

MINUTES

APRIL 27, 2022

**These minutes were approved by the Board of County Commissioners on May 25, 2022. 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 April 27, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Director Sarnoski and upon roll call, the following members were present: Commissioner James Kern III, Commissioner Deputy Director Lori Ciesla and Commissioner Director Jason Sarnoski. Also attending were County Administrator Alex Lazorisak, County Counsel Joe Bell, County CFO Kim Francisco, County Engineer Bill Gleba and Deputy Clerk Tracy Matlock.

Following the flag salute, Mr. Sarnoski requested that everyone remain standing for a MOMENT OF SILENCE in honor of the recent passing of Warren County Surrogate Kevin O’Neill. Mr. Sarnoski fondly recalled having been elected the same year as Mr. O’Neill – 2010 – and that it was his honor and pleasure to run with him. “He was probably one of the finest men I’ve ever known in Warren County,” Mr. Sarnoski said.

Mr. O’Neill had been serving his third term as Surrogate at the time of his death. During his career as a public servant, Mr. O’Neill brought not only a sense of professionalism to his office, but also great compassion, understanding that most visitors to the Surrogate’s Office were experiencing terrible grief. During Mr. O’Neill’s tenure, the office was modernized and moved to a new location. Most of all, Kevin O’Neill enjoyed engaging with the public, regularly speaking to civic and church groups, and was a fixture at the Warren County Farmers’ Fair, communicating how the Surrogate’s Office could assist the community. “We’re deeply saddened by his passing and will miss him greatly,” said Mr. Sarnoski.

After the moment of silence, Mr. Sarnoski asked the County Administrator if the meeting notice complied with the OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT (Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975). Mr. Lazorisak said yes, but in addition, County Counsel Joe Bell read a statement into the record.

Mr. Bell said, “Please be advised that the County of Warren will not comment on any pending litigation involving the County, either as a plaintiff or a defendant. Our reasons are twofold: the County’s general policy against commenting on pending litigation; and due to the obligations that surround attorney ethics in the State of New Jersey, in which the County’s legal representatives are duty-bound to follow, and

which places limits on the appropriate amount of comments that County attorneys may make on behalf of its client, the County of Warren. Again, the county does not comment on pending litigation. The County believes it is inappropriate to discuss pending litigation, which is properly situated in its appropriate venue, which is located in Superior Court.”

Approval of Minutes

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, the minutes of the Executive Session of April 13, 2022 were approved.

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

PROCLAMATION

PROCLAMATION 198-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, PROCLAMATION – OLDER AMERICANS MONTH, MAY 2022.

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

Ms. Ciesla, who read the proclamation aloud, said, “Everything in here is so true.” We rely on what we call ‘Older Americans’... these are the people that are out there that are doing a lot of our volunteering, helping out wherever they can.” She noted that our seniors were taking advantage of all the recreational activities Warren County has to offer. “We really appreciate everything they do,” she said.

Mr. Kern reiterated that many of the county’s boards and commissions were comprised of individuals described as Older Americans, but he preferred to describe them as experienced. “They certainly bring so much to the table in Warren County; we’re so happy to have them,” he said.

Mr. Sarnoski recalled that in April, we celebrated our volunteers, and now in May we honor our older citizens, saying the two go hand in hand. “Some of our best volunteers come from our older residents in Warren County,” he said, and invited John LaPadula, Human Services Director Shawn Buskirk, and Aging & Disabilities Services Executive Director Steve Unger to come forward to accept the proclamation.

Mr. LaPadula said the segment of the “older” population was growing. “We want to age gracefully; we want to be able to do it our way and stay at home,” he said. He thanked the Commissioners, Mr. Unger and his staff, and was especially grateful to the late Kevin O’Neill for always being available. Mr. LaPadula was grateful for the

county's involvement, which helped the senior population to maintain an active lifestyle and remain engaged.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

Bill Kanyuck of Greenwich first thanked the Commissioners for two resolutions concerning Greenwich Township, including the purchase of another farm (Agenda item E-7/Resolution 207-22), which he said was good for taxes.

Secondly, Mr. Kanyuck chose to speak on the proposed Resolution Authorizing the Creation of a Parent's Bill of Rights Concerning the Protection and Education of Our Children (Agenda item E-2/Resolution 202-22). He sought a slight modification to the resolution, which referenced grades K-2, saying he thought it should be at least K-8. He said the Comprehensive Health and Physical Education bill that passed in June of 2020 stated that by the end of second grade, individuals should be able to make their choices about how to express themselves, including discussion on the range of ways people express their gender and how gender role stereotypes may limit behavior. "This is slow indoctrination of our innocent children," he said.

Mr. Kanyuck continued, reading aloud various benchmarks he selected from the 2020 New Jersey Student Learning Standards - Comprehensive Health and Physical Education. He cited several targets to be learned by end of grades 2, 5 and 8. He said the federal government passed CIPA regulations (Children's Internet Protection Act) in the year 2000, under which schools were to block content on their computers that involved criminal skills, hate speech, drugs, mature sites, etc. deemed inappropriate for children, "Including sites with content about alternative lifestyles," Mr. Kanyuck said. He took issue with the notion that various forms of sex and lifestyle concepts could be taught in class, but then the content was blocked in school libraries for internet research.

Joseph Kresefski of Washington Borough commented on the Parent's Bill of Rights item as well, speaking of God and the Constitution, and that this matter was a growing concern in the community. He wanted to see the proposed resolution be amended to go from second grade to eighth grade. "If the regular Joe were to present this type of material that's being presented in the school system to any child in their house outside of their family members – and maybe even their family members – it would be considered pedophilia," he said, "It's disgusting." He was glad this was being brought to the table in Warren County, and added that he couldn't understand how some of the books in school libraries could have been permitted into the school system.

Several other individuals came forward, all in agreement with prior comments. A few shared personal anecdotes, and many mentioned the importance of the family unit and rights as parents. A couple of people thought that there should be an opt-in (rather than just opt-out) option for parents for the curricula; the material was deemed disgusting; God and religion was referenced; some thought the resolution didn't go far enough; and there was concern on the impact on teachers unwilling to present the material.

The following individuals spoke publicly in support of the resolution, and in opposition to recent guidelines provided by the New Jersey Department of Education: Ruth Kanyuck of Greenwich; Corey McCathus of High Bridge; Victoria Chabanko of Oxford; Carl Shotwell of Long Valley (former Warren County resident and owner of two businesses in the county); Jennifer Sexton of Mansfield; Kelly Truskowski of Franklin Township; Peter Galloway of Port Murray; Evie Roderer of Stewartsville; Steve Stark of Mansfield; Rich Herzer of Franklin; Harry Brown of Belvidere; Doug Pohl of Washington; Evan of Changewater; and Crystal Montgomery of Phillipsburg.

Theresa Chapman of Harmony said she hoped it was not the intent of the resolution to promote fear of living next to a family that was not considered "normal"; that it was not an anti-gay resolution.

Mr. Sarnoski thanked everyone for their decorum and for respecting each other's difference of opinions.

FINANCIAL RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 199-22

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

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

RESOLUTION 200-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, INSERTION INTO THE 2022 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$19,200.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE, DIVISION OF TRAVEL & TOURISM, FY22 COOPERATIVE MARKETING GRANT.

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

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 201-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION INCREASING THE PAYMENT OF A STIPEND TO THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE WARREN COUNTY (PEQUEST RIVER) MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY.

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

RESOLUTION 202-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF A PARENT’S BILL OF RIGHTS CONCERNING THE PROTECTION AND EDUCATION OF OUR CHILDREN as amended.

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

Mr. Sarnoski read the resolution aloud, amended slightly from its first published version, with respect to grade levels mentioned. He reiterated his appreciation for the civil discourse during the public comment period.

Speaking in response to Ms. Chapman’s earlier concern, Mr. Sarnoski said, “This is not a prejudicial resolution; I am inclusive of every person. But I am disturbed by what is going to be taught to our children at this young age.” A parent of two children and husband of a teacher, he went on to describe himself as a hover parent who keeps a close eye on what his children were exposed to. He spoke of conversations around the dinner table to help his children understand what they were being taught in school. “But at this young age, correcting some of this curriculum is almost impossible because it’s molding our children,” he said, which led him to the conclusion that there should be some sort of opt-in choice. Mr. Sarnoski said his wife was concerned about the material she may be required to present in class. He had heard that these topics would be presented on the last day of school, which he thought was sad.

During COVID, Mr. Sarnoski said, parents learned more about what their children were being taught. He said he stood with most of the parents in the room that spoke out this evening, and was happy the community was coming together to express its concerns. He noted that each school board was its own elected body. “You vote for those people, too, and they control a large portion of your taxes. Over 50 percent of your taxes go to your schools,” he said, adding that he knew many parents who did not want to send their kids to public school for reasons such as this.

“I’m happy to have this here,” Mr. Sarnoski concluded, “I look forward to working with our parents and our community leaders to come up with a Bill of Rights that will protect our parental rights and our children’s future.”

Ms. Ciesla thanked the attendees for coming out and expressing themselves. She noted that while most had taken the same position on the topic, each individual had a slightly different area of concern. She said this was not an anti-gay resolution; her only sibling was gay. She thought it was counterproductive to paint with a broad brush. “We are the parents; they’re our children. I’ll decide when my child is ready to learn about stuff, and second grade is not the time to learning about organs that are only used for sexual pleasure,” she said. Each parent was different, and Ms. Ciesla said she had to fight for her children on many different levels. She looked forward to working with the Commissioner Director to help form a Parental Bill of Rights to bring to all of our schools, so parents can decide.

Mr. Kern noted the frustration regarding all of the governor’s executive orders over the past two years, and even though he was not yet a parent, he appreciated all the phone calls from concerned citizens, which he said were eye opening. After doing a bit of research at the library to help him understand the reading level of second graders, he concluded that this curriculum was inappropriate for such an age. “If there’s one good thing that came out of COVID is that parents were able to see what was going on in the classroom, and I think taking action here today – while symbolic – will hopefully continue to shed light on what’s taking place here,” he said.

A large crowd of people departed following the roll call on Resolution 202-22.

RESOLUTION 203-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CLOSING OF A PORTION OF COUNTY ROUTE # 517 (HIGH STREET), FOR ELIZABETHTOWN GAS COMPANY, GAS SERVICE INSTALLATION AND PAVEMENT RESTORATION WORK, TOWN OF HACKETTSTOWN.

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

RESOLUTION 204-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF A QUIT CLAIM DEED ON PROPERTY IDENTIFIED AS OLD ROUTE 22 RIGHT OF WAY ADJACENT TO BLOCK 37 LOT 1, GREENWICH TOWNSHIP, WARREN COUNTY.

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

RESOLUTION 205-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ROUND 9 (FY'23) JOB ACCESS REVERSE COMMUTE (JARC) GRANT APPLICATION FOR FUNDING THROUGH NEW JERSEY TRANSIT FOR A TOTAL OF \$578,000.00 (\$289,000.00 STATE FUNDS AND \$289,000.00 IN ANTICIPATED LOCAL MATCHING FUNDS); SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.

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

RESOLUTION 206-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT APPLICATION WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES, DIVISION OF CHILDREN'S SYSTEM OF CARE FOR 23-OLWR CONTRACT TO PROVIDE YIP ADMINISTRATION SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$36,475.00 FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 2022 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2023; SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.

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

RESOLUTION 207-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF A DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON THE OBERLY (COSO) FARM BLOCK 42 LOT 11 IN FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP AND BLOCK 20 LOT 6 IN GREENWICH TOWNSHIP CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 101.33 (5%+) ACRES.

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

RESOLUTIONS RECEIVING BIDS AND AWARDING CONTRACTS

RESOLUTION 208-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT MODIFICATION #1 FOR CONTRACT # WC2079FO-1 TO VAN CLEEF ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES TO PERFORM FIELD INSPECTION AND LOAD RATINGS FOR BRIDGE STRUCTURES FOR A NET INCREASE OF \$4,170.00 AND REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$8,120.00.

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

RESOLUTION 209-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT TO LANDMARK I APPRAISAL SERVICES, LLC OF CHESTER, NEW JERSEY FOR APPRAISAL SERVICES ON THE ROSENTHAL PROPERTY BLOCK 1, LOT 50 INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP, APPROXIMATELY 0.62 ACRE PARTIAL ACQUISITION OF APPROXIMATELY 2.36 ACRE PARCEL, AS LISTED IN THE PROPOSAL, IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$1,775.00.

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

RESOLUTION 210-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT TO JOSHUA D. MACKOFF, LLC, MORRISTOWN, NEW JERSEY FOR APPRAISAL SERVICES ON THE ROSENTHAL PROPERTY BLOCK 1, LOT 50 INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP, APPROXIMATELY 0.62 ACRE PARTIAL ACQUISITION OF APPROXIMATELY 2.36 ACRE PARCEL, AS LISTED IN THE PROPOSAL, IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$1,850.00.

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

RESOLUTION 211-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO TUWAY COMMUNICATIONS OF BETHLEHEM, PENNSYLVANIA, UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #A83924/T0109 COVERING RADIO COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES FOR INSTALLATION OF EQUIPMENT FOR SIX BACKUP VESTA POSITIONS AND THREE ZETRON POSITIONS FOR THE WARREN COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$53,728.08.

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

RESOLUTION 212-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF A PURCHASE ORDER TO TUWAY COMMUNICATIONS OF BETHLEHEM, PENNSYLVANIA FOR RF EQUIPMENT UPGRADES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$373,820.00.

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

RESOLUTION 213-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION RE: APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR CONTRACT WC2134 THE ROOF REPLACEMENT AT ALPHA MAINTENANCE GARAGE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO STROBER-WRIGHT ROOFING, INC. FOR UNUSED ALLOWANCE FOR A NET DECREASE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,500.00, AND A REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$50,050.00.

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

RESOLUTION 214-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2231R FOR PROFESSIONAL ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES, RELATED TO THE ADDITION AND RENOVATIONS TO THE CATHERINE DICKSON HOFMAN LIBRARY IN BLAIRSTOWN, NEW JERSEY FOR THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, TO DI GROUP ARCHITECTURE OF NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$295,500.00.

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

RESOLUTION 215-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO NEW JERSEY FIRE EQUIPMENT COMPANY OF GREEN BROOK, NEW JERSEY UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT T0790/17-FLEET-00819 FOR 3M SCOTT AIR PAKS AND CYLINDERS FOR THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$51,547.50.

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

RESIGNATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

RECOMMENDATION

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF JOHN METROKE FROM THE WARREN COUNTY BICENTENNIAL CULTURAL AND HERITAGE ADVISORY BOARD.

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

PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 216-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION APPROVING ANNUAL SALARY ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE UNCLASSIFIED, MANAGERIAL, AND CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYEES OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN FOR FISCAL 2022.

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

RESOLUTION 217-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2022 SALARY ADJUSTMENTS FOR APPOINTED PERSONNEL OF THE SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT AS RECOMMENDED AND FIXED BY THE SHERIFF.

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

RESOLUTION 218-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION APPOINTING TRACY L. MATLOCK AS WARREN COUNTY DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD FOR THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

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

“Thank you, Tracy, congratulations,” Ms. Ciesla said. Mr. Kern offered congratulations as well, thanking Ms. Matlock for all she does. “Absolutely,” said Mr. Sarnoski.

RESOLUTION 219-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING THE PAYMENT OF STIPENDS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES FOR VARIOUS BOARDS, COMMISSIONS OR COMMITTEES.

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

REPORTS AND COMMENTS

County Counsel Joe Bell said he had a few items for Executive Session in connection with pending litigation.

County Engineer Bill Gleba reported a “mishap” involving a large truck causing damage to two bridge structures in Knowlton Township. Both bridges were closed indefinitely. An in-depth inspection was pending, and he was hopeful that one of the bridges could be repaired.

County Planner Dave Dech had no report

County Public Works Director Emily Hammer had no report.

County CFO Kim Francisco had no report.

County Administrator Alex Lazorisak had only the most recent personnel vacancy report for approval, saying it contained nothing out of the ordinary.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Mr. Kern said the new environmental committee would not appear on the agenda until May.

With respect to the loss of Kevin O’Neill, Mr. Kern said he had been an exemplary public servant for Warren County, prior to which he was an upstanding citizen for the Town of Hackettstown. “He will be greatly missed,” he said.

Ms. Ciesla said online registration was open to participate in Health & Wellness Field Day, and busing would be available to transport kids to the event. She hoped to host as many kids as possible at the May 13 event at Warren Hills High School.

Regarding broadband, Ms. Ciesla had been working with the BPU, and a group from NJIT was in the process of remapping the data for the state. That map will be compared to the FCC map to make sure no area was overlooked. She said the state would be utilizing funding from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act - to be released in June – to focus on underserved and unserved areas, so she hoped things would move quickly with this backing. After that, equity and affordability issues would be addressed. A rather perplexing press conference was convened recently by Congressman Gottheimer regarding our area’s status and funding details. Mr. Kern and Mr. Sarnoski complimented Ms. Ciesla for her efforts and strides, despite the confusion caused by Congressman Gottheimer’s lack of accurate information.

Ms. Ciesla spoke of what a genuine person Kevin O’Neill was, who left a lasting impression on everyone he met. “Our county will never be the same without him,” she said.

After remarking on Congressman Gottheimer, Mr. Sarnoski had no further comments.

CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENTS

Liza Thomas of Liberty Township said she was supportive of teachers, but many newly educated teachers just out of college, “And they are also of that indoctrinated generation,” she said. Referring to the resolution to create a Parent’s Bill of Rights, Ms. Thomas said, “It doesn’t matter if it’s taken out of the curriculum. It will still be taught.” She contended that children’s online exposure was where indoctrination started, and school was where “the nail is put in the coffin.” She thought parents saying no to technology was their last line of defense.

Sarah Hare of Hope Township said she was a teacher of 32 years, and still recovering from all the previous comments. She said she wasn’t fully informed on the pending curriculum, and agreed with several of the comments, but found some very concerning.

Ms. Hare expressed disappointment regarding the April 11, 2022 County Commissioners meeting, when a Delaware Water Gap resolution was introduced and acted on without prior notice. She said it lacked transparency, and was confused as to why one resolution was passed in January, with another walking it back in April. She asked, “Why are we not gathering all of the information before passing or presenting resolutions?” She said this was a complex issue that promoted disagreement between different stakeholders. Ms. Hare advised gathering all the data first, then bring in the public to be educated about the issue. She said there were still many questions to be answered.

Christopher Bauknight of Washington Borough took issue with the crowd of commenters that had already departed. “As I do believe that, yes, parents should have more say-so and control, and also be aware of what those kids are learning, that group that just left are also very anti-gay,” he said, noting he had attended another meeting with them and had personally heard the comments. He urged caution. “Is that bill just for the schools, or are we telling our kids and the county that we can’t really have an alternative lifestyle? That’s my main concern,” he said.

Victoria Chabanko of Oxford, speaking for the second time, said she was sharing her own opinion and not that of any group with which she was involved. She thanked the Commissioners for passing Resolution 202-22, and said over the past two years, the public had taken more of an interest not only in what was going on in the schools, “But in our communities, our churches, our government; we have learned our Constitution, we’ve learned our rights, and we’re teaching them and asserting them,” she said.

Elizabeth McKenna of White Township asked if she could obtain a copy of the most recent Delaware Water Gap resolution. Mr. Sarnoski said the Clerk would email it to her.

PRESS COMMENTS & QUESTIONS

Walt Kane of News 12 said he had done investigative reporting on the alleged abuse committed by former Sheriff Ed Bullock. He asked, "Are you tonight finally willing to publicly acknowledge and condemn the abuse that these victims suffered?" County Counsel Joe Bell said there would be no comment. The allegations were in Superior Court, the proper venue where they would be decided.

Crystal Montgomery of Phillipsburg expressed disappointment in the Commissioners for not being more active to help raise awareness regarding sexual assault during Sexual Assault Awareness Month (April), participating in only one fundraiser for DASACC behind closed doors. She was interrupted by a heckler who declined to follow the rules of decorum and disrupted the forum. Mr. Sarnoski chose to end the public portion of the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLUTION 220-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROVIDING FOR A MEETING NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 AT 7:42 p.m.

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

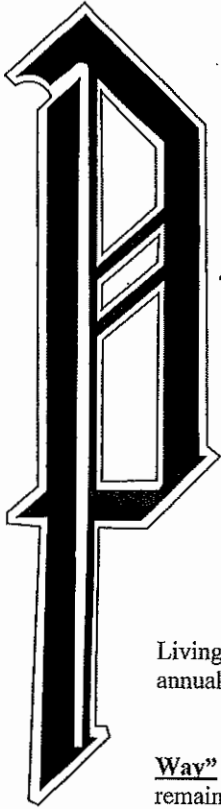
On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, the board adjourned Executive Session and returned to Open Session at 8:17 p.m.

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

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, and there being no further business before the board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

County of Warren
Board of County Commissioners



Proclamation

OLDER AMERICANS MONTH
MAY 2022

WHEREAS, each year the Federal Administration for Community Living designates the month of May as "Older Americans Month" and issues an annual theme for Older Americans Month; and

WHEREAS, the theme for Older Americans Month 2022 is "Age My Way" an opportunity for all of us to explore the many ways older adults can remain in and be involved with their communities; and

WHEREAS, Warren County includes a thriving community of over 26,000 residents age 60 and older; and

WHEREAS, older residents in our community continue to redefine aging – through work or family interests, volunteerism, advocacy efforts and by taking charge of their health; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of County Commissioners continues to encourage and support local programs and initiatives that promote healthy aging and independent living for older residents; and

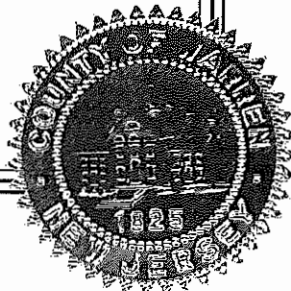
WHEREAS, each May the Warren County Board of County Commissioners have made it an annual tradition to honor county residents age 60 and over as vital and contributing members of the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Warren County Board of County Commissioners do hereby proclaim May 2022 as Older Americans Month and urges all Warren County residents to take time during the month of May to recognize and celebrate our older residents as powerful and vital citizens who greatly contribute to this community.

Jason J. Sarnoski, Director
Board of County Commissioners

Lori Ciesla, Deputy Director
Board of County Commissioners

James R. Kern, III, Commissioner
Board of County Commissioners



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OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN**
Wayne Dumont, Jr. Administration Building
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RESOLUTION 199-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 27, 2022.

Be and it is hereby resolved that Master Voucher Certificate **For Certification / Ratification for Payments No. 2022-16 and 2022-17, dated April 27, 2022**, in the amount of **\$ 2,555,377.85** including payrolls, allowances, bills and investments, is approved subject to the review of the vouchers by the Board of County Commissioners.

2022-16	4/20/2022	\$521,629.19	
2022-17	4/27/2022	<u>615,635.81</u>	
TOTAL			\$1,137,265.00
Delta Dental	4/20/2022	\$37,634.76	
Open Space Wire	<i>(Detail Below)</i>	<u>66,975.48</u>	
TOTAL-OTHER			104,610.24
Payroll	4/21/2022	\$1,313,502.61	
TOTAL WAGES, FRINGE, MEALS			<u>1,313,502.61</u>
GRAND TOTAL			<u>\$2,555,377.85</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>
Haydu Farm	4/13/22	\$210,371.70	\$143,396.22	\$66,975.48
Total				<u>\$66,975.48</u>

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski 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, NJ 07823

RESOLUTION 200-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 27, 2022.

**INSERTION INTO THE 2022 BUDGET OF THE
COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$19,200.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE, DIVISION OF
TRAVEL & TOURISM, FY22 COOPERATIVE
MARKETING 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 2022 in the sum of \$19,200.00, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey, Department of the State, Division of Travel & Tourism, FY22 Cooperative Marketing Grant

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Grant Match of \$ 4,800.00 is included in the 2022 County Budget, Page 13 – Public Information, Other Expenses

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$ 19,200.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption:

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

State of New Jersey, Department of the State, Division of Travel & Tourism, FY22 Cooperative Marketing Grant (administered by the Public Information Dept.)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of the approval by the State of New Jersey, Department of the State, Division of Travel & Tourism

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski 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 201-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 27, 2022.

**RESOLUTION INCREASING THE PAYMENT OF A STIPEND
TO THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE WARREN COUNTY
(PEQUEST RIVER) MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY**

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of County Commissioners has previously created the Warren County (Pequest River) Municipal Utilities Authority (the Authority) pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:14B-1 et seq., ant the acts amendatory and supplemental thereto; and

WHEREAS, the Authority Commissioners appointed to serve on the Authority do so voluntarily; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal and County Utilities Authorities Law, at N.J.S.A. 40:14B-17, contains a provision for payment of a stipend to the members of an authority for their services, subject to an annual or other limitation, pursuant to a resolution by the governmental entity which created the authority; and

WHEREAS, the Authority Commissioners perform vital services in the furtherance of the general health, safety and welfare of the residents within the Authority's service area, which services require, at a minimum, the following:

1. A knowledge of finance and economies in order to comply with applicable State, Federal and local budget and other financial regulations.
2. An understanding of the bond market, and other factors that impact upon the funding or public improvement projects.
3. The ability to evaluate property and equipment for the purposes of building and facilities and acquisition and disposition, as well as the maintenance and management of the same.
4. A working knowledge of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and Federal rules and regulations related to the preservation of potable water supplies and waste treatment, and other matters that directly affect the environment.
5. A familiarity with regional planning and development trends so as to coordinate the availability of sewer treatment capacity among the various municipalities within the Authority's service area.
6. General management and mediation skills so as to resolve the often conflicting needs for treatment capacity among the various constituent municipalities.

7. A working knowledge of the Local Public Contracts Law, and the ability to negotiate purchases and public works contracts in the best interests of the Authority's customers, bondholders and ratepayers.
8. In the case of legal disputes, an ability to determine when the Authority's needs may best be served through litigation or mediated settlement of the matter at issue.
9. An understanding of insurance, workers' compensation, unemployment, and State and Federal laws related to the hiring and firing of employees, as well as the ability to annually establish a fair and just salary structure that will not only retain the talented staff members already in the Authority's employ, but will also attract other qualified talent to fulfill the Authority's ongoing needs; and

WHEREAS, the receipt of a reasonable stipend will serve as an acknowledgment of the Authority's Commissioner's commitment to conscientiously fulfill their public service duties, and shall be additional incentive for them to continue to voluntarily attend at seminars and other continuing education programs related to their tasks; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of County Commissioners does hereby authorize the following stipends as follows:

Chairperson:	\$5,400.00
Vice Chairperson:	\$4,700.00
Secretary:	\$4,700.00
Treasurer:	\$4,700.00
Commissioner:	\$2,800.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the adjusted stipends are to be made effective January 1, 2022.

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

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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RESOLUTION 202-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 27, 2022.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF A PARENT’S BILL OF RIGHTS
CONCERNING THE PROTECTION AND EDUCATION OF OUR CHILDREN**

WHEREAS, recent guidelines provided by the New Jersey Department of Education (the “Department of Education”), legislation enacted by the New Jersey Legislature and signed into law by Governor Murphy, and the associated sample curricula regarding the teaching of a highly sensitive curricula to our young children, particularly grades K-2 is both disturbing and concerning to the parents and citizens here in Warren County (the “County”) and throughout the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, all Commissioners have been contacted by Warren County residents related to this sensitive issue; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Education’s guidelines were promulgated, and the legislation was passed and signed into law in 2020 and 2021, as applicable, during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic when New Jersey residents were sheltering in place and there was not adequate opportunity for public comment and parents did not have any input into this disturbing and highly sensitive curricula that will be taught to our young children; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren is hereby calling on Governor Murphy, the New Jersey Legislature and the Department of Education to return the decisions to local School Boards regarding such highly sensitive curricula for our young children ; and

WHEREAS, the County also desires to work with our parents, community leaders and professionals to develop the framework for a Parental Bill of Rights to use as a model for our County schools, as well as our local school districts, that will, among other things, protect our children, notify our parents of the curricula being taught to their children, in our schools and allow them to make their own decisions regarding their child’s education and exposure to sensitive information; and

WHEREAS, the public should have an opportunity to be heard on this issue of curricula being taught which so significantly impacts the family unit.

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

1. We hereby demand that Governor Murphy, the New Jersey State Legislature and the Department of Education ban such highly sensitive curricula for our young children that was developed out of the aforesaid guidelines, legislation and sample curricula; and

2. The Administrator is directed to schedule a public forum at a convenient location as soon as possible to afford Warren County residents an opportunity to be heard related to deciding what young children should be taught in schools; and
3. The County Commissioner Director, the County Administrator and County Counsel are each authorized and directed to work with our parents, community leaders and professionals to develop the framework for a Parental Bill of Rights to use as a model for our County schools, as well as for local school districts, that will, among other things, protect our children, notify parents of the curricula being taught to their children in our schools and allow them to make their own decisions regarding their child's education and exposure to sensitive information; and
4. The Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners is hereby authorized and directed to forward this resolution to Governor Murphy; the New Jersey Legislature; the Department of Education; the County Superintendent of Schools; the local School Board and private and charter schools; New Jersey League of Municipalities; all County Boards of County Commissioners; the Mayor and Committees/Council of all towns within the County of Warren and the New Jersey State Board of Education.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski 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 COMMISSIONER
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RESOLUTION 203-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioner of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 27, 2022.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CLOSING OF
A PORTION OF COUNTY ROUTE # 517 (HIGH STREET),
FOR ELIZABETHTOWN GAS COMPANY,
GAS SERVICE INSTALLATION AND PAVEMENT RESTORATION WORK,
TOWN OF HACKETTSTOWN**

WHEREAS, the Elizabethtown Gas Company has requested permission to close a portion of County Route #517 (High Street) between Cook Street and Miller Street in the Town of Hackettstown, for a period of approximately **two days** during daily work hours tentatively to commence in May 2022 (as scheduling permits), for gas service installation and pavement restoration work covered by County permit number 21072.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioner of the County of Warren does hereby approve the closing of a portion of County Route #517 (High Street) between Cook Street and Miller Street in the Town of Hackettstown, for a period of approximately **two days** or until such time as the service is installed and final restoration work is complete, with the following conditions:

1. An appropriate detour plan is submitted by the Elizabethtown Gas and approved by the County Engineer.
2. Access is maintained at all times for local businesses, residents and emergency services in the vicinity of the project area with notification provided in advance.
3. All barricades, detours and traffic control signs shall conform to the Manual on Uniform Control Devices.
4. Police supervision of any necessary traffic control of the road and handling of safety shall be provided.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the resolution be forwarded to Town of Hackettstown Clerk and Police Department.

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

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

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorizak

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**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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RESOLUTION 204-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 27, 2022.

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF A QUIT CLAIM DEED ON
PROPERTY IDENTIFIED AS OLD ROUTE 22 RIGHT OF WAY ADJACENT TO BLOCK 37
LOT 1, GREENWICH TOWNSHIP, WARREN COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the property owners of Block 37 Lot 1 Barbara Lee McIntyre and Mary Ann Leciston wish to obtain ownership of the right of way to be vacated by the New Jersey Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, the property consists of the Right-of-Way land and all the buildings and structures on the land in the Township of Greenwich, County of Warren, and State of New Jersey, identified as the old Route 22 Right-of-Way adjacent to Block 37, Lot 1 and more commonly known as 1500 West Avenue, Greenwich, New Jersey 08865-4116; and

WHEREAS, the County of Warren ("County") was requested to document that it has vacated its interest in a right of way of old Route 22, adjacent to Block 37 Lot 1 in Greenwich Township, County of Warren, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the County does not have any ownership or interest in the property; and

WHEREAS, to effectively clarify and resolve any ambiguity as to ownership, the County will execute a quitclaim deed transferring, conveying and releasing whatever interest the County may have in the property to the property owners.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren does hereby authorize the County Administrator to execute and deliver the quitclaim deed, and any accompanying documents and instruments, on behalf of the County of Warren in favor of Barbara Lee McIntyre and Mary Ann Leciston, as tenants-in-common, 1500 West Avenue, Phillipsburg, New Jersey 08865.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski 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 205-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 27, 2022.

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ROUND 9 (FY '23) JOB ACCESS
REVERSE COMMUTE (JARC) GRANT APPLICATION FOR
FUNDING THROUGH NEW JERSEY TRANSIT FOR A TOTAL
OF \$578,000.00 (\$289,000.00 STATE FUNDS AND \$289,000.00 IN ANTICIPATED
LOCAL MATCHING FUNDS); SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren supports the application for anticipated funding through NJ Transit in the amount of \$289,000.00 state funds for Round 9 (FY '23) Job Access Reverse Commute (JARC) grant funds;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the county will consider the provision of JARC matching funds totaling \$289,000.00 through county and state revenue;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of the Board of County Commissioners is in support of the grant application for anticipated Round 9 (FY '23) Job Access Reverse Commute (JARC) funding through New Jersey Transit for a total of \$578,000.00 (\$289,000.00 state funds and \$289,000.00 in anticipated local matching funds) for each round; subject to the availability of funds.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski 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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**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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RESOLUTION 206-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 27, 2022.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE A
CONTRACT APPLICATION WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF
CHILDREN AND FAMILIES, DIVISION OF CHILDREN'S SYSTEM OF CARE
FOR 23-OLWR CONTRACT TO PROVIDE YIP ADMINISTRATION SERVICES
IN THE AMOUNT OF \$36,475.00 FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 2022
THROUGH JUNE 30, 2023; SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS**

WHEREAS, the NJ Department of Children and Families, Division of Children's System of Care desires that the Warren County Department of Human Services provide YIP Administration services in accordance with the terms and conditions contained in the attached contract.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Director of the Board of County Commissioners is authorized to execute the 23-OLWR contract application with the NJ Department of Children and Families, Division of Children's System of Care to provide YIP Administration services through the Warren County Department of Human Services in the amount of \$36,475.00, for the period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023; subject to the availability of funds.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski 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 207-22

On a motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 27, 2022.

**RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF THE
PURCHASE OF A DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON
THE OBERLY (COSO) FARM
BLOCK 42 LOT 11 IN FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP AND
BLOCK 20 LOT 6 IN GREENWICH TOWNSHIP
CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 101.33 (5%+) ACRES**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren has determined that the property known as the Oberly (COSO) Farm, owned by Clifford W. Oberly and Sheila Oberly, located on Block 42 Lot 11 in Franklin Township, and Block 20 Lot 6 in Greenwich Township consisting of approximately 101.33 (5%+) acres, has available for purchase a development easement in accordance with the requirements of the farmland preservation program; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Agriculture Development Board received this application for farmland preservation on February 25, 2019 and the Board approved said application for farmland preservation at its April 18, 2019 Meeting; and

WHEREAS, the State Agriculture Development Committee elected not to provide cost-share on farms that are located in the Pohatcong Valley Groundwater Contamination Area and the Oberly (COSO) farm is in that subject area; and

WHEREAS, on May 22, 2019 the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders voted by Resolution #275-19 to submit the Oberly (COSO) application to the Highlands Council's Highlands Open Space Partnership Funding Program (HOSP); and

WHEREAS, on November 20, 2020 this application was awarded a maximum funding amount of \$242,500 from HOSP with a closing deadline of November 12, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the source of funding for the HOSP changed after the initial round(s) and began using funding administered by the United States Fish and Wildlife (USFW); and

WHEREAS, the County was informed that the USFW funds cannot be used as 50% cost-share towards valuations determined using the Highlands Dual Appraisal method set forth in N.J.S.A. 13:8C-38.j(1); and

WHEREAS, two independent appraisals have been performed on the Oberly (COSO) property and the WCADB reviewed the appraisal values and has certified a development easement value of \$5,100 per acre based on the zoning and environmental regulations in place as of January 1, 2004 (Highlands dual appraisal) and recommend 100% funding for preservation to the Warren County Board of County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the landowners have accepted the offer of \$5,100 per acre on approximately 101.33 (5%+) acres for an estimated total of \$516,783.00 and this property is currently under contract review; and

WHEREAS, Warren County has withdrawn this application from the HOSP and will no longer seek cost share from that program towards to cost of preserving the Oberly (COSO) farm; and

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 Franklin and Greenwich Townships, and said tract falls within a predetermined County Agricultural Development Area, is in the South East Project Area, and located in the Highlands Planning Area, Highlands Agricultural Resources Area and Highlands High Agricultural Priority Area; and

WHEREAS, Warren County's cost to preserve this farm will be approximately \$516,783.00; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren 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 \$5,100 per acre as determined by the WCADB. Warren County total cost amount is \$516,783.00.
2. This approval includes the following conditions
 - a. One residence, barns, silos and outbuildings on premises
 - b. No existing agriculture labor housing on premises
 - c. Exceptions:
 - 1) None
 - d. No 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. Warren County is adjusting funding for a 5% buffer on the final surveyed acreage
3. The County's share in regard to the purchase of said easement is estimated at \$516,783.00. The Commissioner Director or Administrator of Warren County is authorized to sign the Deed of Easement and any and all documents necessary for the acquisition of the development easement on the above property in the Townships of Franklin and Greenwich, County of Warren, State of New Jersey under the terms outlined above.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of County Commissioners hereby grant permission for the purchase price of \$516,783.00 for the development easement on the Oberly (COSO) Farm, Block 42 Lot 11, Franklin Township and Block 20 Lot 6, Greenwich Township.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that adequate funds for the purchase price funding depending upon final surveyed acres in the amount of \$516,783.00 in account #03895-5067-8952202-5067 have been certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski 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
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RESOLUTION 208-22

On a motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 27, 2022.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT MODIFICATION #1 FOR
CONTRACT # WC2079FO-1 TO VAN CLEEF ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES
TO PERFORM FIELD INSPECTION AND LOAD RATINGS
FOR BRIDGE STRUCTURES FOR A NET INCREASE OF \$4,170.00
AND REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$8,120.00**

WHEREAS, the County has received Qualification Statements for Contract #WC2079FO for Bridge and Culvert Survey, Design, and Permitting; and

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

WHEREAS, several bridge structures need field inspected and load rated for a net increase of \$4,170.00; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available in account 0418A308 5064 and certified by the County Chief Financial Officer.

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

1. Hereby approving Contract Modification #1 with Van Cleef Engineering Associates of Phillipsburg, NJ for the above project for a net increase of \$4,170.00 and a revised contract amount of \$8,120.00.
2. The Director is hereby authorized to execute said letter of agreement by signing same.
3. A notice of this action shall be published in The Star Ledger.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski 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 209-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 27, 2022.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT TO LANDMARK I APPRAISAL SERVICES, LLC OF CHESTER, NEW JERSEY FOR APPRAISAL SERVICES ON THE ROSENTHAL PROPERTY BLOCK 1, LOT 50 INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP, APPROXIMATELY 0.62 ACRE PARTIAL ACQUISITION OF APPROXIMATELY 2.36 ACRE PARCEL, AS LISTED IN THE PROPOSAL, IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$1,775.00

WHEREAS, The Warren County Board of Recreation has developed a list of Property for Preservation for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, Warren County is interested in obtaining appraisals on various open space properties as listed in the proposal; and

WHEREAS, land appraisals are required by the State Green Acres Program prior to negotiations for acquisitions in order to be eligible to receive Cost Share funding for Land Easement Purposes; and

WHEREAS, said appraisals will be in accordance with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Green Acres Appraisal Requirements; and

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

WHEREAS, Landmark I Appraisal Services, LLC was pre-qualified as an appraiser by WC2149FO on November 23, 2021; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available in account 03894 5065 – Open Space Trust – Preliminary Expenses

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

1. The agreement between the County of Warren and Landmark I Appraisal Services, LLC in the amount of \$1,775.00 to prepare a survey on the land listed be accepted.
2. The Commissioner Director is hereby authorized to execute said agreement.

3. Notice of this action shall be published in THE STAR-LEDGER, as required by law, within ten (10) days of adoption.

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 210-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 27, 2022.

**RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT TO JOSHUA D. MACKOFF, LLC,
MORRISTOWN, NEW JERSEY FOR APPRAISAL SERVICES ON THE
ROSENTHAL PROPERTY BLOCK 1, LOT 50 INDEPENDENCE
TOWNSHIP, APPROXIMATELY 0.62 ACRE PARTIAL ACQUISITION
OF APPROXIMATELY 2.36 ACRE PARCEL, AS LISTED IN THE
PROPOSAL, IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$1,850.00**

WHEREAS, The Warren County Board of Recreation has developed a list of Property for Preservation for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, Warren County is interested in obtaining appraisals on various open space properties as listed in the proposal; and

WHEREAS, land appraisals are required by the State Green Acres Program prior to negotiations for acquisitions in order to be eligible to receive Cost Share funding for Land Easement Purposes; and

WHEREAS, said appraisals will be in accordance with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Green Acres Appraisal Requirements; and

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

WHEREAS, Joshua D. Mackoff, LLC was pre-qualified as an appraiser by WC2149FO on November 23, 2021; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available in account 03894 5065 – Open Space Trust – Preliminary Expenses

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

1. The agreement between the County of Warren and Joshua D. Mackoff, LLC in the amount of \$1,850.00 to prepare a survey on the land listed be accepted.
2. The Commissioner Director is hereby authorized to execute said agreement.
3. Notice of this action shall be published in THE STAR-LEDGER, as required by law, within ten (10) days of adoption.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski 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 211-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 27, 2022.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO TUWAY COMMUNICATIONS OF BETHLEHEM, PENNSYLVANIA, UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #A83924/T0109 COVERING RADIO COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES FOR INSTALLATION OF EQUIPMENT FOR SIX BACKUP VESTA POSITIONS AND THREE ZETRON POSITIONS FOR THE WARREN COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$53,728.08

BE IT RESOLVED, that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for Installation of equipment for six backup Vesta positions and three Zetron positions for the Warren County Communication Center

to . . . Tuway Communications, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania

in the amount of . . . \$53,728.08

at the prices established under New Jersey State Contract #A83924

Funding for this contract has been provided in capital account 0421A407/5058

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski 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 212-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 27, 2022.

**RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF A PURCHASE ORDER TO TUWAY COMMUNICATIONS
OF BETHLEHEM, PENNSYLVANIA FOR RF EQUIPMENT
UPGRADES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC SAFETY IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF
\$373,820.00**

WHEREAS, it has been recommended that the county issue a purchase order to provide RF equipment upgrades for the Warren County Department of Public Safety; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(dd)) is an exception and requires a resolution authorizing the award of contracts 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, that a contract be awarded to TuWay Communications, of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania for RF equipment upgrades for the Warren County Department of Public Safety

BE IT FURTHER 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 purchase order to Tuway Communications, of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.
2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as an "Exception" in accordance with 40A:11-5(dd) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the services provided are for proprietary computer hardware and software maintenance.
3. A notice of this action shall be published in the The Star-Ledger.

Funding for this contract is provided in capital account 0422A409/5058

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski 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 213-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 27, 2022.

**RESOLUTION RE: APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR CONTRACT WC2134
THE ROOF REPLACEMENT AT ALPHA MAINTENANCE
GARAGE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO
STROBER-WRIGHT ROOFING, INC. FOR UNUSED ALLOWANCE
FOR A NET DECREASE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,500.00,
AND A REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$50,050.00**

WHEREAS, Strober-Wright Roofing, Inc., of Lambertville, New Jersey was awarded a contract for the Annex Flat Roof Replacement Project in the contract amount of \$57,550.00; and

WHEREAS, there was a change for unused allowance; and

WHEREAS, this change in award will result in a net decrease of \$7,500.00 and a final contract amount of \$50,050.00

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren do hereby approve Change Order #1 for the above contract for a net decrease of \$7,500.00 and a final Contract in the amount of \$50,050.00.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski 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 214-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 27, 2022.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2231R FOR PROFESSIONAL ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES, RELATED TO THE ADDITION AND RENOVATIONS TO THE CATHERINE DICKSON HOFMAN LIBRARY IN BLAIRSTOWN, NEW JERSEY FOR THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, TO DI GROUP ARCHITECTURE OF NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$295,500.00

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the professional services of an architect to provide architectural and engineering design services related to the addition and renovations to the Catherine Dickson Hofman Library in Blairstown, New Jersey ; and

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

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

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

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

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available in account 153906/5062

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

1. The agreement between the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren and DI Group Architecture, of New Brunswick, New Jersey, for professional services for the above project, in the approximate amount not to exceed \$295,500.00 per letter of agreement and outline of hourly rates, fees and expenses, currently on file in the Office of the Director of Purchasing, be made part of this resolution by reference and approved and entered into by the Board on behalf of the County of Warren.

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

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski 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 215-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 27, 2022.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO NEW JERSEY FIRE EQUIPMENT COMPANY OF GREEN BROOK, NEW JERSEY UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT T0790/17-FLEET-00819 FOR 3M SCOTT AIR PAKS AND CYLINDERS FOR THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$51,547.50

BE IT RESOLVED, that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for 3M Scott air paks and cylinders for the Warren County Communication Center

to . . .New Jersey Fire Equipment Company, Green Brook, New Jersey

in the amount of . . . \$51,547.50

at the prices established under New Jersey State Contract T0790/17-Fleet-00819

Funding for this contract has been provided in capital accounts 0422A409/5058-0421A602/5050

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski 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 216-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 27, 2022.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING ANNUAL SALARY ADJUSTMENTS
FOR THE UNCLASSIFIED, MANAGERIAL, AND CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYEES OF THE
COUNTY OF WARREN FOR FISCAL 2022**

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of County Commissioners desires to adjust the annual salaries of its unclassified, managerial, and confidential employees as remuneration for services rendered; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of County Commissioners has determined that the adjustment to the annual salaries of said Warren County employees is deemed to be equitable.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the salary adjustments affixed hereto be approved for its unclassified, managerial, and confidential employees and be made effective January 1, 2022.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski 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 217-22

On a motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 27, 2022.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2022 SALARY ADJUSTMENTS FOR
APPOINTED PERSONNEL OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
AS RECOMMENDED AND FIXED BY THE SHERIFF**

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:9-117 et seq., the Sheriff shall fix the compensation for the appointed personnel of the Sheriff's Department in accordance with County guidelines and within the budget allocation, and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff has established 2022 salary adjustments for his appointed personnel and he has so memorialized by memorandum dated April 1, 2022, which document is incorporated herein by reference.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of County Commissioners does hereby approve the 2022 salary adjustments for the appointed personnel of the Warren County Sheriff's Department to be made effective January 1, 2022.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski 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 218-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 27, 2022.

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING TRACY L. MATLOCK AS WARREN COUNTY
DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD FOR THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

WHEREAS, The Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren is required to appoint a Clerk of the Board for the County Commissioners pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-26; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in order to maintain the efficiency, effectiveness and continuity of Warren County Government operations, the Board of County Commissioners does hereby appoint Tracy L. Matlock as Deputy Clerk of the Board for the County Commissioners.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Tracy L. Matlock shall have an initial salary effective April 28, 2022 of \$76,500.00.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski 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 219-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 27, 2022.

RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING THE PAYMENT OF STIPENDS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES FOR VARIOUS BOARDS, COMMISSIONS OR COMMITTEES

WHEREAS, on recommendation of the Warren County Auditors, Nisivoccia & Company, LLP, a resolution memorializing payment of certain stipends for administrative services should be adopted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of County Commissioners does hereby approve, effective April 25, 2022, the payment of a stipend to the following named individual for provision of administrative services to the noted board, commission or committee:

- June Pryslak Warren County Planning Board \$125/meeting

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said stipend payments shall not be included as base pay, shall not be pensionable and acceptance of said payment by these individuals shall constitute a waiver of any and all claims for overtime payments or compensatory time under the Fair labor Standards Act or any governing collective bargaining agreement for those specific services herein noted.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski 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 220-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 27, 2022.

**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: Bastedo eviction from county property, Status of W.M./C.C./R.M. Litigation, Depositions, Jeffress Litigation, and Selective Litigation.

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

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