

** These minutes were approved by the Board of County Commissioners on July 14, 2021. Full texts of resolutions appear at the end of this document.*

The Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren met in Regular Session in its offices in the Wayne Dumont, Jr. Administration Building, Belvidere, New Jersey on May 26, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Due to social distancing directives, this meeting was conducted with a limited number of spectators. The public had the opportunity to listen to the meeting, and participate if they chose, via internet and telephone.

The meeting was called to order by Director Kern and upon roll call, the following participants were present: Commissioner Lori Ciesla, Commissioner Deputy Director Jason Sarnoski, Commissioner Director James Kern III, County Administrator Alex Lazorisak, County Counsel Joe Bell, County CFO Kim Francisco, County Engineer Bill Gleba, County Planner Dave Dech, County Health Officer Pete Summers and Deputy Commissioner Clerk Holly Luberto.

After leading the flag salute, Mr. Kern read the following OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT (Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975) statement: ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WAS GIVEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT IN THE ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE. SAID NOTICE WAS FILED WITH THE COUNTY CLERK, TRANSMITTED TO THE STAR LEDGER AND DAILY RECORD AND POSTED ON THE PUBLIC BULLETIN BOARDS AT THE OFFICE OF THE BOARD COMMISSIONERS AND THE COUNTY COURT HOUSE AND ON THE COUNTY WEBSITE. FORMAL ACTION MAY BE TAKEN BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AT THIS MEETING. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IS ENCOURAGED. IN ORDER TO ASSURE FULL PUBLIC PARTICIPATION, IT IS THE POLICY OF THE COUNTY TO PROVIDE REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR INDIVIDUALS UPON ADVANCE REQUEST.

THE MEETING AGENDA AND OTHER PUBLIC DOCUMENTS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE COUNTY WEBSITE. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, WHETHER PARTICIPATING IN-PERSON OR BY TELEPHONE OR REMOTE OPTION, WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT DURING THE PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING. THOSE PARTICIPATING TELEPHONICALLY OR REMOTELY WILL REMAIN ON MUTE UNTIL SUCH TIME. FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE SEE RULES OF CONDUCT AND DECORUM THAT ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE ON THE

COUNTY'S WEBSITE.

On motion by Ms. Ciesla, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the minutes of the Regular Session of May 12, 2021 were approved.

Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

On motion by Ms. Ciesla, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the minutes of the Executive Session of May 12, 2021 were approved.

Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

MEETING

DR. ALAN HUNT - GREAT WATERS NEW JERSEY. Director of Policy and Grants at Musconetcong Watershed Association (MWA), Dr. Hunt was joined by Julia Somers, Highlands Coalition Executive Director; Keith Fritschie, Trout Unlimited, NJ Upper Delaware Restoration Coordinator; and Jane Heeckt, MWA Policy Assistant.

The presenters took turns reviewing the value of Great Waters of northwest New Jersey, specifically the Delaware River, Lopatcong Creek, Musconetcong River, Paulins Kill, Pequest River and Pohatcong Creek, all of which run through Warren County. They said our Great Waters are vital, providing outstanding trout fishing and other recreation opportunities (hiking, boating, hunting, scenery), as well as economic well-being to northwest communities. Forty-six percent of New Jersey residents participate in outdoor recreation. Mr. Fritschie said outdoor recreation was a key feature to our quality of life. He said our region boasts 75 water access points and 10 public swimming areas. The website (www.greatwatersnj.org) featured interactive maps to explore each waters' features and share experiences.

The waters are also an important part of the public water supply for millions of people and save New Jersey residents millions of dollars every year in treatment costs. New Jersey has the fourth lowest cost of residential water in the nation, because the forests of the Highlands act as a natural and cost free filtration system at the water's source. Clean water is critical. When water is not clean, people avoid it and go elsewhere. Quality of life and property values are affected. Ms. Somers said the algae bloom in Greenwood Lake caused property values to decrease seven percent in a few weeks.

Dr. Hunt outlined the project's goals:

- Keep northwest NJ a desirable place to live

- Support the growing regional tourism and recreation economy
- Protect existing water quality for recreation and drinking water
- Prevent headwater streams and spring from being filled
- Foster engagement and cooperation among stakeholders

Great Waters New Jersey was a partnership of organizations sourced in the community, sharing resources and expertise to protect what Highlands residents cherish most. In addition to MWA, Trout Unlimited and the NJ Highlands Coalition, partner organizations included ANJEC Local Environment Matters, Delaware River Greenway Partnership, The Watershed Institute, Environment New Jersey, Delaware Riverkeeper Network, New Jersey League of Conservation Voters; and the endeavor was made possible by the William Penn Foundation.

Working together, the partner organizations were committed to the following:

- Plugging the gaps in our region's protections that leave our water vulnerable to contamination.
- Better protecting our waters at their source: their headwaters
- Providing the tools for federal, state, and local leaders to work together to preserve the quality of our National Wild & Scenic Rivers.
- Promoting tools, education, and collaboration between regional leaders and residents.
- Urging the state to better protect the recreational value of our waters and waterfront lands.

The Great Waters website provided a number of model resolutions and ordinances for local governing bodies to consider taking action with respect to various areas of concern, as well as petitions for individuals to sign. The group said many local leaders had stepped up to protect our Great Waters and landscapes by working on smarter zoning, sensible development, and land preservation. Now, they were asking them to use their power and call on the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection to fix outdated state-level water protections to keep these cherished waters great for generations to come. Good planning included in-depth zoning analysis, and a watershed zoning map and zoning preference assessments were tool available in the municipal action guide.

Actions the Board of County Commissioners could take included developing economic development strategies, staying informed about water quality, considering adopting a Great Waters resolution of support, and considering a council of governments model for shared services to resolve boundary issues. Dr. Hunt

concluded by inviting the commissioners to peruse the website and to contact him with any questions.

Ms. Ciesla thanked the group for the presentation, noting she accessed the website during the meeting and found it to be very informative.

Mr. Kern said he thought it was important to talk about the recreational aspect of our waterways. While the DEP had done “a very aggressive job” with respect to water quality, he thought the strong correlation between the recreational aspects and property values was somewhat overlooked. “That’s why a lot of people come out here,” he said. He encouraged the public to view the Great Waters website, with all the research and helpful tools there. “I think it’s a really innovative thing that you’ve done, and it’s very eye-opening,” he said, and expected to have further dialog about it.

PROCLAMATION 270-21

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, **PROCLAMATION - CELEBRATING INTERNATIONAL FIREFIGHTERS’ DAY.**

Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

Ms. Ciesla said she grew up in a firefighter household; both her grandfather and father were firefighters. “Being a firefighter is in the blood, heart and soul of a person,” she said, “I know the passion and dedication that motivates these brave men and women to run into danger when others are running out. One day isn’t enough to thank you all for your service and dedication,” she added.

Ms. Ciesla and her fellow commissioners also recognized the efforts of local firefighters who have been collecting and delivering fire equipment and trucks to fellow firefighters in Alabama, where tornados earlier this year caused catastrophic losses of gear and vehicles.

Mr. Sarnoski said he, too, grew up in a firefighter family. “As the son of a volunteer firefighter, I know the sacrifices that our firefighters make and the risks they take to save lives. I am honored to recognize their role in our community with this proclamation,” he said, “Firefighters convey a sense of community and community service through their leadership and time.”

“The firefighter community of Warren County truly represents our bravest,” Mr. Kern said, noting, “Many times these men and women are the first to the scene of not just fires but all types of emergencies or accidents. This county relies heavily

on volunteer agencies and many leave their jobs on a moment's notice to help their neighbors in need.”

“Their dedication isn't just displayed during times of crisis but as leaders in their communities teaching the importance of fire safety,” Mr. Kern continued, “I am so thankful for the courage and quick decision making they show each day.”

Mr. Kern said there were about 1,100 volunteer firefighters in Warren County and there were 4,643 fire calls in 2020. “We're so thankful,” he said. He was also proud of the fact that during the pandemic last year, Warren County was the first in the state to open its Fire Academy, thanks to some of the people in the room here tonight.

Accepting the proclamation were Chief Mark DeVoe of the Northwest New Jersey Fire Fighters and First Responders; Chief Joseph Lake, Warren County Fire Marshal; Chief Joseph Fox, Sr., Warren County Fire Academy Director; Chief Steve Alpaugh, Warren County Fire Coordinator; Chief Scott Tillou of the Warren County Fire Chiefs Association; Chief Joseph Mecsey III of the Warren County Active Chiefs Committee; and Chief Richard Hay of Phillipsburg Fire Department.

Regarding the assistance to Alabama, Chief DeVoe said Warren County was blessed to be able to provide other counties and states with additional equipment. More than 150 fire companies in Alabama will have been helped by the time the third tractor-trailer full of gear arrives there next month, he noted. “This equipment we're sending down has been a godsend,” DeVoe said, adding that 16 counties in New Jersey, 5 in Pennsylvania and 2 in New York have contributed to the effort. Moreover, many fire companies there are using outdated equipment, which area firefighters were helping to replace with their own surplus gear.

There were no public comments on agenda items.

FINANCIAL RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 271-21

On motion by Ms. Ciesla, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, **RESOLUTION TO PAY BILLS.**

Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

RESOLUTION 272-21

On motion by Ms. Ciesla, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, INSERTION INTO THE 2021 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$234,772.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF ADDICTION SERVICES, CHAPTER 51 COMPREHENSIVE DRUG ABUSE GRANT.

Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 273-21

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF A DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON THE RALPH AND DIANNA ANEMA FARM, BLOCK 66 LOT 1 IN WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 125.66 (3%+) NET ACRES.

Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

RESOLUTION 274-21

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION APPROVING THE USAGE OF A PORTION OF COUNTY ROUTE #615 (LONG BRIDGE ROAD), A PORTION OF COUNTY ROUTE #612 (ALLAMUCHY-JOHNSONBURG ROAD) & COUNTY ROUTE #668 (CEMETERY ROAD) ALLAMUCHY TOWNSHIP ON SATURDAY, JUNE 26, 2021 FOR THE SOMERSET WHEELMEN BICYCLE RIDE

Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

RESOLUTION 275-21

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION, (ROUND TWO – SPRING 2021) AND EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW JESREY LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION BOND ACT.

Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

RESOLUTIONS APPROVING SPECIFICATIONS

RESOLUTION 276-21

On motion by Ms. Ciesla, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC2128 AND AUTHORIZATION TO

ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR LUMBER FOR VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS.

Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

RESOLUTION 277-21

On motion by Ms. Ciesla, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC2129 AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR ROCK SALT/SOLAR SALT FOR THE WARREN COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT.

Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

RESOLUTION 278-21

On motion by Ms. Ciesla, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC2130 AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR ANTI-ICING & DE-ICING FLUID FOR THE WARREN COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT.

Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

RESOLUTION 279-21

On motion by Ms. Ciesla, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC2131 AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR VARIOUS COUNTY BUILDINGS FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2021 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2022.

Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

RESOLUTIONS RECEIVING BIDS AND AWARDING CONTRACTS

RESOLUTION 280-21

On motion by Ms. Ciesla, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2121-1 FOR RENTAL OF EQUIPMENT, ITEMS 3, AND 11, FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2021 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022 TO HOFFMAN INTERNATIONAL, INC., AT THE UNIT PRICES SUBMITTED IF AND WHEN NEEDED.

Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

RESOLUTION 281-21

On motion by Ms. Ciesla, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2121-2 FOR RENTAL OF EQUIPMENT, ITEMS 2, 26, 28, 38, 39, 41 AND 49, FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2021 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022 TO S&L EQUIPMENT, AT THE UNIT PRICES SUBMITTED IF AND

WHEN NEEDED.

Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

RESOLUTION 282-21

On motion by Ms. Ciesla, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2121-3 FOR RENTAL OF EQUIPMENT, ITEMS 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 27, 36, 44, 47, 48, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, AND 69, FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2021 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022 TO JESCO INC., AT THE UNIT PRICES SUBMITTED IF AND WHEN NEEDED.

Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

RESOLUTION 283-21

On motion by Ms. Ciesla, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2127R FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT FOR THE WARREN COUNTY ALERT SIMULCAST PAGING UPGRADE PROJECT ALTERATION TO TUWAY COMMUNICATIONS OF BETHLEHEM, PENNSYLVANIA FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$184,886.00.

Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

RESOLUTION 284-21

On motion by Ms. Ciesla, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, RESOLUTION RE: EXTENSION OF CONTRACT WC1725 WITH VITAL COMMUNICATIONS INC., FOR DATA PROCESSING SERVICES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY TAX BOARD FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2021 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022 FOR THE FIFTH YEAR OF A SEVEN YEAR CONTRACT AS PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACT LAW 40A:11-15(5) IN THE ANNUAL AMOUNT OF \$55,432.80.

Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

RESOLUTION 285-21

On motion by Ms. Ciesla, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2119-1 PRINTING, ENVELOPES, PADDED FORMS AND INDEX CARDS FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2021 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022 TO RIDGEWOOD PRESS IN THE APPROXIMATE AMOUNT OF \$8,000.00.

Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

RESOLUTION 286-21

On motion by Ms. Ciesla, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2119-2 PRINTING, LETTERHEAD, NCR FORMS AND BUSINESS CARDS FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2021 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022 TO TC SQUARED LLC, D/B/A CENTURION PRINTING, IN THE APPROXIMATE AMOUNT OF \$13,000.00.

Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

RESOLUTION 287-21

On motion by Ms. Ciesla, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2120 FOR WATER ANALYSIS FOR THE WARREN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2021 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022 TO GARDEN STATE LABORATORIES, INC., IN THE APPROXIMATE AMOUNT OF \$11,250.00.

Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

RESOLUTION 288-21

On motion by Ms. Ciesla, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO TRANE MID-ATLANTIC REGION FOR A AHU-1 PERFORMANCE CLIMATE CHANGE UNDER COOPERATIVE CONTRACT #15-JLP-023, FOR WARREN COUNTY COURT HOUSE ROOM #1, IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$21,778.00.

Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

RESIGNATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

RECOMMEDATION

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF COLLEEN O'NEILL FROM THE WARREN COUNTY ADVISORY COUNCIL ON DISABILITIES.

Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 289-21

On motion by Ms. Ciesla, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, RESOLUTION CREATING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF CONFIDENTIAL ASSISTANT, UNCLASSIFIED, AND ABOLISHING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF PRINCIPAL

ENGINEERING AIDE, CLASSIFIED, WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE.

Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

REPORTS AND COMMENTS

County Counsel Joe Bell said he had a few updates for Executive Session with respect to litigation.

County Engineer Bill Gleba reported a bridge deck issue on North Main Street in Greenwich (CR 637) that would require one-lane alternating traffic for about three weeks.

Regarding Spring Valley Road in Hardwick (CR 659), Mr. Gleba said they were still working on obtaining a preliminary analysis, which he hoped to have by August. The current plan was to salvage the road with a portion of it being one lane. Once the NJ DEP issues the permit, there would be timing restrictions (flora, fauna, fish) that will determine when construction can begin. Construction would not commence before the year 2022.

County Planner Dave Dech had no report.

County CFO Kim Francisco had nothing new to report.

County Administrator Alex Lazorisak said the vacancy report contained nothing noteworthy.

This was day #421 since the COVID-19 task force was assembled, and Mr. Lazorisak expected this to be his final official report on the pandemic. He said most county employees were back to work full-time, except for the offices of the Prosecutor and Sheriff. With Governor Murphy's Executive Order expiring on June 14, Mr. Lazorisak thought it was time to reopen county facilities to the public. He wanted to discuss this further at the board's June 9 meeting.

After a brief discussion, the board took the following action:

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, PURSUANT TO THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, CHAPTER 231, P.L. 1975, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN CANCELLED THE SCHEDULED REGULAR SESSION MEETINGS OF JUNE 23, 2021, JULY

28, 2021 AND AUGUST 25, 2021 AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE WAYNE DUMONT, JR. ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 165 ROUTE 519S, BELVIDERE, NJ.

Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

County Health Officer Pete Summers began his COVID-19 report by saying, “Our numbers are really starting to look good. We really have turned the corner here in Warren County, the state, and the county.” Since the start of the pandemic, our county has documented 8,790 COVID-19 cases, but not many lately. The current average was about six cases per day, a number Mr. Summers expected to drop even further as summer approached. Positivity rate was 3.6 percent. The county’s vaccine numbers continued to rise. He said about 57.7 percent of the adult population (18 and older) had been vaccinated. Factoring in age 12 and older – a demographic that just got started - the number was about 52.5 percent. The vaccination rate of our seniors (age 65+) was up to 83.9 percent. A total of 49,404 Warren County residents were now fully vaccinated.

The final vaccination clinic to be held at Good Will Fire Company in Belvidere was to be the following week, then that operation would cease. Vaccination clinics would continue at the Warren County Health Department in Oxford, and Mr. Summers expected to conduct some pop-up clinics in other locations as well, based on demand from certain groups, over the course of the summer. St. Luke’s, Atlantic Health and about 26 pharmacies throughout the county were also providing vaccines.

“We’re really in a good position moving forward,” Mr. Summers said. He continued, “I’d be remiss, though, if I didn’t take this opportunity to thank all of you for your support – and really the whole county – there’s not a department in Warren County that did not help us with our COVID-19 response,” he said. The 30-member Health Department could not have achieved what it did without all of this support, as well as that of other outside partners.

Ms. Ciesla asked about potential plans to help increase vaccination numbers in Phillipsburg. Mr. Summers said they were still working on it – that area would likely be where the aforementioned pop-up sites would occur - and that Atlantic Health had formed a partnership with NORWESCAP and would be in town on a weekly basis. He also suggested there might be a lag in the numbers reported to our state, and could be skewed if people in that area obtained services in Pennsylvania.

Mr. Lazorisak added that a very high percentage of Warren County government employees were vaccinated.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Ms. Ciesla said the Great Waters presentation was very informative. “Our county does rely on a clean environment for both work and play,” she said, particularly now that it was fishing season.

The commissioners had received the CADB report on the solar successor program, so if her colleagues had any questions, Ms. Ciesla said she would bring them up.

She thanked the firefighters again, and encouraged members of the public to volunteer in that capacity.

“I also want to give a big thanks to Pete Summers, our whole Health Department, and everybody who worked at the ECLC,” Ms. Ciesla said, noting she got her second shot there the week before, when the governor came for a visit.

Mr. Sarnoski expressed gratitude to everyone in the Health Department, and throughout the county, who worked so hard through the COVID-19 crisis. “It’s well past time we got back to regular business,” he said, “I think it’s important that we reopen the county; get people back into the offices, back to work.” While we learned how to work remotely, Mr. Sarnoski thought it was time for businesses to reopen to full capacity and get the economy back. He was of the opinion that some of the state’s restrictions did a lot of damage. “We have to move on and now start living our normal lives again – including our children,” he said.

Mr. Kern joked that the most well-known county officials over the past year was a competition between Pete Summers and County Clerk Holly Mackey. He admired the entire Health Department, but wanted to point out the following for their responsive coordination efforts: Epidemiologist Courtney Sartain, Pauline Shehata, Dennis Riley, and Alex Lazorisak. Mr. Kern noted that Warren County was one of the few counties that had an epidemiologist before the pandemic even started. “That just shows you the importance of forward thinking,” he said, adding now it was probably one of the most in-demand positions in public health.

Working with all the mayors throughout the pandemic was crucial, with 82 conference calls over 62 weeks discussing the 139 executive orders various guidance directives. The small staff of our Health Department, and other county departments that came together to help, was very important since our towns do not have health departments. “We’re going to put this pandemic behind us,” said Mr. Kern, agreeing with Mr. Sarnoski that we needed to get back to normal, and things were heading in

that direction.

CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENTS.

Tara Mezzanotte of Knowlton thanked the Great Waters presenters - particularly the Highlands Coalition - for their initiative, saying she enjoyed recreating on the Paulinskill River.

Ms. Mezzanotte thanked the commissioners for their continued support of the I-80 Rockfall Fence and Safety Concerns at the Delaware Water Gap Coalition. Her comments this evening focused on the s-curve aspect. She was grateful to the board for passing its resolution, and at least seven municipalities followed suit. The bad news was that the DOT completely ignored the Knowlton Township Engineer's formal request to initiate a problem statement request to address fixing the s-curve, as it no longer accepts such requests from external stakeholders.

However, she was heartened by interest from Pennsylvania Senator Bob Casey and Congresswoman Susan Wild when her group presented documentation to their offices. She read an excerpt from Sen. Casey's letter to Federal Highway expressing support of the environmental impact statement request and urged that community members have opportunity to be heard regarding the project. Ms. Mezzanotte again thanked the commissioners for their support to help bring awareness to what she thought was the number one area of safety concern.

In response to Ms. Mezzanotte thanking the Highlands Coalition for the Great Waters initiative, Julia Somers clarified that the Musconetcong Watershed Association was the leader of the project, and the Highlands Coalition was a supporter. However, Ms. Somers was grateful for the recognition as being a partner in opposing the NJ DOT rockfall project. "We're here to help if there's anything else we can do," she said.

There were no comments or questions from the press.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLUTION 290-21

On motion by Ms. Ciesla, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROVIDING FOR A MEETING NOT OPEN TO

MINUTES

MAY 26, 2021

THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 at 7:08 p.m.

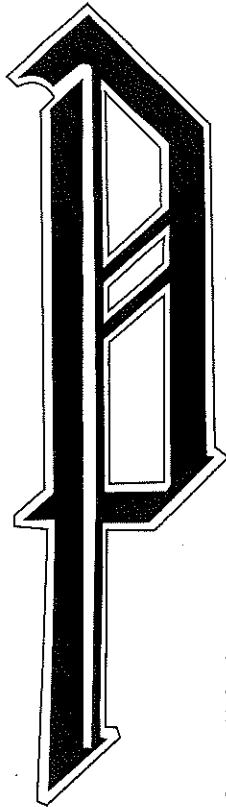
Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

On motion by Ms. Ciesla, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the board adjourned Executive Session and returned to Open Session at 9:03 p.m.

Recorded vote: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, and there being no further business before the board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

County of Warren
Board of County Commissioners



Proclamation

CELEBRATING INTERNATIONAL FIREFIGHTERS' DAY
MAY 12, 2021

WHEREAS, International Firefighters' Day was established in 1999 after the tragic loss of five firefighters during a bushfire in Australia in December 1998, and since then has become a day in May to say thank you to the world's firefighters for all that they do to keep our communities safe; and

WHEREAS, more intensive and thorough training is one of the main aspects of International Firefighters' Day, to prevent firefighter injuries and deaths; and

WHEREAS, fire prevention is another important focus of International Firefighters' Day, educating the populace in how they can prevent fires from occurring; and

WHEREAS, firefighters are the backbone of the community, not only standing ready to bravely battle blazes and rescue those in harm's way, but also serving in emergencies of all types, be it fires, storms, accidents, water rescues and more; and

WHEREAS, firefighters in Warren County have time and again stepped up to help those in need, most recently collecting and delivering fire equipment and trucks to fellow firefighters in Alabama who suffered catastrophic losses of gear and vehicles in tornados earlier this year; and

WHEREAS, firefighters so far have collected and delivered vehicles, miles of hose, turnout gear, firefighting tools, and emergency medical services equipment, and are continuing to do so; and

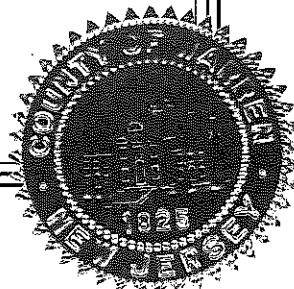
WHEREAS, according to Lieutenant JJ Edmondson, Founder of International Firefighters' Day, "The role of a firefighter in today's society – be it urban, rural, natural environment, volunteer, career, industrial, defense force, aviation, motor sport, or other is one of dedication, commitment and sacrifice – no matter what country we reside and work in. In the fire service we fight together against one common enemy – fire – no matter what country we come from, what uniform we wear or what language we speak."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of County Commissioners proclaims International Firefighters' Day and salutes all of the men and women firefighters in Warren County and beyond.

*James R. Kern III, Director
Board of County Commissioners*

*Jason J. Sarnoski, Deputy Director
Board of County Commissioners*

*Lori Ciesla, Commissioner
Board of County Commissioners*



**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN**
Wayne Dumont, Jr., Administration Building
165 County Route 519 South
Belvidere, NJ 07823

RESOLUTION 271-21

On motion by **Ms. Ciesla**, seconded by **Mr. Sarnoski**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held May 26, 2021.

Be and it is hereby resolved that Master Voucher Certificate **For Certification / Ratification for Payments No. 2021-19 and 2021-20, dated May 26, 2021**, in the amount of **\$2,487,934.69** including payrolls, allowances, bills and investments, is approved subject to the review of the vouchers by the Board of County Commissioners.

2021-19	5/19/2021	\$513,009.31	
2021-20	5/26/2021	<u>564,759.56</u>	
TOTAL			\$1,077,768.87
Open Space Wire	<i>(Detail Below)</i>	<u>130,272.60</u>	
TOTAL-OTHER			130,272.60
Payroll (including fringe)	5/20/2021	\$1,279,893.22	
Subsistence	5/20/2021	<u>0.00</u>	
TOTAL WAGES, FRINGE, MEALS			<u>1,279,893.22</u>
GRAND TOTAL			<u>\$2,487,934.69</u>

<u>Open Space</u>			<u>Reimburse-</u>	<u>County</u>
<u>Wire Transfer:</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Total Paid</u>	<u>ments</u>	<u>Portion</u>
Brook Hollow Winery	5/17/21	\$176,169.60	\$132,127.40	\$44,042.20
Shandor Farm	5/17/21	\$312,659.80	\$226,429.40	<u>86,230.40</u>
Total				<u>\$130,272.60</u>

RECORDED VOTE: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

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

_____, Clerk

Alex J. Lazorisak

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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN**

Wayne Dumont, Jr. Administration Building
165 County Route 519 South
Belvidere, N. J. 07823

RESOLUTION 272-21

On motion by **Ms. Ciesla**, seconded by **Mr. Sarnoski**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held May 26, 2021.

**INSERTION INTO THE 2021 BUDGET OF THE
COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$ 234,772.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION
OF ADDICTION SERVICES, CHAPTER 51
COMPREHENSIVE DRUG ABUSE GRANT**

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 2021 in the sum of \$ 234,772.00, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey, Department of Human Services, Division of Addiction Services, Chapter 51 Comprehensive Drug Abuse Grant

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$ 234,772.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption:

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

State of New Jersey, Department of Human Services, Division of Addiction Services, Chapter 51 Comprehensive Drug Abuse 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, Department of Human Services

RECORDED VOTE: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

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

Alex J. Lazorisak

, Clerk

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN**

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165 County Route 519, South
Belvidere, NJ 07823

RESOLUTION 273-21

On a motion by **Mr. Sarnoski**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held May 26, 2021.

**RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF THE
PURCHASE OF A DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON THE
RALPH AND DIANNA ANEMA FARM, BLOCK 66 LOT 1
IN WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP CONSISTING OF
APPROXIMATELY 125.66 (3%+) NET ACRES**

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of County Commissioners has determined that the property known as the Ralph and Dianna Anema Farm, owned by Ralph and Dianna Anema, located on Block 66 Lot 1, Washington Township and consisting of approximately 125.66 (3+%) net acres has available for purchase a development easement in accordance with the requirements of the farmland preservation program; and

WHEREAS, the pressures from development have significantly heightened the degree of imminence of change of land use from productive agriculture to nonagricultural uses; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 2:76-17.9A(b) on July 22, 2020 it was determined by the State Agriculture Development Committee (SADC) that the application for the sale of a development easement was complete and accurate and satisfied the criteria contained in N.J.A.C. 2:76-17A.9(a); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 2:76-17A.11, on January 12, 2021 in accordance with the SADC Resolution #FY2020R4 (14), Executive Director Payne and Secretary Fisher signed the Certification of Market Value and has certified a development easement value of \$4,300 per acre based on the zoning and environmental regulations in place as of January 1, 2004 and the same development easement value for the current valuation date of October 14, 2020 with an estimated total value of \$540,338.00; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 2:76-17.12, the Owner accepted the Certified Market Value offer by the County of \$4,300 per acre.

WHEREAS, the property is part of the approved Warren County Planning Incentive Grant Application and is funded by the Warren County Open Space, Farmland, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund; and

WHEREAS, the tract would encourage the survivability of production agriculture in Washington Township, and said tract falls within a predetermined County Agricultural Development Area and is in the South East Project Area and the Highlands Planning Area; and

WHEREAS, on May 18, 2021, the Washington Township Committee voted by resolution to approve the owner's application for sale of the development easement, but is not participating financially in the easement purchase; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of the development easement on the property will encourage the survivability of the productive agriculture in Washington Township and Warren County; and

WHEREAS, preliminary approval for the purchase of development rights on this farm has been granted by the State Agricultural Development Committee; and

WHEREAS, the SADC is expected to grant final approval for funding amount on said application at its July 22, 2021 meeting; and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost share breakdown including a 3% buffering for final surveyed acres is as follows:

Cost share based on 122.65 acres (+3%) at \$4,300/acre CMV:

	<u>Total</u>
SADC	\$374,466.80 – 69.30 % (\$2,980/acre)
<u>Warren County</u>	<u>\$165,871.20 – 28.24 % (\$1,320/acre)</u>
Total Easement Purchase	\$540,338.00 (\$4,300/acre)

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

1. The Board hereby grants permission for the purchase of the development easement on the above described property based on an easement value of \$4,300 per acre as certified by the State Agricultural Development Committee (SADC). Cost share as follows: SADC \$2,980 per acre, Warren County \$1,320 per acre.
2. This approval includes the following conditions:
 - a. No existing structures on premises
 - b. No existing agriculture labor housing on premises
 - c. Exceptions
 - 1) Six acre severable exception area around single family residence and for future flexibility restricted to one single family residence
 - d. One Residual Dwelling Site Opportunities (RDSO's)
 - e. No preexisting non-agricultural uses on premises
 - f. Access easements to be determined by title search
 - g. No proposed trails
 - h. SADC funding from Base grant, competitive round or both
 - i. Warren County is requesting SADC funding for a 3% buffer on the final surveyed acreage
3. The County's share in regard to the purchase of said easement is estimated at \$165,871.20. The Commissioner Director or Administrator of Warren County is authorized to sign the Deed of Easement, the Cost Share Agreement, and any and all documents necessary for the acquisition of the development easement on the above property in the Township of Washington, County of Warren, State of New Jersey under the terms outlined above.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Commissioners hereby grants permission for the cost-share purchase price of \$165,871.20 for the development easement on the Ralph and Dianna Anema Farm, owned by Ralph and Dianna Anema, located on Block 66 Lot 1, Washington Township; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that adequate funds for the purchase price funding depending upon final surveyed acres in the amount of \$165,871.20 in account #03895-5067-8952105-5067 have been certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

RECORDED VOTE: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

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

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak

[E1]

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN**
Wayne Dumont, Jr. Administration Building
165 County Route #519 South
Belvidere, NJ 07823

RESOLUTION 274-21

On motion by **Mr. Sarnoski**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held May 26, 2021.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE USAGE OF A PORTION
OF COUNTY ROUTE #615 (LONG BRIDGE ROAD), A PORTION OF COUNTY ROUTE #612
(ALLAMUCHY-JOHNSONBURG ROAD) & COUNTY ROUTE #668 (CEMETERY ROAD)
ALLAMUCHY TOWNSHIP ON SATURDAY, JUNE 26, 2021
FOR THE SOMERSET WHEELMEN BICYCLE RIDE**

WHEREAS, the Somerset Wheelmen Bicycle Club President has requested permission to use County Route #615 from Gibbs Road to County Route #612, County Route #612 from County Route #615 to County Route #668 and County Route #668, Allamuchy Township, on Saturday, June 26, 2021 from 8:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M. for a cycling club ride.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren does hereby approve the use of the noted portions of County Route #615, #612 & #668 in Allamuchy Township for the above mentioned event with the following conditions:

1. Approval of the event by Allamuchy Township as well as any other impacted municipal and/or county entity.
2. All barricades, detours and traffic control signs shall conform to the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.
3. Police supervision of any necessary traffic control of the roads and handling of safety shall be provided as necessary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the resolution be forwarded to Allamuchy Township, Sussex County and Green Township.

RECORDED VOTE: Ms. Ciesla yes Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

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

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak

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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN, NJ**
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RESOLUTION 275-21

On motion by **Mr. Sarnoski**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County of Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held on May 26, 2021.

**RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION,
(ROUND TWO – SPRING 2021) AND EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH
THE NEW JERSEY LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION BOND ACT**

WHEREAS, there is a need for the renovation and construction improvements to the Warren County Catherine Dickson Hofman Library Branch located in Blairstown, Warren County, New Jersey.

WHEREAS, the Catherine Dickson Hofman Library Branch is in need of repairs to the exterior roof and wall systems, replacement of mechanical and electrical systems, ADA and barrier-free improvements, along with interior upgrades to provide the public a safe and enjoyable library experience.

WHEREAS, the County has been informed that there is funding by way of a fifty percent (50%) matching grant through the New Jersey Library Construction Bond Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Warren, formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County of Warren has allocated its portion of funding in the approved Capital Improvement Fund for the Fiscal Year 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the County of Warren and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and condition of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

RECORDED VOTE: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

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

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak

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RESOLUTION 276-21

On motion by **Ms. Ciesla**, seconded by **Mr. Sarnoski**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held May 26, 2021.

**RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC2128 AND
AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS
FOR LUMBER FOR VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS**

BE IT RESOLVED, that specification WC2128 for lumber for various departments is hereby approved

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of Purchasing is hereby directed to advertise for bids for the above in The Star-Ledger.

Funding for this contract will be provided in various department budget accounts.

RECORDED VOTE: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

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

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak

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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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RESOLUTION 277-21

On motion by **Ms. Ciesla**, seconded by **Mr. Sarnoski**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held May 26, 2021.

**RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC2129 AND
AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS
FOR ROCK SALT/SOLAR SALT FOR THE
WARREN COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT**

BE IT RESOLVED, that specification WC2129 for rock salt/solar salt for the Warren County Road Department is hereby approved

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of Purchasing is hereby directed to advertise for bids for the above in The Star-Ledger.

Funding for this contract will be provided in budget account 012900/5125 – Road Department M & R Materials

RECORDED VOTE: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

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

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak

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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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RESOLUTION 278-21

On motion by **Ms. Ciesla**, seconded by **Mr. Sarnoski**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held May 26, 2021.

**RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC2130 AND
AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS
FOR ANTI- ICING & DE-ICING FLUID FOR THE
WARREN COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT**

BE IT RESOLVED, that specification WC2130 for anti-icing & deicing fluid for the Warren County Road Department is hereby approved

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of Purchasing is hereby directed to advertise for bids for the above in The Star-Ledger.

Funding for this contract will be provided in budget account 012900/5125 – Road Department M & R Materials

RECORDED VOTE: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

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

Alex J. Lazorisak

, Clerk

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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN**
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RESOLUTION 279-21

On motion by **Ms. Ciesla**, seconded by **Mr. Sarnoski**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held May 26, 2021.

**RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC2131 AND
AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS
FOR JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR VARIOUS
COUNTY BUILDINGS FOR THE PERIOD
OF OCTOBER 1, 2021 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2022**

BE IT RESOLVED, that specification WC2131 or janitorial services for various county buildings is hereby approved

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of Purchasing is hereby directed to advertise for bids for the above in The Star-Ledger.

Funds for this contract will be provided in budget account 013100/5024 – Buildings & Grounds Facility Maintenance, Repair and Cleaning and 153908/5024 – Library Facility Maintenance, Repair & Cleaning

RECORDED VOTE: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

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

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak

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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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RESOLUTION 280-21

On motion by **Ms. Ciesla**, seconded by **Mr. Sarnoski**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held May 26, 2021.

**RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2121-1 FOR RENTAL
OF EQUIPMENT, ITEMS 3, AND 11, FOR THE
PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2021 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022
TO HOFFMAN INTERNATIONAL, INC., AT THE
UNIT PRICES SUBMITTED IF AND WHEN
NEEDED**

BE IT RESOLVED, that contract WC2121-1 for rental of equipment is hereby awarded
to . . . Hoffman International, Inc., Piscataway, New Jersey

at the unit prices submitted if and when needed

as per their bid submitted . . . May 11, 2021

and reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing as the lowest
responsible and responsive bid received.

Funding for this contract will be provided in budget account 012900/5084 – Roads Equipment
Rental

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of the Board of County Commissioners be
authorized and directed to execute the necessary contract.

RECORDED VOTE: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

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

Alex J. Lazorisak

, Clerk

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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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RESOLUTION 281-21

On motion by **Ms. Ciesla**, seconded by **Mr. Sarnoski**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held May 26, 2021.

**RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2121-2 FOR RENTAL
OF EQUIPMENT, ITEMS 2, 26, 28, 38, 39, 41 AND 49, FOR
THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2021 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022
TO S & L EQUIPMENT, AT THE UNIT PRICES
SUBMITTED IF AND WHEN NEEDED**

BE IT RESOLVED, that contract WC2121-2 for rental of equipment is hereby awarded
to . . . S & L Equipment, Belvidere, New Jersey

at the unit prices submitted if and when needed

as per their bid submitted . . . May 11, 2021

and reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing as the lowest
responsible and responsive bid received.

Funding for this contract will be provided in budget account 012900/5084 – Roads Equipment
Rental

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of the Board of County Commissioners be
authorized and directed to execute the necessary contract.

RECORDED VOTE: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

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

Alex J. Lazorisak

_____, Clerk

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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN**
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RESOLUTION 282-31

On motion by **Ms. Ciesla**, seconded by **Mr. Sarnoski**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held May 26, 2021.

**RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2121-3 FOR RENTAL
OF EQUIPMENT, ITEMS 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 27, 36, 44,
47, 48, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60 61, AND
69, FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2021 THROUGH
JUNE 30, 2022 TO JESCO INC., AT THE UNIT
PRICES SUBMITTED IF AND WHEN NEEDED**

BE IT RESOLVED, that contract WC2121-3 for rental of equipment is hereby awarded
to . . . Jesco, Inc., South Plainfield, New Jersey
at the unit prices submitted if and when needed
as per their bid submitted . . . May 11, 2021
and reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing as the lowest
responsible and responsive bid received.

Funding for this contract will be provided in budget account 012900/5084 – Roads Equipment
Rental

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of the Board of County Commissioners be
authorized and directed to execute the necessary contract.

RECORDED VOTE: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

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

_____, Clerk

Alex J. Lazorisak
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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN**

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RESOLUTION 283-21

On motion by **Ms. Ciesla**, seconded by **Mr. Sarnoski**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held May 26, 2021.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2127R FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT FOR THE WARREN COUNTY ALERT SIMULCAST PAGING UPGRADE PROJECT ALTERATION TO TUWAY COMMUNICATIONS OF BETHLEHEM, PENNSYLVANIA FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$184,886.00

WHEREAS, it has been recommended that the county issue a contract for the Warren County Alert Simulcast Paging Upgrade Project for the Warren County Public Safety Department as outlined in the proposal; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) et. seq.) requires a resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Extraordinary, Unspecifiable 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 meets the statute and regulations governing the award of said contracts,

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

1. The Director of Purchasing is hereby authorized and directed to issue a contract to TuWay Communications of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania for services for the above project, at a cost not to exceed \$184,886.00 per letter of agreement which is on file in the Office of the Director of Purchasing and is made a part hereof by reference.
2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as an "Extraordinary, Unspecifiable Service" in accordance with N.J.S.A.40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the services defined cannot reasonably be described by written specifications to assure that the qualitative and quantitative assessment of the problems involved, which require expertise, extensive training and proven reputation in the field of endeavor are obtained.

3. A notice of this action shall be published in the Star Ledger.

Funding for this contract is provided in capital account 0421A406/5058 – Future Projects Public Safety, and certified by the County Chief Financial Officer.

RECORDED VOTE: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

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

Alex J. Lazorisak

, Clerk

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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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RESOLUTION 284-21

On motion by **Ms. Ciesla**, seconded by **Mr. Sarnoski**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held May 26, 2021.

RESOLUTION RE: EXTENSION OF CONTRACT WC1725 WITH VITAL COMMUNICATIONS INC., FOR DATA PROCESSING SERVICES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY TAX BOARD FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2021 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022 FOR THE FIFTH YEAR OF A SEVEN YEAR CONTRACT AS PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACT LAW 40A:11-15(5) IN THE ANNUAL AMOUNT OF \$55,432.80

BE IT RESOLVED, that Warren County Contract WC1725 for data processing services for the Warren County Tax Board is hereby awarded for the fourth year of a seven year contract as provided by the Local Public Contract Law 40A:11-15(5) said contract is hereby extended for the period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022

to . . . Vital Communications Inc., Trenton, New Jersey

In the amount of . . . \$55,432.80

as per their bid submitted . . . May 23, 2017

Funding for this contract has been provided in budget account 0115200/5029 – Tax Board Contracted Services

RECORDED VOTE: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

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

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak

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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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RESOLUTION 285-21

On motion by **Ms. Ciesla**, seconded by **Mr. Sarnoski**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held May 26, 2021.

**RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2119-1 PRINTING,
ENVELOPES, PADDED FORMS AND INDEX CARDS
FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2021 THROUGH
JUNE 30, 2022 TO RIDGEWOOD PRESS IN THE
APPROXIMATE AMOUNT OF
\$8,000.00**

BE IT RESOLVED, that contract WC2119-1 for printing category II, III, V and VI is hereby awarded

to . . . Ridgewood Press, Ridgewood, New Jersey

in the approximate amount of . . . \$8,000.00

as per their bid submitted . . . May 11, 2021

and reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing as the lowest responsible and responsive bid received.

Funding for this contract will be provided in various department accounts (this contract establishes unit pricing, purchase orders to be issued and encumbered as needed by the using department)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of the Board of County Commissioners be authorized and directed to execute the necessary contract.

RECORDED VOTE: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

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

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak

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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Belvidere, NJ 07823

RESOLUTION 286-21

On motion by **Ms. Ciesla**, seconded by **Mr. Sarnoski**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held May 26, 2021.

**RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2119-2 PRINTING,
LETTERHEAD, NCR FORMS AND BUSINESS CARDS
FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2021 THROUGH
JUNE 30, 2022 TO TC SQUARED LLC, D/B/A
CENTURION PRINTING, IN THE APPROXIMATE
AMOUNT OF \$13,000.00**

BE IT RESOLVED, that contract WC2119-2 for printing category I, IV, V, and VII is hereby awarded

to . . . TC Squared LLC., d/b/a Centurion Printing, Kenilworth, New Jersey

in the approximate amount of . . . \$13,000.00

as per their bid submitted . . . May 11, 2021

and reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing as the lowest responsible and responsive bid received.

Funding for this contract will be provided in various department accounts (this contract establishes unit pricing, purchase orders to be issued and encumbered as needed by the using department)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of the Board of County Commissioners be authorized and directed to execute the necessary contract.

RECORDED VOTE: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

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

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak

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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN**
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RESOLUTION 287-21

On motion by **Ms. Ciesla**, seconded by **Mr. Sarnoski**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held May 26, 2021.

**RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2120 FOR WATER
ANALYSIS FOR THE WARREN COUNTY HEALTH
DEPARTMENT FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2021
THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022 TO GARDEN STATE
LABORATORIES, INC., IN THE APPROXIMATE
AMOUNT OF \$11,250.00**

BE IT RESOLVED, that contract WC2120 for Water Analysis for the Warren County Health Department is hereby awarded

to . . . Garden State Laboratories, Inc., Hillside, New Jersey

in the approximate amount of . . . \$11,250.00

as per their bid submitted . . . May 11, 2021

and reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing as the lowest responsible and responsive bid received.

Funding for this contract has been provided in budget account 013350/5028 – County Health Services Professional, Consulting & Special Services

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of the Board of County Commissioners be authorized and directed to execute the necessary contract.

RECORDED VOTE: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

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

Alex J. Lazorisak

_____, Clerk

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RESOLUTION 288-21

On motion by **Ms. Ciesla**, seconded by **Mr. Sarnoski**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held May 26, 2021.

**RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE
ORDER TO TRANE MID-ATLANTIC REGION FOR
A AHU-1 PERFORMANCE CLIMATE CHANGER UNDER
COOPERATIVE CONTRACT# 15-JLP-023, FOR
WARREN COUNTY COURT HOUSE ROOM #1,
IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$21,778.00**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for performance climate changer Bed for the Warren County Court House Room 1 and is hereby awarded

to . . . Trane Mid-Atlantic Region, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania

in the amount of . . . \$21,778.00

at the prices established under Cooperative Contract# 15-JLP-023

Funding for this contract has been provided in capital account 0415A503/5062

RECORDED VOTE: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

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

Alex J. Lazorisak

, Clerk

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RESOLUTION 289-21

On motion by **Ms. Ciesla**, seconded by **Mr. Sarnoski**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held May 26, 2021.

**RESOLUTION CREATING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF
CONFIDENTIAL ASSISTANT, UNCLASSIFIED, AND ABOLISHING A
FULL-TIME POSITION OF PRINCIPAL ENGINEERING AIDE, CLASSIFIED,
WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of County Commissioners that a full-time position of *Confidential Assistant*, unclassified, is created within the Warren County Engineer's Office to insure the effectiveness and efficiency of operations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a full-time position of *Principal Engineering Aide*, classified, be abolished; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a full-time position of *Confidential Assistant*, unclassified, is created and established on Salary Grade 11, and made effective May 27, 2021.

RECORDED VOTE: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

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

Alex J. Lazorisak

, Clerk

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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN**

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RESOLUTION 290-21

On motion by **Ms. Ciesla**, seconded by **Mr. Sarnoski**, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held on May 26, 2021.

**A MOTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION 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 County Commissioners 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, Jeffress Litigation and Rutgers Cooperative Extension Agreement.

(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, FOP 171 – Corrections Officers.

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: Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Kern yes

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

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak