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The Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren met in Regular Session in its offices in the Wayne Dumont, Jr. Administration Building, Belvidere, New Jersey on October 24, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Director Smith and upon roll call, the following members were present: Freeholder Richard Gardner, Freeholder Jason Sarnoski and Freeholder Edward Smith. Also attending were County Engineer Bill Gleba, County Counsel Joseph Bell and County Administrator Steve Marvin. CFO Dan Olshefski was absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Director Smith, who then read the following statement:

“ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING OF *OCTOBER 24, 2018* WAS GIVEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT BY FORWARDING A SCHEDULE OF REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS TO THE WARREN COUNTY CLERK, THE STAR-LEDGER, AND DAILY RECORD AND BY POSTING A COPY THEREOF ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS. FORMAL ACTION MAY BE TAKEN BY THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS AT THIS MEETING. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IS ENCOURAGED. IN ORDER TO ASSURE FULL PUBLIC PARTICIPATION, THOSE INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES WHO WISH TO ATTEND THE MEETING SHOULD SUBMIT ANY REQUESTS FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION ONE WEEK IN ADVANCE.”

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the minutes of the Regular Session of October 10, 2018 were approved.

Recorded vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Smith yes.

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the minutes of the Executive Session of October 10, 2018 were approved.

Recorded vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Smith yes.

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following certificate was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

**CERTIFICATE – 2018 THOMAS M. KENNEDY “EXCELLENCE IN ACCESSIBILITY”
TO GIBSON’S FITNESS CENTER**

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a certificate adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Smith yes.

Mr. Gardner said this board recognizes the significance for all individuals to be able to enter public places as easily as possible, and Gibson’s Gym has been a fixture in Washington for many years. We salute their focus on that, he said.

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Mr. Sarnoski noted that the Disability Advisory Council initiates this award each year. He thought it significant that a fitness center won this time, as health is extremely important, and those with disabilities have special requirements. Kudos to the council, the facility and community to share in this award, he said.

An Aging & Disabilities staff member in attendance, Regina Fitzpatrick, confirmed that the Advisory Council nominates businesses for the award. Then Carmela Slivinski, Executive Director of DAWN Center for Independent Living, goes out in person to evaluate each site to make the final selection. "So in this case we are affirming the decision of that board," Mr. Smith said.

The owner of Gibson's Fitness Center was unable to attend due to a conflict, so the award was accepted by Carissa Cirotti, an Advisory Council member who nominated the facility.

PROCLAMATION 489-18

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following proclamation was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

**20th ANNIVERSARY WC WAR MEMORIAL & VETERANS' AWARENESS WEEK
NOVEMBER 11-17, 2018**

WHEREAS, on November 11, 1998, the dedication of the Warren County War Memorial marked the presentation of the memorial to the people of Warren County; and

WHEREAS, the story of the Warren County War Memorial goes back several years as a concept in the mind of Leo Becker, historian of Belvidere American Legion Post 131, presently historian for Post 528 of White Township. There had not been a county memorial to Warren County's veterans since 1910, when the Civil War Memorial was removed from Garret D. Wall Park, in Belvidere and was replaced by a lighted drinking fountain by the Women's Temperance League; and

WHEREAS, the construction of state and federal monuments and the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Sussex County had generated discussion about a Warren County memorial. In 1996, Becker talked with veterans' groups and by June 1997, a war memorial committee was formed. Architects Jim/Dorothy Constantin volunteered to work on some proposed designs for the memorial; and

WHEREAS, once a design was approved by the committee and the Warren County Freeholders gave permission to build on county property. The name certification subcommittee set out on the monumental task of searching local, state and federal records to determine whose names would be inscribed on the monument stones. It had been decided that the names of men and women who died while on active duty in World War I, World War II, the Korean War and Viet-Nam War would be inscribed on the stones since those records were available. As of November, 2018 there are 307 men and woman's names inscribed on the stones; and

WHEREAS, on September 19, 1998, a ground breaking ceremony was held at the monument site. The nine black stones were quarried and polished in India. Construction began in October with committee members working on weekends and some members using vacation days to work on week days. The stones arrived in the U.S. approximately one week before the dedication; and

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WHEREAS, on Veteran's Day 1998, hundreds of people gathered to witness the unveiling of the monument and to see names engraved on its stones.

WHEREAS, in November of 2006 two additional stones were dedicated for Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom with names of fallen soldiers engraved on them.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in recognition of the important work done by the **WARREN COUNTY WAR MEMORIAL CORPORATION MEMBERS**, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren does hereby join the members and all citizens in remembering the personal sacrifices made by war veterans so that generations of American citizens may continue to enjoy our country's freedoms and join in celebrating the 20th Anniversary since the dedication of the WC War Memorial on November 11, 1998 and hereby proclaim the week of November 11-17, 2018 as Veterans' Awareness Week and we urge all citizens to visit this Memorial as a place to pause, reflect and remember.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a proclamation adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Smith yes.

Mr. Sarnoski thanked Milly Rice and Leo Becker very much. He was proud to say that he had attended more memorial events than he had to miss as Freeholder. He had not known until recently about the 20-year anniversary. He said it was a beautiful site and a great memorial to our veterans who have given their lives for our county. "We should honor them in this county," he said. From the conception and design phase to where it is today, and all the people who helped along the way, "I thank you for all you do," Mr. Sarnoski said.

Mr. Gardner said when we mention memorials we tend to think of the great ones in our nation's capital. "It's a great thing that we have this memorial right here in Warren County," he said. We owe it to our own area veterans, and thank our War Memorial Corporation members for bringing it to fruition. "Sometimes we forget how many folks from our little county have served and sacrificed in past wars, and that's quite a number for the population," Mr. Gardner said, adding that he was grateful as a Freeholder to be a part of it, and enjoyed the remembrance services.

Mr. Smith said he found it particularly fitting that this 20th anniversary is coinciding with the 100-year anniversary of the armistice after World War I, which was supposed to have been "the war to end all wars." Unfortunately, that was not the case. Mr. Smith recognized Leo Becker in attendance, along with Milly Rice, referring to her as a persistent advocate of veterans' affairs.

Mr. Becker and Ms. Rice accepted the proclamation. Mr. Becker mentioned the late Terry Lee, as having been instrumental in the effort to establish the memorial. Ms. Rice thanked the Freeholders for their continued support, and announced the annual Veteran's Day Ceremony being held at the memorial on November 11. In addition to marking the memorial's anniversary, this year's commemoration will include a presentation honoring one hundred years since the end of World War I and the chartering of the American Legion.

There were no Public Comments on agenda items.

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On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

RESOLUTION TO PAY BILLS

Be and it is hereby resolved that Master Voucher Certificate **For Certification / Ratification for Payments No. 2018-41 and 2018-42, dated October 24, 2018,** in the amount of **\$2,311,084.61** including payrolls, allowances, bills and investments, is approved subject to the review of the vouchers by the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

2018-41	10/17/18	\$721,759.53	
2018-42	10/24/18	<u>296,187.90</u>	
TOTAL			\$1,017,947.43
Payroll (including fringe)	10/11/18	\$1,293,137.18	
Subsistence	10/11/18	<u>0.00</u>	
TOTAL WAGES, FRINGE, MEALS			<u>1,293,137.18</u>
GRAND TOTAL			<u><u>\$2,311,084.61</u></u>

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Smith yes.

RESOLUTION 491-18

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

INSERTION INTO THE 2018 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$580.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SENIOR SERVICES, DIVISION OF AGING & COMMUNITY SERVICES, AREA PLAN GRANT PROGRAM, FOR A TOTAL AWARD OF \$997,438.00

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

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

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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 2018 in the sum of \$580.00, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey, Department of Health & Senior Services, Division of Aging & Community Services, Area Plan Grant Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$580.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption:

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

State of New Jersey, Department of Health & Senior Services, Division of Aging & Community Services, Area Plan Grant Program (administered by Aging)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of the approval by the State of New Jersey, Department of Health & Senior Services.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Smith yes.

RESOLUTION 492-18

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

INSERTION INTO THE 2018 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$185,090.66 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF STATE POLICE, HOMELAND SECURITY FY18 SHSP

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 2018 in the sum of \$185,090.66, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law & Public Safety, Division of State Police, Homeland Security FY18 SHSP

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$185,090.66 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption:

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

State of New Jersey, Department of Law & Public Safety, Division of State Police, Homeland Security FY18 SHSP (administered by the Public Safety Dept.)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of the approval by the State of New Jersey, Department of Law & Public Safety.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Smith yes.

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On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

INSERTION INTO THE 2018 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$76,022.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SENIOR SERVICES, SPECIAL CHILD HEALTH SERVICES, CASE MANAGEMENT

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 2018 in the sum of \$76,022.00, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey, Department of Health & Senior Services, Special Child Health Services, Case Management

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County's Match of \$80,484.00 is included in the 2018 County Budget – County Health Services Interlocal Agreement (NJS40:8A-1) S&W Sheet 20-b and Group Insurance Plan for Employees Sheet 17

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$76,022.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption:

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

State of New Jersey, Department of Health & Senior Services, Special Child Health Services, Case Management (administered by Health Dept.)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of the approval by the State of New Jersey, Department of Health & Senior Services.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Smith yes.

RESOLUTION 494-18

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

RESOLUTION APPROVING PARTICIPATION WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY IN THE COUNTY PROSECUTOR INSURANCE FRAUD REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE OFFICE OF THE INSURANCE FRAUD PROSECUTOR

WHEREAS, the Office of the Insurance Fraud Prosecutor has been designated by the Legislature to implement funding reimbursement for anti-insurance fraud activities, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 17:33A-28; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Prosecutor's Office wishes to apply for funding under the reimbursement program and,

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

WHEREAS, the project is a joint effort between the Office of the Insurance Fraud Prosecutor and the Warren County Prosecutor's Office for the purpose described in the application;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that:

- (1) As a matter of public policy, the Warren County Prosecutor's Office wishes to participate to the fullest extent possible with the Office of the Insurance Fraud Prosecutor.
- (2) The Attorney General has allocated funds dedicated for the purpose of reimbursing County Prosecutors for anti-insurance fraud activities.
- (3) The Office of Insurance Fraud Prosecutor shall be responsible for the receipt, review and approval of the applications for said funding.
- (4) The Office of Insurance Fraud Prosecutor shall initiate allocations to each applicant as authorized.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Smith yes.

RESOLUTION 495-18

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO GRANT AWARDED TO WASHINGTON BOROUGH FOR THE SHABBECONG MOUNTAIN PRESERVE OPEN SPACE PROJECT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$135,800.00; SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren (BCF) has, by resolution, established the "Warren County Open Space Farmland, Recreation, and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Procedures and Rules;" and

WHEREAS, the BCF awarded a grant to the Borough of Washington (Borough) on October 25, 2017 in the amount of \$135,800 to help acquire approximately 123 acres of open space, known as the Shabbecong Mountain Preserve;

WHEREAS, the Municipal and Charitable Conservancy Trust Fund Committee (MCCTFC) recommends that the Borough's grant be amended to reduce the size of the acquisition to 83.5 acres while the awarded grant funding remain the same at \$135,800.00; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds in the amount of \$135,800.00 are already encumbered in account 03894 5065 8941703 5065

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at its regular meeting on October 24, 2018, that such a grant be approved.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Smith yes.

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On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF A DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON THE HAYDU FARM BLOCK 11.01, LOT 1 & BLOCK 21 LOTS 34.01, 34.03, 34.04, 34.05, 34.06, 34.07 & 34.08 IN HARMONY TOWNSHIP CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 43.775 (+3%) ACRES

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren has determined that the property known as the Haydu Farm, owned by Joseph D. Haydu, Steven C. Haydu and Diana B. Potter located on Block 11.01, Lot 1 and Block 21, Lots 34.01, 34.03, 34.04, 34.05, 34.06, 34.07 and 34.08 in Harmony Township, consisting of approximately 43.775 (+3%) acres, has available for purchase a development easement in accordance with the requirements of the farmland preservation program; and

WHEREAS, final approval for the purchase of development rights on this farm has been granted by resolution from the Warren County Agricultural Development Board at its October 18, 2018 meeting and preliminary approval of the purchase by the SADC is dependent upon that approval and the approval of this Board; and

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

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 2:76-17.9A(b) on January 11, 2018 it was determined by the State Agriculture Development Committee (SADC) that the application for the sale of a development easement was complete and accurate and satisfied the criteria contained in N.J.A.C. 2:76-17A.9(a); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 2:76-17A.11, on July 26, 2018 the State Agricultural Development Committee has certified a development easement value of \$4,900 per acre based on zoning and environmental regulations in place as of 1/1/04 and \$4,800 per acre based on zoning and environmental regulations in place as of the current valuation date of April 23, 2018 with an estimated total value of \$214,497.50; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 2:76-17.12, the Owners accepted the County's offer of \$4,900 per acre for the development easement for the Property; 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 purchase of the development easement on the property would encourage the survivability of production agriculture in Harmony Township and Warren County, and said property falls within a predetermined County Agricultural Development Area and is in the West Project Area and property is located in the Highlands Preservation Area; and

WHEREAS, on October 2, 2018, the Harmony Township Committee voted by resolution to approve the owner's application for sale of the development easement, but is not participating financially in the easement purchase; and

WHEREAS, preliminary approval for the purchase of development rights on this farm has been granted by the State Agricultural Development Committee and the SADC is expected to grant final approval for funding amount on said application at its January 24, 2019 meeting; and

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

Cost share based on 43.775 acres (+3%):

	<u>Total</u>
SADC	\$146,208.50 – 68.16% (\$3,340/acre)
Warren County	<u>\$68,289.00 – 31.84% (\$1,560/acre)</u>
Total Easement Purchase	\$214,497.50 (\$4,900/acre)

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

1. The Board hereby grants permission for the purchase of the development easement on the above described property based on an easement value of \$4,900 per acre as certified by the State Agricultural Development Committee (SADC). Cost to be shared with the SADC as follows: SADC \$3,340 per acre, Warren County \$1,560 per acre.
2. This approval includes the following conditions:
 - a. No existing structures on premises
 - b. No existing agriculture labor housing on premises
 - c. One non-severable exception of 1 acre for future single family dwelling restricted to one single family residential unit
 - d. One Residual Dwelling Site Opportunities (RDSO's)
 - e. No preexisting non-agricultural uses on premises
 - f. Access easements
 - 1) Future sight easement to BL 21 L 34.02
 - 2) Typical utility ROW easements along road
 - 3) Others to be determined by title search
 - g. No proposed trails
 - h. SADC funding from Base grant, competitive round or both
 - i. Warren County is requesting SADC funding for a +3% buffer on the final surveyed acreage
3. The County's share in regard to the purchase of said easement is estimated at \$68,289.00. The Freeholder Director or Administrator of Warren County is authorized to sign the Deed of Easement, the Cost Share Agreement, and any and all documents necessary for the acquisition of the development easement on the above property in the Township of Harmony, County of Warren, State of New Jersey under the terms outlined above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the SADC's cost share grant to the County for the purchase of a development easement on the approved application shall be based on the final surveyed acreage of the premises adjusted for proposed road rights-of-way, other rights-of-way or easements as determined by the SADC, streams or water bodies on the boundaries of the premises as identified in Policy P-3-B Supplement and for residual dwelling site opportunities allocated pursuant to Policy P-19-A; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that adequate funds for the purchase price funding in the amount of \$68,289.00 in account #03895-5067-8951809-5067 have been certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

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Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Smith yes.

RESOLUTION 497-18

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR OF BOARD TO EXECUTE A GRANT APPLICATION WITH THE NJ DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES THROUGH THE CY 2019 CHAPTER 51 GRANT FOR \$221,027 ANTICIPATED STATE FUNDS AND \$27,863 ANTICIPATED COUNTY MATCH; SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

WHEREAS, the NJ Department of Human Services, Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services, has notified the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders of the anticipated availability of \$221,027 from the Alcohol Beverage Tax (Chapter 51) Grant funds for Calendar Year 2019 to include a county match of \$27,863; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Department of Human Services, Division of Administration has prepared an application for use of these funds.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the Director of the Board is authorized to execute the CY 2019 Chapter 51 grant application for funds in the anticipated amount of \$221,027 from the NJ Department of Human Services, with a local county match of \$27,863; subject to availability of funds.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Smith yes.

RESOLUTION 498-18

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENT #JDAI-19-IF-21 WITH THE NEW JERSEY JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION, TOTALING \$120,000 (\$114,000 IN PROGRAM SERVICE FUNDING AND \$6,000 IN ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDING) TO BE USED BY THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION FOR JUVENILE DETENTION ALTERNATIVES INITIATIVE (JDAI) - INNOVATION FUNDING; SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

WHEREAS, on July 25, 2018, the Board of Chosen Freeholders approved an application to the New Jersey Juvenile Justice Commission (JJC) for anticipated Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI) - Innovation Funding in the amount of \$120,000 (\$114,000 in program service funding and \$6,000 in administrative funding); and

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WHEREAS, the JJC has subsequently awarded the county \$120,000 to be used by the Warren County Department of Human Services, Division of Administration for Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI) - Innovation Funding during the period January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the Director of the Board is authorized to execute grant agreement #JDAI-19-IF-21 with the New Jersey Juvenile Justice Commission, totaling \$120,000 (\$114,000 in program service funding and \$6,000 in administrative funding) to be used by the Warren County Department of Human Services, Division of Administration for Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI) - Innovation Funding during the period January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Smith yes.

RESOLUTION 499-18

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CLOSING OF A PORTION OF COUNTY ROUTE #621, (NORTH MAIN STREET/LOWER BELVIDERE ROAD), IN THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG/LOPATCONG TOWNSHIP, ON NOVEMBER 10, 2018, FOR AN EMERGENCY TRAINING EXERCISE

WHEREAS, the Warren County Department of Public Safety has requested permission to close a portion of County Route #621, between J.T. Baker Way (Town of Phillipsburg) and the Avantor Facility Access (Township of Lopatcong), approximately 1,200 feet to the north, on November 10, 2018 from approximately 8:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. for an emergency training exercise.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren do hereby approve the closing of a portion of the aforementioned County Route #621, in the Town of Phillipsburg and Lopatcong Township, from approximately 8:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. on Saturday, November 10, 2018, with the following conditions:

1. Consent by the Town of Phillipsburg and Lopatcong Township.
2. All barricades, detours and traffic control signs shall conform to the Manual on Uniform Control Devices.
3. Police supervision of the barricading of the roads and handling of safety shall be provided.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Smith yes.

RESOLUTION 500-18

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

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RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC1854 FOR CCTV MAINTENANCE AT THE WARREN COUNTY CORRECTIONAL CENTER, SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE WITH INTEGRATED SYSTEMS & SERVICES, INC., FOR THE PERIOD OF DECEMBER 1, 2018 THROUGH NOVEMBER 30, 2019 WITH THE RIGHT TO EXTEND FOR FOUR ADDITIONAL ONE YEAR PERIODS AS PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACT LAW 40A:11-15(7) TO INTEGRATED SYSTEMS & SERVICES, INC., IN THE APPROXIMATE AMOUNT OF \$46,883.00 WITH UNSCHEDULED MAINTENANCE TO BE BILLED AT FIXED LABOR CHARGES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$106.00, \$159.00, AND \$159.00 (REGULAR, OVERTIME AND HOLIDAY RATES) AND PARTS AT 15% ABOVE TRADE COST

BE IT RESOLVED, that contract WC1854 for CCTV Maintenance Services for the Warren County Correctional Center, Sheriff's Department and Prosecutor's Office is hereby awarded to...**Integrated Systems & Services, Inc., North Brunswick, New Jersey**...in the approximate amount of...**\$46,883.00**...as per their bid submitted...**October 10, 2018** and reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing as the lowest responsible and responsive bid received.

Funding for this contract has been provided in budget accounts 012800/5026 – Correctional Center – Contracted Equipment Maintenance and 012700/5026 – Sheriff's Contracted Equipment Maintenance

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Smith yes.

RESOLUTION 501-18

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC1870R FOR PROFESSIONAL ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES, FOR THE RENOVATIONS OF OXFORD DPW GARAGE PROJECT FOR THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO RAYMOND E. O'BRIEN R.A. INC., OF BLAIRSTOWN, NEW JERSEY IN THE CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$21,900.00.

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the professional services of an architect to provide services for the painting of the Cummins Building, Carriage House and Bank Building Project for the Warren County Department of Public Works; 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

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

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available in capital account 0417A702/5061–Oxford/Belvidere Consolidation

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

1. The agreement between the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren and Raymond E. O'Brien R.A. Inc., of Blairstown, New Jersey, for professional services for the above project, in the contract amount not to exceed \$21,900.00 per letter of agreement currently on file in the Office of the Director of Purchasing, be made part of this resolution by reference and approved and entered into by the Board on behalf of the County of Warren.
2. The Director of the Board of Chosen Freeholders is hereby authorized to execute said letter of Agreement by signing same.
3. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a Professional Service under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law (40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) because the services are to be performed by a person or persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.
4. A notice of this action shall be published in the Star-Ledger, as required by law, within ten days of its adoption.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Smith yes.

RESOLUTION 502-18

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC1869R FOR THE WARREN COUNTY FREEHOLDERS FOR RISK MANAGEMENT INSURANCE CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2019 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2019, TO BALKEN RISK MANAGEMENT SERVICES, LLC OF MORRISTOWN, NEW JERSEY FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$154,000

WHEREAS, it has been recommended that the county issue a contract for Risk Management Insurance Consulting Services as outlined in the proposal; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) et. seq.) requires a resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Extraordinary, Unspecifiable Services" without competitive bids and the contract itself must be available for public inspection; and

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

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

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

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

1. The Director of Purchasing is hereby authorized and directed to issue a contract to Balken Risk Management Services, LLC of Morristown, New Jersey for services for the above project, at a cost not to exceed \$154,000 per letter of agreement which is on file in the Office of the Director of Purchasing and is made a part hereof by reference.
2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as an "Extraordinary, Unspecifiable Service" in accordance with N.J.S.A.40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the services defined cannot reasonably be described by written specifications to assure that the qualitative and quantitative assessment of the problems involved, which require expertise, extensive training and proven reputation in the field of endeavor are obtained.
3. A notice of this action shall be published in the Star Ledger.

Funding for this contract is provided in budget account 012100/5090 – Property and Casualty and 012150/5090 – County Insurance Workers Comp, and certified by the County Chief Financial Officer.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Smith yes.

RESOLUTION 503-18

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT MODIFICATION #1 FOR CONTRACT #WC1755FO WITH GREENMAN-PEDERSEN, INC. FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE CURVE ADVISORY SPEED ANALYSIS FOR THE WARREN COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM FOR A NET INCREASE OF \$51,186.35 AND A REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$151,014.79

WHEREAS, Contract #WC1755FO was awarded to Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. for Professional Engineering Services for the Curve Advisory Speed Analysis for the Warren County Road System in the contract amount of \$99,828.44; and

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

WHEREAS, additional analysis and evaluation work is needed to address the Federal Highway Administration requirements for curve advisory signage on roadways within the County for a net increase of \$51,186.35; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds have been established in accounts 0412A201 5063, 0414A202 5063, 0415A204 5063 and 0415A205 5063 and certified by the County Chief Financial Officer.

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

1. Hereby approving Contract Modification #1 for the above project with Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. for a net increase of \$51,186.35 and a revised contract amount of \$151,014.79.
2. The Director is hereby authorized to execute said modification by signing same.
3. A notice of this action shall be published in the Star Ledger.

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I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Smith yes.

Regarding the curve analysis, Mr. Smith noted the steep increase and asked what was off in the original proposal. County Engineer Bill Gleba said nothing was really off; this is another step in a sequential process. The first step was just to get an idea of the inventory we are dealing with, and work from there. He said we anticipated the number of smaller signs to be about 2,000 and it is actually more like 5,000, but he was not overly concerned about the cost at this point. Once the analysis is complete, we will be able to prepare a contract and go out to bid. Mr. Smith asked if any aid would be available for this. The answer was no.

RESOLUTION 504-18

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

**RESOLUTION CREATING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF SENIOR PLANNER, CLASSIFIED, AND
ABOLISHING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF PRINCIPAL PLANNER, CLASSIFIED,
WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that a full-time position of *Senior Planner*, Classified, is created within the Warren County Planning Department to ensure the effectiveness and efficiency of operations and employee training; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a full-time position of *Principal Planner*, Classified, be abolished effective December 31, 2018 and supplanted by the newly created Senior Planner; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a full-time position of *Senior Planner* is created and established on AFSCME Local 3287, Range 1740, and made effective November 29, 2018.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Smith yes.

RESOLUTION 505-18

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

**RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING ELIZABETH A. ZUKOSKI TO THE POSITION OF SUPERINTENDENT OF
BUILDINGS & GROUNDS, UNCLASSIFIED WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS
DEPARTMENT, DIVISION OF BUILDINGS & GROUNDS**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-32, Elizabeth A. Zukoski, is hereby reappointed to the position of Superintendent of Buildings & Grounds, Unclassified within the Warren County Public Works Department, Division of Buildings and Grounds.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the term of appointment shall be for five (5) years effective November 14, 2018 and expiring November 13, 2023.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Smith yes.

RESOLUTION 506-18

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

**RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING JOHN P. TATE, SR. TO THE POSITION OF SUPERVISOR OF ROADS,
UNCLASSIFIED WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
DIVISION OF ROADS**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 27:14-24, John P. Tate, Sr., is hereby reappointed to the position of Supervisor of Roads, Unclassified within the Warren County Public Works Department, Division of Roads.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the term of appointment shall be for five (5) years effective November 21, 2018 and expiring November 20, 2023.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Smith yes.

RESOLUTION 507-18

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

**RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING RICHARD D. FRINZI TO THE POSITION OF SUPERINTENDENT
OF BRIDGES, UNCLASSIFIED WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
DIVISION OF BRIDGES**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 27:14-24, Richard D. Frinzi is hereby reappointed to the position of Superintendent of Bridges, Unclassified within the Warren County Public Works Department, Division of Bridges.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the term of appointment shall be for five (5) years effective November 21, 2018 and expiring November 20, 2023.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Smith yes.

MINUTES**OCTOBER 24, 2018**REPORTS AND COMMENTS

County Counsel Joe Bell had a few matters for discussion in Executive Session relative to litigation (W.M., Courtroom #2) and contract negotiations.

County Engineer Bill Gleba reported that County Route 608 (Silver Lake Road) is now reduced to one lane in Hope Township due to work on a bridge structure. He hoped the repairs would be complete the following week.

County Planner Dave Dech reported on a meeting the previous evening regarding the “hole in the wall” South Main Street project - the raising or lowering the clearance for Washington secondary. It appeared based on the presentations that the most cost-effective alternative was to lower the tracks underneath the bridge. They are seeking comments and support for this and other alternatives, which included raising the bridge and doing a realignment, redirecting traffic. He thought it would be advisable for the County to weigh in on this to get the project moving.

Mr. Sarnoski thought there had been more than one study on the matter; he remembered one that concluded around 2011 or 2012. There was another one, conducted by Gene Feyl, which attempted to estimate the cost and economic impact of bringing all bridges and culverts on that line up to date. No one could recall the overall cost estimate, but remembered it was “big money”.

Mr. Smith had attended the meeting as well, and what surprised him was that the remedy would only cause the rail to be shut down for a couple of days. “I’m thinking to myself, why on earth have we gone through 10 years of planning and development for a project that most likely doesn’t cost a half a million dollars and it’s a plus for all of the rail service for the northern part of the state? It’s staggering,” said Mr. Smith. This was a public-funded economic development endeavor. Mr. Sarnoski said that might be part of the problem, as they initially tried to get Norfolk Southern to fund the project, but Norfolk Southern said there was no economic return. Mr. Smith said that might have been when the original plan was estimated to cost about \$15 million. Now that it is \$500,000 they may have a different attitude, he said.

Once this is complete, we are going to be using the same cars that the rest of the country uses. The cars we are currently using are smaller and will become obsolete. Mr. Smith suggested directing the Planning Department to send a strongly worded letter to endorse getting this done, whether it utilizes state or federal money. He said he had already reached out the Senator Oroho on this. This will open up freight rail transportation. He noted the major storage facility coming to Phillipsburg. This would be one more step to be able to get things to market.

Discussion ensued regarding the importance of the project to our area – “It’s the whole Boonton Line,” said Mr. Smith, so state funding makes the most sense. Mr. Dech said the federal funding process pursued earlier, going through years of study on different scenarios, tends to bog down the process. Using private or state money, the improvement could be made almost overnight, he said. The Board decided to create a resolution to be forwarded to state and federal representatives.

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County CFO Dan Olshefski was absent due to health issues.

County Administrator Steve Marvin had only the most recent vacancy report for approval. There was no further discussion on the matter.

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Mr. Gardner had no report.

Mr. Sarnoski took a few moments to talk about the recent Resources for Addiction fair held at the Community College. He said it was very well attended by service providers, who took the opportunity to exchange ideas and network. Not as many members of the public were there, but that was more or less as expected. The U.S. Attorney for New Jersey, Craig Carpenito, was the keynote speaker and he did an excellent job. Carpenito was one of the only U.S. Attorneys to form an opioid task force within his staff. Mr. Sarnoski said they are approaching the problem from many angles, not only going after the dealers and distributors, but also the pharmaceutical industry for improper advertising.

Also discussed was the potential for legalization of marijuana in New Jersey. Carpenito said it is still a federally controlled substance, and while it will not be his focus, it will still be illegal on the federal level. "I thought he did a good job," said Mr. Sarnoski. He was very well spoken and people were happy to have him there.

Mr. Gardner asked if there had been any mention of Fentanyl. Mr. Sarnoski said yes; it was a comprehensive presentation and some of the things they talked about were just astounding. This concluded Mr. Sarnoski's comments.

Mr. Smith said he had also attended the addiction resource event and thought the presenters did a great job. Anyone entertaining the idea of going into the marijuana business if it does become legal in New Jersey should take pause, as Carpenito made it quite clear he may still choose to prosecute.

Mr. Smith said the Patriot's Day Ceremony was great, though it was held a bit later than originally planned. Frank Hafner, a local rescue squad member, was memorialized at the event.

Following up on the road aid bill and its strict timeline mentioned by County Engineer Bill Gleba in a prior discussion, Mr. Smith said he had an opportunity to meet with Senator Oroho and staff. As one of the prime sponsors of that legislation, Sen. Oroho said he was open to reexamining the issue and perhaps make it tiered so a portion of the money would still have to be spent within the timeline (like blacktop), but allow additional time for bridge design. "He was very receptive to that and he would also speak to Senator Sweeney as well," said Mr. Smith, adding he thought they were previously unaware of these timeline issues.

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Jane Primerano of Hope Township wanted to make sure the Freeholders had the dates of September 20-22, 2019 noted on their calendars, as there will be events all three days celebrating the 250th anniversary of Hope Township. She then inquired about the proper verbiage to use when publicizing various events that received grants through what had formerly been the Warren County Cultural & Heritage Commission. A member of Warren County Community Singers, she said they – and other recipients – have been required to state that the presentations were partially funded by a grant from the Commission. “What should we put on our press releases and flyers and posters now?” she asked.

Mr. Marvin asked what required them to do that. “Um... the terms of the grant,” said Ms. Primerano. “Consider it waived,” said Mr. Marvin. The Board reassured her that the eligibility and status of such grant funding would stay the same, but the wording would no longer be required. Ms. Primerano said the New Jersey State Council on the Arts “gets a little touchy,” so she wanted to ask the question publicly.

Next to come before the Board was Jody Liegel of Belvidere. She began by talking about having an issue with a trailer parked next to her house. She said town ordinances limit residing in trailers to 48 hours. She said this has been going on for years, with people staying for two to three months at a time. Mr. Smith interjected to clarify this was a town, not county, ordinance matter. Ms. Liegel said she had already approached Belvidere, and the mayor told her that they are not enforcing these rules. She said she spoke to someone in Trenton who advised her to come here.

Mr. Sarnoski explained that this is a local matter not under the jurisdiction of the Board of Chosen Freeholders, unless it was on county property. “It’s purely a local issue,” said Mr. Gardner. Aside from that, the Freeholders suggested she contact the State Department of Community Affairs. Ms. Liegel said she didn’t understand how the town could fail to follow its own ordinances. Mr. Smith said the State has oversight over the municipalities; the County does not. He said there should be a zoning official to approach, but if she has gotten no satisfaction, he suggested she write down a formal complaint. If the town does not follow through, she should pursue it with the DCA.

Ms. Liegel moved on to the topic of Warren County Special Services School District. In her opinion, it was run into the ground until there were no classes. Mr. Smith said the WCSSSD was a separate board. It was still meeting, but no longer able to maintain itself with the costs it was incurring. She said she didn’t understand how it was allowed to go into a deficit of something like \$1 million before closing. “That’s like our money going down the drain,” she said. Mr. Smith said that money is going to be predominately recovered because certified tuitions follow a few years later. It takes time to go through the audit process. Ms. Liegel asked why the person running it still holds their position and collects a salary. Mr. Smith said he could not answer that question, as he wasn’t aware it was only one person responsible for it. It is an autonomous agency and the County does not fund it. After a few more questions and answers, Ms. Liegel returned to her seat.

There were no comment nor questions from the press.

MINUTES**OCTOBER 24, 2018****RESOLUTION 508-18**

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS PROVIDING FOR A MEETING NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 at 7:41 p.m.

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

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

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

- (1) *Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiations and Attorney-Client Privilege*: Items to be discussed include: Status of various litigation: AJSC Rivas decision Re: Courtroom 2, Status of Prosecutors Motion for reconsideration.
- (2) *Matters Relating to Collective Bargaining*: Items to be discussed include: Status of labor negotiations with FOP 171 (Mediation/Arbitration), CWA 1071-TASS Negotiations and Unfair Labor Practice.

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.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in a meeting held on October 24, 2018.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Smith yes

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the Board adjourned executive session at 8:10 p.m. and returned to open session.

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Smith yes

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, and there being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes, Mr. Smith yes

ATTESTED TO:

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board