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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 14, 1998 at 9:38 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by Director Dickey and upon roll call the following members were present: Freeholder Susan Dickey, Freeholder Stephen Lance and Freeholder Ann Stone.

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 Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the executive session minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders held Tuesday, November 25, 1997 were approved with a correction in Para. 8.

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

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders held December 10, 1997 were approved as presented.

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

Under public comments, Al Ruh, WC Surrogate, spoke to the board regarding Item #2 under the County Administrator's report. This is a request by Mr. Ruh for freeholder approval of an annual stipend to be given to his employee, Anna Pascoe, whom he feels does an outstanding job, has received many perfect attendance awards and is very deserving of this stipend. Mrs. Pascoe has been transferred from the title of Sr. Probate Clerk to Administrative Clerk and additionally is being promoted to Special Deputy Surrogate.

Mr. Dinger said that Mr. Ruh has every right to do this, with freeholder approval.

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the request for an annual stipend of \$1,000 for Mrs. Anna Pascoe, Special Deputy Surrogate, is approved.

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

Mrs. Stone mentioned that some of the Road Department employees are here to speak

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about Item #3 under the County Administrator's Report. This is regarding the letter from Liberty Township regarding the county's winter maintenance of Mt. Lake Road.

Mr. Dinger said there are two sides to every story. The road department can't be everywhere at once. We upgraded this road and took it over and then Liberty offered to take it over and maintain it.

George Ulmer said that back in 1996 we took the road over and put a lot of money into it.

Don Burns, Supervisor, and Randy Bell, Truck Driver, said that the incident in question came about because the truck broke down and as soon as they had a truck and men available, they took care of the road. George said that his department is short-handed but he thinks his men do a good job.

Mrs. Dickey said Mr. Dinger should respond to the letter and explain the situation.

Mr. Dinger said that Liberty can take it back if they don't like the way we maintain it.

**RESOLUTION 16-98**

On motion by Mr. Lance, 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 14, 1998.

**RESOLUTION TO PAY BILLS.**

**BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** that Master Voucher Certificate for Certification for Payment No. 97-35 dated December 31, 1997 in the amount of \$1,184,967.49 including bills and investments, is approved subject to the vouchers by the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

97-35	210,330.78
Payroll 12/31	967,476.41
Retro	<u>7,160.30</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,184,967.49</b>

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: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

**RESOLUTION 17-98**

On motion by Mr. Lance, 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 14, 1998.

**RESOLUTION TO PAY BILLS.**

**BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** that Master Voucher Certificate for Certification for Payment No. 98-1 dated January 14, 1998 in the amount of \$1,758,357.61 including bills and investments, is approved subject to the review of the vouchers by the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

98-1	1,758,357.61
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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/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

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

**RESOLUTION 18-98**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was

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unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 14, 1998.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR OF BOARD TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR VARIOUS HOME HEALTH SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED THROUGH THE WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING AGENCY FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 1998 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1998.**

**WHEREAS**, there exists a need for the professional services of physical therapy, speech therapy, occupational therapy, medical social work, consultant nutritional services through the Warren County Public Health Nursing Agency for the period January 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998; and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "professional services" without competitive bidding must be publicly advertised;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the Freehold Director be and hereby is authorized to execute the attached professional service agreements as follows:

1. **Registered Physical Therapy** at \$55.00 per visit for the following Physical Therapists: Eva Bellfy, Susan Bisio, Marianne Derk, Pamela Hutchison, Mary Kovacs, Deborah Markle, Susan Rusak, Dianna Schott, and Nancy Smith.
2. **Occupational Therapy** at \$55.00 per visit for the following Occupational Therapists: Jean Charles, Linda Mitch, and Rose Wovna.
3. **Speech Therapy** at \$55.00 per visit for the following Speech Therapists: Lynnette Muni-Thompson, Margaret Normile, and Jacqueline Saunders.
4. **Medical Social Work** at \$65.00 per visit for the following Medical Social Workers: Marilyn Zwarych and Elena Dunn.
5. **Registered Dietitian** at \$50.00 per visit for Jeri-Lynn Flynn.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that notice of this action shall be published in the Star Gazette/Forum as required by law within 10 days of 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: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

**RESOLUTION 19-98**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 14, 1998.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR HOME HEALTH SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED THROUGH THE WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING AGENCY WITH WARREN HOSPITAL FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 1998 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1998.**

**WHEREAS**, there exists a need for the professional services of Registered Nurses, Registered Nurses for Certified Hi-Tech Visits, and Licensed Practical Nurses through the Warren County Public Health Nursing Agency for the period of January 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998; and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "professional services" without competitive bidding must be publicly advertised;

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**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 below listed agreement between the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren and the contractor is on file in the office of the Board of Chosen Freeholders and is made a part hereof by reference, and is hereby approved and shall be entered into by this board on behalf of the County of Warren.

A. Registered Nurses, Registered Nurses for Certified Hi-Tech Visits, and Licensed Practical Nurses for services that may be required by the County of Warren through Warren Hospital, 185 Roseberry St., Phillipsburg, NJ 08865 at the following rates:

(1) Registered Nurse - Regular Staff Relief/Shift Days at \$16.50 per hour - \$26.00 per hour; or \$35.00 per visit; on call at \$2.00/hr.

(2) Registered Nurse - Certified Hi-Tech Visits, including but not limited to continuous therapy (no supplies included) at \$35.00 per hour - \$40.00 per visit.

(3) Licensed Practical Nurse - Day Shift at \$12.50 - \$22.00 per hour.

2. The Director of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren is hereby authorized to execute said agreement.

3. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "professional service" under the provisions of the Local Public Contract Law because the service is to be performed by a person or persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.

4. Notice of this action shall be published in The Star Gazette/Forum as required by law, within ten (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: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

**RESOLUTION 20-98**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 14, 1998.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FOOD SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE WARREN COUNTY WELFARE BOARD AND THE COUNTY OF WARREN FOR ONE YEAR COMMENCING DECEMBER 1, 1997 AND ENDING NOVEMBER 30, 1998.**

**WHEREAS**, the county owned operation known as Warren Acres is in need of daily food services for its residents and staff; and

**WHEREAS**, the county operated facility known as Warren Haven has the means to provide these daily food services to Warren Acres through Warren Haven;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Warren Haven shall provide Warren acres with an approximate daily total of seventy (70) meals for lunch and dinner at the established rate of \$3.00 per meal in accordance with the attached food service agreement; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the term of this agreement shall be 1 (1) year commencing on December 1, 1997 and ending November 30, 1998.

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: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

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**RESOLUTION 21-98**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 14, 1998.

**RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH SPEED LIMITS ALONG COUNTY ROUTE #660 (PARK STREET), BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP, WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY.**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren:

- Section 1. That the speed limit in both directions of traffic along Country route #660 Spur (Park Street), Blairstown Township, Warren County, New Jersey, be established as follows:
- Zone 1. 25 MPH from State Route #94 to County Route #660 (Main Street).
- Section 2. Regulatory and Warning signs shall be erected and maintained to effect the above designated speed limits.
- Section 3. This resolution shall take effect upon approval by the Commissioner of Transportation.

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

**RESOLUTION 22-98**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 14, 1998.

**RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE THE WARREN COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT AS THE MANAGER OF OPEN SPACE AND MORRIS CANAL PROPERTIES ACQUIRED UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF RECREATION COMMISSIONERS.**

**WHEREAS**, since 1990, approximately 589 acres of open space and Morris Canal property has been acquired by the County of Warren under the guidance of the Board of Recreation Commissioners using the Open Space Trust Fund and Green acres funding; and

**WHEREAS**, an agency responsible for preparing and implementing the management and maintenance plans and budgets for existing and future sites needs to be designated by the Board of chosen Freeholders; and

**WHEREAS**, the Warren County Planning Department provides staff to the Board of Recreation Commissioners, Morris Canal Committee, and Planning Board, and can function as the coordinator of the interests of the Public Works Committee, Shade Tree Commission, and Cultural and Heritage Commission; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Warren County Planning Department shall be the designated manager of open space and Morris Canal properties for a period of no more than five years from the date of the adoption of this resolution, at which time the agency responsible for maintenance shall be re-evaluated.

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: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

**RESOLUTION 23-98**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 14, 1998.

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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE A LETTER OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE AND WARREN COUNTY TO PROVIDE \$40,000 FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE COORDINATION OF THE MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE TO PREVENT ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 1998 TO DECEMBER 31, 1998.**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the Director of the board of Chosen Freeholders is authorized to execute a Letter of Agreement between the County of Warren and the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse and Warren County to provide financial support for the coordination of the Municipal Alliance to prevent Alcoholism and Drug Abuse for the amount not to exceed \$40,000 for the period January 1, 1998 to December 31, 1998.

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: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

**RESOLUTION 24-98**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 14, 1998.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE A LETTER OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE AND WARREN COUNTY FOR THE GRANT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE TO PREVENT ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 1998 TO DECEMBER 31, 1998.**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the Director of the Board of Chosen Freeholders is authorized to execute a Letter of Agreement between the County of Warren and the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse and Warren County for the grant administration of the Municipal Alliance to prevent Alcoholism and Drug Abuse for the amount not to exceed \$110,125.43 for the period January 1, 1998 to December 31, 1998.

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: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

**RESOLUTION 25.98**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 14, 1998.

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL OF MGM ASSOCIATES, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,944, TO PREPARE AN APPRAISAL OF PROPERTIES IN HARMONY AND LOPATCONG TOWNSHIPS THAT ARE TO BE ACQUIRED AS PART OF THE MORRIS CANAL ACQUISITION.**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren 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**, land appraisals are required by the Green Acres Program prior to negotiations for acquisition: and

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**WHEREAS**, said appraisal will be in accordance with the guidelines of the Appraisal Institute: the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program, and the Uniform Standard of Professional Appraisal Practice; and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq) requires that the resolution, authorizing the award of contracts for "professional services" without competitive bidding must be publicly advertised; and

**WHEREAS**, adequate funds are available in Account #0010280016.200 (Morris Canal Acquisition Other Expenses) and certified by the Chief Financial Officer;

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

1. The proposal of MGM Associates of Flemington, NJ, in the amount of \$1,944, to prepare an appraisal of Block 33, Lot 1, in Harmony Township, and Block 1, Lot 2, and Block 2, Lots 2 and 28, in Lopatcong Township, be accepted.

2. The Freeholder Director is hereby authorized to execute said contract.

3. Notice of this action shall be published in The Star Gazette, 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 on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

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

**RESOLUTION 26-98**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 14, 1998.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF RIGHT-OF-WAY AND SIGHT TRIANGLE FOR INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS ALONG COUNTY ROUTE #646 & RED SCHOOL LAND LOPATCONG TOWNSHIP.**

**WHEREAS**, intersection improvements along County Route #646 & Red School Lane, Lopatcong Township will require additional right-of-way for road realignment; and

**WHEREAS**, additional right-of-way of .025 +/- acres and sight triangle of .023 +/- acres are needed being part of Block 32, Lot 13, owned by Patricia Knobbe Hatch; and

**WHEREAS**, an appraisal was done by the firm of C.L. Orbaker and Associates of Flemington, New Jersey to determine a fair market price; and

**WHEREAS**, the determined appraisal value of \$4,500.00 for the property and sight triangle are acceptable by the property owner; and

**WHEREAS**, adequate funds are available in account 008-02500.115 and certified by the County's Chief Financial Officer.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren does hereby approve the purchase of the needed right-of-way and sight triangle for the negotiated price and authorize the Director of the Board to sign the contract for sale.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County Engineer be authorized to have the deed executed for the purchase of the right-of-way and sight triangle.

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: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

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**RESOLUTION 27-98**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 14, 1998.

**RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC9801 AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR PROPOSALS TO RENT COUNTY LAND KNOWN AS THE HAMLIN PROPERTY FOR FARMING APPROXIMATELY 43 ACRES, PARCEL A, GREENWICH AND LOPATCONG TOWNSHIPS**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that specifications for rental of county owned land for farming purposes are hereby approved

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Director of Purchasing is hereby directed to advertise for proposals for the above in the Star Gazette.

Mr. Lance asked if this would interfere with the request received regarding the trout stream and Mr. Dinger said no, the air strip will be farmed now.

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: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

**RESOLUTION 28-98**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 14, 1998.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT MODIFICATION #1 FOR THE PROFESSIONAL ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY FIRE TOWER REPAIRS, WITH HOUGHTON-QUARTY-WARR OF NEWTON, N.J. FOR A NET INCREASE OF \$1,200.00 AND A REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$13,950.00 -CONTRACT #WC9786P.**

**WHEREAS**, Houghton-Quarty-Warr of Newton, New Jersey, was awarded a contract for Architectural Services for the Warren County Fire Tower Repairs in the amount of \$12,750.00; and

**WHEREAS**, there was a need for the design of a new electric service for the existing fire tower; and

**WHEREAS**, this work will be completed for a net increase of \$1,200.00; and

**WHEREAS**, adequate funds are available in account A01-10-02500.06.776 and certified by the County Chief Financial Officer; and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et. seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "professional services" without competitive bidding must be publicly advertised.

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

1. Hereby approve Contract Modification #1 for the above project for a net increase of \$1,200.00 and a revised contract amount of \$13,950.00.
2. The Director is hereby authorized to execute said letter of agreement by signing same.
3. The contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "professional services" under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law because the services are to be performed by a person or persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.

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4. Notice of this action shall be published in The Star Gazette, 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 on the date above mentioned.

s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

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

**RESOLUTION 29-98**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 14, 1998.

**RESOLUTION AMENDING THE AWARD OF CONTRACT #WC9774 FOR THE PHASE III ADA FACILITIES IMPROVEMENTS, CORRECTIONAL FACILITY, CUMMINS BUILDING AND ANNEX TO BGM CONTRACTORS COMPANY, INC., OF ELIZABETH, N.J. IN THE CORRECTED AMOUNT OF \$133,600.00.**

**WHEREAS**, the County advertised for bids to be received on Tuesday, December 1, 1997, for the Phase III ADA Facilities Improvements, Correctional Facility, Cummins Building and Annex; and

**WHEREAS**, BGM Contractors Company, Inc., of Elizabeth, New Jersey, submitted the lowest responsible and responsive base bid plus Alternate #2 in the amount of \$133,600.00, and

**WHEREAS**, due to a mathematical error, the contract was previously awarded in the amount of \$132,600.00; and

**WHEREAS**, adequate funds are available in account A01-10-02500.06.786 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 award the contract for the above project to BGM Contractors Company, Inc., of Elizabeth, New Jersey, in the corrected amount of \$133,600.00.

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: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

**RESOLUTION 30-98**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 14, 1998.

**RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC9793-1 NURSING SUPPLIES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING AGENCY TO YOUNG'S MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, IN THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$10,946.20.**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that contract WC9793-1 for nursing supplies, items 7, 8, 9, 16 thru 24, 27, 30, 31, 32, 37, 52, 64, 65, and 68 is hereby awarded to

Young's Medical Equipment, Easton, Pennsylvania

in the approximate amount of . . . . . \$10,946.20

as per their bid submitted . . . . . November 10, 1997

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

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Funding for this contract will be provided in budget accounts A01-06-01221.00.043 - PHNA Nursing Equipment, A01-06-01221.00.044 - PHNA Nursing Supplies, A01-06-01221.01.043 - PHNA Board of Health Nursing Equipment and A01-06-01221.01.044 - PHNA Board of Health Supplies.

**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: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

**RESOLUTION 31-98**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 14, 1998.

**RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC9793-2 NURSING SUPPLIES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING AGENCY TO PHYSICIANS SALES AND SERVICE (PSS), IN THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$2,280.90.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that contract WC9793-2 for nursing supplies, items 10, 14, 28, 33, 34, 44, 46, 49, 53, 56, 57, 59, 60, 62, 67, 69, 70, 72, 73, 74, and 78 is hereby awarded to

Physicians Sales and Service (PSS), New Tripoli, Pennsylvania  
in the approximate amount of . . . . \$2,280.90  
as per their bid submitted . . . . November 10, 1997

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

Funding for this contract will be provided in budget accounts A01-06-01221.00.043 - PHNA Nursing Equipment, A01-06-01221.00.044 - PHNA Nursing Supplies, A01-06-01221.01.043 - PHNA Board of Health Nursing Equipment and A01-06-01221.01.044 - PHNA Board of Health Supplies.

**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: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

**RESOLUTION 32-98**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 14, 1998.

**RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC9793-3 NURSING SUPPLIES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC NURSING AGENCY TO BACH'S HOME HEALTH CARE SUPPLY, IN THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$1,231.50.**

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**BE IT RESOLVED**, that contact WC9793-3 for nursing supplies, items 4, 5, 6, 35, 38, 39, 43 and 61 is hereby awarded to

Bach's Home Health Care Supply, Washington, New Jersey  
in the approximate amount of . . . . \$1,231.50  
as per their bid submitted . . . . November 10, 1997  
and reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing as the lowest responsible  
and responsive bid submitted.

Funding for this contract will be provided in budget accounts A01-06-01221.00.043 - PHNA Nursing Equipment, A01-06-01221.00.044 - PHNA Nursing Supplies, A01-06-01221.01.043 - PHNA Board of Health Nursing Equipment and A01-06-01221.01.044 - Board of Health Supplies.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Director 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: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

**RESOLUTION 33-98**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 14, 1998.

**RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC9793-4 NURSING SUPPLIES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING AGENCY TO J.M.L. MEDICAL INC., IN THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$14,163.80.**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that contract WC9793-4 for nursing supplies, items 1, 2, 3, 15, 29, 47, 48, 50, 58 and 71 is hereby awarded to:

J.M.L. Medical, Inc., Lakewood, New Jersey  
in the approximate amount of . . . . \$14,163.00  
as per their bid submitted . . . . November 10, 1997  
and reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing as the lowest responsible  
and responsive bid submitted.

Funding for this contract will be provided in budget accounts A01-06-01221.00.043 - PHNA Nursing Equipment, A01-06-01221.00.044 - PHNA Nursing Supplies, A01-06-01221.01.043 - PHNA Board of Health Nursing Equipment and A01-06-01221.01.044 - PHNA Board of Health Supplies.

**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: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

**RESOLUTION 34-98**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 14, 1998.

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**RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC9793-5 NURSING SUPPLIES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING AGENCY TO MID-STATE MEDICAL, IN THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$1,828.25.**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that contract WC9793-5 for nursing supplies, items 11, 12, 13, 25, 26, 36, 45, 54, 63, 66, 75, 76, 77 and 79 is hereby awarded to:

Mid-State Medical, Ocean, New Jersey  
in the approximate amount of . . . . \$1,828.25  
as per their bid submitted . . . . November 10, 1997  
and reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing as the lowest responsible and responsive bid submitted.

Funding for this contract will be provided in budget accounts A01-066-01221.00.043 - PHNA Nursing Equipment, A01-06-01221.00.044 - PHNA Nursing Supplies, A01-06-01221.00.043 - PHNA Board of Health Nursing Equipment and A01-06-01221.01.044 - PHNA Board of Health Supplies.

**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: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

**RESOLUTION      35-98**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 14, 1998.

**RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC9793-6 NURSING SUPPLIES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING AGENCY TO MEDI PETH MEDICAL LAB, INC., IN THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$2,112.10.**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that contract WC9793-6 for nursing supplies, items 40, 41, 42, and 55 is hereby awarded to:

Medi Peth Medical Lab., Lake Hopatcong, New Jersey  
in the approximate amount of . . . . \$2,112.10  
as per their bid submitted . . . . November 10, 1997  
and reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing as the lowest responsible and responsive bid submitted.

Funding for this contract will be provided in budget accounts A01-06-01221.00.043 - PHNA Nursing Equipment, A01-06-01221.00.044 - PHNA Nursing Supplies, A01-06-01221.01.043 - PHNA Bd of Health Nursing Equipment and A01-06-01221.01.044 - PHNA Bd of Health Supplies.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Director of the board of Chosen Freeholders 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.

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s/Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk

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

**RESOLUTION 36-98**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 14, 1998.

**RESOLUTION RE: APPROVING THE AGREEMENT WC9802R FOR AN INSURANCE POLICY COVERING 911 RADIO SYSTEM EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE WITH A POLICY UNDERWRITTEN BY BIRMINGHAM FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF PENNSYLVANIA, AN AMERICAN INSURANCE GROUP (AIG) COMPANY FOR THE CONTRACT PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 1998 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 1998 IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$39,790.00.**

**WHEREAS**, the County of Warren is obtaining an insurance policy as opposed to a maintenance contract for the Warren County Communications Center; and

**WHEREAS**, such purchase of insurance is expected from public bidding under N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(m) of the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et.seq., and

**WHEREAS**, adequate funds are available in budget account A01-03-00961.00.515 - Comm Ctr - Equip Maintenance and Repair Parts

**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 the Birmingham Fire Insurance Company of Pennsylvania, an American Insurance Group (AIG) Broker Electronic Risks Consultants (ERC) for the above insurance policy in the amount of \$39,790.00 per letter of agreement which is currently on file in the Office of the Director of Purchasing, be made part of this resolution by reference and approved and entered into the Board on behalf of the County of Warren.
2. The Director 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 because the purchase of insurance is expected from public bidding.
4. A notice of this action shall be published in the Star Gazette, as required by law, within ten days of its adoption.

Mr. Lance asked if this is more cost effective than just calling them out and Chris Pessolano said that there is a significant savings in handling it this way. The other method would cost \$53,000.

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: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

A resume was received from Gladys Egger expressing interest in serving as a member to the WC Cultural & Heritage Commission. Mrs. Dickey said that she understands that another resume will be coming in also and she asked that no action be

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taken until the other application is received.

**RESOLUTION 37-98**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 14, 1998.

**RESOLUTION TO APPOINT AN ALTERNATE MEMBER TO THE NORTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AUTHORITY, INC. FOR THE YEAR 1998.**

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that David K. Dech is hereby appointed as the alternate voting member, representing the County of Warren, to the New Jersey Transportation Planning Authority, Inc., at those meetings when Freeholder Director Susan A. Dickey is unable to attend during the year 1998.

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: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

**RESOLUTION 38-98**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 14, 1998.

**RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING THOMAS VAN AUKEN AS ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF BRIDGES, UNCLASSIFIED, FOR THE COUNTY OF WARREN FOR A THREE YEAR TERM WHICH SHALL EXPIRE JANUARY 24, 2001.**

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that, pursuant to NJSA 27:14-24, Thomas Van Auker is hereby reappointed to a three year term, effective January 25, 1998, as Assistant Superintendent of Bridges for the County of Warren with a term to expire January 24, 2001.

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: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

**RESOLUTION 39-98**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 14, 1998.

**RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING CHRISTOPHER PESSOLANO AS WARREN COUNTY PURCHASING AGENT, UNCLASSIFIED, FOR A THREE YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE JANUARY 13, 2001.**

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that pursuant to NJSA 40A:9-30, Christopher Pessolano is hereby appointed to a three year term as Warren County Purchasing Agent, effective January 14, 1998, with a term to expire January 13, 2001.

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: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

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On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. Lance, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 14, 1998.

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING RICHARD HUGHES TO THE POSITION OF TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR, UNCLASSIFIED, (GRANT FUNDED POSITION), WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES.**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that pursuant to NJSA 11A:3-5(5) Richard Hughes is appointed to the position of Transportation Coordinator, unclassified, within the Warren County Department of Human Services effective February 19, 1998 at an annual salary of \$41,918.00.

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: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: no

A resolution has been received from Ocean County urging Congress and the President to reconsider implementing the Balance Budget Act of 1997 which would curtail benefits received by Medicare Home Bound patients. Dorothy Harth, Public Health Nursing Agency Supervisor, asked that the board not support this until she has had a chance to talk to the freeholders.

County Counsel David Wallace had items for executive session only.

County Engineer David Hicks had no report.

County Planner David Dech asked Greg Sipple, Senior Planner, to speak to the board regarding the Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program as it relates to the Lopatcong Creek/Hamlen Property.

Greg is looking for approval to submit a preapplication to the Natural Resource Conservation District which is a non-binding commitment. This is a new program and a resource management plan would be done. Then an evaluation plan at their cost and then if it has merit, we would participate in the program.

Mrs. Stone said that this was discussed at the Public Works meeting and all agreed it was a good thing to do.

Mr. Lance said that it doesn't appear to have any costs attached.

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the Planning Department is authorized to submit a preapplication to the Natural Resource Conservation District.

Henry asked if there is any restriction on the county's use of the property and Greg said we wouldn't know until the plan comes back.

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

CFO Pete Houck had no report.

County Administrator Henry Dinger submitted two hiring requests and both were approved.

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Mr. Dinger has one item, the Gannett Fleming report, to be discussed in executive session.

Under freeholder comments, Mrs. Stone said that with regard to recycling, she attended the SWAC meeting and they have asked the board to support the revised recycling program proposal that Mrs. Stone brought up at the meeting on January 1st.

Mrs. Stone has a letter from Nancy Mason and has also received many phone calls regarding this issue. Nancy made specific suggestions regarding the center. She was the coordinator at one time and knows the total program. She feels that we need two people over there at all times, for liability reasons. We need to take some positive action. Mrs. Stone also mentioned that a Recycling Coordinator is required in our SWAC plan.

Mrs. Stone said we spent \$108,000 in the beginning for the five positions and now we are going backwards by downsizing the operation. She wants the program continued in the appropriate manner.

Mrs. Dickey said that we owe a debt of gratitude to Nancy Mason as her letter was very informative and we appreciate her assistance. Mrs. Dickey said she is confused with SWAC's action. It contradicts the information we were given in November. In November they suggested privatization. Susan said that the board made a decision (the majority of the board) not to hire anybody and she doesn't think we can do any hiring at this time. The grants would pay for this year but who would pay after that. Are these people PCFA employees?

Mr. Dinger said they would be paid by PCFA but with the county paying the bill.

Susan asked if there was any explanation to "if this is grant funded" why didn't PCFA keep the program and Henry said no.

Henry said we can probably still use community service workers and trustees from the Correctional Center. However we cannot utilize CWEP. These recommendations were made as a way to keep this out of the waste stream. Also, we need some heat in the building and we need to assign someone to be there every day.

Susan said that the proposal that was made was for an interlocal service agreement between Warren County and PCFA, with no county money, no county staff, using PCFA employees and PCFA taking back the program.

Henry said that no formal plan was developed and never any agreement written up.

Steve Lance said we need to continue the battery program. If the grant money ends, we should close the center and the municipalities will have to run the program.

Susan said that as long as no county money is involved, we can keep it open but we need to sign an agreement.

Mrs. Stone said we shouldn't change the program, the county is in chaos over this matter. Bob West said he is getting about 20 people in per day and about 40 on Saturday. The people are behind recycling in this county.

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, an interlocal service agreement for one year is to be drawn up using only grant money and using no county employees.  
ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

Mrs. Stone received a letter from Blair Academy requesting the board to prepare a proclamation for Blair's 150th birthday.

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Steve said he attended an open space sub-committee meeting last week and 11 applications have been received. These 11 have been narrowed down to 3. All applications will be reviewed at a special open space meeting on February 16th. The freeholders are invited to attend this meeting informally.

Mrs. Dickey authorized a proclamation be done for Blair Academy.

She received another letter from the Hardwick Historical Society for a donation and this request was turned over to County Counsel for his review and response to Hardwick Historical Society.

There is a meeting in Trenton today regarding the incinerator debt and she asked if anyone would like to attend. The meeting is about the debt and who it belongs to. Mrs. Stone will attend.

Under public comments, Richard Cotton said that recycling should not be a county function. It is not prudent to have an agreement with an agency that may not be around much longer.

Dennis Bertland questioned the February 16th meeting about open space and asked what the meeting is about and Mr. Lance explained.

Bob Shandor said that at the Board of Recreation Commissioner's meeting it was mentioned that Greg Sipple's activities will be cut back. He is just making the board aware of this. Greg has done a tremendous job for them. Dave Dech has requested an additional staff member and Mr. Shandor hopes that the board will consider that request.

Under press comments and questions, Art Charlton asked about the time frame on the new county directory. Susan said it is not done yet and they don't have a target date yet.

**RESOLUTION 41-98**

On motion by Mr. Lance, 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 14, 1998.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS TO HOLD AN EXECUTIVE SESSION ON JANUARY 14, 1998. 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,

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**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 herewithin 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 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:** Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

Director Dickey called for a five minute break at 11:22 a.m.

The board went into executive session at 11:45 a.m.

The board returned to open session at 1:02 p.m.

Nothing discussed in executive session has lost its confidentiality.

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, and there being no further official business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:02 p.m.

**ATTESTED TO:**

**Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk**