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The Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren met in regular session in its offices in the Administration Building, Belvidere, NJ on Wednesday, January 17, 1996 at 7:17 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Director Susan Dickey and upon roll call the following members were present: Freeholder Susan Dickey and Freeholder Kenneth Miller. Freeholder Ann Stone participated by speaker phone from the University of Pennsylvania Hospital.

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

Director Dickey read the following statement: "ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING 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/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 ASSURE FULL PUBLIC PARTICIPATION, THOSE INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES WHO WISH TO ATTEND THE MEETING SHOULD SUBMIT ANY REQUESTS FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION ONE WEEK IN ADVANCE".

On motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the minutes of the special meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders held November 28, 1995 were approved as presented.  
ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller: yes Mrs. Stone: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

On motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders held December 13, 1995 were approved as presented.,  
ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller: yes Mrs. Stone: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Miller, the executive session minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders held December 13, 1995 were approved as presented.

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

On motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders held December 27, 1995 were approved as presented.  
ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller: yes Mrs. Stone: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Miller, the executive session minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders held December 27, 1995 were approved as presented.

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

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Miller, the minutes of the Reorganization Meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders held January 1, 1996 were approved as presented.

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

Under public comments, George Baldwin presented a letter to the board offering development rights to the county on a piece of property that he owns.

Mrs. Dickey said she would forward this letter to the Planning Board and to the Board of Recreation Commissioners and let them look at it.

Mr. Baldwin said he would continue to farm the property but he would sell the development rights.

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Jim Cooper of White Township said he would like to say "well done" to the Road Department for a good job done on the roads during the recent storm.

Ken Hobokan read a letter from Tammy Cullen, Advisory Council of the Disabled, recommending that the board not adopt Resolution #J1 creating the position of Transportation Coordinator. At the Transportation Advisory Council meeting held on January 14th, the council decided not to support the creation of this position as they are concerned that it will result in a decrease in services and will ultimately effect the level of service. They ask that the freeholders research other sources of funding for this position. They feel it is a good position and a needed position but they ask that the board look for other sources of funding for it.

Caroline Willner of Blirstown asked the board to consider the hiring of the Transportation Coordinator regardless of where the money is coming from. She feels that services to the elderly may be at stake here.

Susan Lennon, Director of the WC Office on Aging spoke with her support for creation of this position.

Bob Shandor asked if the board had looked over the material that was given to them in November and can this issue be discussed at a future meeting. Mrs. Dickey said yes.

Margo Reinhardt, Concerned Citizens of Morris County, asked again about some information that she requested back in December. Mrs. Stout will look into this tomorrow. Ms. Reinhardt said that she is having a problem getting certain information that she is looking for regarding emissions from DEP and PCFA. She also said that regarding the board's decision not to reappoint Ken Miller to PCFA, it really doesn't matter who is on PCFA, she has read the charter and they, PCFA, are not doing what they are supposed to do.

Anna Maria Caldara of Blirstown asked again about a public hearing and Mrs. Dickey said that the Environmental Commission can ask for a hearing.

Ms. Caldara mentioned that Mt.Hope Asphalt Co. has been linked with the Mafia and we shouldn't be dealing with these types of people.

The president of Washington Mechanical spoke to the board regarding Resolution #H3 which is an award of contract that he is disputing. County Counsel David Wallace said that this resolution is going to be held until after it is discussed in executive session.

Jim Stand, President of Washington Mechanical alleges that K.C. Mechanical was not a responsive bid.

Kevin Correll, President of K.C. Mechanical, said that an attachment was offered to the county and they are prepared to give the county what they want.

Director Dickey opened the public hearing regarding the filing of an application for Green Trust Funds to acquire White Lake in Hardwick Township at 7:53 p.m.

Planning Director David Dech, Greg Sipple, Sr. Planner, and Joe Penkala, representative from the NJ Division of Fish and Game, appeared before the board to discuss this acquisition.

Mr. Dech said that he has received many letters of support to acquire this property because of its unique qualities. We also have a verbal commitment from NJ Div. of Fish and Game. Mrs. Stone said that she thinks we need to solidify this commitment with Fish and Game before we make a final decision.

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Mr. Dech said we have to apply for the \$1.5 million in funding first and when that is approved, then we can move forward. Mrs. Stone said she though someone mentioned that this is a \$6 million project and wonders if we are not moving too quickly.

Mr. Penkala said that his people have a definite commitment to this project. The property is unique and there are many endangered species in the area.

Mr. Dinger asked that if we purchase this land, how much can be accessed? Mr. Dech said that it will be used for passive recreational purposes.

George Kopp from Hardwick Township said he is in favor of the acquisition of this property and there is an urgent need to act, the acquisition should be pursued with vigor.

John Pavlik, Mayor of Hardwick Township, said that their township passed a resolution to support this acquisition.

Gladys Blemmer said that this purchase will only be adding more financing for the county. Mrs. Dickey explained that this is a low interest loan that will be paid through the open space tax.

Mrs. Blemmer asked how do we know how long we will be getting the open space tax. This may not go through the next time. She feels people didn't know what they were voting for.

Bob Shandor said that 60% of the people voted for this and the only way of not getting the money would be if another referendum would be placed on the ballot.

Mrs. Dickey also pointed out that the amount is set at the discretion of the freeholder board. Mr. Miller said that it would be \$134,000 for the first year, payable over twenty years at 2%.

Joseph Dunn, Chairman of the Hardwick Township Environmental Commission, explained that it is simply an application for a grant. It's like getting \$300,000 free money. He thinks the issue was very well understood by the voters. He is very much in support of this acquisition.

Walter Rabitzki, Chairman of the Hardwick Township Planning Board, and Nancy Roe, a resident, both spoke in favor of this acquisition.

Director Dickey closed the public hearing at 8:34 p.m.

Director Dickey opened the public hearing for the second reading of the Interlocal Service Agreement with Hunterdon County at 8:35 p.m.

There being no public comments, Director Dickey closed the public hearing at 8:36 p.m.

**RESOLUTION 21-96**

On motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 17, 1996.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH HUNTERDON COUNTY FOR THE PROVISION OF HIV COUNSELING AND TESTING SERVICES IN WARREN COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, there is currently no service in Warren County that provides free counseling and testing services related to the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) that causes AIDS; and **WHEREAS**, the need for such services in Warren County has been identified by the

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Warren County Task Force on AIDS; and

**WHEREAS**, the opportunity exists to establish an HIV counseling and testing (C.&T.) site in Warren County that would be administered by the Hunterdon County HIV C.&T. Service; and

**WHEREAS**, because the Hunterdon County HIV Counseling & Testing Service is state-funded there will be no cost to Warren County at either the government or the individual client levels for this service; and

**WHEREAS**, the Warren County Health Department will provide for adequate space at the Division of Personal Health Services and/or at other locations in Warren County to accommodate the establishment of this service:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren authorizes the execution of the attached interlocal service agreement with Hunterdon County to provide HIV Counseling and Testing services in Warren County at times that are mutually agreeable to both parties; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that certified copies of this resolution and agreement shall be forwarded to Hunterdon County and to the Warren County Health Department; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that notice of passage of this resolution shall be published in The Star Gazette according to law, specifying the date, time and place fixed for consideration of final adoption, and the place and times at which inspection of a copy of the agreement is permitted.

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/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

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

**RESOLUTION 22-96**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Miller, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 17, 1996.

**RESOLUTION TO OPERATE UNDER A TEMPORARY CURRENT  
APPROPRIATION FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$865,000.00.  
THROUGH THE DATE OF ADOPTION OF THE 1996 BUDGET**

**WHEREAS**, temporary appropriations for Capital Project commitments made during the period of January through the date of the adoption of the budget in the total amount of \$865,000.00 be made.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the attached temporary current appropriations for Capital Projects in the amount of \$865,000.00 be made and that a certified copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the Financial Officer for their records.

