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The Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren met in regular session at its office in the Administration Building, Belvidere, NJ, on Wednesday, August 11, 1993 at 9:30 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by Director Kenneth Miller and upon roll call the following members were present: Mrs. Dickey, Mr. Matthenius and Mr. Miller.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Director Miller.

Director Miller read the following statement: "ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WAS GIVEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT BY FORWARDING A SCHEDULE OF REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS TO THE WARREN COUNTY CLERK, THE STAR/GAZETTE, BLAIRSTOWN PRESS, THE NEWS, STAR-LEDGER AND THE EXPRESS-TIMES 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 ENCOURAGE FULL PUBLIC PARTICIPATION, THOSE INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES WHO WISH TO ATTEND THE MEETING SHOULD SUBMIT ANY REQUESTS FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION ONE WEEK BEFORE THE MEETING".

On motion by Mr. Matthenius, seconded by Mr. Miller, the minutes of the executive session of the regular meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders held July 14, 1993 were approved as presented.

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: abstain Mr. Matthenius: yes Mr. Miller: yes

On motion by Mr. Matthenius, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders held July 28, 1993 were approved as presented.

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: yes Mr. Matthenius: yes Mr. Miller: yes

On motion by Mr. Matthenius, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, the executive session minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders held July 28, 1993 were approved as presented.

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: yes Mr. Matthenius: yes Mr. Miller: yes

At 9:30 a.m., Freeholder Director Miller presented Roberta Fohr, WC Asst. Purchasing Agent, with NGIP's award for Professional Achievement, as first runner-up. Ms. Fohr was winner of this award in 1992.

The board congratulated Ms. Fohr for winning this award and thanked her for her dedication and loyalty to the county. Ms. Fohr thanked the board and commented that she is proud to work for Warren County and personally thanked Bob Sheridan, Purchasing Agent, for all his help and support.

At this time, Karen Rosanoff, Director of Human Services, introduced David Duimstra, a member of the Advisory Council for the Disabled, gave a presentation on a formula he developed for Casino Revenue Funding.

The main problem is the issue of transportation by NORWESCAP. They can't provide certain transportation, in particular, after the normal working hours. The formula as it is now in place is not based on population and does not take into account the mileage and riders in the system. On behalf of the disabled citizens, the youth, veterans, and the elderly, the council is asking for freeholder support in this matter. Mr. Duimstra's formula addresses the problem on a "needs basis."

Mr. Miller asked if this has been proposed to NJ Transit and David said he would be doing that with copies to the State Senators and the Governor.

Karen Rosanoff suggested that the freeholders lend their support to this and then meet with NJ Transit.

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Mr. Miller gave Mr. Duimstra a number for Phyllis Elston, the Transportation Coordinator, and he will personally contact Shirley DeLibero and let her know that a letter is being forwarded.

The board thanked Mr. Duimstra for his input in developing this funding formula.

At 10:00 a.m., Ed Bruder, 911 Coordinator, gave a brief update on the construction of the communication center.

Presently they are working on the stairwells and there is considerable construction going on. Interlocal agreements have been received from 13 municipalities, 9 are still not back. The 911 maps, Phase II, have been distributed to all the municipalities and there has been a high level of interest in this mapping phase. The radio tower is in the final engineering design and will be installed at the center. Bid specs will be available in the next few weeks. Everything is going very well.

Freeholder Matthenius asked if they had changed the flooring material and Ed said that they changed the flooring, landings and stairwell material. The new material is a much better material to maintain and take care of. Mr. Bruder said that the project will be on time and within budget and he is pleased about that.

The board thanked Mr. Bruder for his update.

At 10:05 a.m., Freeholder Director Miller opened the public hearing for the bond ordinance.

Ruth Ballou asked if the towers are a part of this ordinance or are they an additional amount and Dave Hicks said that most everything is included in this bond ordinance.

There being no further public comments regarding this bond ordinance, Director Miller closed the public hearing at 10:06 a.m.

ORDINANCE 448-93

On motion by Mr. Matthenius, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held August, 11, 1993.

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS IN,
BY AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WARREN, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$4,560,000
THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF
\$4,332,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE COUNTY FOR
FINANCING PART OF SUCH APPROPRIATION**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Board of Chosen Freeholders of Warren County, New Jersey (the "County") has ascertained and hereby determines that it is necessary and desirable to raise money to finance the cost of the improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance, which improvements are hereby authorized to be made or acquired by the County. For the said improvements or purposes stated in said Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the respective sums of money therein stated as the appropriation made for each improvement or purpose, such sums amounting in the aggregate to \$4,560,000 including the aggregate sum of \$228,000 as the several down payments for said improvements or purposes required by law and now available therefore by virtue of provision in the previously adopted budget or budgets of the County for down payments or for capital improvement purposes.

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Section 2. For the financing of said improvements or purposes and to meet the part of said \$4,560,000 appropriation not provided for by application hereunder of said several down payments, negotiable bonds of the County are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$4,332,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law, constituting Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Revised Statutes (the "Local Bond Law"). In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable notes of the County in the principal amount not exceeding \$4,332,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. (a) The improvements hereby authorized and the purposes for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued, the estimated cost of each improvement and the appropriation therefor, the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for each improvement and the period of usefulness of each improvement are as follows:

Purpose	Appropriation Estimated Cost	Estimated Maximum Amount of Bonds or Notes	Average Period of Usefulness
A. Expanding the ECHO Housing Program by building and locating additional units	\$400,000.00	\$380,000.00	20 years
B. Acquisition of Equipment for the Warren County Communications Center	\$3,535,000.00	\$3,358,250.00	15 years
C. Acquisition of Morris Canal Linear Park	\$625,000.00	\$593,750.00	40 years

The excess of the appropriation made for each of the improvements or purposes over the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor, as stated above, is the amount of the down payment for each purpose or improvement.

Section 4. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses and are each a property or improvement which the County may lawfully acquire or make as a general improvement, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially benefitted thereby.

(b) The supplemental debt statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs in the State of New

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Jersey, and such statement shows that the gross debt of the County as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided for in this bond ordinance by \$4,332,000, and the said obligations authorized by this bond ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

(c) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$50,000.00 for interest on said obligations, costs of issuing said obligations, engineering costs and other items of expense listed in and permitted under Section 40A:2-20 of the Local bond Law is included in the estimated cost of said improvements.

Section 5. Any funds from time to time received by the County as contributions-in-aid of financing the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this ordinance shall be used for financing said improvements or purposes by application thereof either to direct payment of the cost of said improvements or purposes, or to payment or reduction of the authorization of the obligations of the County authorized therefor by this bond ordinance. Any such funds so received may, and all such funds so received which are not required for direct payment of the cost of said improvements or purposes shall, be held and applied by the County as funds applicable only to the payment of obligations of the County authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 6. The full faith and credit of the County are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the said obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the County, and the County shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all of the taxable property within the County for the payment of said obligations and interest thereon without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 7. The capital budget of the county is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing all detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, are on file with the clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders and are available for public inspection.

Section 8. The County reasonably expects to finance the cost of the improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance with the proceeds of its debt, including its bonds or notes. If the County pays such costs prior to the issuance of its debt, including bonds or notes, the County reasonably expects to reimburse such expenditures with the proceeds of its debt, including bonds or notes. The maximum principal amount of its debt, including bonds or notes, to be issued to finance the cost of the improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance, including amounts to be used to reimburse the County for expenditures with respect to such costs which are paid prior to the issuance of its debt, including bonds or notes, is \$4,332,000. The statements contained herein are a declaration of official intent under United States Treasury Regulations Section 1.103-18.

Section 9. This bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond law.

