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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, New Jersey, on Wednesday, December 22, 1999 at 7:10 p.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"**.

Under public comments, Frank Joseph, representative of the Mountain Lake Community Association, thanked the Environmental Commission and the Board of Chosen Freeholders for the grant that they received, which was the first of its' kind.

Reggie Regrut of Phillipsburg, NJ, again spoke to the board regarding Reso.P1. A copy of a supreme court decision was submitted to the board. He again asked what policy the freeholders are using for executive session minutes concerning issues that have been resolved. He asked when these minutes would be made available to the public.

Mrs. Dickey informed him that this issue relates to pending litigation and she cannot answer this question.

Mr. Regrut also asked Freeholder Lance the same question and was told he could not respond on advice of counsel.

County Counsel Wallace advised the board that this deals directly with pending litigation and appeals. The fact that Mr. Regrut comes before the board and asks these questions is in violation of a court order. He has been directed to deal only with County Counsel.

Mr. Regrut asked Mrs. Stone to respond and she informed him she would not respond to his question.

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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 December 22, 1999.

RESOLUTION TO PAY BILLS

Be and it is hereby resolved that Master Voucher Certificate For Certification/Ratification for Payment No. 99-39 dated December 22, 1999 in the amount of \$ 2,011,422.62 including bills and Investments, is approved subject to the review of the vouchers By the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

99-39	842,309.19
Payroll 12/16	\$1,018,072.58
Longevity	<u>151,040.85</u>
TOTAL	\$2,011,422.62

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.

Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

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

RESOLUTION 780-99

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 22, 1999.

**RESOLUTION CANCELING TO CURRENT SURPLUS
THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$400,000.00
FROM CURRENT APPROPRIATIONS.**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-60 the following unexpended balances in the following accounts in the 1999 Current Appropriations be cancelled and transferred to Current Surplus:

A01-06-01500.20.000 WARREN HAVEN, S & W	\$100,000.00
A01-06-01501.14.379 WARREN HAVEN, OE	<u>300,000.00</u>
	\$400,000.00

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.

Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

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

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On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 22, 1999.

INSERTION INTO THE 1999 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,000.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPT. OF MILITARY & VETERANS AFFAIRS, FOR VETERANS TRANSPORTATION VLOOT21.

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget

of any county or municipality when such item shall have been available by Law and the amount thereof was not determined at the adoption of the Board of Chosen Freeholders Budget; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Warren request the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the year 1999 in the sum of \$14,000.00, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey, Dept. of Military and Veterans Affairs, for Veterans Transportation VLOOT21.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of \$14,000.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption:

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

State of New Jersey, Dept. of Military and Veterans Affairs,
For Veterans Transportation VLOOT21.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above is a result of the approval by the State of New Jersey, Department of Military & Veterans Affairs and that two (2) certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Division of Local Government Services.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

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

RESOLUTION 782-99

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 22, 1999.

**TRANSFER IN THE 1999 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS:
TO: KRESFIELD ADULT DAY CARE \$2,278.00
FROM: PROV. FOR SAL. ADJ. & NEW EMPLOYEES \$2,278.00.**

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WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-58 states that transfers can be made after November 1, and

WHEREAS, by unforeseen demand there has arisen the necessity for expenditures to fulfill the purposes of the appropriations as stated in the 1999 Budget and Tax Levy in the following account:

KRESFIELD ADULT DAY CARE \$ 2,278.00

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

PROV. FOR SALARY ADJ & NEW EMPLOYEES \$ 2,278.00

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 transfer in the 1999 Budget Appropriations be made:

FROM

A01-09-01835.00.200 PROV FOR SAL ADJ & NEW EMP \$ 2,278.00

TO

A01-06-01692.00.200 KRESFIELD ADULT DAY CARE \$ 2,278.00

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.

Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

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

RESOLUTION 783-99

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 22, 1999.

**RESOLUTION CANCELING CERTAIN FUNDED AND UNFUNDED
APPROPRIATION BALANCES HERETOFORE PROVIDED FOR
VARIOUS CAPITAL PROJECTS.**

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

Section 1. The following funded appropriations remaining as balances in bond ordinances heretofore adopted by the County of Warren, New Jersey (the County) are hereby cancelled and transferred to the Capital Surplus:

1.a: BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS IN, BY AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WARREN, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$5,384,506 THEREFORE AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$5,056,781 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE COUNTY FOR FINANCING PART OF SUCH APPROPRIATION.

