

*TOWN OF RIDGEWAY  
PUBLIC HEARING – 7:00 PM  
MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2015*

SPECIAL EVENT: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT  
APPLICATION

The Public Hearing was called to order by Supervisor Napoli at 7:00 P.M. at the Ridgeway Town Hall, 410 West Avenue, Medina, NY.

Those Officers Present:	Brian Napoli	Supervisor
	Jeffrey Toussaint	Councilman
	Paul Blajszczak	Councilman
	Mary Woodruff	Councilwoman
	David Stalker	Councilman
Others:	Mark Goheen	Hwy Superintendent
	Daniel Wolfe	Code Enforcement Off. (Absent Excused)
	Katherine Bogan	Attorney
	Patricia Laszewski	Assessor
	Barbara J. Klatt	Town Clerk
	Karen Kaiser	Deputy Clerk
	Gabrielle Barone	
	Todd Bensley	
	Mike Sidari	
	David Payne	
	Tim Elliott	
	Marguerite Sherman	
	Paul Hendel	
	12 Students	

The following legal notice was explained by Gabrielle Barone, VP Business Development, EDA.

WHEREAS, the Ridgeway Town Board wishes to assess the advisability of submitting a Community Development Block Grant(“CDBG”) application to the New York State Office of Community Renewal (the “OCR”) for funding to support the establishment of a new vegetable processing and distribution facility at 1 Bernzomatic Drive in the Village of Medina and Town of Ridgeway (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Town is required to hold a public hearing to provide information to the public and to consider citizen comments regarding the CDBG program and the Project prior to submitting an application for CDBG funding;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Ridgeway Town Board hereby calls for a Public Hearing whereat all interested parties shall be heard; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Public Hearing shall be held at the Town Hall, 410 West Avenue, Medina, NY 14103 at 7 PM on the 16<sup>th</sup> of March, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Deputy Town Clerk is hereby directed to have published at least once in the "Batavia Daily News" at least seven (7) days before the date scheduled for the Public Hearing, the Public Hearing Notice that is attached hereto.

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: The acquisition and renovation of an existing 180,000 +/- square foot building and the acquisition and installation of machinery, equipment, fixtures and furnishings, all to be used in the processing of fresh fruits and vegetables and related activities.

LOCATION OF PROJECT: 1 Bernzomatic Drive, Village of Medina, New York

PROJECT OPERATOR: Pride Pak Canada Ltd. Or an affiliated entity to be formed

EMPLOYMENT: Over 200 people within 5 years

Questions/Remarks:

Mark Goheen- How long will it be before a decision is made as to project location?

G. Barone - A decision should be make within the next couple of months.

Tim Elliott - Are they considering using the Railroad ?

G. Barone - No

Councilman Stalker – Are they considering other locations? Where is their present facility?

G. Barone - They are looking at location in Pennsylvania. Their present facility is in Canada. This company is 100% owned by one individual.

Chairman of EDA, Paul Hendel, stated that much time, energy and many months of planning went into this project. He thanked Gabrielle Barone and Jim Whipple for presenting a number one site for the project. If selected, it will be good for the County as well as the Town of Ridgeway, Town of Shelby and Village of Medina.

As there was no further discussion on the Community Development Block Grant, the public hearing was closed at 7:25 P.M.

Town of Ridgeway,

Barbara J. Klatt  
Town Clerk