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 on the date above mentioned.

s/Melinda Rae Carlton, Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: yes Mr. Matthenius: yes Mr. Miller: yes

Under public comments, Dave Rader, a local resident, addressed the board about his concerns about the release of inmates from the Correctional Center. He lives very near and has had some concerns about released inmates stopping at his home to use the phone to get

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a ride home, or just "hanging around". He has small children and would like to know if anything can be done about providing transportation for the inmates or letting them make a phone call before they are released.

Karen Rosanoff said that the county is aware of this problem but she said that the inmates are sometimes released with virtually no notice and therefore can't make arrangements for transportation and once they are released, they must leave the premises. As far as phone calls, they are allowed to make their call from the jail. This is all a timing issue and is very difficult to coordinate.

Mrs. Carlton said that Warden McGhee is scheduled for the August 25th work session and this subject can be addressed at that time.

Tom Carney, Library Director, gave a brief update at 10:15 a.m.

Mr. Carney distributed reports on circulation figures in the branches and the reference service in Belvidere, after the openings of the branches, has shown a 23% increase.

The construction is almost done at the Northeast branch. They are down to the fire alarms being installed on two doors and the handicap sites for the driveways and then the security system can be bid on.

The Blairstown job is being rebid and is scheduled for bids to be received on September 14th.

Freeholder Matthenius said that he noticed that the usage of the bookmobile dropped and Tom said it was because they had major mechanical problems and it was out of service quite a bit. They had lots of break-downs but the new vehicle should arrive the last week of the month. Mr. Matthenius is not convinced that we need a bookmobile but Mr. Carney feels that it is necessary in his opinion.

The board thanked Mr. Carney for his update.

Freeholder Dickey questioned why this goes through the county and Mr. Miller advised that it is part of the State's Solid Waste Management Plan and has to be appropriated through the county.

RESOLUTION 449-93

On motion by Mr. Matthenius, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held August 11, 1993.

**RESOLUTION AMENDING A RESOLUTION ADOPTED APRIL 28, 1993
WHICH AUTHORIZED THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE POLLUTION CONTROL
FINANCING AUTHORITY OF WARREN COUNTY TO FILE AN APPLICATION
FOR A SOLID WASTE SERVICES TAX FUND GRANT PURSUANT
TO N.J.S.A. 13:1E-136, ET SEQ.**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 13:1E-136, et seq., (the Act) provides for the awarding of Solid Waste Services Tax Grants by the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection and Energy to designated solid waste management districts to assist them in the preparation, revision and implementation of comprehensive solid waste management plans; and

WHEREAS, the Pollution Control Financing Authority of Warren County desires such financial assistance to fulfill its responsibilities under the Solid Waste Management Act, N.J.S.A. 13:1-1, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders has been advised by the Pollution Control Financing Authority of Warren County that the dollar amount allocated to Warren County from

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the Solid Waste Services Tax Fund has been changed from \$93,784.00, as provided in the resolution approved on April 28, 1993, to \$62,522.00;

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

1. That the April 28, 1993 resolution be and hereby is amended to re-authorize an application to the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection and Energy for a 1993 Solid Waste Services Tax grant in the amount of \$62,522.00.

2. That the Executive Director of the Pollution Control Financing Authority of Warren County file such application with the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection and Energy, to provide additional information and furnish such documents as may be required to execute such contracts as are required, and to act as the authorized correspondent of the Warren County Solid Waste Management District.

3. That the Pollution Control Financing Authority of Warren County is hereby designated by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders as the implementing agency to perform the Solid Waste Services Tax Grant contract.

4. That the Warren County Solid Waste Management District does hereby hold the State of New Jersey and its departments and agencies harmless for any damages, losses and claims which may arise directly or indirectly from the execution of the grant.

5. That the Warren County Solid Waste Management District hereby accepts the terms and conditions set forth in the Act and the guidelines promulgated under it.

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 on the date above mentioned.

s/Melinda Rae Carlton, Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: yes Mr. Matthenius: yes Mr. Miller: yes

RESOLUTION 450-93

On motion by Mr. Matthenius, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held August 11, 1993.

**RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING
NO PARKING ON A PORTION OF COUNTY ROUTE #641, LEE AVENUE,
BOROUGH OF ALPHA, COUNTY OF WARREN**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Alpha wishes to restrict parking on a portion of County Route #641, Lee Avenue on the east and west side from High Street to West Central Avenue; and

WHEREAS, an ordinance was adopted by Alpha Borough on June 22, 1993 amending their no parking ordinance to restrict parking on the above portion of Lee Avenue; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.2, allows a municipality to regulate parking on County Roads by ordinance with the consent of the governing board of the county.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren does hereby consent to the attached ordinance of the Borough of Alpha to establish no parking on the east and west side of County Route #641, Lee Avenue from High Street to West Central Avenue.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all cost and expenses of implementing said ordinance shall be borne by the Borough of Alpha.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Alpha Borough Clerk.

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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 on the date above mentioned.

s/Melinda Rae Carlton, Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: yes Mr. Matthenius: yes Mr. Miller: yes

RESOLUTION 451-93

On motion by Mr. Matthenius, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held August 11, 1993.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #2 FOR CONTRACT #WC9137
WITH COUNTY CONTRACTING, INC. FOR COUNTY ROUTE #519
IMPROVEMENTS AT PEQUEST DRIVE INTERSECTION, WHITE
TOWNSHIP FOR A NET DECREASE OF \$339.87 AND
A FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$102,116.63**

WHEREAS, Contract #WC9137 was awarded to County Contracting, Inc. for County Route #519 Improvements at Pequest Drive Intersection, White Township in the revised amount of \$102,456.50; and

WHEREAS, final as-built quantities resulted in a net decrease of \$339.87 to the current contract; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren does hereby approve Change Order #2 for the above project for a net decrease of \$339.87 and a final Contract amount of \$102,116.63.

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 on the date above mentioned.

s/Melinda Rae Carlton, Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: yes Mr. Matthenius: yes Mr. Miller: yes

RESOLUTION 452-93

On motion by Mrs. Dickey, seconded by Mr. Matthenius, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held August 11, 1993.

**INSERTION INTO THE 1993 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN
IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,266.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF
LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF
CRIMINAL JUSTICE, FOR THE
VICTIM WITNESS ADVOCACY PROGRAM**

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 the 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 yet 1993 in the sum of \$10,266.00 which item is now available from the State of New

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Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Criminal Justice, for the Victim Witness Advocacy Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$10,266.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption of:

"UNDER STATE AND FEDERAL PROGRAMS OFF-SET BY REVENUES"

State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Criminal Justice, for the Victim Witness Advocacy Program

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of the approval by the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety and that two (2) certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Division of Local Government 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 on the date above mentioned.

s/Melinda Rae Carlton, Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: yes Mr. Matthenius: yes Mr. Miller: yes

RESOLUTION 453-93

On motion by Mr. Matthenius, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held August 11, 1993.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC9364 FOR REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL OF DEER CARCASSES TO D & N ANIMAL RECOVERY SERVICE FOR THE PERIOD OF SEPTEMBER 1, 1993 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 1994 - APPROXIMATE AMOUNT OF CONTRACT \$7,000.00

BE IT RESOLVED, that Contract WC9364 for the removal and disposal of deer carcasses is hereby awarded to D & N Animal Recovery, Long Valley, NJ in the approximate amount of \$7,000.00 contract is awarded based on a unit price of \$30.00 as per their bid submitted July 26, 1993 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 Account A01-04-01021.00.524 (Deer Removal)

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

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 on the date above mentioned.

s/Melinda Rae Carlton, Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: yes Mr. Matthenius: yes Mr. Miller: yes

RESOLUTION 454-93

On motion by Mr. Matthenius, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held August 11, 1993.

RESOLUTION RE: ADDENDUM TO CONTRACT WC9327-4 MAY 26, 1993 WITH AN INITIAL AMOUNT ENCUMBERED OF \$21,000.00 FOR GROCERIES TO WARREN HAVEN AND WARREN COUNTY CORRECTIONAL CENTER FOR PERIOD JULY 16, 1993 THROUGH JANUARY 15, 1994-

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TO JP FOODSERVICE, INC.**

WHEREAS, the County of Warren awarded a contract to Monarch/Allentown for Groceries to Warren Haven and Warren County Correctional Center for period July 16, 1993 through January 15, 1994; and

WHEREAS, Monarch/Allentown has legally changed its name to JP Foodservice, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the Administrator of Warren Haven and the Warden of Warren County Correctional Center reports that services under this contract have continued uninterrupted by JP Foodservice, Inc. at the level of service required; and

WHEREAS, JP Foodservice, Inc. has agreed to ratify and assume the contract previously entered into with Monarch/Allentown 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 JP Foodservice 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 on the date above mentioned.

s/Melinda Rae Carlton, Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: yes Mr. Matthenius: yes Mr. Miller: yes

On motion by Mr. Matthenius, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, a resignation was accepted from Mary Van Horn as a member of the Advisory Council on the Disabled effective July 27, 1993.

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: yes Mr. Matthenius: yes Mr. Miller: yes

Mrs. Dickey asked if there shouldn't be terms on these appointments and was advised that there is no set term.

RESOLUTION 455-93

On motion by Mr. Matthenius, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held August 11, 1993.

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO
THE BUILDING EXPANSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE CREATED BY
THE WARREN COUNTY/TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG
FEDERATION AGREEMENT DATED MARCH 8, 1990**

WHEREAS, by agreement dated March 8, 1990 Warren County and the Town of Phillipsburg established a federation of county and town libraries pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:9A-1, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the agreement recognized that the Phillipsburg Free Public Library might require expansion or replacement in order to accommodate the federation's use and, to that end, established a Building Expansion Advisory Committee comprised of two (2) county appointees, two (2) town appointees, and the freeholder director; and

WHEREAS, the committee was constituted in 1990, met infrequently thereafter, last acted in September 1991 and has lost members by attrition; and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary for the committee to be reactivated for the purposes

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intended at its creation, and to replace those individuals who were county-appointees to the committee;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following individuals are hereby appointed as county representatives to and of the Building Expansion Advisory Committee:

Darlene Filan
Rockport Road
Pt. Murray, NJ 07865

Joseph Blanchfield
11 Joseph Street
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 on the date above mentioned.

s/Melinda Rae Carlton, Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: yes Mr. Matthenius: yes Mr. Miller: yes

Mrs. Dickey questioned terms on these appointments also but was advised that they have no specific terms.

RESOLUTION 456-93

On motion by Mr. Matthenius, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held August 11, 1993.

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE WARREN COUNTY
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the following appointments be made for the establishment of the Warren County Emergency Management Council:

County Coordinator, OEM	Coordination of overall plan preparation to include specifically: Basic Emergency Operation Plan Emergency Operating Center
County Human Service Director/ OEM Coordinator	Social Service/Reception and Care
County Superintendent of Schools/OEM Coordinator	Shelter
County Engineer	Damage Assessment Public Works
13th District First Aid Council Mobilization Director	Emergency Medical Services
County Administrator	Emergency Public Information

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County Transportation Coordinator (Planning Department)	Evacuation
County Fire Coordinator	Fire and Rescue
County Public Health Coordinator	Hazardous Materials Public Health Radiological Protection
County Prosecutor	Law Enforcement
County Purchasing Director	Resource Management

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Warren County Coordinator of Emergency Management be authorized upon adoption of this resolution to call necessary meetings, with said appointments and/or designees; arrange for appropriate training sessions; and to set deadlines for responses in writing of the various sections of the Warren County Emergency Operation Plan, as well as any further related requirements.

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 on the date above mentioned.

s/Melinda Rae Carlton, Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: yes Mr. Matthenius: yes Mr. Miller: yes

RESOLUTION 457-93

On motion by Mr. Matthenius, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held August 11, 1993.

**RESOLUTION CREATING POSITION OF SENIOR CLERK TYPIST
IN THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE AND ABOLISHING THE
POSITION OF SUPERVISING CLERK.**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the position of Senior Clerk Typist is created in the County Clerk's Office; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the aforementioned position be filled via reclassification within said department; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that one position of Supervising Clerk is abolished.

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 on the date above mentioned.

s/Melinda Rae Carlton, Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: yes Mr. Matthenius: yes Mr. Miller: yes

RESOLUTION 458-93

On motion by Mr. Matthenius, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held August 11, 1993.

**RESOLUTION CREATING POSITION OF SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE
WARREN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT DIVISION OF PERSONAL
HEALTH SERVICES AND ABOLISHING THE TITLE
OF NURSE PRACTITIONER, GERONTOLOGY**

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BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the position of Senior Public Health Nurse, Title Code: 3436, Warren County Health Department, Division of Personal Health Services, is created; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Foregoing position be filled vial reclassification within that department at the same salary as the incumbent is presently making until resolved by contract negotiations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the position of Nurse Practitioner, Gerontology, is abolished.

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 on the date above mentioned.

s/Melinda Rae Carlton, Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: yes Mr. Matthenius: yes Mr. Miller: yes

RESOLUTION 459-93

On motion by Mrs. Dickey, seconded by Mr. Matthenius, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held August 11, 1993.

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE ANNUAL SALARY FOR THE POSITION OF CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER AT \$32,000 FOR THE YEAR 1993

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the annual salary of \$32,000 is established for the position of Chief Warrant Officer for the year 1993.

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 on the date above mentioned.

s/Melinda Rae Carlton, Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: yes Mr. Matthenius: yes Mr. Miller: yes

A resolution was received from Cumberland County opposing the adoption of Senate Bill #S-591 and Assy. Bill #A-1195 which deal with the state mandating that all official advertisements be published verbatim and also a resolution supporting adoption of Senate Bill #S-1838 and Assy. Bill #A-2638 which provides for the speedy transfer of sentenced defendants to state prison and also for reimbursement for costs of maintaining these prisoners in county facilities after three (3) days have elapsed.

A resolution was received from Mercer County opposing the proposed Federal Social Security Tax increase.

A resolution was received from Gloucester County urging the NJ Legislature to restore funding for the Office of State Planning to \$1.4 million for FY'94.

A resolution was received from Hunterdon County opposing S-591 and A-1195 regarding the publication verbatim, of all official advertisements.

County Counsel Brian Smith reported that at the last meeting, regarding the Toratel take-over of OPT, Toratel had promised to send intracreditor agreements to us, however, we still have not received them. Toratel does not have them yet, they come from Mercantile Bank.

Mr. Miller suggests that we send them a letter or call them as the closing will be held up until the agreements have been received and reviewed.

Brian will have an opinion on the Shade Tree matter at the next meeting.

He also reported that he sent a packet to the state on the farmland closing. The back-up date for the signing is September 9th, the tentative date is August 23rd.

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Regarding the early retirement resolution, we need to take action today and prepare an amended resolution for the next meeting.

Brian said he has some items to discuss in executive session.

County Engineer Hicks had nothing to report.

County Planner Miles is not here this evening.

County Treasurer Leupo had nothing to report.

County Administrator Carlton reported that with reference to the request for replacement of L.P. Gas Equipment at the Fire School site, she recommends that we wait until a Public Safety Director is on board to review this situation and then respond to this request.

Steve Marvin said it will cost us approximately \$2,000 to do a burn in September. Mr. Miller said that the Fire School will have to work with us on this.

Regarding the item of a storage building at Warren Haven, Mrs. Carlton suggests that we wait for the master space plan before we act on this. Mrs. Dickey agreed with this. It seems that the budgeted amount for this project is too high.

Mr. Miller asked when the space plan will be done and Mrs. Carlton said that the specs are finalized and we are ready to go to bid. It probably won't be ready until next spring.

Mr. Miller said that we have already given them approval for a building and we have \$220,000 budgeted, why make them wait.

Dave Hicks said that they want a free-standing building, a metal pole building will run about \$100,000 but that doesn't include utilities, paving, site improvements, or any drainage problems that may arise.

Mrs. Carlton suggested a presentation for the next meeting with the architect, engineer, Carmine Quick and Henry Dinger.

Regarding the request from the Prosecutor, it was decided that the county would assume the cost of the cleaning service for the property at 109 Mansfield St. We can amend the cleaning contract that we already have to include the cleaning of this site.

However, the item of a one-time cost from AT & T of \$4,698 for telephone service was questioned by the board as the prosecutor had said there would be no cost to the county in this matter. The board questioned why this one-time expense could not be taken from his forfeited funds. Based on this, the request for the county to pay for the telephone service was denied.

With reference to the offer from Blirstown to purchase a county vehicle at an offered price of \$1,100, the board agreed to this transaction.

On motion by Mrs. Dickey, seconded by Mr. Matthenius, the county vehicle from the Sheriff's Department will be sold to Blirstown for \$1,100.

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: yes Mr. Matthenius: yes Mr. Miller: yes

Another request was received from Oxford Township regarding their desire to purchase two old vehicles of ours. The board agreed to this sale also.

On motion by Mr. Matthenius, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, the 1953 and 1954 Dodge trucks will be sold to Oxford Township at a cost of \$1.00 each.

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: yes Mr. Matthenius: yes Mr. Miller: yes

Regarding the Warren/Sussex consolidation, some contract modifications are due which are technical in nature. We are working on prescriptions, drugs, etc. and the possibility of handling them through Sussex's pharmacy. We will discuss this again at a later date, also, the possibility of a Weights & Measures consolidation.

With reference to Russ Miles' letter about regulated medical waste, Freeholder Dickey asked if we could find out what surrounding counties are doing, contact DEPE and see what

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the state is going to do and she also asked if the SWAC should be taking action on this.

After some discussion, it was decided that we should have the Planning Dept. look into this and answer Mrs. Dickey's questions. We should address Susan's memo first through Planning and then come back with the information at the next meeting.

Under freeholder comments, Freeholder Dickey had no comments.

Freeholder Matthenius brought up the Youth Shelter issue and said that he feels we should look at the host home program. There is considerable work needed at the shelter building as he doesn't feel it is safe at this point. He recommends that we look at a different program for our youth.

Karen Rosanoff, Director of Human Services, said that there is money available through DYFS for these kinds of things, such as purchasing a new building, modular, or something similar. The idea of host homes is a bad idea, we have tried this before and the troubled youth, most of whom are sex offenders, don't do well in an unstructured living program. These types of children need counselling, supervision and can be a danger to the community if not handled properly. Most average families have two working parents who would not be able to supervise the children properly and also, do not have the necessary training and background to handle these youth. Karen suggests looking at capital funding first and either renovate the present building or look at a new building.

Mrs. Carlton said that this would be a good project for the Management Intern to undertake. Mr. Miller said he wants the welfare of the child looked at first not just on a financial basis. The board agreed to use the intern on this project.

Freeholder Matthenius also mentioned that he would like the county to look into alternate fuels for our vehicles. We should look into changing some of our vehicles to natural gas. We will have to budget this for next year.

Jake also mentioned trying to get the local phone companies to bill for 911 calls on the phone bills, in other words, add a charge to each bill for 911 service. This would be instead of adding the 911 expense to the tax bills. He will be glad to serve on a committee to look into this.

Freeholder Miller said that the board has received letters of concern from the Ag Development Board regarding the referendum to be placed on the November ballot. Literature has been circulated using their name as being in favor of this when in fact they are concerned that if this referendum passes, it will ultimately take away farmland instead of preserving it.

Under closing comments, Gladys Blemmer asked when she could get a copy of the new medical insurance policy and Mrs. Carlton said that there is no new book, just replacement pages that take care of the necessary changes that had to be made, references to CIGNA, etc. Mrs. Blemmer thought she was told that there would be new books printed but Mrs. Carlton said that there was never any intent to have new books printed at this time.

Mrs. Blemmer also asked why the budget was not printed in the county directory this year and Mrs. Carlton said that the budget was printed as a separate document and a copy was placed in each library.

Mrs. Blemmer said that when she looked at the bills of the last meeting she noted \$1,610 for printed and bound budgets. Mrs. Carlton said that 50 budgets were printed and bound and distributed to the libraries, the freeholders and the department heads.

Ruth Ballou questioned Resolution J2 creating a position in the Health Department. Does the abolishment of the position mean a cut-back in nursing services? Mrs. Carlton explained that because of a desk audit done through the NJ Dept. of Personnel, the action taken today only changed the title of the position, not the duties.

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Enid Smith had a question on the discussion earlier about farmland preservation of the Gibbs farm. Jake explained that this property is approximately 440 acres at \$4,000 per acre and is appropriated through the budget.

Mrs. Smith still wonders why the board supports farmland preservation, the Gibbs farm, but then we turn around and condemn land with a farmer on it for the educational park.

Mrs. Smith also questioned the educational park and the college again. Mr. Miller explained that there will be more buildings there, not just the college. There will be several county facilities on that property.

Vince DeSanctis, President of the Community College, said that he read something about economic development in the papers and wonders if any plan has been developed as to what role the county will play in economic development. At the college, economic development programs are now being developed. In October, there will be an open meeting and the speakers will address the economic development questions. One of the speakers is from Rutgers and is an expert on demography.

There were no press questions or comments.

RESOLUTION 460-93

On motion by Mr. Matthenius, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held August 11, 1993.

RESOLUTION TO PAY BILLS

BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that Master Voucher Certificate for Certification for Payment No. 93-32 dated August 11, 1993 in the amount of \$2,909,285.33 including bills and investments, is approved subject to the review of the vouchers by the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

93-32	1,957,223.15
PAYROLL	952,062.18
TOTAL	\$2,909,285.33

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 on the date above mentioned.

s/Melinda Rae Carlton, Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: yes Mr. Matthenius: yes Mr. Miller: yes

RESOLUTION 461-93

On motion by Mr. Matthenius, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held August 11, 1993.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD
OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS TO HOLD AN EXECUTIVE SESSION
ON AUGUST 11, 1993**

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist,

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

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1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter specified subject matter.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is:
 - a. Various personnel matters.
 - b. Litigation.
 - c. Contract negotiations.
 - d. Land acquisition.
3. It is anticipated that the above stated subject matter will be made public at such time as the public interest permits disclosure and/or when a request for disclosure is made consistent with the Open Public Meetings Act and with statutory and common law "right to know" provisions.
4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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 on the date above mentioned.

s/Melinda Rae Carlton, Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: yes Mr. Matthenius: yes Mr. Miller: yes

Freeholder Director Miller called for a five minute recess until 12:25 p.m.

The board returned to open session at 1:45 p.m.

On motion by Mrs. Dickey, seconded by Mr. Matthenius, County Counsel is authorized to offer \$6,000 to the property owner of the piece of land as discussed in executive session and if that offer is rejected, the offer will be withdrawn and the project will not be done.

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: yes Mr. Matthenius: yes Mr. Miller: yes

On motion by Mr. Matthenius, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, County Counsel is authorized to advise Robert Wade, Atty., that we authorize the settlement in the LaPan v. McGhee litigation.

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: yes Mr. Matthenius: yes Mr. Miller: yes

On motion by Mr. Matthenius, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, authorization is given to advise the Dept. of Pensions that regarding the early retirement matter, we will not be making an up-front payment and we will spread the payments over a five year period.

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: yes Mr. Matthenius: yes Mr. Miller: yes

On motion by Mr. Matthenius, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, and there being no further official business to come before the board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: yes Mr. Matthenius: yes Mr. Miller: yes

ATTESTED TO:

Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk