

MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 9, 2020

** These minutes were approved by the Board of Chosen Freeholders on September 23, 2020. Full texts of resolutions appear at the end of this document.*

The Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren met in Regular Session in its offices in the Wayne Dumont, Jr. Administration Building, Belvidere, New Jersey on September 9, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Due to social distancing directives, this meeting was conducted without any members of the public in attendance. The public had the opportunity to listen to the meeting, and participate if they chose, via telephone.

The meeting was called to order by Deputy Director James Kern and upon roll call, the following participants were present in the room: Freeholder Jason Sarnoski, Freeholder Deputy Director James Kern III, County Counsel Joe Bell, County Administrator Alex Lazorisak, County CFO Kim Francisco, County Planner David Dech and Deputy Freeholder Clerk Holly Luberto. Participating via telephone were County Engineer Bill Gleba and County Health Officer Peter Summers. Freeholder Director Richard Gardner was absent.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Deputy Director Kern read the following OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT (Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975) statement:

ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING *OF SEPTEMBER 9, 2020* WAS GIVEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT BY FORWARDING A SCHEDULE OF REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS TO THE WARREN COUNTY CLERK, THE STAR-LEDGER AND DAILY RECORD AND BY POSTING A COPY THEREOF ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS. FORMAL ACTION MAY BE TAKEN BY THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS AT THIS MEETING. THIS MEETING IS IN CONFORMANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 ET SEQ (THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT) BUT DUE TO THE POTENTIAL IMPACTS OF THE COVID-19 CORONAVIRUS AND OUT OF CONCERN FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PUBLIC, WILL BE CONDUCTED THROUGH ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT TO FACILITATE PUBLIC COMMENT. PUBLIC ACCESS IS PROVIDED THROUGH A CONFERENCE CALL USING WEBEX TO PRESERVE THE HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE OF THE PUBLIC IN CONFORMANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 10:4-12.

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, the minutes of the Regular Session of August 12, 2020 were approved.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, the minutes of the Executive Session of August 12, 2020 were approved.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, the minutes of the Emergency Session of August 19, 2020 were approved.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

PROCLAMATIONS

PROCLAMATION 346-20

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, PROCLAMATION – NATIONAL POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY -SEPTEMBER 18, 2020.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

Mr. Sarnoski said it was unfortunate that that Milly Rice and other veterans from Post 528 could not be here this evening, but he looked forward to seeing them at the POW/MIA ceremony on September 18. He encouraged the public to attend, as it was a very nice ceremony, and important never to forget soldiers that made the ultimate sacrifice. Mr. Sarnoski said he was honored to endorse this proclamation each year.

Mr. Kern echoed Mr. Sarnoski’s remarks, saying he was happy that the Carl D. Archer Post 528 was hosting the ceremony at the Oscar Unangst Memorial Fields, where there would be plenty of room to social distance.

PROCLAMATION 347-20

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, PROCLAMATION – CONSTITUTION WEEK, SEPTEMBER 17-23, 2020.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

Mr. Sarnoski was happy to honor this proclamation as well, noting the two customarily come before the Freeholders as a pair. He repeated his regret that none of the DAR members could attend the meeting to receive the proclamation, saying it was always great to see them. This is our national heritage, he said; the Constitution is the greatest document of our free people to celebrate and understand.

“This is what our government is all about,” said Mr. Kern, and he thought there was no proclamation more important. As Mr. Sarnoski said, these two are usually a pair. “We have those who fought and served to protect the Constitution, and then the very document that is the lifeblood of this government that we represent here,” Mr. Kern said. He was honored to pass this proclamation, the true spirit of American government.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

Prior to opening the line, Mr. Kern read the following statement: THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND THIS MEETING BY CALLING 1-800-747-5150; WHEN PROMPTED FOR MEETING NUMBER (ACCESS CODE) PRESS 4756560 AND THE # SIGN; AND WHEN PROMPTED FOR ATTENDEE NUMBER PRESS THE # SIGN. WE WILL MAKE EVERY ATTEMPT TO BE CONSISTENT WITH SPIRIT AND THE INTENT OF THE ACT. THERE WILL BE A COORDINATED EFFORT TO ENSURE FULL PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT THIS MEETING. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IS ENCOURAGED.

There were no public comments on agenda items.

FINANCIAL RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 348-20

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, RESOLUTION TO PAY BILLS.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

RESOLUTION 349-20

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AUDIT REPORT OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN FOR THE YEAR 2019.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

RESOLUTION 350-20

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, INSERTION INTO THE 2020 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,544,045.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, DIVISION OF LOCAL AID AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, FY 2020 LOCAL BRIDGE, FUTURE NEEDS PROGRAM, BRIDGE 02004 ROUTE 642 (HIGH STREET) ALPHA BOROUGH.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

RESOLUTION 351-20

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, INSERTION INTO THE 2020 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$26,298.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, GOVERNOR’S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM & DRUG ABUSE, MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT FOR A TOTAL OF \$198,164.00.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

RESOLUTION 352-20

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, INSERTION INTO THE 2020 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,097,243.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, FY 2020 CAPITAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 353-20

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, RESOLUTION URGING GOVERNOR MURPHY TO REOPEN BUSINESSES IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN AND IN NEW JERSEY IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

Mr. Sarnoski said county government has been asking for this for a long time, having submitted multiple studies and plans on reopening safely. “We’ve got to get our economy back on track,” he said, predicting that if restaurants would not be allowed to offer indoor dining through the winter, they would end up shutting down. “This is very important,” he said.

Mr. Kern agreed, adding that he would like to see some response from the governor’s office to the stack of resolutions and correspondence the Freeholders sent down, that are “collecting dust.”

RESOLUTION 354-20

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR OF BOARD TO EXECUTE THE SFY 2021 NJ – JOB ACCESS REVERSE COMMUTE AGREEMENT WITH NEW JERSEY TRANSIT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$420,000 (\$210,000 NJ TRANSIT FUNDS AND \$210,000 IN ANTICIPATED COUNTY MATCHING FUNDS); SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

RESOLUTION 355-20

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE AN APPLICATION FOR THE SEXUAL ASSAULT RESPONSE TEAM/SEXUAL ASSAULT NURSE EXAMINER PROJECT #VS-42-19 BETWEEN THE NJ DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY AND THE WARREN COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$28,041.00 COUNTY SHARE AND \$71,930.00 FEDERAL SHARE FOR A TOTAL OF \$99,971.00 FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2020 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2021.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

RESOLUTION 356-20

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, RESOLUTION INCREASE IN GRANT AWARDS TALLING \$6,000.00 FROM THE WARREN COUNTY HISTORY PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM GRANT; SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

RESOLUTION 357-20

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL TO PURCHASE A 22-ACRE PORTION OF BLOCK 1202, LOT 1 IN HARDWICK TOWNSHIP.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

RESOLUTION 358-20

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE FY'20 CONTRACTS TO VARIOUS WARREN COUNTY MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE PROGRAMS FOR PROVISION OF SERVICES TO INCLUDE THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2020 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 FOR A TOTAL OF \$118,572; FUNDING AVAILABLE THROUGH THE MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT THROUGH THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE; SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

RESOLUTION 359-20

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR OF BOARD TO EXECUTE THE COVID-19 SOCIAL SUPPORT COORDINATOR SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH NORWESCAP FOR AN AMOUNT NO GREATER THAN \$75,000; SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

RESOLUTIONS RECEIVING BIDS AND AWARDING CONTRACTS

RESOLUTION 360-20

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO ATLANTIC TACTICAL, FOR VARIOUS POLICE PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT, UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #17-FLEET-00787 COVERING LAW ENFORCEMENT FIREARMS, EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$23,083.20.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

RESOLUTION 361-20

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP., FOR INFOSHARE DISCOVERY MODULE FOR VICITIM WITNESS PROGRAM SOFTWARE, UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT A89851 COVERING COMPUTER SOFTWARE AND LICENSES AND RELATED SERVICES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$50,000.00.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

RESOLUTION 362-20

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, RESOLUTION RE: EXTENSION OF CONTRACT WC1958 WITH BEST CLEANING SERVICE INC., FOR JANITORIAL SERVICE FOR VARIOUS WARREN COUNTY OFFICES, FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2020 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 FOR THE SECOND AND FINAL YEAR OF A TWO YEAR CONTRACT AS PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACT LAW 40A:11-15 IN THE APPROXIMATE ANNUAL AMOUNT OF \$131,820.00.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

RESOLUTION 363-20

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2046R FOR PROPOSAL AND SCOPE OF WORK FOR TRAFFIC ENGINEERING SERVICES WEIGHT RESTRICTION STUDY COUNTY RT 519 BETWEEN US RT 46 AND THE VILLAGE OF HOPE, AND COUNTY RT 521 BETWEEN HOPE AND I-80 TO WSP USA INC., OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK IN THE CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$20,900.00.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

Regarding awarding contract WC2046R to WSP USA, Mr. Sarnoski said we have been talking about this for a long time; this was going to be the critical study to fully understand the limitations on that road, and what needs to be done. He expected the study to be completed relatively quickly.

Mr. Kern said he had been in close contact with Hope Township Mayor Tim McDonough, who had met with the NJ DOT Commissioner in Hope to view the intersection and roads. “She is very much looking forward to this independent study to assist with the overall proposal that we’re moving forward with,” said Mr. Kern, adding, “I think all parties – state, local and county – are coordinated on this effort.”

RECOMMENDATION

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF MARILYN PAULSON FROM THE WARREN COUNTY AGING SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

RECOMMENDATION

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT RESIGNATIONS OF MIRIAM REYES AND MICHELLE SAVINO FROM THE WARREN COUNTY ADVISORY COUNCIL ON DISABILITIES.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

RESOLUTION 364-20

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBER TO THE WARREN COUNTY AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD.

ROBERT F. NYLAND – TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2020

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

Mr. Sarnoski thanked all serving as volunteers on boards and councils for their time and dedication.

PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 365-20

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, RESOLUTION CREATING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF BRIDGE REPAIRER, CLASSIFIED, AND ABOLISHING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF SENIOR BRIDGE REPAIRER, CLASSIFIED, IN THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, BRIDGE DIVISION.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

RESOLUTION 366-20

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, RESOLUTION CREATING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF SENIOR ENGINEERING AIDE, CLASSIFIED, AND ABOLISHING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF KEYBOARDING CLERK 3, CLASSIFIED, WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY ENGINEER’S DEPARTMENT.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

RESOLUTION 367-20

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2020 SALARY ADJUSTMENTS FOR CERTAIN APPOINTED PERSONNEL OF THE PROSECUTOR’S OFFICE AS RECOMMENDED BY THE PROSECUTOR.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

REPORTS AND COMMENTS

County Counsel Joe Bell said he had a few matters for Executive Session relative to litigation.

County Engineer reported that his department released its annual Traffic Crash Report for 2019. Unless the Freeholders had questions or concerns, the report was to be distributed to the local municipalities and police departments.

County Planner Dave Dech began with a Census update. Warren County’s response rate was 72.6 percent, exceeding our 2010 response rate and placing us eighth in the state. “We’re really doing very well,” he said. Enumerators were out statewide,

and would continue census taking through September 30. Mr. Lazorisak interjected that until congress changes the formula for funding, it is not going to help Warren County much, as we found out with the CARES Act. Mr. Dech said, “We still need to count everyone that we can.”

Next, Mr. Dech reported that back in December of 2019, the Freeholders hired WSP to conduct a traffic analysis of light industrial zones, and that report was now complete. He shared a summary of its findings:

- Fifteen zones were identified in the county as zoned industrial, all located outside the Highlands Preservation area because those areas are generally considered not developable.
- Approximately 4,000 acres of land are zoned industrial, and an estimated 45 million square feet of industrial space could be built on those 15 sites. Environmentally sensitive areas and preserved areas were excluded from that calculation.
- An assumption was made that sites would not be built out to their full potential; the consultant’s professional expertise determined a mix of uses that would be built: warehousing, industrial park uses and general light industrial uses. Each type of use generates a different trip generation rate.
- The analysis included car and truck volumes that were modeled and distributed throughout the countywide network that were part of the NJTPA’s regional transportation model.
- A capacity analysis was performed along selected segments in the county as well as intersections. In addition, turning movement analysis was conducted a major intersections.
- General conclusions:
 - County Route 519 would have to be widened to two lanes in each direction from the intersection of Route 46 to the intersection of Route 646 (near Harkers Hollow)
 - The intersection of County Routes 519 and 620 (going into Belvidere) would have to be widened to two lanes
 - Improvements would have to be made at most intersections along CR 519, including turn lanes, and a number of them would have to be signalized
 - The creation of a countywide advisory committee was advised, to help address freight concerns among the municipalities
 - Increased public transportation options to accommodate employees to get to work

This study indicated that further study would be required in more specificity as these sites become developed. Engineering would be needed and funding would be required. It was noted that because CR 519 forms the boundary between the Highlands Planning and Preservation areas, that there will be additional issues regarding the expansion of CR 519 along that segment.

Mr. Sarnoski said this was a good report that contained a lot of good information. It begins to touch on the things that we're going to need to do with our transportation infrastructure should a full build-out of the industrial sites in these municipalities be realized, which is what we really needed to know.

This, as well as the study on 519 between 46 and 80 that we just approved tonight, are pieces of that big puzzle of our transportation infrastructure. This illustrates our current constraints and some of the challenges we will be facing in the future.

Mr. Sarnoski thought this was very important; not only for us to understand, but also for our municipalities to understand, because they need to know that what we are facing given the current zoning and potential for development within our county. "It really begins with them," he said, "We have become these unwilling victims of the results of their zoning practices, and we have to make do and make the best of what we can." He didn't want to see our roads failing, but saw extreme challenges to even consider what improvements would be needed on CR 519 given the constraints being discussed – the Highlands and some of these intersections. He thought this study would inspire some good discussions in the near future.

Mr. Kern said local leaders have an opportunity now to reexamine their master plans with this study in mind. "Several months ago, Warren County announced a countywide traffic study for industrial zoning. We determined these sites from current zoning as well as input from local leaders," Kern explained. "Thanks to the New Jersey Highlands Council, we were able to receive full funding for this report. I thank the Council and Executive Director Lisa Plevin for their funding and partnership. It has been outstanding," he added.

"The data provided in this report shows that the proliferation of industrial zoning, specifically that of warehouse development, will have a significant impact on Warren County's infrastructure. While New Jersey law allows municipalities to have the say when it comes to zoning, this study hopefully will allow towns to see beyond their own borders. While some of these properties have active applications, which are subject to current zoning, many do not," Kern noted.

“Planning is defined ‘the establishment of goals, policies, and procedures for a social or economic unit.’ I hope all leaders across the county take the necessary time to read this full document and digest the findings so that they can plan for their future and not be in a constant reactive state. I also encourage municipal officials to take advantage of the Highlands Council for potential funding opportunities,” Kern added. He said the full report would be posted online the following day, and copies distributed to all Warren County municipalities.

County CFO Kim Francisco reported that the county had still not received any FEMA reimbursement for COVID expenses. However, there was a quick turnaround on reimbursement for the primary election (vote by mail and postage) of \$133,000.

The annual budget call letter for 2021 was ready for distribution to departments. Mr. Francisco said we would be looking at things differently this year, due to COVID.

The 2019 audit the Board just approved this evening was good and clean, with no negative findings. Mr. Francisco thanked his staff and all departments for keeping things in good order. “Great job,” said Mr. Sarnoski.

County Administrator Alex Lazorisak briefly reviewed the vacancy report, which contained nothing unusual.

This was day number 182 since the establishment of the county’s COVID-19 task force. After threatening the governor’s office with an order to show cause, Mr. Lazorisak was happy to report that he expected the NJ Department of Corrections to pick up 11 inmates the following morning, who had been lodged in our jail all this time. He said it has cost us a lot of money to house them, as well as taking up critical space there.

He would defer to Pete Summers for further details on the latest COVID-19 trends, and aside from that, Mr. Lazorisak said most of the county’s workforce was back and operating, and with more openings throughout the state as of Labor Day weekend, he hoped to return to more normalcy.

County Health Officer Pete Summers reported that our COVID-19 numbers had been pretty good the past week, with an average of one case per day, and the county’s positivity rate was under one percent. As schools and restaurants open, and people continue to wear masks, Mr. Summers thought the county was doing quite well. He mentioned one case reported on the first day of school at Hackettstown High School, but quarantines were established early and things have been quiet since then.

He said our restaurants resuming indoor dining has reportedly been going well so far. Mr. Kern thanked Mr. Summers for all the help the Health Department provided to schools.

FREEHOLDER COMMENTS

Mr. Sarnoski announced that thanks to the efforts of Mr. Summers and epidemiologist Courtney Sartain, Warren County obtained a \$100,000 grant to begin an overdose fatality review team in the county. Sadly, we are on pace to double the number of overdoses that occurred last year. This review team will give us the opportunity to understand the causes and faults in our system that lead to overdoses, and how we can better focus our energies to prevent them.

Mr. Kern said he was shocked when he heard the overdose numbers. Further, he had heard that the governor was considering cutting many of the school mental health programs that help at-risk youth and adolescents. “I think now more than ever, with the added stress in everyone’s life, losing these services is a serious disservice to our children,” he said, and urged citizens to contact their legislators on this issue.

CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENTS

Four individuals participated in this public comment portion of the meeting over the phone, but there was evidently a technical problem. The remarks were barely audible.

Tom Bodolsky of Hope Township commented on the award of the traffic study this evening (Resolution 363-20) but said he had spent a lot of time crafting his own report in support of weight limit restrictions, and hoped it would be part of the discussion. He was concerned about the quality of life in the area.

Mr. Kern said the Commissioner of the NJ DOT did have Mr. Bodolsky’s report; he believed it had been submitted by Hope Township. He said it would be a supplement to the other studies, and he was optimistic that there would be a meeting with the DOT within two weeks. Mr. Kern expressed confidence in the firm WSP.

Lori Ciesla of Lopatcong seemed to be pleased with the forward momentum on the traffic studies, mentioning experience as a municipal leader and things that had transpired in Lopatcong, apparently referring to sidewalks. As liaison to Engineering and Roads/Bridges, Mr. Sarnoski asked Ms. Ciesla to contact him privately to further discuss her concerns.

An individual whose name was inaudible seemed to be expressing concerns relative to the Phillipsburg library agreement. Mr. Kern said the Freeholders did not generally discuss contract negotiations (current or past), but there were ongoing discussions with the mayor concerning this issue, and he believed the agreement was passed by both boards at this point.

Theresa Chapman seemed to be asking about costs associated with the traffic study. Mr. Kern said no specific costs were mentioned, and he encouraged her to read the report online the following day. He said there was discussion about fair share of necessary infrastructure improvements as a strategy, but nothing specific about costs attributed to different scenarios that could occur.

There were no comments or questions from the press.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLUTION 368-20

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS PROVIDING FOR A MEETING NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 at 7:49 p.m.

Recorded vote: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the Board adjourned Executive Session and returned to Open Session at 7:58p.m.

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Kern, and there being no further business before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

County of Warren
Board of Chosen Freeholders



Proclamation

NATIONAL POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY
SEPTEMBER 18, 2020

WHEREAS, in each of America's past wars, our Prisoners of War have represented a special sacrifice. On them has fallen an added burden of loneliness, trauma and hardship. Their burden becomes double when there is inhumane treatment by the enemy in violation of common human compassion, ethical standards and international obligations (proclamation by President Jimmy Carter, 1979); and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress passed a resolution authorizing the first National POW/MIA Recognition Day be observed on July 18, 1979 and later moved the event to be observed on the third Friday in September; and

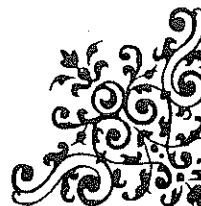
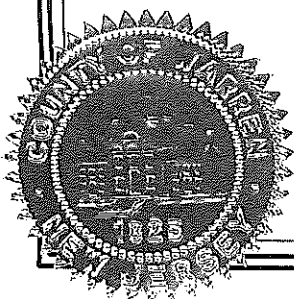
WHEREAS, in Warren County, we are committed to remembering all veterans who served their country and those presently serving their nation in all corners of the globe and those still Missing In Action and Prisoners of War and remind everyone of the personal sacrifices made by all war veterans to ensure that future generations of American citizens will be able to enjoy our country's freedoms.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren and The American Legion, Carl D. Archer Post 528 in White Township, does join our nation in this day of remembrance to demonstrate the country's continued commitment to the POW/MIA issue during the ceremony held at the POW/MIA Memorial located at the Oscar Unangst Memorial Fields in White Township.

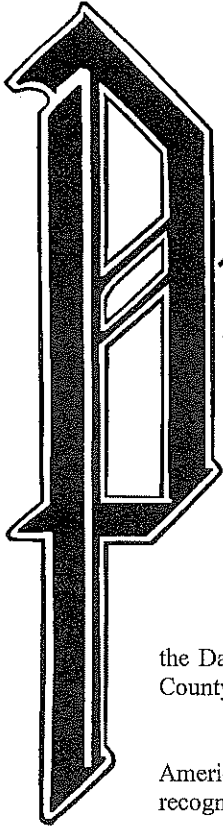
Richard D. Gardner, Director
Board of Chosen Freeholders

James R. Kern, III, Deputy Director
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Jason J. Sarnoski Freeholder
Board of Chosen Freeholders



County of Warren
Board of Chosen Freeholders



Proclamation

CONSTITUTION WEEK
SEPTEMBER 17 - 23, 2020

WHEREAS, General William Maxwell Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution was organized in Belvidere, Warren County, New Jersey on December 21, 1931; and

WHEREAS, Chapters of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution all over the world are requesting proclamations and recognition of the Constitution of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, September 17, 2020 marks the two hundred and thirty-third anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper to officially recognize this magnificent document and the anniversary of its creation; and

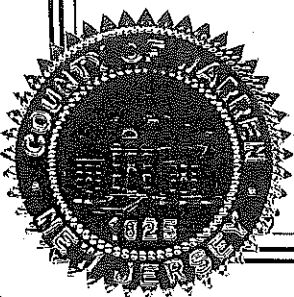
WHEREAS, Public Law 915 guarantees the issuing of a proclamation each year by the President of the United States of America designating September 17 through 23 as Constitution Week;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of Warren County do hereby proclaim September 17 through September 23, 2020 is proclaimed Constitution Week.

Richard D. Gardner, Director
Board of Chosen Freeholders

James R. Kern, III, Deputy Director
Board of Chosen Freeholders

Jason J. Sarnoski, Freeholder
Board of Chosen Freeholders



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RESOLUTION 348-20

On motion by **Mr. Sarnoski**, seconded by **Mr. Kern**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held September 9, 2020.

Be and it is hereby resolved that Master Voucher Certificate **For Certification / Ratification for Payments No. 2020-32, 2020-33, 2020-34, and 2020-35, dated September 9, 2020**, in the amount of **\$6,300,279.32** including payrolls, allowances, bills and investments, is approved subject to the review of the vouchers by the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

2020-32	8/19/2020	\$1,134,334.43	
2020-33	8/26/2020	274,296.25	
2020-34	9/2/2020	282,682.60	
2020-35	9/9/2020	<u>705,738.19</u>	
TOTAL			\$2,397,051.47
Horizon (Prescription, Claims, Admin)	8/31/2020	\$1,029,737.49	
Aetna-September	8/31/2020	162,613.12	
Sun Life Financial-September	8/31/2020	55,859.44	
Home Depot	8/31/2020	<u>4,324.24</u>	
TOTAL-OTHER			1,252,534.29
Payroll (including fringe)	8/13/2020	\$1,348,548.57	
Subsistence	8/13/2020	0.00	
Payroll (including fringe)	8/27/2020	1,302,144.99	
Subsistence	8/27/2020	<u>0.00</u>	
TOTAL WAGES, FRINGE, MEALS			<u>2,650,693.56</u>
GRAND TOTAL			<u>\$6,300,279.32</u>

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

Alex J. Lazorisak

_____, Clerk

**THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
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RESOLUTION 349-20

On motion by **Mr. Sarnoski**, seconded by **Mr. Kern**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held September 9, 2020.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AUDIT REPORT
OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN FOR THE YEAR 2019**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4 requires the governing body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions; and

WHEREAS, the Annual Report of Audit for the year 2019 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders as per the requirements of N.J.S.A.40 A:5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, R.S. 52:27BB-34 authorizes the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs; and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has promulgated N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5, a regulation requiring that the governing body of each local unit shall by resolution certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all members of the governing body have reviewed, as a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled; Comments and Recommendations ; and

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have personally reviewed as a minimum the Annual Report of Audit, and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled: Comments and Recommendations, as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, such resolution of certification shall be adopted by the Governing Body no later than forty-five days after the receipt of the annual audit, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5; and

WHEREAS, all members of the governing body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey as stated aforesaid and have subscribed to the affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board; and

WHEREAS, failure to comply with the regulations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the local governing body to the penalty provisions of R.S. 52:27BB-52 - to wit:

R.S. 52:27BB-52 - "A local officer or member of a local governing body who, after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the Director (Director of Local Government Services), under the provisions of this Article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction may be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, in addition shall forfeit his office."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren hereby states that it has complied with N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavits to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

Alex J. Lazorisak

, Clerk

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RESOLUTION 350-20

On motion by **Mr. Sarnoski**, seconded by **Mr. Kern**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held September 9, 2020.

**INSERTION INTO THE 2020 BUDGET OF THE
COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$ 1,544,045.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, DIVISION
OF LOCAL AID AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT,
FY 2020 LOCAL BRIDGE, FUTURE NEEDS PROGRAM,
BRIDGE 02004 ROUTE 642 (HIGH STREET) ALPHA BOROUGH**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A-:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been available by Law and the amount thereof was not determined at the adoption of the Budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Warren request the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the year 2020 in the sum of \$1,544,045.00, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation, Division of Local Aid & Economic Development, FY 2020 Local Bridge, Future Needs Program, Bridge 02004 Route 642 (High Street) Alpha Borough

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$ 1,544,045.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption:

“UNDER STATE AND FEDERAL PROGRAMS OFF-SET BY REVENUES”

State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation, Division of Local Aid & Economic Development, FY 2020 Local Bridge, Future Needs Program, Bridge 02004 Route 642 (High Street) Alpha Borough (Administered by the Engineer’s Dept.)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of the approval by the State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation, Division of Local Aid & Economic Development, 2020 Local Bridge, Future Needs Program

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

_____, Clerk

Alex J. Lazorisak

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**THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
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RESOLUTION 351-20

On motion by **Mr. Sarnoski**, seconded by **Mr. Kern**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held September 9, 2020.

**INSERTION INTO THE 2020 BUDGET OF THE
COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT
OF \$ 26,298.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM &
DRUG ABUSE, MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT
FOR A TOTAL OF \$198,164.00**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A-:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been available by Law and the amount thereof was not determined at the adoption of the Budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Warren request the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the year 2020 in the sum of \$ 26,298.00, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey, Governor's Council on Alcoholism & Drug Abuse, Municipal Alliance Grant

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$ 26,298.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption:

"UNDER STATE AND FEDERAL PROGRAMS OFF-SET BY REVENUES"

State of New Jersey, Governor's Council on Alcoholism & Drug Abuse, Municipal Alliance Grant
(administered by the Human Services Dept.)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of the approval by the State of New Jersey, Governor's Council on Alcoholism & Drug Abuse

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak

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RESOLUTION 352-20

On motion by **Mr. Sarnoski**, seconded by **Mr. Kern**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held September 9, 2020.

**INSERTION INTO THE 2020 BUDGET OF THE
COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$ 4,097,243.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, FY 2020
CAPITAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A-:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been available by Law and the amount thereof was not determined at the adoption of the Budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Warren request the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the year 2020 in the sum of \$ 4,097,243.00, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation, FY 2020 Capital Transportation Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$ 4,097,243.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption:

“UNDER STATE AND FEDERAL PROGRAMS OFF-SET BY REVENUES”

State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation, FY 2020 Capital Transportation Program
(administered by the Engineers Department)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of the approval by the State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak

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RESOLUTION 353-20

On motion by **Mr. Sarnoski**, seconded by **Mr. Kern**, the following resolution be adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on September 9, 2020.

**RESOLUTION URGING GOVERNOR MURPHY TO REOPEN BUSINESSES
IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN AND IN NEW JERSEY IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE**

WHEREAS, the Sussex County Chamber of Commerce on August 20, 2020 gave testimony before the New Jersey Assembly Commerce and Economic Development Committee urging the State consider a regionalized reopening strategy for New Jersey businesses based upon the degree of disease; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County business are prepared and New Jersey's economy needs to open before more businesses are lost as outlined in the "Gateway to Resources for Business Re-opening," prepare by the regional coalition of Hunterdon, Sussex, and Warren Counties; and

WHEREAS, the regional coalition expressed its concern in a May 28, 2020 letter to the Governor expressing its on-going concern with the "one size fits all" approach to the reopening of the State's economy, and the regional precedent for reopening businesses based upon local conditions; and

WHEREAS, the citizens and leaders of the Warren County have demonstrated their ability to take proper precautions and measures to control the spread of the virus, which has resulted in the lowest infection rate and lowest new daily cases per capita in the entirety of the State; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey's own COVID-19 Activity Level Report for the weeks of August 8 and 15, 2020 show the current activity level for the Northwest (which comprises Sussex, Morris, Passaic, and Warren Counties) as low with a COVID-19 Activity Level Index (CALI) Score of 1 (the lowest possible score); and

WHEREAS, the call for a regional approach to opening, based on date, if there is not a willingness by the Governor to fully reopen the State for business, is a reasonable approach inasmuch as decisive action is needed immediately so businesses will know whether to plan for a further reopening now or a prolonged limit on their business.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Warren concurs with statements made and reasons given by our businesses and elected leaders reflected above and notes that the uncertainties and economic damage to the County of Warren reflected therein are not economically sustainable, and urges Governor Phil Murphy to seriously consider and plan with our leaders for a safe and regional reopening of our businesses in the immediate future; and

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded forthwith to the Governor, State Senate, State Assembly, each State and Congressional elected official representing any portion of Warren County.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak

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**THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
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RESOLUTION 354-20

On motion by **Mr. Sarnoski**, seconded by **Mr. Kern**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held September 9, 2020.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR OF BOARD TO EXECUTE THE
SFY 2021 NJ - JOB ACCESS REVERSE COMMUTE AGREEMENT WITH
NEW JERSEY TRANSIT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$420,000 (\$210,000 NJ TRANSIT
FUNDS AND \$210,000 IN ANTICIPATED COUNTY MATCHING FUNDS);
SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS**

WHEREAS, NJ Transit Corporation has made available to the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders New Jersey Transit grant in the amount of \$420,000 (\$210,000 New Jersey Transit funds and \$210,000 anticipated county matching funds); and

WHEREAS, the JARC funds are available for the period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders that the Director of the Board is authorized to execute the SFY 2020 JARC grant agreement with New Jersey Transit for \$210,000 state funds and \$210,000 anticipated county matching funds; funds subject to availability for the period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date mentioned above.

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak

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RESOLUTION 355-20

On motion by **Mr. Sarnoski**, seconded by **Mr. Kern**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on September 9, 2020.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE AN APPLICATION FOR THE SEXUAL ASSAULT RESPONSE TEAM/SEXUAL ASSAULT NURSE EXAMINER PROJECT # VS-42-19 BETWEEN THE NJ DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY AND THE WARREN COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$28,041.00 COUNTY SHARE AND \$71,930.00 FEDERAL SHARE FOR A TOTAL OF \$99,971.00 FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2020 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders has reviewed the accompanying application and has approved said request; and

WHEREAS, the project is a joint effort between the Office of the Attorney General Department of Law and Public Safety and the Warren County Prosecutor's Office for the purpose described in the application; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the Director of the Board is authorized to execute an application for the Sexual Assault Response Team/Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Project between the NJ Division of Criminal Justice, Department of Law and Public Safety and the Warren County Prosecutor's Office in the amount of \$28,041.00 County Share and \$71,930.00 Federal Share for a total of \$99,971.00 for the period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

Alex J. Lazorisak

Clerk

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**THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
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RESOLUTION 356-20

On a motion by **Mr. Sarnoski**, seconded by **Mr. Kern**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held September 9, 2020.

**INCREASE IN GRANT AWARDS TOTALING \$6,000.00 FROM THE
WARREN COUNTY HISTORY PARTNERSHIP
PROGRAM GRANT; SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS**

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren (BCF) has received \$15,123.00 in funding from the New Jersey Historical Commission (NJHC) through the County History Partnership Program (CHPP) for the 2020 round; and

WHEREAS, the CHPP enables the NJHC to support both existing and emerging local history organizations and practitioners serving diverse audiences through partnership with county re-granting agencies; and

WHEREAS, a panel composed of three independent experts (the “Warren County History Partnership Program Review Panel” or “Review Panel”) was retained to review and evaluate all applications received by the County of Warren against the criteria and guidelines set forth by NJHC; and

WHEREAS, on June 10, 2020, seven recipients were awarded one-thousand dollars (\$1,000) each in grant funds, totaling \$7,000.00; and

WHEREAS, unallocated funds in the amount of \$8,123.00 remains in the Warren County History Partnership Program grant account S01805352 5029; and

WHEREAS, the below-listed grant recipients have applied for an increase in their grant funding in the amount of one-thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) each, as follows:

1. Belvidere Heritage, Inc. - History programs/project expenses
2. Blainstown Historic Preservation Committee - History programs/project expenses
3. Hardwick Township Historical Society - Website/social media development
4. Harmony Township Historic Preservation Commission - History programs/project expenses
5. Knowlton Township Historical Society - History programs/project expenses
6. Phillipsburg Area Historical Society - History programs/project expenses

WHEREAS, adequate funds in the amount of \$6,000.00 are available in account S01805352 5029;
and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at its regular meeting on September 9, 2020, that the above-referenced grant amendments be approved.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak

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**THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
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RESOLUTION 357-20

On motion by **Mr. Sarnoski**, seconded by **Mr. Kern**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held September 9, 2020.

**RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL TO PURCHASE A
22-ACRE PORTION OF BLOCK 1202, LOT 1 IN HARDWICK TOWNSHIP**

WHEREAS, the permanent preservation of lands devoted to open space is in the public interest and benefits the citizens of Warren County and that the purchase of open space to accomplish the preservation of said land is a worthwhile and prudent expenditure of public funds; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Open Space, Farmland, and Historic Trust Fund makes monies available for the purchase of open space and farmland in order to permanently preserve said properties; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of Recreation Commissioners recommends that the Trust Fund be used to acquire and permanently preserve part of Block 1202, Lot 1 located in Hardwick Township and consisting of approximately 22 acres adjoining Warren County's White Lake Natural Resource Area; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the ecological and recreational significance of this property and its importance to both protecting and enhancing the White Lake Natural Resource Area, The Nature Conservancy has pledged to financially support this acquisition; and

WHEREAS, two professional independent market appraisal reports were prepared on the Premises and this property is eligible for participation in the Green Acres programs; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Recreation Commissioners supports the preservation of this property and respectfully request that the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders authorize the use of Trust Funds to acquire and permanently preserve the property for environmental and recreational purposes; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren as follows:

1. The Board hereby grants permission for the purchase of this property.
2. The cost of the acquisition shall not exceed One Hundred Seventy Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Six Dollars (\$178,706.00) and is eligible for 50% Green Acres reimbursement.
3. The Freeholder Director or Administrator of Warren County is authorized to sign the purchase agreements and any and all documents necessary for the acquisition of this property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that adequate funds in the amount of \$178,706.00 in the account #03894-5065-8942010-5065 have been certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak

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**THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
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RESOLUTION 358-20

On motion by **Mr. Sarnoski**, seconded by **Mr. Kern**, the following resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held September 9, 2020.

RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE FY'20 CONTRACTS TO VARIOUS WARREN COUNTY MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE PROGRAMS FOR PROVISION OF SERVICES TO INCLUDE THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2020 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 FOR A TOTAL OF \$118,572; FUNDING AVAILABLE THROUGH THE MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT THROUGH THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE; SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

BE IT RESOLVED the NJ Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse has extended the FY'20 contracts an additional 3 months for provision of substance abuse programs to various Warren County Alliances for a total of \$118,572; funds are available for the Municipal Alliance Grant through the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse; subject to the availability of funds; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of the Board of Chosen Freeholders is authorized to extend the FY' 20 contracts between the County of Warren and Municipal Alliance programs to include the period of July 1, 2020 to September 30, 2020 for the following alliance programs:

North Warren Regional	9,353.40
Great Meadows Regional	9,912.20
Hackettstown	8,384.00
Hope Twp.	3,142.40
Knowlton	3,763.00
Mansfield/Washington Borough/Franklin Twp.	17,846.80
Oxford	3,858.60
Phillipsburg	12,704.00
Regional	7,717.00
South Warren Regional	21,816.40
Washington Township	7,066.40
White Twp.	5,490.40
Unallocated Funds	7,517.40

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

Alex J. Lazorisak

_____, Clerk

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RESOLUTION 359-20

On motion by **Mr. Sarnoski**, seconded by **Mr. Kern**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held September 9, 2020.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR OF BOARD TO EXECUTE THE
COVID-19 SOCIAL SUPPORT COORDINATOR SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH
NORWESCAP FOR AN AMOUNT NO GREATER THAN \$75,000;
SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS**

WHEREAS, NJ Department of Health has made available to the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders grant funds in the amount of \$325,000 for the purpose of assisting the Warren County Health Department with COVID-19 contact tracing including social support for COVID-19 cases and contacts; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 grant funds are available for the period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders that the Director of the Board is authorized to execute a COVID-19 Social Support Coordinator Services Agreement with NORWESCAP for and amount no greater than \$75,000; funds subject to availability for the period September 15, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date mentioned above.

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak

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**THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
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RESOLUTION 360-20

On motion by **Mr. Sarnoski**, seconded by **Mr. Kern**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held September 9, 2020.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO ATLANTIC TACTICAL, FOR VARIOUS POLICE PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT, UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #17-FLEET-00787 COVERING LAW ENFORCEMENT FIREARMS, EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$23,083.20

BE IT RESOLVED, that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for Police Protective Equipment for the Warren County Prosecutor's Office and this purchase is hereby awarded

to . . . Atlantic Tactical, Somerset, New Jersey

in the amount of . . . \$23,083.20

at the prices established under New Jersey State Contract #17 – FLEET-00787

Funding for this contract has been provided in budget accounts F9252 4351 and 012750 – 5100 – Prosecutor's Program Operating Expenses

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

Alex J. Lazorisak

, Clerk

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**THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
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RESOLUTION 361-20

On motion by **Mr. Sarnoski**, seconded by **Mr. Kern**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held September 9, 2020.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP., FOR INFOSHARE DISCOVERY MODULE FOR VICTIM WITNESS PROGRAM SOFTWARE, UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT A89851 COVERING COMPUTER SOFTWARE AND LICENSES AND RELATED SERVICES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$50,000.00

BE IT RESOLVED, that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for Infoshare Discovery Module for Victim Witness Program Software for the Warren County Prosecutor's Office and this purchase is hereby awarded

to . . . SHI International Corp., Somerset, New Jersey

in the amount of . . . \$50,000.00

at the prices established under New Jersey State Contract #A89851

Funding for this contract has been provided in grant account F02755360/5100 – VOCA Supplemental Grant

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the Date above mentioned.

Alex J. Lazorisak

, Clerk

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OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN**
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165 County Route 519 South
Belvidere, NJ 07823

RESOLUTION 362-20

On motion by **Mr. Sarnoski**, seconded by **Mr. Kern**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held September 9, 2020.

RESOLUTION RE: EXTENSION OF CONTRACT WC1958 WITH BEST CLEANING SERVICE INC., FOR JANITORIAL SERVICE FOR VARIOUS WARREN COUNTY OFFICES, FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2020 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 FOR THE SECOND AND FINAL YEAR OF A TWO YEAR CONTRACT AS PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACT LAW 40A:11-15 IN THE APPROXIMATE ANNUAL AMOUNT OF \$131,820.00

BE IT RESOLVED, that Warren County Contract WC1741 for janitorial services for various Warren County Offices is hereby awarded for the second and final year of a two year contract as provided by the Local Public Contract Law 40A:11-15 said contract is hereby extended for the period of October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019

to . . . Best Cleaning Service Inc., Ridgefield, New Jersey

In the approximate amount of . . . \$139,200.00

as per their bid submitted . . . August 27, 2019

Funding for this contract has been provided in budget account 013100/5024 – Buildings & Grounds Facility Maintenance, Repair & Cleaning & 153908/5024 – Library Facility Maintenance, Repair & Cleaning

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak

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**THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
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RESOLUTION 363-20

On motion by **Mr. Sarnoski**, seconded by **Mr. Kern**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held September 9, 2020.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2046R FOR PROPOSAL AND SCOPE OF WORK FOR TRAFFIC ENGINEERING SERVICES WEIGHT RESTRICTION STUDY COUNTY RT 519 BETWEEN US RT. 46 AND THE VILLAGE OF HOPE, AND COUNTY RT. 521 BETWEEN HOPE AND I-80 TO WSP USA INC., OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK IN THE CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$20,900.00

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the professional services of an Engineer and Planner to provide consulting Engineering and Planning services on Warren County Roadways; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 et. seq.) requires that a resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "professional services" without competitive bids and the contract itself must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, this contract is awarded in accordance with N.J.S.A.19:44A-20.4, as a non-fair and open contract: and

WHEREAS, Warren County has received all necessary documentation to allow award of this contract including the Business Entity Disclosure Certification, Certificate of Compliance With Campaign Contribution Law and the Determination of Value and these forms are on file; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Purchasing has certified that this contract meets the statute and regulations governing the award of such contracts; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available in capital account 0420A211/5063 Traffic Impact Study-Hope Center, Strykers Road, etc.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in the State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The agreement between the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren WSP USA Inc., of New York, New York, for professional services for the above project, in the contract amount not to exceed \$20,900.00 per letter of agreement currently on file in the Office of the Director of Purchasing, be made part of this resolution by reference and approved and entered into by the Board on behalf of the County of Warren.
2. The Director of the Board of Chosen Freeholders is hereby authorized to execute said letter of Agreement by signing same.

3. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a Professional Service under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law (40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) because the services are to be performed by a person or persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.
4. A notice of this action shall be published in the Star-Ledger, as required by law, within ten days of its adoption.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

Alex J. Lazorisak _____, Clerk

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RESOLUTION 364-20

On motion by **Mr. Sarnoski**, seconded by **Mr. Kern**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held September 9, 2020.

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBER TO THE WARREN COUNTY
AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren hereby appoint the following individual to the Warren County Agriculture Development Board:

Robert Nyland
32 Bush Street
Oxford, NJ 07863

Term to expire: 12/31/20

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

Alex J. Lazorisak Clerk

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RESOLUTION 365-20

On motion by **Mr. Sarnoski**, seconded by **Mr. Kern**, the following resolution be adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on September 9, 2020.

**RESOLUTION CREATING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF
BRIDGE REPAIRER, CLASSIFIED, AND
ABOLISHING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF SENIOR BRIDGE REPAIRER, CLASSIFIED,
IN THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, BRIDGE DIVISION**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that a full-time position of *Bridge Repairer*, classified, is created in the Warren County Department of Public Works Department, Bridge Division, to enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of operations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a full-time position of *Senior Bridge Repairer*, classified, is hereby abolished.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the newly created full-time position of *Bridge Repairer* is created and established on AFSCME Local 3287, Range 0640 and made effective on September 17, 2020.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

_____, Clerk
Alex Lazorisak

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RESOLUTION 366-20

On motion by **Mr. Sarnoski**, seconded by **Mr. Kern**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held September 9, 2020.

**RESOLUTION CREATING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF SENIOR ENGINEERING AIDE,
CLASSIFIED, AND ABOLISHING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF KEYBOARDING CLERK 3,
CLASSIFIED, WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY ENGINEER'S DEPARTMENT**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that a full-time position of *Senior Engineering Aide*, classified, is created within the Warren County Engineer's Department to enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of operations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that a full-time position of *Keyboarding Clerk 3*, classified, is hereby abolished.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the full-time position of *Senior Engineering Aide* is created on AFSCME Local 3287, Range 1040 and made effective on September 10, 2020.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

_____, Clerk
Alex Lazorisak

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RESOLUTION 367-20

On motion by **Mr. Sarnoski**, seconded by **Mr. Kern**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held September 9, 2020.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2020 SALARY ADJUSTMENTS FOR
CERTAIN APPOINTED PERSONNEL OF THE PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE AS
RECOMMENDED BY THE PROSECUTOR**

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 2A:157-10 et seq. and 2A:158-1 et seq., the Prosecutor shall recommend the compensation for the appointed personnel of the Prosecutor's Office in accordance with County guidelines and within the budget allocation, and

WHEREAS, the Prosecutor has recommended salary establishment and adjustments for certain appointed personnel and has so memorialized by schedule which document is incorporated herein by reference.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders does hereby approve the 2020 salary adjustments for certain appointed personnel of the Warren County Prosecutor's Office to be made effective January 1, 2020.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

Alex J. Lazorisak

, Clerk

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RESOLUTION 368-20

On motion by **Mr. Sarnoski**, seconded by **Mr. Kern**, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on September 9, 2020.

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION OF
THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
PROVIDING FOR A MEETING NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN
ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF
THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12**

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders is subject to certain requirements of the *Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6*, et seq., and

WHEREAS, the *Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12*, provides that an Executive Session, not open to the public, may be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by Resolution, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Board hereby excludes the public in order to discuss such matters. The general nature of the subjects to be discussed are as follows:

(1) *Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiations and Attorney-Client Privilege*: Items to be discussed include: Status of various litigation: Covanta/PCFA Negotiations, Status of W.M./C.C./R.M. Litigation, Depositions, Bastedo eviction from county property, Highlands Coalition – Fundraising request.

(2) *Matters Relating to Collective Bargaining*: Items to be discussed include: PBA Local 280 – Sheriff’s Officers, CWA Local 1032 - Prosecutor’s Clerical, PBA Local 331 – Prosecutor’s Detectives.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board shall disclose to the public, as soon as practicable, the contents of the discussions after the final disposition of the matters discussed.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes, Mr. Gardner absent

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak