

**ORIGINAL**

PUBLIC HEARING: TOWN OF HYDE PARK

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In the Matter of the Application of:

ASAHISHUZO INTERNATIONAL CO., LTD, FOR FINANCIAL  
ASSISTANCE FROM THE DUTCHESS COUNTY INDUSTRIAL  
DEVELOPMENT AGENCY.

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DATED: August 07, 2018  
Hyde Park, New York  
9:00 a.m. - 9:06 a.m.

Donna M. Wells, Reporter

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APPEARANCES:

DONALD CAPPILLINO, ESQ.  
HEARING OFFICER  
CAPPILLINO & ROTHSCHILD, LLP  
7 Broad Street  
Pawling, New York 12564

ALSO PRESENT:

Edward P. Teyber, ESQ.  
Zarin & Steinmetz

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HEARING OFFICER'S EXHIBITS

1	Notice of public hearing For Identification/In Evidence	4:5
2	Affidavit of publication For Identification/In Evidence	4:10
3	Affidavit of Jenna Jones For Identification/In Evidence	4:15
4	Designation letter For Identification/In Evidence	4:20

1                   Asahishuzo International Co., LTD  
2                   (Whereupon the following exhibits were  
3                   marked before the start of the hearing)

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5                   (NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING RECEIVED AND MARKED  
6                   AS HEARING OFFICER'S EXHIBIT 1  
7                   FOR IDENTIFICATION  
8                   IN EVIDENCE)

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10                  (AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION RECEIVED AND MARKED  
11                  AS HEARING OFFICER'S EXHIBIT 2  
12                  FOR IDENTIFICATION  
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15                  (AFFIDAVIT OF JENNA JONES RECEIVED AND MARKED  
16                  AS HEARING OFFICER'S EXHIBIT 3  
17                  FOR IDENTIFICATION)  
18                  IN EVIDENCE

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20                  (DESIGNATION LETTER DATED 7/16/18 RECEIVED AND MARKED  
21                  AS HEARING OFFICER'S EXHIBIT 5  
22                  FOR IDENTIFICATION)  
23                  IN EVIDENCE

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25                  THE HEARING OFFICER: Good morning.

1 Asahishuzo International Co., LTD

2 This is the public hearing in the matter  
3 of the application of Asahishuzo  
4 International Company, LTD, for financial  
5 assistance from the Dutchess County  
6 Industrial Development Agency.

7 I have marked in Evidence before the  
8 hearing began as Hearing Officer's Exhibit  
9 Number 1, in Evidence, the Notice of  
10 Publication in this matter indicating that  
11 the public hearing was to take place at 9  
12 a.m., on August 7, 2018, in the Town of  
13 Hyde Park Town Hall, 4383 Albany Post  
14 Road, Hyde Park, New York. We are at that  
15 location and it is now 9 a.m.

16 I have marked as Hearing Officer's  
17 Exhibit Number 2, in Evidence, the  
18 Affidavit of Publication from the  
19 Poughkeepsie Journal Media Group  
20 indicating that on July 22, 2018 a copy of  
21 the Notice of Public Hearing was published  
22 in the Poughkeepsie Journal.

23 I have marked as Hearing Officer's  
24 Exhibit Number 3, in Evidence, the  
25 Affidavit of Jenna L. Jones indicating

1 Asahishuzo International Co., LTD  
2 that on July 18, 2018 a copy of the Notice  
3 of Publication was served upon the Chief  
4 Executive Officers of the affected taxing  
5 jurisdictions: Supervisor Aileen Rohr of  
6 the Town of Hyde Park, Dr. Greer F.  
7 Rychcik, Superintendent of the Hyde Park  
8 Central School District, and the Honorable  
9 Marcus J. Molinaro, Dutchess County  
10 Executive.

11 I have marked as Hearing Officer's  
12 Exhibit Number 4, in Evidence, the July  
13 16, 2018 letter from Charles Daniels, III,  
14 Chairman of the Dutchess County IDA,  
15 indicating he appointed me as the Hearing  
16 Officer in this particular matter.

17 With that, I open the public  
18 hearing. We have present Edward P.  
19 Teyber, Associate with Zarin & Steinmetz,  
20 attorneys for the Applicant. Mr. Teyber,  
21 do you have anything to say?

22 BY MR. TEYBER: Yes, just by way of  
23 a brief explanation for the project. So  
24 Edward Teyber representing Asahishuzo  
25 International, Co., LTD, the apparent

1 Asahishuzo International Co., LTD

2 owner of the property that purchased the  
3 property at the end of 2017 and are very  
4 excited to repurpose this defunct shopping  
5 center for a Sake brewery with a public  
6 retail and tasting component. The company  
7 has partnered with the Culinary Institute  
8 of America and believes this is going to  
9 be a great tourist destination for  
10 Dutchess County building upon the  
11 tradition of the Culinary expertise and  
12 research in the area while also  
13 introducing a Japanese component, mainly  
14 Sake, that will be a new industry to the  
15 Town and to Dutchess County.

16 The project from the manufacturing  
17 perspective will bring initially 40 jobs,  
18 and, hopefully, that job count will grow  
19 to the Town. Also, we'll have, hopefully,  
20 a significant retail component, and, as I  
21 said before, will be a tourist attraction  
22 we're anticipating that charter buses and  
23 tourist groups would visit the public  
24 component. We also have events for the  
25 Cherry Blossom Festival and we're very

1 Asahishuzo International Co., LTD  
2 excited for cultural and community  
3 programs at the property.

4 So, with that, I'd be happy to  
5 answer any questions but we're seeking  
6 financial assistance from the IDA  
7 principally in the amount of the sales tax  
8 exemptions and the UTEP Pilot Agreement.

9 THE HEARING OFFICER: Okay. Great.  
10 You have construction jobs too?

11 BY MR. TEYBER: Yes. We also have  
12 temporary construction jobs. The 40 jobs  
13 I was referencing were anticipated  
14 full-time employees, but, certainly, we  
15 hired Consigli and it will be a large  
16 construction undertaking for about over a  
17 year.

18 THE HEARING OFFICER: There being no  
19 one else here and no questions being  
20 presented I close the public hearing.  
21 Thank you very much.

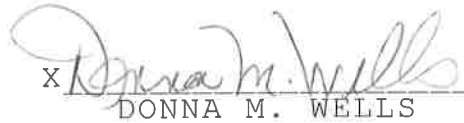
22 BY MR. TEYBER: Thank you very much  
23 for coming.  
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I, DONNA M. WELLS, a stenotype reporter  
and Notary Public within and for the State of  
New York, do hereby certify that the foregoing  
is a true and correct transcript of the minutes  
recorded by me and reduced to typewriting under  
my supervision to the best of my knowledge and  
ability.

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DONNA M. WELLS

Dated: August 15, 2018