Mr. Piseck appointed Stacey Holleran to record the minutes of the hearing.

Mr. Piseck stated that on June 26, 2019 a Public Hearing Notice was published in the legal section of the Times Telegram as well as being posted on the Agency website. The Agency also provided a copy to the CEO of all affected taxing jurisdictions. The following is the published notice:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing pursuant to Article 18-A of the New York State General Municipal Law, will be held by the Herkimer County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") on the 10th day of July 2019, at 8:00 AM, local time at the Town Hall, Town of Little Falls, 478 Flint Avenue Extension, Little Falls, Herkimer County, New York, in connection with the following matter:

LITTLE FALLS SOLAR, LLC (the "Company") has requested that the Agency consider undertaking a project for the benefit of the Company as follows: (i) to provide assistance through sales tax and mortgage tax incentives for the constructing, equipping, and financing of the described project Facility and real property tax relief in the form of a Payment in Lieu of Tax Agreement (the "Assistance"), (ii) to acquire, construct, equip, and finance the Facility or to cause the Facility to be constructed, equipped, and financed; and (iii) to lease and/or sublease (with an obligation to leaseback) or sell the Facility to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

The Facility will consist of the acquisition, construction, and equipping of a solar array in the Town of Little Falls with an estimated capacity of 2.867± kilowatts. The Project has an estimated cost of Four Million Sixty-Eight Thousand Three Hundred and Sixty-One 00/100 Dollars (\$4,068,361.00) (the "Project Costs").

A representative of the Agency will be at the above-stated time and place to review the project application, and hear comments and accept written statements from any persons with views in favor of or opposed to either the proposed Assistance to the Company or the location or nature of the Facility. A copy of the Application filed by the Company with the Agency with respect to the Facility, including an analysis of the costs and benefits of the Project, is available

for public inspection during business hours at the offices of the Agency. A transcript or summary report of the hearing will be made available to the members of the Agency.

Additional information can be obtained from, and written comments may be addresses to John J. Piseck, Jr., Executive Director, Herkimer County Industrial Development Agency, 420 E. German Street, Suite 101 A, Herkimer, New York 13350; Telephone 315-866-3000.

Mr. Piseck invited public comments.

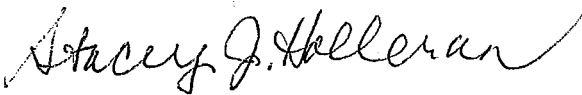
Elaine Cobb stated she is a resident of the Town of Little Falls, and also a previous Chairperson of the Town of Little Falls Planning Board. Ms. Cobb has no objection to the project or the location; however, she disagrees with giving the solar company a PILOT. In 2016 the Town of Little Falls opted out of 487 Local Law NY-Sun because of tax impact. The law allows jurisdictions to collect revenue by PILOT agreement but they opted out. She pays taxes on her property and they will pay 60% of what she currently pays. Disappointed, thinks it is wrong. Wants Mr. Piseck to explain how/why city opted in. She stated they will seek legal counsel to see if they can do anything. Other taxpayers should be appalled. They (Nexamp) were fully aware when they came. She also asked why public hearing was scheduled at this time of day.

Dan Casler, Supervisor, Town of Little Falls, asked if there are other projects coming that we could advocate for the town. They would like to get more money from the companies...get biggest bang for buck...in business to make money.

Mr. Casler asked if Nexamp was mentioned in the notice to be present. Answer was no.

Being no further public comment, the public hearing was closed at 8:20 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Stacey J. Holleran
Assistant Secretary

Attachment: Sign in sheet