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/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

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

**RESOLUTION 23-96**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Miller, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 17, 1996.

**TRANSFER IN THE 1995 RESERVED APPROPRIATIONS:**

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| TO:   | ROADS, S & W                     | \$ 45,000.00     |
|       | COUNTY COUNSEL, OE               | <u>19,000.00</u> |
|       |                                  | \$ 64,000.00     |
| FROM: | PROV. FOR SALARY ADJ. & NEW EMP. | \$ 64,000.00     |

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:4-59 states that transfers can be made to Reserved Appropriations through March 31, and

WHEREAS, by unforeseen demand there has arisen the necessity for expenditures to fulfill the purposes of the appropriations as stated in the 1995 Budget and Tax Levy in the following accounts:

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| Roads, S & W       | \$ 45,000.00     |
| County Counsel, OE | <u>19,000.00</u> |
|                    | \$ 64,000.00     |

and there being an excess in appropriations heretofore made as follows:

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| Provision for Salary Adjustments & New Employees | \$ 64,000.00 |
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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that by a Majority Vote of this Board that the following transfers in the 1995 Reserved Appropriations be made:

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|                       | <u>TO</u>          |                  |
| R-A01-04-01002.00.001 | Roads, S & W       | \$ 45,000.00     |
| R-A01-01-00181.00.201 | County Counsel, OE | <u>19,000.00</u> |
|                       |                    | \$ 64,000.00     |

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|                       | <u>FROM</u>                      |              |
| R-A01-09-01835.00.200 | Prov. for Salary Adj. & New Emp. | \$ 64,000.00 |

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 on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

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

**RESOLUTION 24-96**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Miller, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 17, 1996.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #2 FOR CONTRACT #WC9557 WITH INTERCOUNTY PAVING, INC., FOR THE WARREN COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE ROUTE 57 IMPROVEMENTS, WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP, FOR A NET DECREASE OF \$1.90 AND A FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$503,591.25**

WHEREAS, Contract #WC9557 was awarded to Intercounty Paving, Inc., of Hackettstown, New Jersey, for the Warren County Community College Route 57 Improvements, Washington Township, in the amount of \$503,593.15 (including Change Order #1); and

WHEREAS, final as-built quantities resulted in a net decrease of \$1.90; and

WHEREAS, said changes were ordered by the County Engineer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that 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 \$1.90 and a final contract amount of \$503,591.25.

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/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

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

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**RESOLUTION 25-96**

On motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 17, 1996.

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PROPOSAL TO SWAP STATE FUNDS FOR FEDERAL STP FUNDS IN ORDER TO ADDRESS COUNTY MINOR BRIDGE NEEDS**

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey State Association of County Engineers has identified a backlog of \$357 million in repair and replacement costs of minor bridges (structures between 5 and 20 feet in span); and

**WHEREAS**, failure to address this shortfall will continue to increase posted weight restrictions, future bridge closings or detours; and

**WHEREAS**, counties and municipalities have almost five times as many minor bridges as NJDOT; and

**WHEREAS**, a swap of \$24.5 million in STP funds along with the use of \$6.5 million in state discretionary funding per year would eliminate the minor bridge backlog in 12 years; and

**WHEREAS**, the implementation of this swap arrangement would facilitate the counties ability to properly plan a multi-year program and significantly expedite the rehabilitation and replacement of minor bridge projects.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the County of Warren hereby endorses the proposal to swap state funds for \$24.5 million in federal STP funds in order to address county minor bridge needs.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a certified copy of this resolution be provided to Governor Whitman, NJDOT Commissioner Wilson and related Metropolitan Planning Organizations to annually make available \$24.5 million in "swapped" state funds as part of the annual state budgetary process, beginning in state FY 1997.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren do hereby approve the above agreement (attached) and the Director and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute said agreement.

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/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

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

**RESOLUTION 26-96**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Miller, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 17, 1996.

**RESOLUTION TO RESCIND THE WEIGHT LIMIT ON WARREN COUNTY BRIDGE #20015 RIVER ROAD POHATCONG CREEK, POHATCONG TOWNSHIP**

**WHEREAS**, the County Engineer has reported to the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the reconstruction of the above bridge; and

**WHEREAS**, the previous eight (8) ton weight limit is no longer required.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren does hereby approve the rescinding of the weight limit on Warren County Bridge #20015.

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Clerk of 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 on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

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

**RESOLUTION 27-96**

On motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 17, 1996.

**RESOLUTION TO RESCIND THE WEIGHT LIMIT ON WARREN COUNTY BRIDGE #21007 VANNATTA STREET SHABBECONG CREEK, BOROUGH OF WASHINGTON**

**WHEREAS**, the County Engineer has reported to the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the reconstruction of the above bridge; and

**WHEREAS**, the previous three (3) ton weight limit is no longer required.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren does hereby approve the rescinding of the weight limit on Warren County Bridge #21007.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Clerk of Washington Borough.

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/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

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

**RESOLUTION 28-96**

On motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 17, 1996.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH JOHN R. FRANZ, TITLE SEARCHER, TO CONDUCT TITLE SEARCHES ON VARIOUS MORRIS CANAL PROPERTIES IN MANSFIELD TOWNSHIP IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,250**

**WHEREAS**, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders has been provided a matching grant from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program, for the acquisition of the Morris Canal; and

**WHEREAS**, deed research and boundary surveys are required by the Green Acres Program prior to acquisition; and

**WHEREAS**, a contract with Cherry, Weber and Associates to prepare 27 individual parcel survey maps of the Morris Canal in Mansfield Township was entered into on September 13, 1995; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined that additional title search work is needed on seven of the 27 parcels; and

**WHEREAS**, adequate funds are available in account #008-02500.054 (Acquisition of Morris Canal Linear Park) and certified by the Chief Financial Officer;

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

1. The written quotation submitted by John R. Franz in the amount of \$1,250 be

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accepted:

2. Title searches be prepared for Block 801, Lots 1, 4, 7, 8, 9 and 11.01, and Block 1307, Lot 4, in Mansfield Township.

3. The Freeholder Director is authorized to execute said agreement,

4. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as an "extraordinary, unspecifiable service" under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law because the services to be performed are services that are specialized and qualitative in nature requiring expertise, extensive training, and proven reputation in the field of endeavor.

5. Notice of this action shall be published in THE STAR-GAZETTE as required by law within 10 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 on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

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

**RESOLUTION 29-96**

On motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 17, 1996.

**ENABLING RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR GREEN TRUST FUNDS TO ACQUIRE WHITE LAKE IN HARDWICK TOWNSHIP**

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Local Assistance Program, provides loans and grants to municipal and county governments ("Local Units") for assistance in the acquisition and development of lands for outdoor recreation and conservation purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, the governing body of the County of Warren desires to further the public interest by obtaining a loan of \$1,125,000 and a grant of \$375,000 from the State of New Jersey to fund the following project: the acquisition of Block 901, Lot 4, in Hardwick Township, consisting of 385 acres and known as White Lake;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Freeholder Director of the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders is authorized to

1. Make an application for such a loan and such a grant;
2. Provide additional application information and furnish such documents as may be required;
3. Act as the authorized correspondent of the County of Warren;
4. Execute an agreement with the State of New Jersey, if the loan and the grant awards are equal to the amounts specified above.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County of Warren resolves that if the loan and the grant awards are less than the amount requested it has the ability and intention to provide all funds in excess of the State's awards necessary for completion of the approved project.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County of Warren agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state, and municipal laws, rules, and regulations in its performance pursuant to the agreement.

