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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 August 28, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.

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

Director Sarnoski led the Pledge of Allegiance and then read the following **OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT statement: ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING OF AUGUST 28, 2019 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.**

With the evening's large turnout, Mr. Sarnoski announced orderly exit procedures in case of an emergency, and apologized for the limited available seating.

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the minutes of the Regular Session of July 24, 2019 were approved.

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

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the minutes of the Executive Session of July 24, 2019 were approved.

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

Mr. Sarnoski said the Board welcomed public comments, and to facilitate an orderly meeting, he sought to entertain comments by agenda item, starting with item E-1, the resolution to support Ocean County's litigation against Enforcement Directive No. 2018-16. He requested remarks be limited to three minutes per person, with an effort not to repeat points previously raised and questions already answered.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

Chris Maier of Hope Township thanked the Freeholders for the opportunity. He wondered why Speaker Pelosi, Senator Schumer, Chairmen Schiff and Nadler, who recently strongly stated that no one is above the law or the Constitution, why are non-Americans above the law? Why are there two sets of rules?

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Reggie Regrut of Phillipsburg assembled a display consisting of peaches and an empty wine bottle. He stated he respected all three Freeholders and the office they hold, though he may not respect their political positions. He referred to a letter he had provided to the Board, obtained from Phillipsburg Police Chief Stettner, in answer to a question Mr. Regrut asked. The question was, does the recent New Jersey Attorney General document, Immigrant Trust Directive, in any way prevent Phillipsburg Police from arresting illegal immigrants who commit crimes, putting them in jail, and reporting the crimes to appropriate state and federal authorities, including if they commit a sex crime? Chief Stettner's answer was no; this directive does not prevent local law enforcement from doing its job. "ICE has its job, and local law enforcement has its job, that's my understanding," said Mr. Regrut.

Mr. Regrut said he had contacted the Ocean County Freeholders' office earlier in the day, and was told they are not releasing their own resolution; the public does not have access to any of the documentation. He thought there was not enough information to go on, and that it was a bad idea for the Warren County Freeholders to pass this as representatives of the residents of Warren County.

Regarding the peaches, Mr. Regrut said he had picked them himself – 25 pounds – earlier in the day at Treelicious Orchards, and everyone in attendance was welcome to help themselves. He encouraged the support of local farmers. "Who picks the other 16 million pounds of peaches in New Jersey every year? Illegal Mexicans," said Mr. Regrut, "That's the reality of agriculture in this country today." He said the proprietor of one of Warren County's vineyards employs illegal Mexicans.

With one of the Police Chiefs having been mentioned, Mr. Sarnoski took a moment to read the following statement he was asked to share from the Warren County Police Chiefs Association:

"The Warren County Chiefs Association understands the importance of a trust between the residents of Warren County and law enforcement community. Warren County municipal police agencies have worked hard over the past decade to build that trust and we continue that effort today. We have seen limited interaction with ICE in the past within Warren County. We have a sworn duty to affect arrests for violations of state law, protect the victims of crimes or offenses, build the public's trust of police, no matter what their immigration status is. Our association feels it is of the utmost importance to work together with all law enforcement agencies, no matter if they are on a federal, state, county, or municipal level. Putting any restriction on that relationship could put officers' safety at risk. Professionally, Chief Scott Robb on behalf of the Warren County Police Chiefs Association."

Kelly Shea of Hackettstown said she was here with some other folks to communicate their resounding lack of support for the pending resolution to support Ocean County's litigation. She thought a more specific resolution should have been made public in advance of the meeting; this was a procedural question regarding agenda items. Mr. Sarnoski noted that the resolution was provided through an OPRA request, and copies were available on the desk this evening.

Ms. Shea questioned the language, "resolution to support", and asked, "What resolution are

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you supporting? Do you have a copy of Ocean County's resolution?" Mr. Sarnoski said he had a copy, but perhaps Ocean County was not releasing it to public because meeting minutes have not yet been approved. Ms. Shea found it confusing for the Freeholders to be voting on something the public cannot see.

Ms. Shea wondered why the Warren County Freeholders were considering supporting this. "Do we have problems that are similar to Ocean County's?" she asked, "What about your constituents?" She thought this action didn't make sense for numerous reasons, and reminded the Board of issues raised at its last meeting. She asked if the Freeholders believed they had overwhelming support from their constituents. Mr. Gardner thought so. Mr. Sarnoski said, "The support is based on the people who put us up here to represent them... if this resolution is not what they want their representatives to support, they will answer through the elections."

Ms. Shea asked how much this was going to cost the County, directly and indirectly. Mr. Sarnoski said at this time, there is no commitment for financial support, but that may be reevaluated in the future. Ms. Shea contended there was no benefit to this pursuit, and respectfully asked the Board to table this resolution.

Jodie Becker of Hackettstown introduced himself as a member of the law enforcement community, and said he was in favor of supporting Ocean County's litigation. He said the Attorney General's directive does make things a little bit more difficult for local law enforcement to work with federal law enforcement, saying it hinders communication efforts between the different branches of government. He stated one of the reasons the September 11 terrorist attack occurred was the lack of communication between law enforcement agencies.

Mr. Becker said in his profession, "We can no longer hold onto people longer than it takes to issue our summonses or the charges." Bail reform further complicates matters, but that was a separate issue. Should an individual be taken into custody for an offense that would not send them in jail, they can only be held as long as it takes to issue that summons. "If someone gets arrested for driving while suspended, we get them back to headquarters, we contact ICE; we have about five minutes for ICE to get there before we have to cut them loose, because we can no longer hold them any time beyond what we would hold any other person to get that summons," he said.

Immigration detainees and child support detainees are civil detainees, Mr. Becker said, and "they want us to ignore civil detainees that are issued by federal employees." In his opinion, ignoring laws was a slippery slope, which could ultimately lead to the collapse of the entire system of law and order that built this country.

Elizabeth Ridley of Phillipsburg said, "Unkind and unwise" are words that spring to mind when she thinks of the Ocean County Freeholders. Does the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders really want to hitch its wagon to a legislative body known for its poor choices and bad decision-making? As evidenced in the Oscar-winning documentary, *Freeheld*, the Ocean County Board of Chose Freeholders denied a decorated detective, in the final year of her life, to have her pension awarded to her domestic partner. Ms. Ridley said Ocean County paid \$550,000 to settle a

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sexual harassment lawsuit against Freeholder Joseph Vircari in 2017. "The Ocean County Freeholders supervise the county Department of Corrections, which currently has two lawsuits pending against it," Ms. Ridley said, "One is a federal lawsuit filed last year by five female corrections department employees alleging that the Ocean County jail allowed for systematic, continuous pattern of gender discrimination, hostile work environment and/or retaliation." She said the second one was a tort claim filed this year against Ocean County and the Department of Corrections that alleges a Jewish individual was harassed, bullied, and subjected to anti-Semitism while lodged in the Ocean County jail.

Ms. Ridley thought it very likely that the Ocean County Freeholders would lose the case against the Attorney General, or that it would be dismissed, as the AG has broad authority. The purpose of the directive, according to the AG's office, is to draw a clear line between federal immigration authorities, who enforce federal civil immigration law, and state and local law enforcement officers, who do not. "This is to assure victims and witnesses that they can report crimes without fear of deportation," said Ms. Ridley. She said studies have shown that undocumented immigrants are afraid of reporting crimes, and of seeking protection from their local police officers, due to fear of deportation. Ms. Ridley respectfully asked that the Board table this resolution.

Lori Ciesla of Lopatcong Township said she knew all three Freeholders personally, knew they were all very kind people, and were not doing this to be malicious to anybody. A grandchild of immigrants, she said she knows how important they are to our culture. "We do need to do something about our immigration situation... we do have undocumented people who work hard and should be legal immigrants. However, that is not the State of New Jersey's job," Ms. Ciesla said. She said while the State has the ability to determine what kind of financial care they will provide, ruling on immigration was the federal government's role under the Constitution. She expressed support of the Freeholders' support of the litigation. "Trenton has no clue what goes on in our municipalities," she said, and was of the opinion that the AG went "on a tangent" without adequately conferring with local law enforcement.

Stuart Ridley of Phillipsburg asked, "What litigation?" As far as he knew, Ocean County Freeholders authorized a lawsuit, about which very little is known, but nothing had been filed. He wondered what specific part of the AG's directive was being challenged, and what the strategy was to be. He stated support of the action would be going against state law, which was in contradiction with statements made this evening regarding following the rule of law. "You cannot have both," he said. He respectfully requested the Board table the resolution.

Carolyn Cerbone of Belvidere began by saying, "You don't only represent the people that voted for you; you represent the entire population of Warren County." She asked how much money and time the Freeholders were planning to spend on this endeavor, noting time was money. She wondered why this pursuit did not appear to include any anticipated timeframes, as do other resolutions. Ms. Cerbone said she had limited complaints about the way the Warren County Freeholder Board operates and budgets, saying she believed they ran a fairly tight ship. "Therefore, I'm asking you to table this resolution, and to focus on issues that affect Warren County. We want

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to keep our tax dollars here,” said Ms. Cerbone.

Susan Yetter of White Township said she grew up in Warren County and thought it was a great place to raise a family and to live. She heard the concerns about public safety and enforcing the law. She wondered what problem we had to fix to make us want to support a lawsuit initiated by Ocean County. She said according to a Syracuse University tracking database, as part of the ICE Secure Communities Program, only three individuals per year have been detained in Warren County for the last seven years. “That’s way less than one percent of the people in our county; that doesn’t indicate that we have a big problem,” Ms. Yetter said. She asserted that violent crime is going down in Warren County, according to a Rutgers data book. She thanked Warren County Sheriff McDonald, local police and the New Jersey State Police for all the good work they have done to keep us safe. She thought they had good common sense, and was confident in relying on their expertise to determine any threats to our community, regardless of immigrations status. “Gentlemen, I don’t believe we have a dog in this fight, and I respectfully ask you to table this resolution,” Ms. Yetter concluded.

Iris Perot of Port Murray said, “Put simply, New Jersey’s law enforcement officers protect the public by investigating state criminal offenses and enforcing state criminal laws. They are not responsible for enforcing civil immigration violations, except in narrowly defined circumstances. Such responsibilities instead fall to the federal government and those operating under its authority. The AG directive seeks to ensure effective policing, protect the safety of all New Jersey residents, and ensure that limited state, county and local law enforcement resources are directed toward enforcing the criminal laws of this state.” Ms. Perot said nothing in the directive limits New Jersey law enforcement agencies or officers from enforcing state law. “And nothing in this directive should be read to imply that New Jersey provides sanctuary to those who commit crimes in this state. If they commit a crime, they will be prosecuted, they will be held, and violent criminals are not allowed to be released. Any person who violates New Jersey’s criminal laws can and will be held accountable for their actions, no matter their immigration status,” Ms. Perot said. She didn’t know what part of that directive Ocean County Freeholders were against, or why.

Charles Body introduced himself as president of Warren-Sussex NAACP. He asked what specific problem in Warren County the Freeholders were trying to address. Mr. Sarnoski said this is in support of the litigation against the AG directive. “Even if we don’t feel we have an immigration issue in Warren County, or an enforcement issue, doesn’t mean we can’t talk about our state and how we feel,” said Mr. Sarnoski. He said there are a lot of resolutions we support and send down to the governor that may not directly impact Warren County. When we feel strongly about the rules, regulations and laws that our legislators, governor, and AG pass, we express it.

Terry Urfer of Hope said in the past he ran a factory of 300 workers in Perth Amboy, and always went out of his way to hire legal people. He expressed support of the Freeholders to ask a court system to question something. “This is America. It’s not like the state dictates, and I can’t question it,” Mr. Urfer said.

Ross Shepherd of Washington Township said he was a retired police officer, having served

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the City of Newark for 20 years. He relayed an incident of a dozen years ago in which a Newark governing official questioned if a reporter was an immigrant, and the city was later faced with civil action because of that comment. His point seemed to be that he thought the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders should be careful. If perceived to be targeting immigrants, civil action against it was a potential risk.

Mr. Sarnoski did not agree, saying, "I don't think anyone is going after immigrants with this resolution."

Phillipsburg Councilwoman Danielle DeGerolamo said she had attended a seminar on ICE held in Warren County, as she felt the need to get educated on the issues. She said she learned every county had cooperative agencies working with their local municipalities, with one exception (Middlesex). She said ICE was looking for people on South Main Street in Phillipsburg the prior day. "So we do have a problem... we do locally." She applauded the Freeholders for taking steps to protect Warren County. Phillipsburg being a border town, if Pennsylvania is not taking action, people will end up in Phillipsburg.

Aaron Hyndman of Hackettstown expressed his support for the Attorney General's directive, and urged the Freeholders to table the resolution. He asked if Warren County Sheriff James McDonald had taken a position or made a statement on the record. Mr. Kern said Sheriff McDonald was unable to attend this meeting due to a personal matter, but the Sheriff did express his verbal support of the resolution being discussed. Mr. Hyndman thought the Warren County Sheriff had jurisdiction over the County Correctional Center; Mr. Sarnoski informed him that was no longer the case. The Sheriff's office does serve warrants, a civil process, and Mr. Hyndman thought the Warren County Sheriff should be on the record with a stance. He felt it should be reiterated that nothing in the AG's directive prevents the execution of the law enforcement responsibilities of any county law enforcement officers. Criminals need to be held and detained regardless of their immigration status. "An undocumented immigrant who commits a crime is held just as anyone else and is not automatically released under this directive, contrary to what a lot of the people on the other side are saying. It's simply not true," Mr. Hyndman said, "New Jersey is not a sanctuary state, and the Attorney General's directive, in my opinion and in the opinion of many of your constituents, should be upheld and supported by our county."

Sandra Morrisette of Phillipsburg said as a naturalized citizen perhaps she had a different perspective. She spoke of an ICE raid in which an Irish immigrant was caught up with a number of Latinos, and an officer thought a mistake was made. "I'm going to state the obvious... you're white, I'm white. We are not asked for that kind of identification, nor are we ever asked those sorts of questions in a regular traffic stop," said Ms. Morrisette. She spoke of people living in fear of being "scooped up" and held whether or not they have proper documentation. She said we have seen situations of legal citizens being held for far too long by ICE. She urged the Freeholders not only to table the resolution, but forget about it.

This concluded Public Comments on agenda items.

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RESOLUTION 412-19

On motion by Mr. Kern, 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 August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION TO PAY BILLS

Be and it is hereby resolved that Master Voucher Certificate **For Certification / Ratification for Payments No. 2019-30, 2019-31, 2019-32, 2019-33, and 2019-34, dated August 28, 2019,** in the amount of **\$9,506,400.17** including payrolls, allowances, bills and investments, is approved subject to the review of the vouchers by the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

2019-30	7/31/19	\$651,869.01	
2019-31	8/7/19	2,299,933.89	
2019-32	8/14/19	499,354.29	
2019-33	8/21/19	495,615.86	
2019-34	8/28/19	<u>272,786.28</u>	
TOTAL			\$4,219,559.33
Horizon (Prescription, Claims, Admin)	8/18/19	\$1,513,914.24	
Aetna-August	7/31/19	150,541.06	
Sun Life Financial-August	8/2/19	57,042.54	
Home Depot	8/1/19	2,066.12	
PNC Bank Commercial Card	8/6/19	3,056.53	
Open Space Wires	(Detail Page 2)	<u>824,981.10</u>	
TOTAL-OTHER			2,551,601.59
Uniform Pay (including fringe)	7/25/19	\$22,577.02	
Payroll (including fringe)	8/1/19	1,346,512.52	
Subsistence	8/1/19	200.00	
Payroll (including fringe)	8/15/19	1,365,949.71	
Subsistence	8/15/19	<u>0.00</u>	
TOTAL WAGES, FRINGE, MEALS			<u>2,735,239.25</u>
GRAND TOTAL			<u><u>\$9,506,400.17</u></u>

Open Space Wire Transfers (detail):

<u>Project Name</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Total Paid</u>	<u>Reimburse- ments</u>	<u>County Portion</u>
Hensler Farm	8/26/19	\$68,183.60	\$0.00	\$68,183.60
Nonnenmacher #1	8/26/19	\$265,736.50	\$223,717.40	\$42,019.10
Nonnenmacher #2	8/26/19	\$776,651.60	\$61,873.20	<u>\$714,778.40</u>
Total				<u>\$824,981.10</u>

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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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 413-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

INSERTION INTO THE 2019 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,520.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF FAMILY DEVELOPMENT, NEW COMPUTERS ALLOCATION

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 2019 in the sum of \$11,520.00, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey, Department of Human Services, Division of Family Development, New Computers Allocation

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$ 11,520.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption:

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

State of New Jersey, Department of Human Services, Division of Family Development, New Computers Allocation (administered by TASS)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of the approval by the State of New Jersey, Department of Human Services, Division of Family Development.

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 414-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

INSERTION INTO THE 2019 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,220.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES, RIGHT TO KNOW PROGRAM

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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 2019 in the sum of \$9,220.00, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey, Department of Health & Senior services, Right to Know Program

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$ 9,220.00 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, Right to Know Program
(administered by Environmental Health)

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 415-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

INSERTION INTO THE 2019 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$237,068.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES, BIO-TERRORISM PREPAREDNESS & RESPONSE

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 2019 in the sum of \$237,068.00, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey, Department of Health & Senior Services, Bio-Terrorism Preparedness & Response.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$ 237,068.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption:

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

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State of New Jersey, Department of Health & Senior Services, Bio-Terrorism Preparedness & Response (Administered by the 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, Bio-Terrorism Preparedness & Response.

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

Mr. Sarnoski thanked everyone who made public comments regarding the resolution to support Ocean County's litigation against Enforcement Directive 2018-6, saying he appreciated the respectful decorum.

Mr. Gardner said he thought a number good points were presented this evening, and there is a lot to know about immigration. "I don't think this is a political issue, from my perspective, I think it's a common sense issue... in a sovereign county we should want to vet everybody that comes to this country to know that they're on equal footing."

Mr. Gardner said he thought 95 percent – or better – of the illegal people that come into this country are probably good people. However, he thought it was necessary to vet the entirety of who is coming in, no matter where they come from.

"Are the police being hamstrung by the Attorney General's directive here? I don't think we want the police to be hamstrung; we want them to do their job, unencumbered, to know that they're keeping society as safe as they can," Mr. Gardner said.

"As an elected official, our first job is to make sure all people are safe in our county, and I think it's incumbent upon us to make sure that happens. So, I don't want to see anything go wrong, but I'd like to know more about immigration," concluded Mr. Gardner.

Mr. Kern echoed Mr. Sarnoski's comments about everyone handling themselves professionally and courteously, "I don't think any of the speakers have questioned the intentions of one another here this evening... and I would go further to say that that I don't think this Board questions the intentions or the heart of the Attorney General. I've had the privilege of meeting him, and I think he's a good man, and I think he just – we have a difference of opinion on policy here," said Mr. Kern.

Mr. Kern continued, "The resolution on the agenda tonight is about empowering and supporting law enforcement. Due to this directive, enforcement agencies are not necessarily able to fully cooperate with one another, and we shouldn't be looking to splinter those relationships. New Jersey has been able to participate in these relationships for several decades without having any issue. The action that this Board is taking to support the legal challenge of the AG's directive by our colleagues in Ocean County is different from many of the other actions being taken across our state. We felt that this was the wisest course of action to challenge the validity of his directive in

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court. You're seeing across the state people passing other resolutions that I don't think this Board thought appropriate to pass. But I do think that this is the wisest decision for us as we do live in a nation where there are checks and balances. The AG, our form of government is appointed by the governor, so he is not an elected representative, so for elected representatives to challenge, I don't think is a bad thing, so I therefore support this resolution."

Mr. Sarnoski said, "I believe we are a country of laws. We can't choose just arbitrarily which ones we want to obey and which ones we do not. That's not the way our system works, that's not the way an orderly county works. But we do have a means to redress issues if we have them with our laws and those who are enacting them. And those issues get redressed through the courts. If we have a disagreement with our public officials, if we have a disagreement with those who are handing down the laws, we can ask: Are these laws legal? Are they constitutional? Are they valid? And that's what Ocean County is doing. It is going through the system that we set in place as a country to find out if these laws are valid, if they're just. We are not here to answer immigration policy; it's not our job here. We can't. But I do think that immigration in this country needs to be fixed. We certainly have a lot of problems. That's not in question here. What we are saying is, as country of laws, as country of order, don't we all have right to challenge those when we feel that it's not correct? And that's – in my opinion – what Ocean County is doing. And I support that. I'm not saying I want to violate the law, I'm not saying that I'm going to break the law, I'm saying I don't agree with the law, so I want to change the law. And I want to change it through the system that I have. And Ocean County is taking that action, I support that right now. At least in spirit. And in the future, maybe in other ways as well."

Mr. Sarnoski continued, following up on Mr. Kern's remarks about supporting law enforcement. He said after last month's meeting and comments, there was some discussion about not doing anything. However, soon after that meeting he read an article about an incident that occurred in Atlantic County where a grandmother and her grandchild were struck by a vehicle while crossing the road, resulting in the death of the child. "And come to find out that the person who had struck them and ran was an undocumented immigrant, and the law enforcement that eventually did catch up with this person said that the directive would have hampered their ability to work with proper law enforcement agencies to apprehend this individual. So, I believe, as I said, we're a nation of laws. People should not fear the law if they have no reason to fear the law, and they should be cooperating law enforcement. I feel we have a strong, positive law enforcement group in Warren County that does a good job, and we should not handcuff them to not work with every agency that they need to in order to keep us safe. So I support this resolution," Mr. Sarnoski said.

RESOLUTION 416-19

On motion by Mr. Kern, 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 August 28, 2019.

**RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT OCEAN COUNTY'S LITIGATION AGAINST
ENFORCEMENT DIRECTIVE NO. 2018-6**

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WHEREAS, on November 29, 2018, the New Jersey State Attorney General Gurbir Grewal issued Enforcement Directive No. 2018-6; and

WHEREAS, the County of Ocean, on August 7, 2019, passed a resolution authorizing litigation against the New Jersey State Attorney General Gurbir Grewal and any and all parties to challenge Enforcement Directive No. 2018-6; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders supports the County of Ocean's Litigation challenging New State Attorney General's Gurbir Grewal's Enforcement Directive No. 2018-6.

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 417-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

**RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO AUCTION COUNTY PROPERTY, A 16.856 ACRE SITE
UNIMPROVED, BLOCK 32, LOT 17, WHITE TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF WARREN,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, the County of Warren wishes to dispose of property which is no longer needed for public use by county departments and agencies and is the owner of certain real and personal property in the Township of White, County of Warren, and State of New Jersey. The parcel listed as Lot 17 in Block 32 in the Township of White; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13 et seq. provides for the sale of real and personal property owned by the County to be sold at public auction and provides for a minimum bid price; and

WHEREAS, the County wishes to continue to explore its options with respect to the Property by moving forward with the statutory requirements under N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 et seq. with respect to the Property by (1) determining a just and fair compensation in the event of the sale of the Property; (2) obtaining the benefits of preliminary marketing efforts in that regard; and (3) scheduling an auction at open public sale to the highest bidder after advertisement thereof; and

WHEREAS, the County has retained the services of Fiedler Real Estate to market and auction the subject property.

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

1. The real property commonly known as the Block 32, Lot 17 located off of Mt. Pisgah Avenue, White Township, New Jersey (collectively the "Property") shall be advertised for sale; and
2. The Clerk of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to advertise a public auction pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(a); which public notice shall set forth the public sale of the Property on such date and upon such terms as determined by the County and in accordance with the terms of this Resolution.

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3. The aforementioned Property will be sold at an open public sale pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13 and shall be subject to the following conditions:
- (a) The sale will be conducted by an agent of Fiedler Real Estate. Bids will be accepted as a negotiated sealed bid during the auction period. The auctioneer will, at his sole discretion, determine the highest bidder at the time of the auction, subject to the final acceptance by the County.
 - (b) No bid of less than \$2,000,000.00 will be accepted for the Property. In addition, the successful bidder shall pay a buyer's premium of 4.5% of the accepted purchase price to Fiedler Real Estate upon closing.
 - (c) The Property to be sold is subject to existing encumbrances, liens, easements, zoning ordinances, other restrictions of record, and such facts as an accurate survey would reveal. The County makes no representations as to the presence or absence of any environmental conditions on the Property and the purchaser assumes the risk of any such condition, the Property is being sold "as is."
 - (d) The successful bidder shall submit a cashiers or certified check or money order payable to the County of Warren in an amount of 10% of the bidders offer. Said payment shall be made immediately upon close of the auction proceedings.
 - (e) All bids shall be referred to the Board of Chosen Freeholders for review and final approval pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13. The Board of Chosen Freeholders reserves the right to accept the highest bid or reject any and all bids. The Board of Chosen Freeholders shall make its decision known by Resolution no later than the Board's second regularly scheduled meeting following the auction. No bid may be withdrawn.
4. The County reserves the right to waive any and all defects and informalities in any proposal and to accept or reject the highest responsible and responsive bid deemed to be in the best interest of the County. No bid shall be considered finally accepted until passage of a Resolution by the County accepting said bid.

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 418-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION AND ACCEPTANCE OF A THREE-YEAR ARTS GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE COUNTY'S LOCAL ARTS PROGRAM (LAP) AWARD IN ANY AMOUNT FOR RE-GRANTING TO LOCAL ARTS ORGANIZATIONS AND FOR GENERAL OPERATING SUPPORT FROM THE NEW JERSEY COUNCIL ON THE ARTS

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:33A-1, on October 11, 1972 the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders (hereinafter the "Freeholder Board") adopted a resolution creating the Warren County Cultural and Heritage Commission (hereinafter the "Commission"); and

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WHEREAS, on October 10, 2018 the Freeholder Board adopted a resolution abolishing the Commission and establishing a Division of Cultural and Historic Affairs within the Department of Land Preservation (hereinafter the "Division"); and

WHEREAS, on May 22, 2019, the Freeholder Board adopted a resolution creating the Warren County Bicentennial Cultural and Heritage Advisory Board (hereinafter the "Advisory Board") to make recommendations to the Freeholder Board and the Division for the development of county programs to promote public interest in local and County history, in the arts, and in the cultural values, goals and traditions of the community, the State and the Nation; and

WHEREAS, there is funding available from the New Jersey Council on the Arts/Department of State, for re-granting funds and other local arts services; and

WHEREAS, in order to be eligible for said funding, it is necessary to submit a grant application to the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Department of State for re-granting funds to local groups, arts programming for the public, and technical assistance to strengthen the abilities of local grantees; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to designate the Division as the body to undertake arts re-granting on behalf of Warren County, as well as to authorize the submission and execution of said application; and

WHEREAS, the development of the arts in Warren County is deemed a valuable cultural asset and will have a positive impact on the quality of life in Warren County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders does hereby authorize the submission and acceptance of a three-year arts grant application to the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, Department of State, as more fully set forth above; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Warren County Division of Cultural and Historic Affairs, Department of Land Preservation, is designated as the body to undertake arts re-granting on behalf of Warren County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of this Board shall be and is hereby authorized to execute said application and all related documents to the grant application on behalf of the County of Warren and the Clerk of this Board shall affix thereto the corporate seal of the County of Warren, if required; and

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 419-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

**RESOLUTION TO EXTEND THE GRANT WITH THE BOROUGH OF WASHINGTON FOR THE
CONTINUED SHABBECONG MOUNTAIN PRESERVE OPEN SPACE PROJECT,
FOR THE PERIOD OF TWELVE MONTHS**

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

WHEREAS, on October 25, 2017, Borough of Washington entered into a two-year grant agreement with the county for financial assistance on this open space project in the amount of \$135,800.00; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Land Preservation, on behalf of the Municipal and Charitable Conservancy Trust Fund Committee, has reviewed and considered a written request for an extension of the grant agreement for the Shabbecong Mountain Preserve open space project; and

WHEREAS, extending the grant of funds for this project is fully in keeping with the intent and purpose of the Trust Fund Rules and grant agreement, which states that an extension of up to 12 months is allowable upon written request; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available and already encumbered in account 03894 5065 8941703 5065.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the grant agreement with Borough of Washington for the Shabbecong Mountain Preserve open space project be extended for the period of twelve months, concluding October 25, 2020.

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 420-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF TEMPORARY ACCESS AGREEMENT TO CONDUCT PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT ON OPEN SPACE ACQUISITION PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 28, LOT 21 IN WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, on September 26, 2018 the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren authorized by Resolution 447-18 the purchase of an approximately 19.97-acre property known as the Albulescu Property, Block 28, Lot 21 in Washington Township, is available for purchase; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Department of Land Preservation's standard due diligence practices, and as required by the New Jersey Green Acres program, an environmental Preliminary Assessment Report (PAR) shall be conducted on this property; and

WHEREAS, the landowner/seller has requested that the parties execute a Temporary Access Agreement (Agreement) for purposes of allowing the County and its contracted environmental specialists onto the property for purposes of completing the PAR; and

WHEREAS, this Agreement has been reviewed and approved by Katrina Campbell, Esq., Special Counsel; and

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

1. The Board hereby authorizes the Freeholder Director or the Administrator of Warren County to sign the Temporary Access Agreement for Block 28, Lot 21 in Washington Township.

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 421-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF A DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON THE STAMPONE FARM, BLOCK 41, LOT 10 IN KNOWLTON TOWNSHIP CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 31.7 (3%+) NET ACRES

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren has determined that the property known as Stampone Farm, owned by Edward Stampone and CDEK, LLC located on Block 41, Lot 10 in Knowlton Township, consisting of approximately 31.7 (3%+) net 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 July 25, 2019 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 November 20, 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 April 26, 2019 the State Agricultural Development Committee has certified a development easement value of \$4,650 per acre based on zoning and environmental regulations in place as of the current valuation date of February 21, 2019 with an estimated total value of \$147,405; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 2:76-17.12, the Owners accepted the County's offer of \$4,650 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 tract would encourage the survivability of production agriculture in Knowlton Township, and said tract falls within a predetermined County Agricultural Development

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Area and is in the North Project Area; and

WHEREAS, on July 25, 2019, the Knowlton Township Committee voted by resolution to approve the owners' application for sale of the development easement, but is not participating financially in the easement purchase; and

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

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

WHEREAS, the SADC is expected to grant final approval for funding amount on said application at its October 24, 2019 meeting; and

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

Cost share based on 31.7 acres (+3%):

	<u>Total</u>
SADC	\$101,123.00 – 68.60% (\$3,190/acre)
Warren County	\$46,282.00 – 31.40% (\$1,460/acre)
Total Easement Purchase	\$147,405.00 (\$4,650/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 \$4,650 per acre as certified by the State Agricultural Development Committee (SADC). Cost to be shared with the SADC as follows: SADC \$3,190 per acre, Warren County \$1,460 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 3.5 acres around an existing, but currently uninhabited, single family residence, a barn with additional living area, and other outbuildings
 - d. The 3.5 acre non-severable exception area shall be restricted to one single family residential unit and for future flexibility uses
 - e. No Residual Dwelling Site Opportunities (RDSO's)
 - f. No preexisting non-agricultural uses on premises
 - g. Access easements to be determined by title search
 - h. No proposed trails
 - i. SADC funding from Base grant, competitive round or both
 - j. 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 \$46,282.00. 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

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the Township of Knowlton, 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-11-A; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that adequate funds for the purchase price funding in the amount of \$46,282.00 in account #03895-5067-8951909-5067 have been certified by the 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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 422-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF A DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON THE ESTATE OF ROBERT P. THOMPSON FARM, BLOCK 59, LOT 1 IN WHITE TOWNSHIP CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 39.7 NET ACRES

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren has determined that the property known as the Estate of Robert P. Thompson Farm owned by the Estate of Robert P. Thompson and Gloria B. Thompson, located on Block 59 Lot 1 in White Township, consisting of approximately 39.7 net acres, has available for purchase a development easement in accordance with the requirements of the farmland preservation programs; 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 July 25, 2019 meeting and preliminary approval of the purchase by the SADC is dependent upon that approval and the approval of this Board; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 2:76-17.1A(b) on December 14, 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.1(a); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 2:76-17A.11, on April 26, 2019 the SADC has certified a development easement value of \$6,000 per acre based on zoning and environmental regulations in place as of 1/1/04 and \$5,500 per acre based on zoning and environmental regulations in place as of the current valuation date of March 2, 2019 with an estimated total value of \$238,200; and

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

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WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 2:16-11A.13, the White Township Committee approved its funding commitment of 17.5% of the purchase price (or \$1,050/acre of the easement) for the Thompson Farm by resolution dated June 13, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the property is located in the County's West Project Area, and is on the eligible list of farms identified in the Township's approved North Project Area; and

WHEREAS, the SADC is expected to grant final approval for funding amount on said application at its October 24, 2019 meeting; and

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

WHEREAS, the estimated cost share breakdown on the development easement as follows:

Cost share breakdown based on 39.7 acres:

	<u>Total</u>	
SADC	\$154,830	(\$3,900/acre – 65% of purchase price)
Warren County	\$41,685	(\$1,050/acre – 17.5% of purchase price)
White Twp.	\$41,685	(\$1,050/acre – 17.5% of purchase price)
Total Easement Purchase	\$238,200	(\$6,000/acre)

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 2:76-17A.15, the County shall hold the development easement since the County is providing funding for the preservation of the farm; and

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

1. The Board hereby grants permission to purchase the development easement on the above described property based on an easement value of \$6,000 per acre as the purchase price. Cost to be shared with the SADC and White Township as follows: SADC \$3,900 per acre, Warren County \$1,050 per acre, White Township \$1,050 per acre.
2. This approval includes the following conditions:
 - a. No structures on premises
 - b. No existing agriculture labor housing unit on premises
 - c. Exceptions
 - 1) One Non-Severable Exception of 1 acre for future single family residence restricted to one residential unit
 - 2) One Severable Exception of 3 acres for future single family residence restricted to one residential unit
 - d. No RDSOs allocated
 - e. No non-ag uses on premises
 - f. Easements
 - 1) To be determined at title search
 - g. No proposed trails
 - h. SADC funding from Municipal Planning Incentive Grant
3. The County's share in regard to the purchase of said easement is estimated at \$41,685.00. The Freeholder Director or Administrator of Warren County is authorized to sign the Deed of Easement, the Cost Share Agreement, and any and all

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documents necessary for the acquisition of the development easement on the above property in the Township of White, 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-11-A; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, if the Township and County agree to the SADC providing its grant directly to Warren County, the SADC shall enter into a Grant Agreement with the Township and County pursuant to N.J.A.C. 2:76-6.18, 6.18(a) and 6.18(b); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that adequate funds for the purchase price funding in the amount of \$41,685.00 in account #03895-5067-89518910-5067 have been certified by the 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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 423-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF DEVELOPMENT EASEMENTS WITH THE LAND CONSERVANCY OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE PROMISED LAND FARM IN FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, THE HIDDEN WOODS FARM IN FRELINGHUYSEN TOWNSHIP, THE NAVESINK ROOTS IN HARDWICK TOWNSHIP, THE RIVER HOLLOW FARM IN WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP AND THE KIMBALL'S FARM IN WHITE TOWNSHIP.

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren has determined that farmland preservation easements on the properties known as the Promised Land Farm (Block 57, Lot 31.01 in Franklin Township, consisting of approximately 58.41 gross acres), and the Hidden Woods Farm (Block 601, Lots 1, 1.01 & 2 in Frelinghuysen Township, consisting of approximately 107.53 gross acres), the Navesink Roots Farm (Block 202, Lot 1.03 in Hardwick Township, consisting of approximately 24.7 gross acres), the River Hollow Farm (Block 79, Lot 1 in Washington Township consisting of approximately 59.67 gross acres), the Kimball's Farm (Block 61, Lot 5 in White Township consisting of approximately 45.61 gross acres) together totaling approximately 295.92 gross acres (284.42 net), are available for purchase within the requirements of the farmland preservation program; and

WHEREAS, The Land Conservancy of New Jersey (TLC-NJ) has obtained a non-profit grant from the State Agriculture Development Committee (SADC) and has targeted these farms for preservation using those grant funds; and

WHEREAS, TLC-NJ has proposed an agreement with Warren County to participate in the

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purchase of these development easements; and

WHEREAS, The Warren County Agriculture Development Board (WCADB) has approved the purchase of development easements on these properties at its July 25, 2019 meeting; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of development easements on these properties will encourage the survivability of productive agriculture in Warren County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the agreement with TLC-NJ for the purpose of development easements on the following farms is hereby approved as follows:

- 1) The Promised Land Farm (Block 57, Lot 31.01 in Franklin Township, consisting of approximately 57.41 net acres) at an easement value not to exceed \$6,500.00 per acre for an estimated acquisition cost of \$373,165.00, with the County to cost share 50% of the estimated acquisition costs of no more than \$3,250 per acre or \$186,582.50;
- 2) The Hidden Woods Farm (Block 601, Lots 1, 1.01 & 2 in Frelinghuysen Township, consisting of approximately 105.03 net acres) at an easement value not to exceed \$5,500.00 per acre for an estimated acquisition cost of \$577,665.00, with the County to share 50% of the acquisition costs of no more than \$2,750 per acre or \$288,832.50;
- 3) The Navesink Roots Farm (Block 202, Lot 1.03 in Hardwick Township, consisting of approximately 23.7 net acres) at an easement value not to exceed \$7,700.00 per acre for an estimated acquisition cost of \$182,500.00, with the County to share 50% of the acquisition costs of no more than \$3,850 per acre or \$91,250.00;
- 4) The River Hollow Farm (Block 79, Lot 1 in Washington Township consisting of approximately 53.67 net acres) at an easement value not to exceed \$6,500.00 per acre for an estimated acquisition cost of \$348,855.00, with the County to share 50% of the acquisition costs of no more than \$3,250 per acre or \$174,427.50;
- 5) The Kimball's Farm (Block 61, Lot 5 in White Township consisting of approximately 44.61 net acres) at an easement value not to exceed \$6,500.00 per acre for an estimated acquisition cost of \$289,965.00, with the County to share 50% of the acquisition costs of no more than \$3,250 per acre or \$144,982.50;
- 6) In addition to its 50% share of the estimated acquisition costs above, totaling \$886,075.00, the County shall also share the associated due diligence costs, including but not limited to 100% cost of appraisals and 50% cost of surveys and title fees, estimated at \$59,100.00, for a total amount not to exceed \$945,175.00.

The County's total share of the funding and due diligence costs is estimated to be \$945,175.00. The Freeholder Director or County Administrator is authorized to sign the Agreement with TLC-NJ, Assignment of Deed of Easements, and any other documentation necessary for the acquisition of the development easements on the above properties under the terms outlined above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED acquisition cost-share funds in the amount totaling \$886,075.00 are available in accounts:

- 1) Promised Land Farm– 03895-5067-8951911-5067, \$186,582.50;
- 2) Hidden Woods Farm – 03895-5067-8951912-5067, \$288,832.50;
- 3) Navesink Roots Farm – 03895-5067-8951913-5067, \$91,250.00;

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- 4) River Hollow Farm – 03895-5067-8951914-5067, \$174,427.50;
- 5) Kimball’s Farm – 03895-5067-8951915-5067, \$144,982.50.

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 424-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE UPDATE TO THE RECYCLING PLAN ELEMENT OF THE
WARREN COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN THROUGH ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION
TO ADDRESS THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
CERTIFICATION LETTER DATED MARCH 8, 2018**

WHEREAS, certification of Warren County’s Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP) amendment dated September 27, 2017, was granted by the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection in a letter signed March 8, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the certification letter states that the County is to prepare an update to the County Recycling Plan that discusses, reviews, analyzes, and updates strategies to reach the 50% recycling goal for municipal solid waste; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Solid Waste Advisory Council (SWAC) reviewed the Recycling Plan Update with Appendices as prepared by the SWAC’s Recycling Subcommittee and the Solid Waste Coordinator at its April 4, 2019 meeting and recommended the Update with minor corrections now dated April 5, 2019, for approval.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Chosen Freeholders hereby approves Section 7: Recycling Plan and Appendices as recommended by SWAC with corrections dated April 5, 2019.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution and the Recycling Plan Update be sent to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, all Warren County municipalities, the Pollution Control Financing Authority, Covanta Energy Resources, Natures Choice, S. Rotondi and Sons, Tilcon Quarry, Second Chance Recycling, major waste haulers serving Warren County, and the Warren County Health Department.

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 425-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF A DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT

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CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 41.55 (5%+) ACRES**

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren has determined that the property known as the Noel Farm, owned by Madie J. Everitt, et al., Tenants in Common c/o Eileen Noel, located on Block 15, Lot 13.02 in Franklin Township, consisting of approximately 41.55 (5%+) acres, has available for purchase a development easement in accordance with the requirements of the farmland preservation program; and

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2018 the Warren County Agriculture Development Board (WCADB) voted by Resolution #18-04 dated May 17, 2018 to recommend to the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders for application submission to the Highlands Open Space Partnership Funding Program for a grant up to 50 % matching cost-share on the acquisition of development easements on 6 properties and the Noel Farm was included as one of these applications; and

WHEREAS, on June 18, 2018 the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders voted by Resolution #291-18 to submit 6 applications to the Highlands Open Space Partnership Funding Program for a grant up to 50 % matching cost-share towards each acquisition of development easements on the 6 properties and the Noel Farm was included as one of these applications; and

WHEREAS, in June 2018, the County submitted the Noel Farm application to the Highlands Open Space Partnership Funding Program and on March 7, 2019 the Highlands Council awarded the County a grant on this property in the amount of \$100,900.95 or up to 50% cost-share, whichever is less; and

WHEREAS, two independent appraisals have been performed on the Noel property and the WCADB reviewed the appraisal values with a valuation date of April 10, 2019 utilizing the dual appraisal procedure and determined at its June 20, 2019 to offer the landowners \$4,890 per acre for the development easement; and

WHEREAS, the landowners have received the offer of \$4,890 per acre on approximately 41.55 acres for an estimated total of \$203,179.50 and their attorney is reviewing the proposed purchase agreement; and

WHEREAS, final approval for the purchase of development rights on this farm has been granted by vote from the WCADB at its June 20, 2019; 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 Township, and said tract falls within a predetermined County Agricultural Development Area, is in the South East Project Area, and located in the Highlands Preservation Area, Highlands Agricultural Resources Area and Highlands High Agricultural Priority Area; and

WHEREAS, with the Highlands Open Space Grant cost share, Warren County's cost to preserve this farm will be approximately \$203,179.50 (\$102,278.55 total purchase price less \$100,900.95 Highlands cost share); and

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

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1. The Board hereby grants permission for the purchase of the development easement on the above described property based on an easement value of \$4,890 per acre as determined by the WCADB. Cost to be shared with the Highlands Council for total purchase price as follows: Highlands Council \$100,900.95, Warren County \$102,278.55.
2. This approval includes the following conditions
 - a. No structures on premises
 - b. No existing agriculture labor housing on premises
 - c. One 5 acre non-severable exception area for future single family residence restricted to one single family residential unit and for future flexibility uses
 - 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 \$102,278.55. 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 Franklin, County of Warren, State of New Jersey under the terms outlined above.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren hereby grants permission for the purchase price of \$102,278.55 for the development easement on the Noel Farm, Block 15 Lot 13.02 Franklin Township.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that adequate funds for the purchase price funding depending upon final surveyed acres in the amount of \$102,278.55 in account #03895-5067-8951918-5067 have been certified by the 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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 426-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF A DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON THE MYERS/TORETTA #1 FARM, BLOCK 45, LOTS 7, 9 & 10 IN FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 40.89 (5%+) ACRES

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren has determined that the property known as the Myers/Toretta #1 Farm, owned by Lisa Myers and Michael P. Toretta, located on Block 45, Lots 7, 9 & 10 in Franklin Township, consisting of approximately

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40.89 (5%+) acres, has available for purchase a development easement in accordance with the requirements of the farmland preservation program; and

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2018 the Warren County Agriculture Development Board (WCADB) voted by Resolution #18-04 dated May 17, 2018 to recommend to the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders for application submission to the Highlands Open Space Partnership Funding Program for a grant up to 50 % matching cost-share on the acquisition of development easements on 6 properties and the Myers/Toretta #1 Farm was included as one of these applications; and

WHEREAS, on June 18, 2018 the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders voted by Resolution #291-18 to submit 6 applications to the Highlands Open Space Partnership Funding Program for a grant up to 50 % matching cost-share towards each acquisition of development easements on the 6 properties and the Myers/Toretta #1 Farm was included as one of these applications; and

WHEREAS, in June 2018, the County submitted the Myers/Toretta #1 Farm application to the Highlands Open Space Partnership Funding Program and on March 7, 2019 the Highlands Council awarded the County a grant on this property in the amount of \$98,659.50 or up to 50% cost-share, whichever is less; and

WHEREAS, two independent appraisals have been performed on the Myers/Toretta #1 property and the WCADB reviewed the appraisal values with a valuation date of April 10, 2019 utilizing the dual appraisal procedure and determined at its June 20, 2019 to offer the landowners \$5,650 per acre for the development easement; and

WHEREAS, the landowners have accepted the offer of \$5,650 per acre on approximately 40.89 acres for an estimated total of \$231,028.50 and this property is currently under contract review; and

WHEREAS, final approval for the purchase of development rights on this farm has been granted by vote from the WCADB at its June 20, 2019; 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 Township, 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, with the Highlands Open Space Grant cost share, Warren County's cost to preserve this farm will be approximately \$132,369.00 (\$231,028.50 total purchase price less \$98,659.50 highlands cost share); and

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

1. The Board hereby grants permission for the purchase of the development easement on the above described property based on an easement value of \$5,650 per acre as determined by the WCADB. Cost to be shared with the Highlands Council for total purchase price as follows: Highlands Council \$98,659.50, Warren County \$132,369.00.
2. This approval includes the following conditions
 - a. Barns, silos and outbuildings on premises
 - b. No existing agriculture labor housing on premises

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- c. Exceptions:
 - 1) 1 acre non-severable exception area for future single family residence restricted to one single family residential unit and for future flexibility uses
 - 2) .1 acre non-severable exception area around existing apartment over 4 car garage and for future flexibility of uses
 - 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 \$132,369.00. 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 Franklin, County of Warren, State of New Jersey under the terms outlined above.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren hereby grants permission for the purchase price of \$231,028.50 for the development easement on the Myers/Toretta #1 Farm, Block 45, Lots 7, 9 & 10, Franklin Township.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that adequate funds for the purchase price funding depending upon final surveyed acres in the amount of \$132,369.00 in account #03895-5067-8951916-5067 have been certified by the 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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 427-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF A DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON THE MYERS/TORETTA #2 FARM, BLOCK 46, LOT 17 IN FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 50.70 (5%+) ACRES

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren has determined that the property known as the Myers/Toretta #2 Farm, owned by Lisa Myers and Michael P. Toretta, located on Block 46, Lot 17 in Franklin Township, consisting of approximately 50.70 (5%+) acres, has available for purchase a development easement in accordance with the requirements of the farmland preservation program; and

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2018 the Warren County Agriculture Development Board (WCADB) voted by Resolution #18-04 dated May 17, 2018 to recommend to the Warren County Board of

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Chosen Freeholders for application submission to the Highlands Open Space Partnership Funding Program for a grant up to 50 % matching cost-share on the acquisition of development easements on 6 properties and the Myers/Toretta #2 Farm was included as one of these applications; and

WHEREAS, on June 18, 2018 the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders voted by Resolution #291-18 to submit 6 applications to the Highlands Open Space Partnership Funding Program for a grant up to 50 % matching cost-share towards each acquisition of development easements on the 6 properties and the Myers/Toretta #2 Farm was included as one of these applications; and

WHEREAS, in June 2018, the County submitted the Myers/Toretta #2 Farm application to the Highlands Open Space Partnership Funding Program and on March 7, 2019 the Highlands Council awarded the County a grant on this property in the amount of \$123,139.50 or up to 50% cost-share, whichever is less; and

WHEREAS, two independent appraisals have been performed on the Myers/Toretta #2 property and the WCADB reviewed the appraisal values with a valuation date of April 10, 2019 utilizing the dual appraisal procedure and determined at its June 20, 2019 to offer the landowners \$5,450 per acre for the development easement; and

WHEREAS, the landowners have accepted the offer of \$5,450 per acre on approximately 50.70 acres for an estimated total of \$276,315.00 and this property is currently under contract review; and

WHEREAS, final approval for the purchase of development rights on this farm has been granted by vote from the WCADB at its June 20, 2019; 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 Township, 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, with the Highlands Open Space Grant cost share, Warren County's cost to preserve this farm will be approximately \$153,175.50 (\$276,315.00 total purchase price less \$123,139.50 Highlands cost share); and

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

1. The Board hereby grants permission for the purchase of the development easement on the above described property based on an easement value of \$5,450 per acre as determined by the WCADB. Cost to be shared with the Highlands Council for total purchase price as follows: Highlands Council \$123,139.50, Warren County \$153,175.50.
2. This approval includes the following conditions
 - a. No structures on premises
 - b. No existing agriculture labor housing on premises
 - c. Exceptions:

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- 1) 1 acre non-severable exception area for future single family residence restricted to one single family residential unit and for future flexibility uses
 - 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 \$153,175.50. 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 Franklin, County of Warren, State of New Jersey under the terms outlined above.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren hereby grants permission for the purchase price of \$276,315.00 for the development easement on the Myers/Toretta #2 Farm, Block 46, Lot 17 Franklin Township.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that adequate funds for the purchase price funding depending upon final surveyed acres in the amount of \$153,175.50 in account #03895-5067-8951917-5067 have been certified by the 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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 428-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF A DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON THE PEREIRA FARM, BLOCK 15, LOTS 1 & 4 IN FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 25.41 (5%+) ACRES

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren has determined that the property known as the Pereira Farm, owned by 2022 Highway 57, LLC and Pear Tree Realty, Inc., located on Block 15, Lots 1 & 4 in Franklin Township, consisting of approximately 25.41 (5%+) acres, has available for purchase a development easement in accordance with the requirements of the farmland preservation program; and

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2018 the Warren County Agriculture Development Board (WCADB) voted by Resolution #18-04 dated May 17, 2018 to recommend to the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders for application submission to the Highlands Open Space Partnership Funding Program for a grant up to 50 % matching cost-share on the acquisition of development easements on 6 properties and the Pereira Farm was included as one of these applications; and

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WHEREAS, on June 18, 2018 the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders voted by Resolution #291-18 to submit 6 applications to the Highlands Open Space Partnership Funding Program for a grant up to 50 % matching cost-share towards each acquisition of development easements on the 6 properties and the Pereira Farm was included as one of these applications; and

WHEREAS, in June 2018, the County submitted the Pereira Farm application to the Highlands Open Space Partnership Funding Program and on March 7, 2019 the Highlands Council awarded the County a grant on this property in the amount of \$61,710.00 or up to 50% cost-share, whichever is less; and

WHEREAS, two independent appraisals have been performed on the Pereira property and the WCADB reviewed the appraisal values with a valuation date of March 27, 2019 utilizing the dual appraisal procedure and determined at its June 20, 2019 to offer the landowners \$9,350 per acre for the development easement; and

WHEREAS, the landowners have accepted the offer of \$9,350 per acre on approximately 25.41 acres for an estimated total of \$237,583.50 and this property is currently under contract review; and

WHEREAS, final approval for the purchase of development rights on this farm has been granted by vote from the WCADB at its June 20, 2019; 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 Township, and said tract falls within a predetermined County Agricultural Development Area, is in the South East Project Area, and located in the Highlands Preservation Area, Highlands Agricultural Resources Area and Highlands High Agricultural Priority Area; and

WHEREAS, with the Highlands Open Space Grant cost share, Warren County's cost to preserve this farm will be approximately \$175,873.50 (\$237,583.50 total purchase price less \$61,710.00 Highlands cost share); and

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

1. The Board hereby grants permission for the purchase of the development easement on the above described property based on an easement value of \$9,350 per acre as determined by the WCADB. Cost to be shared with the Highlands Council for total purchase price as follows: Highlands Council \$61,710.00, Warren County \$175,873.50.
2. This approval includes the following conditions
 - a. No structures on premises
 - b. No existing agriculture labor housing on premises
 - c. Non-Severable exception area of 9.5 acres for existing two-family residence for replacement, outbuildings and for future flexibility of uses
 - 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

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- 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 \$175,873.50. 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 Franklin, County of Warren, State of New Jersey under the terms outlined above.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren hereby grants permission for the purchase price of \$237,583.50 for the development easement on the Pereira Farm, Block 15, Lots 1 & 4 Franklin Township.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that adequate funds for the purchase price funding depending upon final surveyed acres in the amount of \$175,873.50 in account #03895-5067-8951920-5067 have been certified by the 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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 429-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF A DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON THE PEAR TREE REALTY, INC. FARM, BLOCK 15, LOT 5 IN FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 65.25 (5%+) ACRES.

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren has determined that the property known as the Pear Tree Realty, Inc. Farm, owned by Pear Tree Realty, Inc., located on Block 15, Lot 5 in Franklin Township, consisting of approximately 65.25 (5%+) acres, has available for purchase a development easement in accordance with the requirements of the farmland preservation program; and

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2018 the Warren County Agriculture Development Board (WCADB) voted by Resolution #18-04 dated May 17, 2018 to recommend to the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders for application submission to the Highlands Open Space Partnership Funding Program for a grant up to 50 % matching cost-share on the acquisition of development easements on 6 properties and the Pear Tree Realty, Inc. Farm was included as one of these applications; and

WHEREAS, on June 18, 2018 the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders voted by Resolution #291-18 to submit 6 applications to the Highlands Open Space Partnership Funding Program for a grant up to 50 % matching cost-share towards each acquisition of development easements on the 6 properties and the Pear Tree Realty, Inc. Farm was included as one of these applications; and

WHEREAS, in June 2018, the County submitted the Pear Tree Realty, Inc. Farm application to the Highlands Open Space Partnership Funding Program and on March 7, 2019 the Highlands

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Council awarded the County a grant on this property in the amount of \$158,457.00 or up to 50% cost-share, whichever is less; and

WHEREAS, two independent appraisals have been performed on the Pear Tree Realty, Inc. property and the WCADB reviewed the appraisal values with a valuation date of March 27, 2019 utilizing the dual appraisal procedure and determined at its June 20, 2019 to offer the landowners \$6,250 per acre for the development easement; and

WHEREAS, the landowners have accepted the offer of \$6,250 per acre on approximately 65.25 acres for an estimated total of \$407,812.50 and this property is currently under contract review; and

WHEREAS, final approval for the purchase of development rights on this farm has been granted by vote from the WCADB at its June 20, 2019; 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 Township, and said tract falls within a predetermined County Agricultural Development Area, is in the South East Project Area, and located in the Highlands Preservation Area, Highlands Agricultural Resources Area and Highlands High Agricultural Priority Area; and

WHEREAS, with the Highlands Open Space Grant cost share, Warren County's cost to preserve this farm will be approximately \$249,355.50 (\$407,812.50 total purchase price less \$158,457.00 Highlands cost share); and

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

1. The Board hereby grants permission for the purchase of the development easement on the above described property based on an easement value of \$6,250 per acre as determined by the WCADB. Cost to be shared with the Highlands Council for total purchase price as follows: Highlands Council \$158,457.00, Warren County \$249,355.50.
2. This approval includes the following conditions
 - a. No structures on premises
 - b. No existing agriculture labor housing on premises
 - c. Exceptions:
 - 1) 1 acre non-severable exception area for future single family residence restricted to one single family residential unit and for future flexibility uses
 - 2) 1.03 acre non-severable exception for Morris Canal Trail
 - 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. Proposed Morris Canal Trail listed as exception area
 - 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 \$249,355.50. The Freeholder Director or Administrator of Warren County is

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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 Franklin, County of Warren, State of New Jersey under the terms outlined above.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren hereby grants permission for the purchase price of \$407,812.50 for the development easement on the Pear Tree Realty, Inc. Farm, Block 15, Lot 5 Franklin Township.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that adequate funds for the purchase price funding depending upon final surveyed acres in the amount of \$249,355.50 in account #03895-5067-8951919-5067 have been certified by the 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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 430-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE CALENDAR YEAR 2020 COMPREHENSIVE COUNTY YOUTH SERVICES PLAN AND NJ JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION FUNDING APPLICATION TOTALING \$296,688 FUNDS TO BE USED FOR PROGRAM AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES; SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Juvenile Justice Commission has made available to the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders a total of \$296,688 (\$195,937 State/Community Partnership funds, \$100,751 in Family Court Funds) for the period January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Department of Human Services, Division of Administration has prepared a comprehensive county youth services plan update and grant application for program services, program administration and Family Court services, which was approved by the Youth Services Coordinating Council on August 8, 2019.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Director of the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders is authorized to sign the 2020 Juvenile Justice Commission funding application in the amount of \$296,688 (\$195,937 State/Community Partnership funds, \$100,751 Family Court 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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 431-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

MINUTES**AUGUST 28, 2019****RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO TOWNSHIP OF GREENWICH ORDINANCE NO. 111-2019
ESTABLISHING NO STOPPING OR STANDING ZONE ON A PORTION OF COUNTY ROUTE #638.**

WHEREAS, the Township of Greenwich has adopted an ordinance to establish No Stopping or Standing Zone on a portion of County Route #638 with the Township of Greenwich; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.2 for a Township to regulate parking on a County road, the governing body of said County must consent to such regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren and the State of New Jersey that the proposed Ordinance No. 111-2019 (hereto attached) An Ordinance to Establish a No Stopping Or Standing Zone On County Route #638 In The Township Of Greenwich establishing a No Stopping Or Standing Zone on a portion of County Route # 638, along the frontage of Thomas Stewart Park, in both the northbound and southbound direction, within the Township of Greenwich, insofar as the same affects County roadways, be and the same is hereby consented to by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 432-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CLOSING OF A PORTION OF COUNTY ROUTE #655 (MT. HERMON RD.) FROM FOUNDRY RD. TO COUNTY ROUTE #609; COUNTY ROUTE #609 (HIGH ST.) FROM COUNTY ROUTE #655 TO COUNTY ROUTE #521; COUNTY ROUTE #519 (HIGH ST. / JOHNSONBURG RD.) FROM COUNTY ROUTE #521 TO THE HOPE SCHOOL, FROM APPROXIMATELY 1:00 PM TO 1:45 PM FOR THE HOPE TOWNSHIP 250TH ANNIVERSARY PARADE; AND THE CLOSING OF COUNTY ROUTE #611 (MILLBROOK RD.) FROM COUNTY ROUTE #519 TO COUNTY ROUTE #521, FROM 12:00 NOON TO 8:00 PM TO FACILITATE PARKING FOR AREA FIRE TRUCKS AND AMBULANCES FOR FESTIVITIES IN THE FIELDS BEHIND HOPE SCHOOL IN THE TOWNSHIP OF HOPE, ON SEPTEMBER 21, 2019 FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF HOPE

WHEREAS, the Township of Hope has requested permission to close a portion of County Route #655 (Mt. Hermon Rd.) from Foundry Rd. to County Route #609; County Route #609 (High St.) from County Route #655 to County Route #521; County Route #519 (High St. / Johnsonburg Rd.) from County Route #521 to the Hope School, from approximately 1:00 pm to 1:45 pm for the Hope Township 250th Anniversary Parade; and, the closing of County Route #611 (Millbrook Rd.) from County Route #519 to County Route #521, from 12:00 Noon to 8:00 pm to facilitate parking for area fire trucks and ambulances for festivities in the fields behind Hope School in the Township of Hope on September 21, 2019 for the Township of Hope.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren does hereby approve the use and closing of County Route #655 (Mr. Hermon Rd.),

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County Route #609 (High St.), County Route #519 (High St. / Johnsonburg Rd.) and County Route #611 (Millbrook Rd.) in the Township of Hope for the above mentioned event with the following conditions:

1. Approval of the event by the Municipality.
2. All barricades, detours, and traffic control signs shall conform to the Manual on Uniform Traffic 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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 433-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CLOSURE OF WARREN COUNTY BRIDGE #16006/MORRIS COUNTY BRIDGE #1401190, STEPHENSBURG ROAD OVER THE MUSCONETCONG RIVER, MANSFIELD TOWNSHIP, WARREN COUNTY AND WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP, MORRIS COUNTY

WHEREAS, the County Engineer has determined that the closure of the above bridge is needed to provide for structural repairs for deficiencies observed during the inspection of the bridge with said repair classified as a priority repair; and

WHEREAS, traffic will be detoured utilizing NJ State Route 57, Old Turnpike Road and Stephensburg Road; and

WHEREAS the bridge will remain closed until such time as the priority repairs are completed on the bridge structure; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren does hereby approve the closing of Warren County Bridge #16006.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution will be sent to Mansfield Township (Warren County), Washington Township (Morris County) and the County of Morris.

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 434-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CLOSURE OF WARREN COUNTY BRIDGE #20016 RIVER ROAD OVER TRIBUTARY TO DELAWARE RIVER IN POHATCONG TOWNSHIP

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WHEREAS, the County Engineer has determined that the closure of the above bridge is needed to provide for structural repairs and deck replacement due to the current deteriorated condition; and

WHEREAS, traffic will be detoured utilizing River Road, Pinchers Point Road, Mountain Road and Creek Road; and

WHEREAS, the bridge will remain closed until such time as the repairs are completed on the structure; and

WHEREAS, the plans for the repair of the bridge structure, prepare by the County Engineer, are hereby approved by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren does hereby approve the closing of Warren County Bridge #20016.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution will be sent to Pohatcong Township.

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 435-19

On motion by Mr. Kern, 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 August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC1960 AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, ROAD DIVISION FOR ONE SINGLE AXLE DUMP TRUCK

BE IT RESOLVED, that specification WC1960 for One Single Axle Dump Truck for the Warren County Department of Public Works, Road Division is hereby approved

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

Funding for this contract will be provided in capital accounts 0419A609/5050 – Single Axle Dump Truck

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 436-19

On motion by Mr. Kern, 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 August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC1961 AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR A TRANSIT VAN FOR THE PARATRANSIT PROGRAM IN THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

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BE IT RESOLVED, that specification WC1961 for A Transit Van for the Warren County Paratransit Program in the Warren County Department of Human Services is hereby approved

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

Funding for this contract is provided in capital account 0419A603/5050 – Paratransit Replacement Plan.

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 437-19

On motion by Mr. Kern, 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 August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC1962C AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY CORRECTIONAL CENTER UTILIZING THE COMPETITIVE CONTRACT PROCESS

BE IT RESOLVED, that specification WC1962C for healthcare management services at the Warren County Correctional Center is hereby approved

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

Funding for this contract will be provided in budget account 012800/5093 – Correctional Center – Medical Expenses

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

A resolution that had appeared as item F-4 on the agenda, approval of specification WC1963 and authorization to advertise for bids for TASS security, was tabled at Mr. Kern's request.

RESOLUTION 438-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION RE: ADDENDUM TO CONTRACT WC1704, APRIL 10, 2019 WITH AN INITIAL AMOUNT ENCUMBERED AS \$38,184.00 FOR PICKUP AND DISPOSAL OF TRASH FROM COUNTY BUILDINGS FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2017 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2018 WITH THE RIGHT TO EXTEND FOR FIVE ADDITIONAL YEARS – CHANGE NAME FROM PREMIER DISPOSAL INC., TO REPUBLIC SERVICES OF NEW JERSEY LLC.

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WHEREAS, the County of Warren awarded a contract to Premier Disposal Inc., for the period of May 1, 2017 through April 30, 2018 with a five year extension; and

WHEREAS, Premier Disposal Inc., has been absorbed by Republic Services of New Jersey LLC; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Director reports that service under this contract have continued uninterrupted by Republic Services of New Jersey LLC, at the level of service required; and

WHEREAS, Republic Services of New Jersey LLC, has agreed to ratify and assume the contract previously entered into with Premier Disposal Inc., and to fulfill all obligations and to be bound by the terms herein;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Chosen Freeholders approves continuance of the contract for this service and authorizes the Director to sign an addendum to the contract reflecting the change in the name of the vendor to Republic Services of New Jersey LLC, and its ratification and assumption of the existing contract.

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 439-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION RE: AMENDING AWARD OF CONTRACT WC1834R FOR PROFESSIONAL ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES, FOR THE WARREN COUNTY MOSQUITO COMMISSION FACILITY RE-ROOF FOR THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, TO DI GROUP ARCHITECTURE, OF NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY, FOR AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$3,500.00 TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$18,500.00

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the professional services of an architect to provide architectural design and engineering services for the Warren County Mosquito Commission Facility Re-Roof 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

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 accounts 0409A505/5062, 0410A508/5062, 0411A503/5062, 0412A506/5062 and 0413A505/5062 – Roof Door and Window

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Upgrades to County Buildings

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 DI Group Architecture, of New Brunswick, New Jersey, for professional services for the above project, in the approximate amount not to exceed \$15,000.00 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 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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 440-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC1946 FOR 18,000 TONS OF ROCKSALT OR SOLAR SALT FOR THE WARREN COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT FOR THE PERIOD OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2019 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2020 TO ATLANTIC SALT INC., AT THE UNIT PRICE OF \$53.71 PER TON AND AN APPROXIMATE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$966,780.00

BE IT RESOLVED, that contract WC1946 for 18,000 tons of rock salt or solar salt for the Warren County Road Department is hereby awarded to...**Atlantic Salt Inc., Lowell, Massachusetts**

in the approximate amount of...**\$966,780.00**

as per their bid submitted...**July 30, 2019**

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

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

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

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 441-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC1947 FOR ANTI-ICING & DE-ICING FLUID FOR THE WARREN COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT TO REED SYSTEMS LTD., AT THE PRICE PER GALLON OF \$1.07 AND ESTIMATED TOTAL AMOUNT \$34,240.00.

BE IT RESOLVED, that contract WC1947 for anti-icing & de-icing fluid for the Warren County Road Department is hereby awarded to...**Reed Systems LTD., Ellenville, New York** in the amount of...**\$1.07 per gal., estimated total amount \$34,240.00** as per their bid submitted...**July 30, 2019** and reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing as the lowest responsible and responsive bid received.

Funding for this contract has been provided in budget account 012900/5125 – Road Department - M & R Materials

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

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 442-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC1948-1 LUMBER FOR THE PERIOD OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2019 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2020 TO BLUE RIDGE LUMBER, AT THE UNIT PRICES AND DISCOUNTS OFFERED, NO GUARANTEED ANNUAL AMOUNT

BE IT RESOLVED, that contract WC1948-1 for lumber is hereby awarded to...**Blue Ridge Lumber, Hackettstown, New Jersey**

this contract establishes unit pricing and discounts NOTE: New Jersey State Contract is the primary source of supply for lumber.

This contract is to provide a local supply contract in the event that items are not readily available under the state contract when needed.

as per their bid submitted...**July 30, 2019**

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 various department OE budget accounts.

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

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 443-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC1948-2 LUMBER FOR THE PERIOD OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2019 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2020 TO L.E. RITTER LUMBER CO., AT THE UNIT PRICES AND DISCOUNTS OFFERED, NO GUARANTEED ANNUAL AMOUNT

BE IT RESOLVED, that contract WC1948-2 for lumber is hereby awarded to...**L. E. Ritter Lumber Co., Belvidere, New Jersey**

this contract establishes unit pricing and discounts NOTE: New Jersey State Contract is the primary source of supply for lumber. This contract is to provide a local supply contract in the event that items are not readily available under the state contract when needed.

as per their bid submitted...**July 30, 2019**

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 various department OE budget accounts.

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

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 444-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC1949 DENTAL SERVICES AT THE WARREN COUNTY CORRECTIONAL CENTER TO DENTRUST DENTAL, P.A., FOR THE PERIOD OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2019 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2020 WITH THE RIGHT TO EXTEND FOR TWO ADDITIONAL ONE YEAR PERIODS AS PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACT LAW 40A:11-15(29) IN THE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$2,691.00 PER MONTH, TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT \$32,292.00

BE IT RESOLVED, that Warren County Contract WC1949 for dental services at the Warren County Correctional Center is hereby awarded to...**Dentrust Dental, P.A., Pipersville, Pennsylvania**

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In the amount of...**\$2,691.00 per month, \$32,292.00 yearly** as per their bid submitted...**July 30, 2019** and reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing as the lowest responsible and responsive bid received.

Funding for this contract has been provided in budget account **012800/5093 –**

Correctional Center – Medical Expenses

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

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 445-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC1950 FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S STORAGE BUILDING PROJECT FOR THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO DUTCHMAN CONTRACTING LLC, IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$129,489.00

BE IT RESOLVED, that contract WC1950 for the Warren County Prosecutor's Storage Building Project is hereby awarded to...**Dutchman Contracting LLC, Reinholds, Pennsylvania** in the amount of...**\$129,489.00**

as per their bid submitted...**July 30, 2019**

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 capital account **0419A504/5062 – Prosecutor NTF Relocate Building**

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

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 446-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC1964R FOR THE PROFESSIONAL ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES, FOR THE EXTERIOR PAINTING OF THE BANK BUILDING 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 \$2,700.00.

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WHEREAS, there exists a need for the professional services of an architect to provide services for the exterior Painting of the 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

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 0419A503/5062 – Exterior Painting

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 \$2,700.00 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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 447-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC1965R FOR PROFESSIONAL ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES, FOR THE PROSECUTOR'S POLE BARN BUILDING 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 \$2,950.00

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WHEREAS, there exists a need for the professional services of an architect to provide services for the Prosecutor's Pole Barn 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

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 0419A504/5062 – Prosecutor's NTF Relocate

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 \$2,950.00 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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 448-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE PURCHASE ORDERS TO AMERIGAS PROPANE L.P., UNDER THE MORRIS COUNTY COOPERATIVE CONTRACT #43 PROPANE GAS AT A FIXED MARK UP OF \$.545 PER GALLON FOR 100 GALLON TANKS AND LARGER AND A FIXED MARK UP OF \$.725 PER GALLON FOR TANKS SMALLER THAN 100 GALLONS AN APPROXIMATE ANNUAL CONTACT AMOUNT OF \$68,000.00

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BE IT RESOLVED, that the purchasing department is authorized to issue purchase orders for Propane for the Warren County Road Department, and the Warren County Buildings & Grounds Department and is hereby awarded to...**Amerigas Propane L.P., Chester, New Jersey** in the approximate amount of...**\$68,000.00**

at the prices established under **Morris County Cooperative Contract #43**

Funding for this contract has been provided in budget accounts **014470/5070 – Bldg & Grds – Heating Fuels, 014470/5951 – Roads Heating Fuel**

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 449-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO DELL COMPUTER CORP., INC., FOR TWO (2) EACH R740 SERVERS, UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #M0003 89850 COVERING COMPUTER EQUIPMENT AND ASSOCIATED PRODUCTS FOR THE WARREN COUNTY INFORMATION SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT, CONTRACT PRICE \$11,672.38 EACH, TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$23,344.76

BE IT RESOLVED, that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for two R740 Servers for the Warren County Information Systems Department and is hereby awarded to...**Dell Computer Corp., Austin, Texas** in the amount of...**\$23,344.76**

at the prices established under **New Jersey State Contract #M0003 89850**

Funding for this contract` is provided in capital account 0418A404/5059 – Annual Computer Upgrade

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

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 450-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION RE: APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #2 FOR CONTRACT WC1768FO GRANT MANAGEMENT SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH THE FEMA FLOOD MITIGATION ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO FINELLI CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC., OF WASHINGTON, NEW JERSEY FOR SURVEY WORK AND APPEAL

MINUTES**AUGUST 28, 2019****PROCESSES AN INCREASE OF \$39,000.00, AND A FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$230,500.00**

WHEREAS, Finelli Consulting Engineers, Inc., of Washington, New Jersey were awarded a contract for Grant Management Services Associated with the FEMA Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant Program for the Warren County Department of Public Safety in the contract amount of \$191,500.00; and

WHEREAS, there was a need for additional survey work and appeal processes; and

WHEREAS, this change in award will result in a net increase of \$39,000.00 and a final contract amount of \$230,500.00

WHEREAS, adequate funds have been established in grant account F72515351/5029 – Hazard Mitigation Grant

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren do hereby approve Change Order #2 for the above contract for a net increase of \$39,000.00 and a final Contract in the amount of \$230,500.00

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 451-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO DELL COMPUTER CORP., INC., FOR MICROSOFT LICENSING ON COUNTY COMPUTERS UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #M0003 89850 COVERING COMPUTER EQUIPMENT AND ASSOCIATED PRODUCTS FOR THE WARREN COUNTY INFORMATION SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$48,987.12

BE IT RESOLVED, that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for Microsoft Computer Licensing for the Warren County Information Systems Department and is hereby awarded to...**Dell Computer Corp., Austin, Texas** in the amount of...**\$48,987.12**

at the prices established under **New Jersey State Contract #M0003 89850**

Funding for this contract is provided in budget account **011400/5026** – Information Systems – 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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 452-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28,

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RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT #WC1921 TO J.A. ALEXANDER, INC. FOR THE 2019 RESURFACING & REHABILITATION OF COUNTY ROUTES #517, #620, #623, #624, #647, & #652 ALT., TOWN OF BELVIDERE, ALLAMUCHY, HARMONY, INDEPENDENCE, MANSFIELD, OXFORD & WHITE TOWNSHIPS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,974,496.57

WHEREAS, the County advertised for bids to be received on Thursday, August 15, 2019 at 1:30 P.M. for Contract #WC1921 for the 2019 Resurfacing and Rehabilitation of County Routes #517, #620, #623, #624, #647 & #652 Alt., Town of Belvidere, Allamuchy, Harmony, Independence, Mansfield, Oxford & White Townships; and

WHEREAS, JA Alexander Inc. of Bloomfield, New Jersey submitted the lowest responsible and responsive bid of **\$4,974,496.57**; and

WHEREAS, the bid is within 7% of the County Engineer's estimate for the project; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds have been established in accounts S91655302 5063, 0416A101 5063, 0417A101 5063, 0418A101 5063 and 0419A101 5063 and certified by the County Chief Financial Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren do hereby award the contract for the above project to JA Alexander Inc. in the contract amount of \$4,974,496.57.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the award shall be subject to final concurrence by the New Jersey Department of Transportation.

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 453-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC1943 FOR THE ANNEX FLAT ROOF REPLACEMENT BUILDING PROJECT FOR THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO SAFEWAY CONTRACTING INC. IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$109,956.00

BE IT RESOLVED, that contract WC1943 for the Warren County Annex Flat Roof Building Project is hereby awarded to...**Safeway Contracting Inc., Kenilworth, New Jersey** in the amount of...**\$109,956.00**

as per their bid submitted...**August 13, 2019**

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 capital accounts 0408A506 –5062, 0409A505-5062, 0414A510-5062, 0416A505-5062, 0416A510-5062, 0416A511-5062-Misc Roof Reserve Buildings

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of the Board of Chosen Freeholders be

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authorized and directed to execute the necessary contract.

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 454-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC1951 FOR THE WARREN COUNTY OXFORD DPW RENOVATION PROJECT FOR THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO DUTCHMAN CONTRACTING, LLC IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$417,292.00.

BE IT RESOLVED, that contract WC1951 for the Warren County Oxford DPW Renovation Project is hereby awarded to...**Dutchman Contracting LLC, Reinholds, Pennsylvania** in the amount of...**\$417,292.00** as per their bid submitted...**August 13, 2019** 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 capital account 0417A702/5061 – Belvidere/Oxford Consolidation

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

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 455-19

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR THE CONTRACT WITH STATE LINE CONSTRUCTION CO. INC., FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF INTERCOUNTY BRIDGE #16009/L-25-W, POINT MOUNTAIN ROAD OVER THE MUSCONETCONG RIVER, MANSFIELD AND LEBANON TOWNSHIPS, WARREN AND HUNTERDON COUNTIES, FOR A NET INCREASE OF \$14,414.21 AND A FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$1,208,981.16

WHEREAS, a contract was awarded to State Line Construction Co. Inc., for the Reconstruction of Intercounty Bridge #16009/L-25-W, Point Mountain Road over the Musconetcong River, Mansfield and Lebanon Townships, Warren and Hunterdon Counties in the contract amount of \$1,194,566.95.

WHEREAS, final as-built quantities resulted in a net increase of \$14,414.21; and

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WHEREAS, said changes were recommended by the County Engineer; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds have been established in accounts 0414A303 5064, 0415A307 5064 and 0415A310 5064 and certified by the County Chief Financial Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren do hereby approve Change Order #1 for the above project with State Line Construction Co. Inc, for a net increase of \$14,414.21 and a final contract amount of \$1,208,981.16.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Change Order #1, final as-built quantities and final contract amount shall be subject to final concurrence by Hunterdon County and the New Jersey Department of Transportation.

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RECOMMENDATION

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the following recommendation was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

**RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF CINDY WHELAN FROM THE
WARREN COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL**

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a recommendation adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RECOMMENDATION

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the following recommendation was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

**RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS FROM THE
WARREN COUNTY LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE:**

**JOSHUA GRACE
ABUBAKR SAKHU
PATRICIA LYNCH
JOHN FEENEY**

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a recommendation adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

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On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the following recommendation was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

**RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS
FROM THE WARREN COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD**

GILBERT ANDWATI

GLADYS KOWALSKI

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a recommendation adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 456-19

On motion by Mr. Kern, 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 August 28, 2019.

**RESOLUTION TO REAPPOINT MEMBERS TO THE WARREN COUNTY LOCAL ADVISORY
COMMITTEE ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE:**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren hereby reappoints the following individual to the Warren County Local Advisory Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse.

Randi Hengst

Term to expire: 12/31/20

DCP & P

415 E. Washington Avenue

Washington, NJ 07882

Lou Naumann

Term to expire: 12/31/20

611 Barrymore Street

Phillipsburg, NJ 08865

Charles Raffaele

Term to expire: 12/31/20

443 Russell Avenue

Phillipsburg, NJ 08865

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

Mr. Gardner expressed thanks to those who devote their time to serve the county. Mr. Sarnoski concurred.

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On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2019.

RESOLUTION CREATING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY, CLASSIFIED, AND ABOLISHING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF CONFIDENTIAL ASSISTANT, UNCLASSIFIED, WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY ENGINEER'S DEPARTMENT

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that a full-time position of *Confidential Assistant*, unclassified, is hereby abolished.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the full-time position of *Administrative Secretary* is created on AFSCME Local 3287, Range 1240 and made effective on August 29, 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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

REPORTS AND COMMENTS

County Counsel Joe Bell had a few matters for Executive Session, including the W.M. case, Courtroom #2, and the acquisition and lease of real property.

County Engineer Bill Gleba reported having received funding letters from NJ DOT, with the funding level remaining the same as last year. The 2018 Crash Report is complete; Mr. Gleba had provided the Freeholders with advance copies if they wished to make any comments. Otherwise, they planned to mass-produce it before the summer interns depart.

Mr. Sarnoski inquired about any developments on the intersection of Routes 519 and 57. Mr. Gleba deferred to County Planner Dave Dech, who said there would be a meeting the week of September 16.

County Planner Dave Dech announced the biannual Paper Shredding event on September 14 from 8:00-11:00 a.m. Mr. Dech reported he has been working with Freeholder Kern regarding developing a scope of work for a supplemental transportation study for all the industrial zones within the county.

County CFO Kim Francisco said the time has come to start thinking about the year 2020 budget; he had conferred with Mr. Lazorisak and they decided to continue to utilize the same format as in prior years. He intended to send out the call letter to department heads, requesting they be returned by the end of October.

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In addition to the latest vacancy report, County Administrator Alex Lazorisak noted that today marked 30 years of Purchasing Agent Chris Pessolano's service to the county.

Mr. Lazorisak said he had spoken to Vince Mazzei of NJ DEP, who was willing to sit down with Mr. Gleba and Mr. Lazorisak regarding the Route 659 flooding, and help us find the best solution. Normally they don't do this; the County would have to come up with a plan first, so "They're kind of working outside the box to help us out on this," he said. Mr. Sarnoski said that was good, and he hoped to keep up with a timeline to continue to keep the residents up there informed.

FREEHOLDER COMMENTS

Mr. Kern expanded on what County Planner Dave Dech had mentioned relative to the supplemental plan they have been working on. Being a former mayor, he talked about his experience from that perspective. The mayor, counsel and Planning Board are normally the drivers in how they want to see their community be developed. There is a tendency to "operate in a silo" of what is deemed best for that town, and not necessarily the surrounding area as a whole. With a number of citizens expressing concerns from different areas across the county, he said, "We're starting to see a certain zoned area that could create a potential large impacts on Warren County, which has been brought up for many meetings." He wondered how to potentially provide a study – without speaking to any individual applicants – to alert municipalities and other groups and individuals of zoning decisions, and how those decisions could affect Warren County.

Along with Mr. Dech, Mr. Kern said, "We've identified the Planning Area in the Highlands, and we're going to get all the territories zoned as industrial, and see what would happen if they were all to be developed, say, as warehouses; and what that would do to the infrastructure of Warren County." This report would be distributed to the municipalities and other interested parties. A citizen raised the idea of reaching out to the Highlands Council, which Mr. Kern subsequently did, and had a very productive discussion. The new Executive Director is expected to come out for a meeting to discuss this plan prior to the next Freeholder meeting. While any Highlands funding would not be authorized until October, "It is my hope that we could have something that the Highlands supports and approved at our September Freeholder meeting. I think we have some positive momentum with that, and I think it could be a very useful tool for Warren County," Mr. Kern said.

Mr. Sarnoski thought this was a great idea. "As we've said here, we don't have control of our land use and zoning," he said, but from a proactive standpoint, to be able to tell towns – from an overall planning perspective – what the zoning is, and the potential impact of that zoning on the overall community, gives them a sense of awareness, and they can ask themselves if that is what they want for their community, and address issues at the proper level.

Mr. Kern then spoke of having had the privilege of attending a summit with other county leaders at the White House in July. He said it was bipartisan, and a very eye-opening experience. Opportunity zones were discussed in a positive light, with federal legislators having knowledge of

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Phillipsburg and its potential for development through this program.

Lastly, Mr. Kern reported having gone out in the field with Mosquito Control Commission seasonal workers recently, venturing into areas he hadn't known existed. "They really do a tremendous job with the resources they have," said Mr. Kern.

Mr. Gardner said he applauded Mr. Kern's initiative, and thought it was a great idea. Having served on his local Planning Board for 17 years, "Basically, municipal land use law is intra-municipal; this is inter-municipal," he said. We can understand what the true impact is if we examine the wider region.

Mr. Gardner mentioned having discussion with NJAC Executive Director, John Donnadio, regarding vote by mail and its corresponding cost to counties. A hearing on the topic is imminent. He said we do not want that to go forward, incurring more cost to the counties.

Mr. Gardner said he intended to reach out to Mansfield Township officials regarding the former Rockport Game Farm. He said since the state can't get \$75,000 for rent – an "insane amount of money" – it is considering tearing down the old barn at the facility. He thought the NJ DEP or some other state agency should divide off a piece of property that it is not engaged in using, and put it back on the tax rolls. Mr. Sarnoski said the township might be interested in preserving that barn.

Mr. Gardner congratulated the Warren County Shade Tree Commission for winning the "Best Display" honor in the government exhibit building at the Warren County Farmers' Fair.

Mr. Sarnoski thanked the public safety officials who turned out for the meeting this evening to ensure an orderly gathering. He invited Fire Marshal Joe Lake to say a few words about the upcoming Patriot's Day ceremony. Mr. Lake said it would be held at the Warren County Emergency Services/911 Memorial near the Technical School on Sunday, September 8 at 2:00 p.m., with police, fire, EMS throughout the county participating. Rain or shine, all are welcome.

Mr. Sarnoski reported on the NJ TPA (New Jersey Transportation Planning Authority) which decides where the federal and state money goes to fix our roads, bridges and tunnels for county and state organizations; and the TIP (Transportation Improvement Program), the slate of projects being funded. At the last planning and prioritization meeting, Mr. Sarnoski argued against the \$58 million Route 80 rock fall mitigation project in Hardwick Township, as he is strongly opposed; and spoke in favor of Route 57/519 intersection improvement project in Lopatcong Township, which has been delayed for decades. He announced that he would be voting no on the TIP for these reasons at a full board meeting on September 9 at 10 a.m. in Newark.

Mr. Sarnoski wished everyone a happy and safe Labor Day weekend.

CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENTS

Arron Hyndman of Hackettstown thanked Mr. Sarnoski for opposing the rock fall mitigation project, and spoke of being held up in a massive traffic jam on Route 80 the prior weekend. He said

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it was a very serious situation, reportedly due to emergency repairs to the viaduct. Evidently, the NJ DOT made no attempt to notify the area municipalities or first responders. He thought it was important for NJ DOT to work with local agencies to mitigate the effects of unplanned closures. Public Safety Director Frank Wheatley confirmed the NJ DOT did not notify the Warren County Office of Emergency Management (OEM) regarding this closure. Mr. Lazorisak suggested our OEM coordinator, along with our representative from the state OEM, reach out to NJ DOT. "I think we can get a little support from OEM through the state to work with their own agencies on a situation like this," Mr. Lazorisak said.

Councilman Terry Urfer of Hope said the Hope Township Committee did pass a resolution against the warehouses. He said the historic village could not accommodate that kind of truck traffic. Mr. Sarnoski said he was aware of the resolution, but the Freeholders' office had not yet received a copy of it.

Domenica Troxell Rothrock of Harmony wanted to read two letters regarding the proposed warehouses in White Township. The first was written by environmental attorney Linda Wendling. Ms. Rothrock began reading the following:

"It has come to my attention through my continued friendships in Warren County that White Township is considering permitting warehouse development in our beautiful, rural community. I am very concerned for two reasons. First, as a former resident whose family moved there to escape the urban stereotype of New Jersey (What exit do you live off of?), my grandparents bought an old farmhouse on Rutherford Drive and completely restored it to reflect the country values of serenity in tune with its natural surroundings. Second, as an environmental attorney, I am deeply concerned about the severe climate and public health effects of such development. For decades, pediatricians have been warned of the effects of air pollution on the developing lungs of children. Asthma is at an all-time high and is threatening the lives of those we love. Similarly, the environmental devastation that this kind of development will introduce to the area is unacceptable and opposed by the residents who have little to gain from a warehousing project. Warehouse facilities, on their own, do very little to affect the economic development in their locale. I am shocked that the planning commission and the mayor's office would disregard the fiduciary duty - "

Mr. Sarnoski interjected, reminding Ms. Rothrock that he hoped to keep each public comment to three minutes to move the meeting along, and asked her to hit the highlights and allow the Freeholders to respond.

Ms. Rothrock tried to sum it up, saying Ms. Wendling is from this area, and this is going to affect the quality of life of all of our residents. She asked to read the second letter, and was again urged to stick to the highlights.

Ms. Rothrock read the following, without disclosing the author: "In recent elections in Northampton County, open space initiatives have been overwhelmingly approved by the voters on election day. This means that people have chosen to pay a small tax increase in order to secure a good quality of life. Candidates who are open space-minded, and who have run on sound land use

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principles, have traditionally done very well at the polls. In Warren County, we are considered a purple part of the Lehigh Valley, and we share similar demographics. Warren County history is steeped in agriculture and rural lifestyle. Many people have relocated here to enjoy just that. Multiple generations of our citizens have remained here to enjoy just that as well.”

“We’re very passionate about this,” Ms. Rothrock said.

Mr. Sarnoski said a willing seller is required for the Warren County Freeholders to purchase a property. Regarding the tract of land he suspected was being discussed, he said Warren County had approached the former landowners “multiple times” to attempt to preserve that property, and were denied. “Does everyone know that?” he asked. “We were told that the ball was dropped in many different areas,” Ms. Rothrock said. “We didn’t drop a ball,” Mr. Sarnoski said, “We tried to preserve that property multiple times, and we were not allowed to; we were told they were not interested in preservation.” Now there is a different owner, and the question remains, is there a willing seller; at what price; and who’s discussing that? Mr. Sarnoski asked.

“You’re asking us to do something, but we don’t have that means to do it at this time, because... who’s addressing that?” Mr. Sarnoski continued, noting he had a conversation with Ms. Chapman, the leader of the anti-warehouse organization, and asked her to keep the lines of communication open as things progress. Warren County does not have an application before it. “I think there’s some coordination that has to happen, and I think the municipality needs to take a lot of the onus on that, as they are in charge of the land use and development of that property. If they were to come to Warren County with a proposal that we can entertain, I’m sure we would entertain it,” Mr. Sarnoski said.

Further dialog ensued, with both parties repeating themselves.

Kathryn Erwin came before the Board on behalf of Forefront Power, a solar energy storage company based in San Francisco. As Governor Murphy mandated the creation of a community solar program in New Jersey in 2018, and the BPU subsequently established rules and an application, the BPU asked companies such as hers to make themselves available to the municipalities and counties for questions or concerns. Forefront Power sought to make an application for a project covering 26 acres in Greenwich Township, composed of 4.25 megawatts of community solar power. Electricity produced will be made available to ratepayers who subscribe, not just in Warren County, but throughout the electrical distribution company in which residents participate, at a discounted rate (usually about 10 percent). She welcomed any questions.

Mr. Sarnoski declined to comment, as he may have a conflict as a JCP&L employee.

Mr. Gardner and Mr. Kern each had a couple of basic questions, to which Ms. Erwin responded with detailed answers.

Theresa Chapman of Harmony Township said she was excited to learn that the Board was willing to support other Freeholders, inspiring her to ask about the Hunterdon County Freeholder resolution opposing the PennEast Pipeline. The Board had not seen it, but would look into obtaining

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a copy.

“Is there a County Master Plan?” Ms. Chapman asked, saying she requested through the Open Public Records Act (OPRA) a copy of same, and was given a General Development Plan from 1979 and a Strategic Growth Plan. County Planner Dave Dech explained that the Strategic Growth Plan of 2005 basically took strategies that were focused on existing sewer service areas and existing towns, and contained a carrying capacity analysis for water quality, recommending zoning densities between one and five acres per house in non-sewer areas. The General Development Plan of 1979 had more or less the same philosophy behind it. Neither are regulatory.

Mr. Sarnoski compared these plans with the traffic study Mr. Kern had proposed earlier. “That doesn’t have any teeth... it doesn’t tell municipalities how they have to zone or what they have to do; it just gives them a guide,” said Mr. Sarnoski. It does not impose rules or regulations on municipalities. Ms. Chapman asked for confirmation that the Strategic Growth Plan was the County Master Plan. “Yes,” said Mr. Dech. There was a bit more back-and-forth regarding how local land use is governed, and the difference between “encourage” and “impose”.

Ms. Chapman asked a few questions about the history of prior attempts to preserve the property alluded to earlier. She was told the County Agriculture Development Board (CADB) had been involved.

“We, the people and residents of White Township and surrounding municipalities of Warren County, present to the Warren County Freeholders a petition that includes over 2,000 signatures,” Ms. Chapman said, “Two thousand residents of Warren County urge White Township and the Warren County Freeholders to protect our quality of life by adhering to the White Township Master Plan and the Warren County Strategic Growth Plan.” She continued, saying her organized group’s canvassers reached more than 2,000 people to initiate discussions based on data and facts. With this submission, Ms. Chapman said, the group urged the Freeholders “To preserve, in any means in your capacity, this prime farmland.” She applauded the effort regarding the regional transportation study, but expected that to take months. The timing is urgent, and the group sought action now.

Mr. Sarnoski reiterated, “You can’t just purchase something that’s not for sale.”

Tom Bodolsky of Hope introduced himself as the vice president of Citizens for Sustainable Development. He said he applauded Mr. Kern for initiating the traffic study, but his concern was the timeframe. “We don’t have months; we have a tsunami that is facing us,” he said. Mr. Bodolsky said he was a professional engineer, and provided projected traffic figures of a low of 3,000 trucks per day, up to a potential of 24,000 trucks per day resulting from the proposed warehouse development. “We cannot possibly handle that traffic,” he said.

Mr. Bodolsky said he had made inquiries to various officials, including county officials, and said the feedback was that the Freeholders should form an exploratory committee to include Land Preservation Director Corey Tierney, representatives from SADC, and any other funding agency that would be helpful in devising a plan to procure this property. He thought this had nothing to do with

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having a willing seller, assuring the Board that White Township would be interested in being on board, if a viable funding mechanism were in place.

Mr. Tierney interjected that he has had discussions with the SADC and Green Acres, as well as various nonprofits. He said there are potential funders. "I'm confident we can put a reasonable figure together," Mr. Tierney said, "The question is, is there a willing seller?"

Mr. Bodolsky pressed for more details, such as what a reasonable figure might be. This was deemed inappropriate in a public forum, and contrary to what contract negotiations should be.

Mr. Lazorisak said, "Again, it is up to White Township Committee to reach out to this Board if that is the direction that White Township wants to go in. It is a local zoning ordinance. So again, for the Freeholders to make a move on this, it would be out of line. We need to have the White Township Committee contact this Board if that's what they are looking to do."

Mr. Bodolsky persisted. Mr. Sarnoski said, "White Township has not approached the County once with regards to this. Has not asked us for one thing, has not said a direction they want the County to take, nothing."

Mr. Bodolsky continued, to a point that Mr. Lazorisak suggested it was time to move on.

Bill Ceradnick of Belvidere inquired about the budgetary reduction in the Open Space tax. At its height, Mr. Sarnoski said, it was six cents per \$100 of assessed value. The Freeholders have control of the budget, and can set it anywhere from zero to up to six cents. The Freeholders' approach has been to budget for what it needs, looking ahead five years and working with the Land Preservation Department. There has been a significant surplus, presently about \$25 million. Currently, the rate is at two or two and a half cents per \$100 of assessed value.

Donna Bevington of Belvidere started to say she thought the County had "another preconstruction meeting" regarding the warehouses, and was promptly corrected: there has been one pre-application meeting at the developer's request. She inquired about the average cost per mile to repave Route 519. Mr. Gleba said about \$300,000 plus per mile. Ms. Bevington asked about the cost of a traffic light, saying she assumed several would have to be installed should this development go through. Mr. Gleba said the cost of the signal installed at the new Phillipsburg High School was about \$750,000. Ms. Bevington thought it might be cheaper for the County, along with a few funding partners, to purchase the property rather than incur all the expenses of widening the road and installing traffic lights.

There were no members of the press in attendance.

MINUTES**AUGUST 28, 2019****RESOLUTION 458-19**

On motion by Mr. Kern, 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 August 28, 2019.

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 9:44 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, Status of W.M./C.C./R.M. Litigation, Depositions, Bastedo eviction from county property, Sale of real property PCFA Subdivision, Sewer line extension agreement – PRMUA, CR 659 Flooding.

(2) *Matters Relating to Collective Bargaining*: Items to be discussed include: Status of CWA 1071-TASS Negotiations and Unfair Labor Practice, Additional mediation results. AFSCME 3287 Negotiations, CWA 1071-Nurses – Negotiations, PBA Local 280 – Sheriff’s Officers.

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

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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Kern, the Board adjourned Executive Session and returned to Open Session at 10:44 p.m.

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

MINUTES**AUGUST 28, 2019****RESOLUTION 459-19**

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 August 28, 2019.

**RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC1963 AND AUTHORIZATION TO
ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR TASS AGENCY OFFICE SECURITY FOR THE
WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES**

BE IT RESOLVED, that specification WC1963 for TASS Agency Office Security for the Warren County Department of Human Services is hereby approved

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

Funds for this contract will be provided in budget account **013450/5029 – TASS – Contracted 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 August 28, 2019.

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board

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

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Gardner, and there being no further business before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

ATTESTED TO:

Alex J. Lazorisak, Clerk of the Board