Date of Adoption: 6/9/93, amended 4/12/95

Original Appropriation: \$5,384,506.00

Amount of Appropriation to be transferred: 008-02500.049

\$ 2,361.50

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

Date of Adoption: 8/11/93

Original Appropriation: \$4,560,000.00

Amount of Appropriation to be transferred: 008-02500.053 \$ 11,149.57

1.c: BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS IN, BY AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WARREN, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$4,934,654 THEREFORE AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$4,688,421 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE COUNTY FOR FINANCING PART OF SUCH APPROPRIATION.

Date of Adoption: 5/11/94

Original Appropriation: \$4,934,654.00

Amount of Appropriation to be transferred: 008-02500.089 \$ 33,146.06

1.d: BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING A BOND ORDINANCE ENTITLED "BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS IN, BY AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WARREN, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$5,384,506 THEREFORE AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$5,056,781 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE COUNTY FOR FINANCING PART OF SUCH APPROPRIATION.

Date of Adoption: 4/12/95

Original Appropriation: \$ 5,384,506.00

Amount of Appropriation to be transferred: 008-02500.1995.004	\$ 4,758.50
008-02500.1995.008	<u>6,701.61</u>
Ordinance Total	\$11,460.11

Section 2. The following funded appropriations remaining as balances in capital ordinances heretofore adopted by the County of Warren , New Jersey (the County) are hereby cancelled and transferred to the Capital Improvement Fund Account:

2.a: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION OF \$666,471.00 FROM THE 1995 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET AS ADDITIONAL PROCEEDS TO BE PAID FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS AT THE WARREN COUNTY EDUCATIONAL PARK PROPERTY, BLOCK 68, LOT 4.01 AND BLOCK 69, LOT 1, WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP AND BLOCK 16.01, LOTS 1, 2, 3, 4 AND 9, FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP.

Date of Adoption: 6/14/95

Original Appropriation: \$ 666,471.00

Amount of Appropriation to be transferred: 008-025000.1995.009 \$7,068.67

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2.b: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND THE APPROPRIATION OF \$365,156.00 FROM THE WARREN COUNTY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET FUND FOR SUCH PURPOSES.

Date of Adoption: 5/22/96

Original Appropriation: \$ 365,156.00

Amount of Appropriation to be transferred: 008-02500.1996.005	\$6,607.50
008-02500.1996.013	<u>1,000.44</u>
Ordinance Total	\$ 7,607.94

2.c: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND THE APPROPRIATION OF \$1,020,000.00 FROM THE WARREN COUNTY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET FUND FOR SUCH PURPOSES.

Date of Adoption: 2/26/97

Original Appropriation \$1,020,000.00

Amount of Appropriation to be transferred: 008-02500.1997.006	\$ 490.62
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2.d: AN ORDINANCE KNOWN AS A COUNTY ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF PREMISES KNOWN AS BLOCK 23, LOT 7 ON THE TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GREENWICH AND BLOCK 98, LOT 2 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY. THE PURPOSE OF SAID PURCHASE IS FOR THE PRESERVATION OF OPEN SPACE AND SAID PURCHASE COST IS NOT TO EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF \$1,100,000 PLUS CLOSING AND SURVEY EXPENSES. THE SUM OF \$ 400,000 REPRESENTING THE FIRST INSTALLMENT SUM OF \$ 367,000 PLUS CLOSING AND SURVEY EXPENSES IS HEREBY APPROPRIATED FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN.

Date of Adoption: 3/12/97

Original Appropriation: \$1,133,000.00

Amount of Appropriation to be transferred: 008-02500.1997.022	\$ 4,603.18
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2.e: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,205,082.00 AND APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$1,950,082.00 FROM THE WARREN COUNTY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND AND APPROPRIATING \$ 255,000 FROM CAPITAL SURPLUS FOR SUCH PURPOSES.

Date of Adoption: 3/11/98

Original Appropriation: \$ 2,205,082.00

Amount of Appropriation to be transferred: 008-02500.1998.009	\$ 35,891.50
008-02500.1998.010	908.10
008.02500.1998.014	<u>2,124.40</u>
Ordinance Total	\$ 38,924.00

2.f: AN ORDINANCE KNOWN AS A COUNTY ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR

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THE PURCHASE OF PREMISES KNOWN AS BLOCK 21, LOT 14 ON THE TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITE, COUNTY OF WARREN, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY. THE PURPOSE OF SAID PURCHASE IS TO PROVIDE LAND FOR THE FUTURE EXPANSION OF COUNTY FACILITIES AND OF \$475,000 INCLUDING TAXES AND ACQUISITION COSTS. THE SUM OF \$ 75,000, REPRESENTING THE FIRST INSTALLMENT SUM OF \$ 50,000 PLUS CLOSING AND SURVEY EXPENSES IS HEREBY APPROPRIATED FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN

Date of Adoption: 8/26/98

Original Appropriation: \$ 475,000.00

Amount of Appropriation to be transferred: 008-025000.1998.020 \$ 22,051.69

2.g: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND THE APPROPRIATION OF \$ 3,482,314.00 FROM THE WARREN COUNTY GENERAL CAPITAL FUND IMPROVEMENT BUDGET FUND FOR SUCH PURPOSES.

Date of Adoption: 2/10/99

Original Appropriation: \$ 3,482,314.00

Amount of Appropriation to be transferred: 008-02500.1999.027	\$	98.00
008-02500.1999.030		6.89
008-02500.1999.031		13.60
008-02500.1999.051		2,495.00
008-02500.1999.068		3,318.00
008-02500.1999.069		5,602.00
008.02500.1998.070		<u>11,876.36</u>
Ordinance Total	\$	<u>23,409.85</u>

Total returned to Capital Improvement Fund \$104,155.95

Section 3. The following unfunded appropriations remaining as balances in Bond Ordinances heretofore adopted by the County of Warren, New Jersey (the County) are no longer needed for the purpose for which such appropriations were made and such unfunded appropriations shall be hereby cancelled:

3.1: BOND ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$5,393,075 AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$4,999,921 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE COUNTY FOR THE ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, IN BY AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WARREN, NEW JERSEY, INCREASING THE PRESENT DOLLAR AMOUNT OF GROSS COUNTY INDEBTEDNESS TO \$29,490,345.

Date of Adoption: 2/10/99

Original Appropriation: \$ 5,393,075.00

Amount of Appropriation to be cancelled: 008-02500.1999.113	\$183,815.00
08-2500.1999.114	<u>117,760.00</u>
Ordinance Total	\$301,575.00

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Total Appropriations cancelled by this Resolution: **\$463,848.19**

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.

Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

Mrs. Stone questioned whether or not the Fire Academy was funded and Mr. Houck said that until the bonds are issued, the money is unfunded. Mrs. Stone said at the OEM meeting, the firemen were told that it was out of the budget. Mr. Houck said that is not true.

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

RESOLUTION 784-99

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 December 22, 1999.

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING ALTERNATE #9
FOR THE REPLACEMENT/REHABILITATION OF THE RAILROAD BRIDGE
CARRYING COUNTY ROUTE #521 OVER THE LACKAWANNA
CUTOFF IN BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP, WARREN COUNTY.**

WHEREAS, it has been determined that railroad bridge owned by the New Jersey Department of Transportation carrying County Route #521 over the Lackawanna cutoff in Blairstown Township is in need of replacement/rehabilitation; and

WHEREAS, a number of different alternatives were evaluated through the Scoping and Development Phase of the project by the consultant for the Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, alternates #7 and #9 were determined to meet all the project objectives; and

WHEREAS, on September 22, 1999 the Blairstown Township Committee approved resolution #99-96 supporting alternate #9; and

WHEREAS, these structures shall remain under the jurisdiction and responsibility of the New Jersey Department of Transportation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren does hereby support Blairstown Township's choice of alternate #9 as the preferred alignment and option for this project.

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.

Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

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

RESOLUTION 785-99

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 December 22, 1999.

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**RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO GRANT AGREEMENTS
#00SCP-PS-1 AND #00-FC-1 WITH THE NJ JUVENILE JUSTICE
COMMISSION FOR AN ADDITIONAL \$10,886 FOR THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF STATE/COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP AND
FAMILY COURT PROGRAMS; THEREBY RAISING THE GRANT
CEILINGS FROM \$115,433 AND \$86,532 TO \$124,914 AND \$87,936
RESPECTIVELY**

WHEREAS, on November 23, 1999, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders approved grant agreements with the NJ Juvenile Justice commission for \$115,433 in State/Community Partnership funding (#00SCP-PS-1) and \$86,532 in Family Court funding (#00-FC-1) for a total award of \$201,965; and

WHEREAS, the Juvenile Justice Commission has subsequently awarded Warren County an additional \$10,886 for these agreements as follows:

State/Community Partnership	\$9,481
Family Court	\$1,405

and; WHEREAS, the grant agreement ceilings will increase to \$212,851 with inclusion of these anticipated funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders approves the grant amendments for an additional \$10,886 in NJ Juvenile Justice Commission State/Community Partnership and Family Court funding; grant ceilings to increase from \$201,965 to \$212,851.

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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Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

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

RESOLUTION 786-99

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 December 22, 1999.

**RESOLUTION AMENDING 1999 COUNTY CONTRACT WITH
CATHOLIC CHARITIES
FOR PROVISION OF CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
FOR THE PERIOD NOVEMBER 1, 1999 THROUGH
DECEMBER 31, 1999; THEREBY RAISING CONTRACT CEILING
FROM \$382,955 TO \$388,953**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the 1999 county contract with Catholic Charities is amended for provision of services in the amount of \$5,998 for various children's mental health programs for the period November 1, 1999 through December 31, 1999; thereby

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increasing the 1999 county contract ceiling from \$382,955 to \$388,953; funds are available in county account #A01-06-01693.00.200.

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.

Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

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

RESOLUTION 787-99

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 December 22, 1999.

**RESOLUTION TO EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENT WITH
MOUNTAIN LAKE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000
FOR THE MOUNTAIN LAKE STORMWATER RUNOFF STUDY.**

WHEREAS, the Mountain Lake Community Association, having its offices at 17 Lewis Lane, Belvidere, hereinafter referred to as the Association, and the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders, 165 County Road 519, Belvidere, NJ 07823-1949, hereinafter referred to as the "County",

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders created the Warren County Environmental Commission and permitted the Commission to seek grant applications from municipalities and non-profit organizations for an environmental project; and

WHEREAS, the Association has made the application to the County for financial assistance in fiscal year 1999; and

WHEREAS, the Association has submitted an application and the Commission has reviewed said application and found it to be in conformance with the intent of the Commission, and recommends to the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the project titled Mountain Lake Stormwater Runoff Study for funding;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, in consideration of the award for funding, and in accordance with the application heretofore filed, and hereby incorporated in this Agreement, the Association and the County agree to perform in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in this Grant Agreement, hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County is hereby authorized 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.

Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

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

RESOLUTION 788-99

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 December 22, 1999.

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**RESOLUTION TO EXTEND THE GRANT AGREEMENT WITH
RIDGE AND VALLEY CONSERVANCY, INC. AND THE WARREN COUNTY
OPEN SPACE, RECREATION, FARMLAND AND HISTORIC
PRESERVATION TRUST FUND FROM FEBRUARY 23, 2000 TO AUGUST 23, 2000.**

WHEREAS, the Warren County Municipal and Charitable conservancy Trust Fund Committee has recommended to the Freeholders to grant funds from the Warren County Open Space Trust Fund Tax to The Ridge and Valley Conservancy (the applicant) in the amount of \$125,000 to preserve Tranquillity Farms in Allamuchy Township; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders approved that recommendation; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders may give a standard 3 month extension according to the Open Space rules and procedures and due to delays by legal proceedings beyond the applicants control the applicant has requested a six month extension to extend the grant period to August 23, 2000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders grants a time extension of six months to the Tranquillity Farms project in Allamuchy 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.

Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

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

RESOLUTION 789-99

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 December 22, 1999.

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL FROM THE CULTURAL
RESOURCE CONSULTING GROUP OF HIGHLAND PARK, NJ
FOR PREPARATION OF THE NOMINATION TO THE NEW JERSEY
AND NATIONAL REGISTERS OF HISTORIC PLACES FOR THE MARL WORKS
AT THE WHITE LAKE NATURAL RESOURCE AREA, HARDWICK TOWNSHIP,
IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,700.**

WHEREAS, there is a need to formalize the Marl Works as an historical site on County owned open space, known as the White Lake Natural Resource Area; and

WHEREAS, nomination to both the New Jersey and National Registers of Historic Places will allow the County of Warren to apply for emergency stabilization funds from the New Jersey Historic Trust; and

WHEREAS, the 250 ft. x 75-ft. standing stone wall structure located in a rural setting underscores the importance which this industrial site once had to the local community and to the County of Warren,

WHEREAS, the industrial structure is currently being reclaimed by Mother Nature, as the roofless ruin has become filled with trees and other invasive plants and scrubs; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available in Account #008-02500.1998.013 (Natural Resource Area Improvements) and certified by the Chief Financial Officer;

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

1. The proposed nomination to the New Jersey and National Registers of Historic Places by Cultural Resource Consulting Group, of Highland Park, in the amount of \$4,700, be accepted.
2. The Freeholder Director is hereby authorized to execute said agreement.
3. 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.

Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

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

RESOLUTION 790-99

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 December 22, 1999.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY OF WARREN
TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR A HIGHWAY SAFETY PROJECT GRANT
WITH THE NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY FOR A
COMPUTERIZED VIDEO LOG SYSTEM OF THE COUNTY ROADS
IN THE AMOUNT OF \$27,000.00.**

WHEREAS, there are monies available under the Highway Safety Project Grant with the New Jersey Office of Highway Safety for a computerized video log system of the County roads; and

WHEREAS, it would be in the best interest of the County of Warren to apply for said monies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the Director of the Board and the Clerk are hereby authorized to sign any and all documents in order to apply for the Highway Safety Project Grant with New Jersey Office of Highway Safety for the computerized video log system for County roads in the amount of \$27,000.00.

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.

Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

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

RESOLUTION 791-99

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 December 22, 1999.

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FOR A SPECIAL FREEHOLDER MEETING.9.**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren desires to hold a special freeholder meeting on Wednesday, January 5, 2000 at 7:00 p.m. in the Freeholder Meeting Room, Administration Building, Belvidere, New Jersey for the purpose of discussing the FY00 Warren County budget.

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.

Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

Mr. Lance asked if it is appropriate for him to vote on this resolution and Mr. Wallace said yes.

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

RESOLUTION 792-99

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 December 22, 1999.

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE SEPTEMBER 7, 1999
NJDEP ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER OF REVOCATION OF
THE PERMIT OF HYDROPRESS ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC.**

WHEREAS, Hydropress Environmental Services, Inc., owns and/or operates a facility located at 130 Brainards Road, Lot 10, Block 44, Harmony Township, Warren County (ID #85142); and

WHEREAS, on August 17, 1999 the NJDEP denied Hydropress' October 1, 1997 permit application to construct, install, alter and operate scrubber stacks #1, 2 and 3; and

WHEREAS, on September 7, 1999 the Commissioner of the NJDEP issued an Administrative Order of Revocation (AOR) pursuant to authority under N.J.S.A.13:1D-1 et seq., N.J.S.A.26:2C-1 et seq., and N.J.S.A.13:1B-4 for violations outlined in the Order hereby attached and made part of this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the DEP also determined that Hydropress Environmental Services, Inc. failed to comply with other applicable requirements under N.J.A.C.7:27-5.2(a);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders acknowledges and expresses support for the action of the DEP in the issuance of this AOR; requests strict compliance by this facility to all rules, regulations and standards of the NJDEP and USEPA; and requests notification of any Administrative hearings in connection with this facility; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders requests the sludge truck route adopted by the County of Warren be incorporated into any and all permits issued for this facility and permit denial and administrative fines be incorporated into those permits for any violation or non-compliance with that designated route; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be forwarded to Governor Christine Todd Whitman, Senator William E. Schluter, Assemblyman Leonard Lance,

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Assemblywoman Connie Myers, DEP Commissioner Robert C. Shinn, Jr., the Mayors and governing bodies of all Warren County municipalities, the Warren County Health Department, the Hunterdon, Morris and Sussex County Boards of Chosen Freeholders and the Hunterdon, Morris and Sussex County Health Departments.

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.

Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

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

RESOLUTION 793-99

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 22, 1999.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC99123 FOR TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT SERVICES TO MANPOWER INTERNATIONAL INC., FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2000 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2000 AT THE RATES AS PER THEIR ATTACHED PROPOSAL

BE IT RESOLVED, that contract WC99123 for temporary employment services and training is hereby awarded

to.....Manpower International Inc., Milwaukee, Wisconsin

at the rates stated in their proposal for the period of January 1, 2000 through December 31, 2000

as per their bid submitted.....November 30, 1999

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

Funding for this contract will be provided from individual department salary accounts if and when temporary employees are required or from the county training account if training is implemented.

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.

Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

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

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RESOLUTION 794-99

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 22, 1999.

RESOLUTION RE: EXTENSION OF CONTRACT WC96125A - LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE SERVICE TO AT&T FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2000 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2000 FOR THE FOURTH YEAR OF THIS CONTRACT AS PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACT LAW 40A:11-15(8) IN THE APPROXIMATE AMOUNT OF \$62,000.00.

BE IT RESOLVED, that contract WC96125A for providing long distance telephone service is hereby extended for the period of January 1, 2000 through December 31, 2000

To.....AT&T, Woodbridge, New Jersey

In the approximate amount of.....\$62,000.00

Funding for this contract will be provided in budget account A01-01-00151.00.018-Information Systems Telephone and other department line accounts

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.

Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

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

RESOLUTION 795-99

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 22, 1999.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC99130 FOR A 2000 FORD E-350 SUPREME CANDIDATE THIRTEEN PASSENGER VAN WITH CENTER AISLE SEATING FOR THE WARREN COUNTY NUTRITION DEPARTMENT TO ARCOLA SALES & SERVICE CORP., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$36,150.00.

BE IT RESOLVED, that contract WC99130 for a 2000 Ford E-350 Supreme Candidate thirteen passenger van with center aisle seating for the Warren County Nutrition Department is hereby awarded

To.....Arcola Sales & Service Corp., Carlstadt, New Jersey

In the total amount of\$36,150.00

As per their bid submitted.....December 14, 1999

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

Funding for this contract has been provided in budget account A01-04-01021.10.014 - Motorpool Vehicles

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.

Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

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

RESOLUTION 796-99

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 22, 1999.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT MODIFICATION #1
FOR CONTRACT #WC9992P WITH KUPPER ASSOCIATES
FOR INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION
OF COUNTY BRIDGE #20049, HAWK AVENUE OVER
TAYLOR KNOLLS DRAINAGE DITCH, POHATCONG TOWNSHIP
FOR A NET INCREASE OF \$6,889.04 AND A REVISED
CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$18,889.04.**

WHEREAS, Kupper Associates was awarded a contract for inspection Services for the Reconstruction of County Bridge #20049, Hawk avenue over Taylor Knolls Drainage Ditch, Pohatcong Township for a contract amount of \$12,000.00; and

WHEREAS, additional inspection hours will be needed to complete the project with an estimated net increase of \$6,889.04; and

WHEREAS, said additional inspection services are recommended by the County Engineer; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available in account 0019280001.200 and certified by the County Chief Financial Officer.

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

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

1. Hereby approve Contract Modification #1 for the above project for a net increase \$6,889.04 and a revised contract amount of \$18,889.04.
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 services are to

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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, 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.

Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

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

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, a resolution is to be prepared for the next regular freeholder meeting for the appointment of Daniel J. Phillips as a member to the WC Mental Health Board.

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

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, a resolution is to be prepared for the next regular freeholder meeting for the appointment of Ms. Teresa Aicher and Mr. Philip C. Homes as members to the WC Cultural & Heritage Commission.

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

Mrs. Stone asked that the resolution entitled "RESOLUTION TO ADJUST THE EMPLOYMENT SERVICE TIME FOR JERRY COYLE, DIRECTOR OF THE WARREN COUNTY PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT" be held until after it is discussed in executive session.

RESOLUTION 797-99

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 December 22, 1999.

RESOLUTION CREATING ONE POSITION OF FULL-TIME SECRETARIAL ASSISTANT, CLASSIFIED, AND ABOLISHING ONE FULL-TIME POSITION OF SENIOR CLERK TYPIST, CLASSIFIED, WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY CORRECTIONAL CENTER.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that one full-time position of Secretarial Assistant, classified, is created in the Warren County Correctional Center as a result of a re-organizational action undertaken by the Warden to enhance efficiency and effectiveness of office operations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that one full-time position of Senior Clerk Typist, classified, be abolished; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the position of Secretarial Assistant be established on AFSCME Range 11 and be made effective December 23, 1999.

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.

Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

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

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County Counsel David Wallace had items for executive session only.

County Engineer David Hicks had no report but Mrs. Dickey asked how the rumble strip project is coming along. Mr. Hicks said that it is in next year's budget. We will be using raised pavement markers in spot locations.

County Planner David Dech said that the Open Space Task Force met last week to discuss funding alternatives. Moneywise they will be falling short so they have to develop a plan on how to maximize the funding.

CFO Pete Houck reported that the Year 2000 cash management plan that he gave the board should be reviewed and they should contact him with any questions.

County Administrator Steve Marvin had no report.

Under freeholder comments, Mr. DeBosh commented that he was disappointed to read the comments on the budget. The budget is not a Democratic majority budget. It was very misleading to tell the people that he and Ann Stone had anything to do with this. Due to actions taken last year, the blame is being put on him. It is not his fault. He said he intends to go over the budget line item by line item. The comments Mrs. Dickey made were extremely unfair.

Mrs. Dickey said that he either misunderstood what she said or misinterpreted what she said. The budget is an anticipation of a future board. Mr. DeBosh said that the majority of the previous board voted to fund on short term notes, that is not his fault. Regarding the Office of Economic Development, Mr. DeBosh said that Mrs. Dickey said a short time ago that the county doesn't need this office and then she got a friend the job. A big increase was given to an office we don't even need, according to her. This budget is not his work product.

Mrs. Dickey said that he has the chance to cut back as far as he can. Mr. DeBosh said it is wrong to lead people on. He had hoped for non-partisanship but he guesses that won't happen. However, she started this.

Mrs. Stone reminded Mrs. Dickey that she voted no on the budget meeting resolution and Susan said that she wouldn't be here for that meeting. Ann said that the board was told to raise taxes over the last three years and they should have been raised a penny or two each year. She agrees with Jim. She has been a freeholder for eight years and she thinks the worksheet was sent out prematurely. We should work together, all be team players.

Mrs. Stone has a letter from PCFA regarding funds in the temporary budget for the recycling program. Mr. Marvin said there are funds available to carry them through January 31st. He said if the board funds recycling through PCFA, they need to do an amendment to the Interlocal Service Agreement.

Mrs. Stone said she has had several calls on the insurance cards. The plan was

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supposed to be a full indemnity plan. Also, the same name appears on all the cards and this is wrong. She was told that if you want separate cards, there is an 800 number to call to request separate cards.

Mr. Lance said he takes issue with Ann's statement. He is proud of voting no on a tax increase. The longer we can stall raising taxes, the better off we will be. We need to keep the money in the taxpayer's pockets as long as we can.

Mrs. Stone said that this creates a problem for her. She is in favor of controlled spending. The county is growing and services are required. When services are needed, we have to do what whatever is necessary to supply those services.

Mr. Lance said it is totally irresponsible to have a three to five cent increase. It is ridiculous. Mrs. Stone said that people want stable taxes.

Mr. Lance said he enjoyed working with his fellow board members and wants to go out as friends. He really enjoyed being on the board. He wished good luck to Mr. DeBosh.

Mrs. Dickey said she had raised the issue before about changing the official newspaper from the Star Gazette to another paper. She said attacks were made on county employees and the paper breached executive session information. This is the second time that this has happened and the leak came from this board.

She also said that the Trustee Search Committee re-advertised for recommendations for appointments. There has been a lack of cooperation in making appointments and she has a fear of the college reopening the lawsuit. You can be sure that taxes will be going up continuously from now on. The Warren County Community College will run the budget from now on. Mrs. Dickey read a statement and asked that it be included in the minutes. "Regarding the Search Committee, I have been notified by the Chairman of the Search Committee, Jim Miller, that the committee has decided to re-advertise for Trustees and has prepared a press release. I believe Warren County voters who participated in the referendum process have a right to know why this freeholder majority has not made appointments to the trustee board since the lawsuit was dropped. It is because the search committee refused to follow a clear directive issued by this board in our November 3rd resolution requesting nominee recommendations and the subsequent requests since that time for them to meet and proceed with their responsibilities. I am disappointed in their lack of cooperation and it is unfortunate for the taxpayers that their failure to make recommendations has legally prevented this fiscally responsible freeholder board the right to make the 1999 trustee appointments. With disregard for their charge and the instructions of this board and the appearance of some other agenda and in fear of the college reopening the lawsuit and again issuing subpoenas for them, the search committee deliberately delayed trustee appointments until the new board takes office in January which means that six trustees who will focus on a bricks and mortar solution the public rejected will be appointed by the freeholder majority in 2000. From my perspective this action will result in annual increases for college operating costs as well as county infrastructure and means the county budget will be controlled by the college (the next four years)."

She asked if SBDC services are being reimbursed to us as the host for the SBDC

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services. Mrs. Blommer said she doesn't know.

Mrs. Dickey wished Mr. Lance well and said she regrets losing him on the board. Cost containment is very important to the county.

Mrs. Dickey said she would be supplying copies of information about the Mosquito Commission to Mr. Regrut in response to the request he made at the last meeting. She said that the program in Hunterdon County is a start-up program. The Warren County program covers much more than Hunterdons' program. She explained the difference in the cost factor.

Dick Dunlap, Chairman of the Environmental Commission, commented that there are some non-profit grants available. He said he appreciated Mr. Lance's efforts to keep taxes down.

Reggie Regrut thanked the board for their efforts this past year. He agrees with Ann; there are programs that we need and Human Services needs an increase in funding. He agrees with Susan Dickey. He voted to not expand the WC Community College. The board needs to listen to the voters. They voted not to expand.

He mentioned again that the board needs to be more specific with the executive session resolution. He asked why the board refuses to give him information. Mr. Wallace advised him to wait for the Appellate decision. He asked why they have denied him information about county policy. He feels that the reason is because with that information he can prove whether the board violated the Sunshine Law in 1994.

Frank Joseph of Mountain Lake said he sent a letter to the board requesting that the freeholders set aside money for the project at Mountain Lake, which will improve the water quality.

Bob Shandor said there is a problem on Rte.519 and Stryker's Road. There is no guardrail there and it borders a six-foot trench. He saw an accident happen there involving an elderly woman which had the potentiality of a really serious accident.

Mr. Hicks said that it is a township responsibility. He should check with them.

Mr. Shandor said that as this is the last meeting of the year, he said that he is glad about the college expansion and glad to see Steve Lance leave and looks forward to a better board next year.

Art Charlton, Director of Economic Development and Tourism, announced the date of the Business Awards Dinner, which will be January 18th. The nominations are open for the award. He also announced that the Shad Tournament plans are going on and he is looking for seed money.

Dick Dunlap asked about driveway permits for county roads. He knows of a property on South Main St. in Stewartsville with a blind entrance onto Rte.519. He thinks it violates proper planning. Mr. Hicks said this is up to local planning. We regulate the driveway opening only.

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The property owner has submitted plans and he will have to cut back the bank.

There were no press comments or questions.

RESOLUTION 798-99

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 December 22, 1999.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS TO HOLD AN EXECUTIVE SESSION ON DECEMBER 22, 1999. THE GENERAL NATURE OF THE SUBJECT TO BE DISCUSSED INCLUDES VARIOUS PERSONNEL MATTERS; CONTRACTS; LITIGATION; LAND ACQUISITION; ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATIONS; PUBLIC SAFETY AND PROPERTY; 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.
6. Public safety and property.

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.

Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

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

Mrs. Dickey thanked the department heads and employees for all they have done in the

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past year.

The board went into executive session at 8:38 p.m.

The board returned to open session at 8:50 p.m.

Nothing discussed in executive session has lost its confidentiality.

On motion by Mr. Lance, seconded by Mrs. Stone, and there being no further official business to come before the board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 8:51 p.m.
ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stone: yes Mr. Lance: yes Mrs. Dickey: yes

ATTESTED TO:

NAOMI J. STOUT, DEPUTY CLERK