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/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

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

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**RESOLUTION 30-96**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Miller, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 17, 1996.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #2 FOR CONTRACT #WC9510-9 WITH OXFORD QUARRY, INC., FOR THE 1995 MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS FOR THE ROAD, BRIDGE AND MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENTS FOR A NET INCREASE OF \$10,776.00 AND A REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$304,846.50**

**WHEREAS**, Contract #WC9510-9 was awarded to Oxford Quarry, Inc., for the Maintenance, Repair and Construction Materials for the Road, Bridge and Maintenance Departments in the revised amount of \$294,070.50 (including Change Order #1); and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to increase the abrasive grits order due to severe winter storms for a net increase of \$ 10,776.00; and

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

**WHEREAS**, adequate funds are available in account A01-04-01021.00.561 (Grits) and certified by the County Chief Financial Officer.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren does hereby approve Change Order #2 for the above project for a net increase of \$10,776.00 and a revised contract amount of \$304,846.50.

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 on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

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

**RESOLUTION 31-96**

On motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 17, 1996.

**RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC95114 FOR A HAZARDOUS MATERIAL STORAGE BUILDING FOR THE WARREN COUNTY BUILDINGS & GROUNDS DEPARTMENT TO HAZ-STOR OF DES PLAINES, ILLINOIS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$27,290.00**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that Contract WC95114 for a hazardous material storage building model ER1224 is hereby awarded to . . . Haz-Stor, Des Plaines, Illinois in the amount of . . . \$27,290.00

as per their bid submitted November 13, 1995

and reviewed and recommended by Superintendent of Buildings & Grounds as the lowest responsible and responsive bid received.

Funding for this contract has been provided in budget account 00802500.118 - Flammable Storage 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 on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

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

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**RESOLUTION 32-96**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Miller, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 17, 1996.

**RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF THE SALE OF SURPLUS INVENTORY OF COPY MACHINE SUPPLIES TO HUNTERDON COUNTY FOR THE TOTAL SALE PRICE OF \$375.00**

**WHEREAS**, the Hunderdon County Purchasing Department wishes to purchase surplus copy machine supplies from the County of Warren: and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-36(2) the contracting unit need not advertise for bids when it makes any such sale to another contracting unit or to any body politic to which it contributes tax raised funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Warren County Purchasing Agent has solicited quotations for the copy machine supplies in question and has received an offer to purchase these surplus copy machine supplies from the Hunderton County Purchasing Agent for a total sale price of \$375.00

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Director of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren, that the Agreement with the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Hunterdon for the purchase of surplus copy machine supplies, which Agreement is made a part of this resolution by reference and is incorporated herin as if set forth verbatim, is hereby approved by the Board, and the Director of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Agreement on behalf of the Board.

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/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

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

The resolution entitled: "RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC95117 HVAC RENOVATIONS FOR THE WARREN COUNTY CORRECTIONAL CENTER & THE WAYNE DUMONT JR. ADMINISTRATION BUILDING TO K.C. MECHANICAL SERVICE, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$745,645.00" was tabled until after discussion in executive session.

**RESOLUTION 33-96**

On motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 17, 1996.

**RESOLUTION AMENDING THE RESOLUTION ADOPTED  
JANUARY 1, 1996 APPOINTING FREEHOLDER ANN STONE TO  
VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMITTEES FOR THE YEAR 1996**

**WHEREAS**, at the Annual Meeting held January 1, 1996, Freeholder Ann Stone was appointed to various boards and committees for the year 1996; and

**WHEREAS**, an appointment was inadvertently omitted from the resolution;

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that Freeholder Ann Stone is appointed to the following additional board for the year 1996: Planning Board.

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/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

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

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**RESOLUTION 34-96**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Miller, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 17, 1996.

**RESOLUTION CREATING THE POSITION OF  
TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR, UNCLASSIFIED, WITHIN  
THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES**

**WHEREAS**, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders recognizes the need for a transportation coordinator within the Warren County Department of Human Services to plan, organize, implement, and supervise a program for transportation of senior citizens, disabled and low income residents of Warren County; and

**WHEREAS**, the functions, duties and responsibilities of this position conform to the legal guidelines established under P.L. 1983, c. 578 of the Senior Citizen and Disabled Resident Transportation Assistance Act; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the position of transportation coordinator, unclassified, is created as a divisional appointment under NJSA 11A: 3-5(1) within the Warren County Department of Human Services; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the continued existence of this position be contingent on the procurement of federal and state transportation funds and at which time such funds terminate, said position shall cease to exist: and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the position of transportation coordinator serve at the pleasure of the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders and take effect January 25, 1996, and that an annual salary of \$38,898 be established for this position.

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/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

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

**RESOLUTION 35-96**

On motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 17, 1996.

**RESOLUTION CREATING THE POSITION OF SENIOR CLERK  
TYPIST, CLASSIFIED, AND ABOLISHING THE POSITION  
OF CLERK TYPIST WITH THE FREEHOLDER DEPARTMENT**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the position senior clerk typist, classified, is created within the Warren County Freeholder Department to enhance and maintain effective departmental operations; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the position of clerk typist be abolished; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the created position of senior clerk typist be established on AFSCME Range 5 and be made effective January 25, 1996.

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/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

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

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**RESOLUTION 36-96**

On motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 17, 1996.

**RESOLUTION CREATING THE POSITION OF SENIOR PROGRAM MONITOR,  
CLASSIFIED, AND ABOLISHING THE POSITION OF ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR  
IN THE WARREN COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the position of senior program monitor, classified, is created in the Warren County Department of Human Services in compliance with the New Jersey Department of Personnel regulations and to ensure efficiency and effectiveness of operations; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the position of associate director be abolished; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the position of senior program monitor be established on Range 20 and be made retroactive to January 1, 1996.

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/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

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

A resolution was received from Somerset County urging the U.S. Postal Service to issue a postage stamp in honor of Watchung Statesman Dr. Charles A. Eaton, Congressman.

Under reports and comments, County Counsel David Wallace had no items for open session but a few for executive session.

County Engineer David Hicks had nothing to report.

County Planner David Dech advised the board that there will be two Planning Board seminars, one will be held January 31st at 7:00 p.m. and one on February 29th at 7:00 p.m., both to be held in the Cooperative Extension Meeting Room.

Mr. Dech reminded the board that they have to appoint a voting member and an alternate member to NJTPA, this can be done for the next meeting.

Dave also asked the board to review the revised Open Space Trust Commission.

County CFO Pete Houck reported that he attended a meeting at DCA on January 3rd regarding GAAP reporting. Three counties are committed to participating in this program and the DCA is willing to work with us as they are anxious for us to participate. Pete gave the board a list of questions to respond to and to return to him. An earlier concern was about funding but we have been advised that there will be continued funding available.

Regarding the budget, Mr. Houck would like to introduce it as soon as possible. We should set up some workshop sessions. Also, we need to set a date for the Board of Schools Estimate public hearing.

Mrs. Dickey asked that the interested department heads be invited to attend the January 24th meeting and the February 14th meeting, if needed, to discuss the budget.

Acting County Administrator Henry Dinger mentioned the designation of the county's NJAC delegate and alternate voting members. These were appointed at the reorganization and he inquired if these should stay the same as last year.

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Mr. Miller said that NJAC is not happy with Warren County's level of participation at the meetings. Mrs. Dickey said she will talk to them about it.

Regarding the 1996 NJAC dues, the board approved payment of this invoice in the amount of \$4,655.

Regarding the Fire Academy, the board would like Bob DeGraff to come to a freeholder meeting and discuss this situation.

Mr. Dinger reminded the board that we need to prepare a resolution for a Shade Tree reappointment at the January 24th meeting.

**RESOLUTION 37-96**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Miller, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 17, 1996.

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING MICHAEL HESSION TO THE POSITION  
OF TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR, UNCLASSIFIED, WITHIN  
THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that pursuant to NJSA 11A:3-5(1) Michael Hession is appointed to the position of transportation coordinator, unclassified, within the Warren County Department of Human Services effective January 25, 1996

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/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

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

Mr. Dinger asked the board if they are ready to act on the self-insurance resolution which would go into effect February 1st and run through 1996. Mrs. Stone and Mrs. Dickey agreed that should be on the January 24th freeholder meeting.

Regarding the letter from Attorney Ferguson, Mr. Dinger questions why the county should endorse a conveyance of property in Lopatcong Township. Mrs. Stone suggested that we ask someone in Lopatcong about this.

After some discussion, all hiring requests were approved.

Freeholder Miller had no comments at this time.

Freeholder Stone thanked everyone for giving her the opportunity to participate in the meeting.

Freeholder Dickey thanked the Road Department, PHNA, 9-1-1 and all the staff who did such a wonderful job during the recent storm. She also thanked all the employees who came to work.

Under closing comments, Bob Shandor asked if it would be acceptable to come to the February 14th meeting to discuss the Board of Recreation procedures.

Mr. Dinger advised the board that the equipment used by Mrs. Stone tonight is on loan from Sprint at "no charge".

There were no press comments or questions.

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**RESOLUTION 38-96**

On motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 17, 1996.

**RESOLUTION TO PAY BILLS**

**BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Master Voucher Certificate for Certification for Payment No. 96-1, 2 dated January 17, 1996 in the amount of \$2,516,378.68 including bills and investments, is approved subject to the review of the vouchers by the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

|                |                   |
|----------------|-------------------|
| 96-1           | 367,095.55        |
| 96-2           | 1,218,944.21      |
| Payroll 1-4-96 | <u>930,338.92</u> |
| TOTAL          | \$2,516,378.68    |

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/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

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

**RESOLUTION 39-96**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Miller, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 17, 1996.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS TO HOLD AN EXECUTIVE SESSION ON JANUARY 17, 1996. THE GENERAL NATURE OF THE SUBJECT TO BE DISCUSSED INCLUDES VARIOUS PERSONNEL MATTERS; CONTRACTS; LITIGATION, LAND ACQUISITION; ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATIONS AND 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 IS MADE CONSISTENT WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT AND WITH STATUTORY AND COMMON LAW "RIGHT TO KNOW" PROVISIONS**

**WHEREAS**, Section 7 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, pursuant to Section 8 of said act, as follows:

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:

1. Various personnel matters.
2. Contracts.
3. Litigation.
4. Land acquisition.
5. Attorney/client privileged communications.

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

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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/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

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

Director Dickey called for a five minute recess at 9:45 p.m.

The board went into executive session at 10:18 p.m. Freeholder Stone was unable to participate in executive session due to medical reasons.

The board returned to open session at 11:16 p.m.

On motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, Mr. Dinger is authorized to take action on the response to the judicial employees as discussed in executive session.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller: yes Mrs. Stone: absent Mrs. Dickey: yes

Mr. Dinger asked if we need a formal official action for Bowers, Schumann and Welch to be designated to handle our medical insurance? Should we prepare a resolution for the next meeting and Mrs. Dickey and Mr. Miller agreed to this.

Henry asked if the board received a letter from Domenica Stabp regarding a scholarship fund. They have received this letter but Henry was asked to talk to her about the fact that this would have to be renegotiated with the unions. The board can't really make a decision on this.

County counsel advised that nothing discussed in executive session has lost its confidentiality.

On motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, and there being no further official business to come before the board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller: yes Mrs. Stone: absent Mrs. Dickey: yes

ATTESTED TO:

Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk