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**WARREN COUNTY PLANNING BOARD
AGENDA
Monday, March 28, 2022
7:00 p.m.**

**In-Person
and Via Electronic Communication for Public Viewing/Listening only**

CALL TO ORDER

INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT:

Adequate notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act by forwarding a notice of the date, time and location of the meeting to THE STAR-LEDGER, THE DAILY RECORD and the Warren County Clerk and by posting a copy thereof on the bulletin board of the Warren County Courthouse and Administration Building. The meetings will be conducted in person. The public may attend the meeting in person or view the meeting virtually through electronic communications equipment to preserve the health, safety and welfare of the public in conformance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, et seq. [the Open Public Meetings Act]. Public comments may be made in person at the time of the meeting or submitted in advance by email or written letter. Formal action will be taken.

SELECTED SUBDIVISION AND SITE PLAN MAPS TO BE ACTED ON AT THIS MONTH'S MEETING MAY BE VIEWED AT

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ROLL CALL

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

- o February 28, 2022

PUBLIC COMMENTS

SUBDIVISION & SITE PLAN REPORT

Subdivisions

21-001	Asbury Farms Urban Renewal Area 2	Washington Twp.	Extension Request
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Site Plans

22-006-SP	PR Bridge I-78 Phase II Owner Urban Renewal	Phillipsburg
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21-008-SP	Jay Mena (Buck Hill Brewery)	Blairstown
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21-024-SP	Greenwich Dumont Urban Renewal	Greenwich
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21-026-SP	Skoog Holdings	White
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21-003-SP	Asbury Farms Urban Renewal Area 2	Washington Twp.	Extension Request
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CORRESPONDENCE:

- Agriculture Development Board – Minutes of January 20, 2022
- Invitation – Musconetcong Watershed Association & NJ League of Conservation Voters

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Warren County Planning Dept. Project Report March 2022

COMMITTEE REPORTS

LIAISON REPORTS

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- Transportation Plan

OTHER BUSINESS

PUBLIC COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

**Members Who Do Not Plan To Attend the Meeting
Please Notify the Planning Department**

February 17, 2022

Via Email and Regular Mail

Warren County Planning Department
Wayne Dumont, Jr. Administration Building
165 County Road 519, South
Belvidere, New Jersey 07823-1949
Attn: Albert Krouse, Senior Planner

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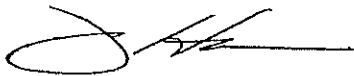
Re: Asbury Farms Urban Renewal Area 2
Warren County PB application #21-001 (Preliminary Major Subdivision Conditional Approval)
Warren County PB application #21-003 SP (Preliminary Major Site Plan Conditional Approval)
Township of Washington
Warren County, NJ
E&LP Project #0120059

Dear Mr. Krouse

Please accept this correspondence as a request to be placed on the 2/28/2022 agenda for a 90 day extension of time on each of the above referenced conditional approvals. Our project team is working on the outstanding conditions of the approvals dated 8/24/2021, and expect to satisfy the conditions as soon as possible.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 908-238-0544 x 119 or jhansen@elp-inc.com.

Very truly yours,



John Hansen, PE, PP, CME, LEED

cc: Asbury Farms
Rob Moschello, PE
Alan Lowcher, Esq.

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WARREN COUNTY AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Department of Land Preservation

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Meeting Minutes January 20, 2022

The regular monthly meeting was held virtually by the Department of Land Preservation via Webex. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Tierney at 7:32 p.m. An announcement was read as required by the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6-21.

Members present: Tim Bodine, Matthew Hood, Rene Mathez, Jason Menegus, Joel Schnetzer, Melissa Watters

Members absent: Bradley Burke

Others present: C. Tierney, T. Kaminski Staff, Katrina Campbell, County Counsel; Kelley Smith, Harmony Township; Frank Pinto: Timothy Willmott, SADC.

Reorganization

Mr. Tierney called for nomination for Chairman. Mr. Bodine nominated Mr. Schnetzer. Mr. Mathez seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Schnetzer – abstain; Mr. Bodine – yes; Mr. Hood – yes; Mr. Mathez – yes; Mr. Menegus – yes; Mrs. Watters – yes.
Motion carries.

Chairman Schnetzer took over the meeting and asked for nominations for Vice-Chairman. Mr. Mathez nominated Mr. Menegus which was seconded by Mrs. Watters.

Roll Call: Mr. Schnetzer – yes; Mr. Bodine – yes; Mr. Hood – yes; Mr. Mathez – yes; Mr. Menegus – abstain; Mrs. Watters – yes.
Motion carries.

Minutes of the meeting held on December 16, 2022 were approved on a motion by Mr. Mathez and seconded by Mrs. Watters. Motion carries.

Approval of 2022 Meeting Schedule

Mr. Mathez made a motion to approve the meeting dates for 2022 which was seconded by Mrs. Watters.

Roll Call: Mr. Schnetzer – yes; Mr. Bodine – yes; Mr. Hood – yes; Mr. Mathez – yes; Mr. Menegus – abstain; Mrs. Watters – yes.
Motion carries.

Correspondence: None

Public Input (Non-agenda Items):

Frank Pinto made known to the Board about The North Jersey Renewable Energy Development Assistance Program through the North Jersey RC & D for free energy assessments for farms located in Mercer, Hunterdon, Warren, Sussex, Morris, Somerset or Union counties to use geothermal, solar and renewal energy sources for farms. The assessment is based on the last 12 months utility consumption for farm usage only. Solar panels would only be put on the farm building or a small area of land and it is not for home usage. There needs to be separate meters for house and farm.

Mr. Mathez asked if there were any SRECs and Mr. Pinto replied that there are. It is \$100 SRECs and is a NJ new incentive program.

Chairman Schnetzer asked about procedure to work with JCP&L. Mr. Pinto confirmed that the program does work with JCP&L and part of the process is 110% of historic use, can exceed historic usage, but will not be a power provider, will be a net meter project.

Mr. Menegus asked about having own batter storage. Mr. Pinto stated that he was not sure if that is eligible for USDA grant, it can be part of the design, but may be funded by landowner 100%.

Ms. Smith asked about the program and Mr. Pinto stated that there were both grants and loans and that assessments are made each year for eligibility, but that it was too late for this year as the deadline is March 31, 2022. It is a Federal push for sustainability to reduce carbon footprint.

Chairman Schnetzer stated that he is totally against it. Mr. Pinto stated that it is not agrivoltaics or does this program cover field as it is small scale only restricted to rooftop or small area of farm and it only handles what the farm needs. Mr. Pinto stated there was not

enough farmland in NJ to meet the State's renewable energy on a large scale for covering over farmland and it conflicts with other programs for Agriculture within the State. Chairman Schnetzer stated that he doesn't like the stigmatism to promote it.

Old Business:

Deed of Easement Compliance

➤ Plainview Growers Update

Mr. Tierney stated that there were no updates on the small triangle that was left out of the Division of Premises when Mr. Van Vugt purchased the property. There was an application for SSAMP Hearing, but the notice was deemed deficient because the proposal to expand his existing greenhouse across the adjoining lot was not included in the notice. Mr. Tierney has had some communication with Attorney Sposaro's office and some discussions with Mr. Roohr at SADC.

➤ Kero Update

Mr. Tierney stated that there were no updates or further information from the landowner. The Township is still pursuing the soil issue themselves. Mr. Tierney believes that there has been no activity of soil importation since the Department's Cease and Desist letter and that the Soil Conservation District will be inspecting the preserved farms soon.

Update to Target List

TLC-NJ still working on the update and there has been some delay because of Daniel's Law, but the Planning Department may be able to help with the list of names for the Targeted parcels and hopefully there will be something to review soon.

Brunkhorst

Mr. Tierney stated that there have been no updates on this regarding reviewing the language for preservation.

New Business:

Resolutions

➤ SSAMP Resolution #22-01 – Star D Farm, LLC, BL 7 L 1 & 1.03, Harmony Township

Mrs. Watters approved the resolution with the revised provisions that was sent out by email today to memorialize the Board's decision to approve the Star D Farm's SSAMP at the WCADB December 16, 2021 meeting. This was seconded by Mr. Hood.

Roll Call: Mr. Schnetzer – yes; Mr. Bodine – yes; Mr. Hood – yes; Mr. Mathez – yes; Mr. Menegus – abstain; Mrs. Watters – yes. Motion carries.

➤ Division of Premises Resolution #22-02 – Oostdyk Preserved Farm, BL 57 L 23, 24, 25, 26, 27.02, Franklin Township

Mr. Tierney stated that advisement by substitute counsel Mr. Culton would like more time to work on the resolution and confer with Mrs. Campbell and requested that it be tabled until next month. Mr. Mathez made a motion to table this resolution until next month which was seconded by Mr. Bodine.

Roll Call: Mr. Schnetzer – yes; Mr. Bodine – yes; Mr. Hood – yes; Mr. Mathez – yes; Mr. Menegus – abstain; Mrs. Watters – yes. Motion carries.

Right-to-Farm Hearing

➤ Krouse/Skoog – White Township

Mr. Tierney had stated that this matter be carried until next month as Mr. Souders is away and Mr. Skoog is before White Township and that there would be no further adjournments after February.

Administrator's Report:

New Applications:

None at this time

Awaiting Green Light Approval:

County Applications

- **Ferri** – Washington Township (Approx. 65 acres) CMV received from SADC; offer letter being prepared for landowner.

Total Applications: 1 Total Acres: 65

Received Green Light Approval:

County Applications

- **McEvoy #1** – White Township (Approx. 102 acres) Appraisals underway.

Total Applications: 1 Total Acres: 102

Municipal Applications

- **Hoh** – Knowlton (Approx. 31 acres) Received Green Light Review Letter.
- **Rick Smith Farm** – White (Approx. 25 acres)

Total Applications: 2 Total Acres: 56

Non-profit applications

- **Shotwell Family Partnership, LP** – Blirstown Township (Approx. 154.5 acres)
- **Silver Pine Farm, LLC** – Frelinghuysen Township (Approx. 33.23 acres)
- **Watercress** – Frelinghuysen Township (Approx. 117 acres)

Total Applications: 3 Total Acres: 304.73

Received CMV & Offer Made:

County Applications

- **McEvoy #2** – White Township (Approx. 20 acres) \$5,200. Received SADC final approval on 12/2. SADC staff requested another confirmation from landowner regarding exception area being located in wetlands buffer area.

Total Applications: 1 Total Acres: 20

SADC applications

- **Gardner** – Franklin Township (Approx. 91.5 acres)
- **Riggs** – Franklin Township (Approx. 34 acres)

Total Applications: 2 Total Acres: 125.5

Non-profit applications

- **Giordano** – Frelinghuysen Township (Approx. 33.98 acres) CMV \$4,000. Received contract.
- **Mt. View Farms** – Franklin Township (Approx. 55.30 acres) \$4,250 CMV.
- **Santini Home Farm** – Franklin Township (Approx. 39.905 acres) \$4,750 CMV.
- **Stecker** – Harmony Township (Approx. 18.988 acres) \$5,175 CMV

Total Applications: 4 Total Acres: 148.173

Under Contract (Title Search & Survey):

County Applications

- **Anema, Ralph** – Washington Township (Approx. 123 acres) Landowner proceeding with Township to subdivide 6 acres severable exception. Received signed contract. Survey underway.

Total Applications: 1 Total Acres: 123

Municipal Applications

- **Gugel** – Hope Township (Approx. 48.5 acres) CMV \$4,000.
- **Vass** – Knowlton Twp. (Approx. 100 ac.) CMV \$4,700. Landowner confirmed location of exception area to 3.3 acres. Received contract. Received title work and draft survey and sent to Engineering for review

Total Applications: 2 Total Acres: 148.5

Non-Profit Applications

- **Campgaw Farm** – Hope/Blirstown Townships (Approx. 135.54 acres) Received title work.
- **Kimball** – White Twp. (Approx. 45 ac.) CMV \$4,200. TLC-NJ has signed contract, draft survey and title. Sent draft survey and title to Engineering for their review. Waiting to receive from surveyor Engineering's requested revisions.
- **Promised Land (M. Santini)** – Franklin Twp. (Approx. 58 ac.) CMV \$4,650. Received title and survey.

Total Applications: 3 Total Acres: 238.54

SADC applications

- **Moyer** – Pohatcong Township (Approx. 128.3 acres)

Total Applications: 1 Total Acres: 128.3

Waiting to Close (Final Legal Review):

County Applications

- **Beatty South** – Greenwich Twp. (Approx. 57 ac.) CMV \$9,500. Mrs. Beatty has died, estate being settled.
- **Beatty North** – Greenwich Twp. (Approx. 86 ac.) CMV \$8,800. Mrs. Beatty has died, estate being settled.
- **Dykstra** – Mansfield Twp. (Approx. 209 ac.) CMV \$3,900. Received completed survey revisions and sent to SADC.
- **Haydu** – Harmony Twp. (Approx. 46 ac.) CMV \$4,900. Waiting to close.
- **Khan (7 Old Orchard Road)** – Hardwick Twp. (Approx. 75 ac.) CMV \$3,400. Hardwick Township to cost-share at \$600/acre.

Total Applications: 5 Total Acres: 473

Municipal Applications

- **Dokie's Acres (Thompson)** – White Twp. (Approx. 43 ac.) CMV \$6,000. SADC payment documents received.
- **McLain** – Harmony Twp. (Approx. 140 ac.) CMV \$5,700. On hold pending resolution of erosion issue with SADC.

Total Applications: 2 Total Acres: 183

SADC applications

- **Shen** – Mansfield Township (Approx. 222 acres) Coordinating with SADC, County Engineering, and County Counsel to facilitate drainage easements requested by Engineering.

Total Applications: 1 Total Acres: 222

Recent Closings:

- **Myers/Toretta #2** – Franklin Township (Approx. 48 acres) Closed on 12/28/21!

Pohatcong Contamination Area Projects:

Seeking Highlands Council Open Space Funding cost-share

- **Pear Tree Realty** – Franklin Township (Approx. 62 ac.) Waiting for update to title to move forward to close. BCC approved 100% County funding.
- **Pereira** – Franklin Township (Approx. 30 ac.) Waiting for update to title to move forward to close. BCC approved 100% County funding.
- **Myers/Toretta #1**– Franklin Township (Approx. 38 acres) Waiting for update to title to move forward to close. BCC approved 100% County funding.
- **Noel** – Franklin Township (Approx. 44 ac.) Waiting for update to title to move forward to close. BCC approved 100% County funding.
- **Oberly** – Franklin/Greenwich (Approx. 96 ac.) Received appraisals. CADB recommended 100% County funding.
- **O'Dowd South** – Franklin & Greenwich Township – (Approx. 132 ac.) CADB Recommended 100% County funding.

Total Applications: 6 Total Acres: 402

2021 Closings YTD: 12 farms totaling 856 acres

Program Totals: 313 farms totaling 27,277.6944 acres

Public Comment –

SADC Update

Timothy Willmott of the SADC stated that he took over Stefanie Miller's role as SADC representation to Warren County's Board meetings. The next SADC monthly meeting will be held virtually on Thursday, January 27th at 9 am. Mr. Willmott stated that the SADC subcommittee is drafting rules for standards on Soil Protection and then it will go for full review with the SADC then there will be a 30 day informal comment period before preparing rules for the publication in the NJ Register. The Governor this week just signed appropriation bills for preservation and SADC funding. There has been 2,727 farms preserved through SADC programs and partners and a total of 243,000 acres. The SADC does have an application process for Solar with limitations of 110% of previous year's energy demand for farm with fixed structures or 1% of total farm as an additional option of total infrastructure farm is occupied to project.

Other

Chairman Schnetzer thanked Commissioner Ciesla for the 100% funding on the farms in the Pohatcong Valley Contamination Area. Commissioner Ciesla thanked the members for their volunteering and commitment to deal with difficult issues before that sometimes arises before the Board.

Mannon

Mr. Tierney had stated that he reached out to the Realtor and the landowners were already in contract to sell the property in Mansfield and were not open to discussions.

Adjournment: A motion for adjournment was made by Mr. Bodine and seconded by Mrs. Watters. Motion carries. Chairman Schnetzer adjourned the meeting at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Teresa Kaminski

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March 2, 2022

Dear Mayor:

I'm writing to let you know about an event on Wednesday, March 30, 2022 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. hosted by the Musconetcong Watershed Association and New Jersey League of Conservation Voters that I'll be speaking at, and to ask you to share this invitation with relevant environmental, recreation, shade tree, or open space commissions, and land use or planning boards.

We'll be discussing the excellent progress that's been made throughout Warren County to protect our open space, invest in clean water, and support our incredible fly fishing, hiking, hunting, and other outdoor recreation and tourism; and also opportunities ahead to keep our parks, rivers, streams, and outdoor economy going strong.

The event will be open to the public and will be held at the County of Warren Wayne Dumont, Jr. Administration Building, 165 County Route 519 South, Belvidere, New Jersey 07823-1949.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thanks and look forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Kern III".

James R. Kern III
Commissioner

c: WC Municipal Clerks
WC Shade Tree Commission

Warren County Planning Dept. Project Report February- March 2022

1. Development Applications Submitted 2/15/2022 to 3/11/2022 (Board Meeting Cut-Off)

Application #	Applicant	Municipality	Road	Use
21-044-SP	Robert R. Blease D.V.M.	Franklin	Route 57	Commercial
21-011	Michael Vande Vrede	White	County Road 519	Residential
21-037-SP	1603 Springtown, LLC	Alpha	Springtown Road	Commercial
22-002	Ralph and Deanna Anema	Washington Twp	Rymon Road	Residential
21-022-SP	Belvidere NJ Congregation of Jehovah Witnesses	Knowlton	Ramseyburg Road	Religious/ Non- profit
21-041-SP	Belvidere Urban Renewal, LLC	Belvidere	Manukachunk Road	Residential
21-014	Hope Road Property, LLC	Liberty	Hope Road	Commercial
18-006-SP	LMR Disposal	Harmony	Roxburg Station Road	Industrial
22-003	8 Mill Road, LLC.	White	N.J. Highway Rt. 46/ Mill	Residential
21-047-SP	Performance Fleet Maintenance, LLC	Hackettstown	Willow Grove Street	Industrial
22-005-SP	Mansfield Dev, LLC.	Mansfield	NJSH Route 57	Commercial
22-006-SP	PR Bridge I-78 Phase II Owner Urban Renewal, LLC	Phillipsburg	Route 22, Roseberry Road, Center and Green Streets	Industrial
21-008-SP	Jay Mena (Buck Hill Brewery)	Blairstown	Hope Road and Route 94	Commercial
21-023-SP	GTI New Jersey, LLC	Hackettstown	Bilby Road	Industrial
21-032-SP	Above Grid Solar Carport 2020 LLC	Hackettstown	Willow Grove Street	Hospital

Application #	Applicant	Municipality	Road	Use
21-024-SP	Greenwich Dumont Urban Renewal	Greenwich	Greenwich Street	Residential
21-007	David Mizrahi	Franklin	Route 57	Residential
21-026-SP	Skoog Holdings	White	Upper Sarepta Road	Industrial

2. Municipal Ordinance Review & Update Report

03/7/2022 Lopatcong Twp. Ordinance 22-03 Amend and Revise Chapter 243 Entitled “Zoning and Land Use” to Amend Sections 243-5, 243-65.3 and 243-77 to Prohibit Truck Stops within the Township of Lopatcong. Public Hearing scheduled for April 6, 2022

3/17/22 Knowlton Twp. Comprehensive Farmland Preservation Plan Update, Adopted January 25, 2022.

Stormwater Control Ordinances - The County is responsible for reviewing and approving municipal stormwater control ordinances (SCO) as they are updated pursuant to NJDEP revised rules. One (1) municipality has not submitted an ordinance.

3. Development Review Online Applications – March 2022 development applications are in process of being uploaded into the story map. Story map is being phased out and ArcGIS Experience Builder will be used to show case Development Review applications. The new link is <https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/f05ecd4320cf44618854c6cf51b5e4cd/>

4. Public Information Requests – Addressed/processed six requests February 15th, 2022- March 11th, 2022

5. Demographics/US. Census –The New Jersey 2020 Census data is on the NJ Data Center web page at https://nj.gov/labor/lpa/census/2020/2020census_index.html . The Board of County Commissioners approved a resolution requesting the the Office of Management and Budget to classify Warren County in the New York-Newark Metropolitan Statistical Area instead of the Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton MSA.

6. Open Space and Trails – Reviewed requests for information to assist in the extension of the Paulinskill Trail and the Morris Canal trail.

7. Warren Highlands Trail- A spur of the trail is being blazed through Harmony Township. Signage is being considered on CR 519 in Harmony Twp where the trail will cross.

8. Morris Canal – French and Parrello was contracted for engineering services for the design for construction of trails on six segments of the Morris Canal owned by the County. Application to the NJDEP Land Use Regulation program was submitted. The material used for the trail is being changed to meet the definition of a pervious material. It will likely be ¼ inch to 3/8 inch stone. F&P addressed the revisions as requested by the NJDEP. Phase I Historic Analysis is done. A Phase II analysis in specified areas still needs to be completed, likely in two to three months. Green Acres and the Allamuchy State Park needs to sign off on project as well.

A public information meeting is required before the plans are finalized and is scheduled for April 6, 6pm to 7pm and will be virtual.

It is undetermined when the project will go out for bid and construction. Late summer of 2022 is likely.

9. Warren Heritage Scenic Byway – The Scenic Byway Committee endorsed the extension that begins at the intersection of CR 519 and NJ 122 and follows CR 519 through Alpha Borough to CR 627 to Riegelsville. It will continue north on River Road to Snyders Road to Oberly Road to Carpentersville Road to NJ 122 at Greens Bridge. Members of the Byway Committee will be attending the March 22 Alpha Borough Council meeting seeking its endorsement of the route. The northern extension application draft is being finalized and will be distributed to the commission for review. The southern extension and loop application is being drafted.

Planning is exploring a 2022 grant opportunity through FHWA and DOT for potential projects along or for the scenic byway. The byway is eligible if the NJDOT wants to partner with the County on the project. The applicable dates are as follows:

Opening Date: March 16, 2022

Webinar: March 31, 2022

Letter of Intent Due: April 4, 2022

Application Due: May 16, 2022

10. Rt 57/CR 519 -A letter was emailed to NJDOT requesting a status update meeting on a number of roadways under NJDOT jurisdiction affecting Warren County. Projects of interest are; Rt 22/CR 519, Rt 57/CR 519, Rt 46/CR 519, the I-80 Interchange in Columbia, the Rockfall and Fix the S Curve projects, and NJDOT funding for local projects. No meeting has been set up yet.

11. I-80 Rockfall Project - A letter was sent to the FHWA and NJDOT requesting that the County of Warren become a “Participating Agency” in the review process. “Participating Agency” status puts the County on the list of agencies that will be consulted and asked to review documents when they are drafted. A letter was received from FHWA basically rejecting Warren County’s request to be a “participating agency” stating that a participating agency status is activated when a project goes into the Environmental Impact Study phase. Currently, an “Environmental Assessment” is being conducted. Furthermore, the FHWA letter stated that there are adequate opportunities for County involvement according to the NJDOT’s public involvement plan. A letter in reply is being drafted. The current schedule projects construction to start in 2025 and complete 2029.

12. Pilot Freight Concept Development Program- Drainage Culvert Replacement Project in Hackettstown –

13. Transportation Plan – The Report was completed final reports printed and delivered to the Department. Additional edits were required and they have been addressed. It will be transmitted to the Planning Board for review and a short presentation.

14. County Transportation Advisory Council- Attended the meeting on March 10.

15- NJTPA - Attended the March 14th Board of Trustees. The 2023 budget was summarized and reviewed and there were several minor amendments to the TIP none of which affected Warren County. The committee chairs gave updates. Also, amended the Subregional Transportation Planning Program budget to add Ryan as eligible staff to charge a portion of his time to the program.

16 EV Vehicles - Working with NJTPA to locate more Electric Vehicle chargers throughout the county. We are assisting the County's Public Works Director is exploring the possibilities of converting the County motor pool to EV and identify locations throughout the county where charging stations may be installed for county and for public use. Ideally they should be installed in locations throughout the county to ensure adequate coverage and reliability.

17. Lackawanna Cutoff

18. Raritan Valley Line-

19. Transportation Improvement Program -

20. CR 519/521 Weight Restriction – Under review by NJDOT.

21. Economic Development Council – Attended the March 10 2022 meeting. The Council heard presentations from a landowner who is proposing to build a “vacation retreat” in Frelinghuysen, on a Livestock Needs Assessment, and the USDA on the grant programs that are and will become available under the American Rescue Plan for improving food supply and expanding meat and poultry processing.

22. Musconetcong River Management Council – Next meet will be April 19, 2022

23. Solid Waste and Recycling - Weekly education advertisements about recycling continue to run in the Express Times and/or Warren Reporter. Solid Waste Advisory Council will be meeting on April 7.

The NJDEP released the REA Grant Application and the application must be submitted by the end of March.

Will be attending the virtual Annual Recycling Conference on April 5. A Warren County Recycling Coordinator meeting is scheduled for April 12. The April 12 meeting will feature a presentation from the NJDEP on how to complete the Municipal Tonnage Grant application. Other topics will be discussed as well. Reusable bags have been ordered for distribution.

Paper shredding event is scheduled for June 11, 8am to 11am.

24. County Road Map- The narrative and photos need to be added to the backside of the map. Narrative is being revised and modernized.

25. Park Locator App and Parks Story Map- The app is still a work in progress and will be able to deploy from any mobile device. The link for "Warren Parks Locator and Story Map is <https://warrencountynj.maps.arcgis.com/apps/Shortlist/index.html?appid=493ae0539bc84ede9dcedab2e0ac8b84>.

26. North Jersey Resource Conservation and Development – Council meeting was held March 3, 2022. We discussed staff participation in the Envirothon and expanding membership. Its website is <https://www.northjerseyrcd.org/>

27. Assisting other Departments-- Assisted Land Preservation with getting ARCGIS desktop data loaded and set up.

28. GIS – Attended spring NJGF March 3: Statewide trails dataset has been released, the parcel data service through the state officially does not include ownership data in the MOD IV any longer due to the recent privacy law for Tax data.- Attended MACURISA on Spatial & Data Science March 16, started to build new web map application for application review due to depreciation of story map applications that it was built on.

29. County Planners Association –

30. Hazard Mitigation Plan – The Hazard Mitigation Plan update has been prepared through the WC Public Safety Department and is now approved by the Board of County Commissioners.

31. Highlands Sustainable Economic Plan – It is available at: <https://www.nj.gov/njhighlands/master/economic-sustainability/>

32. Regional Planning Meetings -

33. Highlands Plan Conformance -

34. County Website Update- The new website is now live. County Departments are responsible for adding their own content to the site. This will allow us to provide the public with access to documents and links relevant to the planning and the department. The new web address to the County home page is <https://www.warrencountynj.gov/>

35. Bylaws - The Bylaws are on the agenda for approval at the Board of County Commissioners March 23, 2022 meeting.

36. Other Seminars, Workshops, meetings – Attended Healthy, Just, Resilient, and Carbon-Neutral Mobility workshop for Warren County with Rutgers AVTC to help guide some recommendations they are going to have as part of the University's assistance program. The common theme is the 15 minute village which advocates that services, employment, retail, be within a 15 walk, bike ride, or drive from your residence. Opportunities and constraints to non-automobile forms of transportation were discussed for applicability in Warren County.