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Pursuant to Statute in such cases made in accordance with a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders on December 8, 1999, the Annual Meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren was held in Court Room #1, Court House, Belvidere, NJ on Sunday, January 2, 2000 at 2:00 p.m.

The following notice was read by County Administrator Steve Marvin: "ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WAS GIVEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT BY FORWARDING A SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL 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".

The Invocation was given by Father Michael Driscoll from St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church in Belvidere, NJ.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by County Administrator Steve Marvin.

The Certification of Election of James S. DeBosh was read by County Clerk Terrance D. Lee.

The Oath of Office of James S. DeBosh was administered by Senator Robert G. Torricelli.

Mr. DeBosh was assisted by his wife and children.

The meeting was called to order at 2:10 p.m. by County Administrator Steve Marvin and the following members were present: Mrs. Stone, Mrs. Dickey and Mr. DeBosh.

RESOLUTION 1-00

On motion by Mr. DeBosh, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 2, 2000.

RESOLUTION APPOINTING DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN FOR THE YEAR 2000.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that Ann M. Stone is appointed Director of the Board of Chosen Freeholders for the year 2000.

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Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

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

The Oath of Office of Director of the Board was administered by Senator Robert G. Torricelli.

Mrs. Stone was assisted by her granddaughter Amy Riley.

At this time, Senator Torricelli congratulated all the board members and extended greetings to everyone. The Senator remarked that with the change in the continuum of the board, they should strive for effective administration of government responsibility, as one team, to protect the quality of life in Warren County. Prosperity and good times bring on their own problems. Land preservation, agriculture (suffering problems brought on by the drought), dairy pricing, etc.; all depend on government speaking with one voice in the interest of the people. He wished everyone a very happy and healthy New Year.

RESOLUTION 2-00

On motion by Mrs. Dickey, seconded by Mr. DeBosh, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 2, 2000.

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD
OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS OF THE
COUNTY OF WARREN FOR THE YEAR 2000.**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that James S. DeBosh is appointed Deputy Director of the Board of Chosen Freeholders for the year 2000.

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. Dickey: yes Mr. DeBosh: yes Mrs. Stone: yes

RESOLUTION 3-00

On motion by Mr. DeBosh, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 2, 2000.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD
TO APPOINT SUCH COMMITTEES AS MAY BE REQUIRED BY LAW
OR AUTHORIZED BY THIS BOARD OR WHICH THE DIRECTOR
MAY DEEM APPROPRIATE.**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Director of the Board of Chosen Freeholders is authorized to appoint such committees as may be required by law or authorized by this Board or which the Director may deem appropriate:

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Freeholder James S. DeBosh

Boards of School Estimate
Board of Elections
Board of Taxation
Cooperation Extension Service
Legal Services
Mental Health Board
NJ Association of Counties - (Voting Member)
Police Chiefs Association
Board of Recreation Commissioners
Sheriff's Office
WC Community College
Statewide Excess Liability Fund Rep.
Trustee Warren County Legal Services
North Jersey Transportation Planning Committee
Correctional Center
Juvenile Detention Center
Prosecutor
Human Services Department and its various advisory committees
Morris Canal Committee

Freeholder Ann M. Stone

Agriculture Development Board
Board of Agriculture
Public Works
Boards of School Estimate
County Clerk (except Judicial Section)
County Transportation Outreach
Health Services
Library Commission
NJ Association of Counties - 1st Alternate Voting Member
Planning Board
Educational Coordinating & Planning Committee (as Director)
Nutrition
Public Safety
Welfare Board and Warren Haven
Soil Conservation
Solid Waste
Superintendent of Schools
Transportation Committee
Technical School
War Veterans
Economic Development & Tourism
Office on Aging

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Boards of school Estimate
 Audio Visual Aids Comm.
 Domestic Abuse & Rape Crisis Center
 County Adjuster
 Medical Examiner
 Cultural and Heritage Commission
 Environmental Commission
 Housing Program
 NJ Association of Counties – (2nd Alternate Voting Member)
 North Jersey Resource Conversation & Development Program
 Planning Board
 Surrogate
 WIB (Workforce Investment Board) of Morris/Sussex/Warren
 Women's Commission
 Welfare Board and Warren Haven
 Weights and Measures
 Shade Tree Commission
 Mosquito Commission
 JINS

All Three Freeholders

Freeholder's Office
 Personnel Division
 C.F.O.
 Purchasing Department
 County Counsel
 Information Systems
 Economic Development and Tourism
 Planning Department

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Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

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

RESOLUTION 4-00

On motion by Mr. DeBosh, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 2, 2000.

**RESOLUTION DIVIDING WARREN COUNTY MUNICIPALITIES
 INTO THREE DISTRICTS AND ASSIGNING A FREEHOLDER
 LIAISON TO EACH DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR 2000.**

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BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the municipalities of Warren County are divided into three districts and a Freeholder is assigned as liaison to each district as follows:

District No. 1:

Belvidere
White Township
Oxford Township
Blairstown Township
Hardwick Township

Freeholder Susan A. Dickey

Knowlton Township
Liberty Township
Hope Township

District No. 2:

Washington Borough
Mansfield Township
Allamuchy Township
Washington Township

Freeholder James S. DeBosh

Independence Township
Frelinghuysen Township
Hackettstown

District No. 3:

Phillipsburg
Alpha Borough
Pohatcong Township
Franklin Township

Freeholder Ann M. Stone

Lopatcong Township
Harmony Township
Greenwich Township

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Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: abstain Mr. DeBosh: yes Mrs. Stone: yes

RESOLUTION 5-00

On motion by Mr. DeBosh, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 2, 2000.

**SCHEDULE OF REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE BOARD
OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN
FOR THE YEAR 2000.**

TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:4-18, the Open Public Meetings Act, the following is a Schedule of Regular Meetings of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren for the year 2000. All regular meetings shall be held in the Freeholder Meeting Room, Administration Building, Route #519, Belvidere, New Jersey on:

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January	5 at 7:00 P.M. (Budget)	July	12 at 9:30 A.M.
January	8 at 9:30 A.M. (Budget)	July	26 at 7:00 P.M.
January	12 at 9:30 A.M.	August	9 at 9:30 A.M.
January	15 at 9:30 A.M. (Budget)	August	23 at 7:00 P.M.
January	19 at 7:00 P.M.	September	13 at 9:30 A.M.
January	26 at 7:00 P.M.	September	20 at 7:00 P.M.
February	9 at 9:30 A.M.	September	27 at 7:00 P.M.
February	16 at 7:00 P.M.	October	11 at 9:00 A.M.
February	23 at 7:00 P.M.	October	18 at 7:00 P.M.
March	8 at 9:30 A.M.	October	25 at 7:00 P.M.
March	15 at 7:00 P.M.	November	8 at 9:30 A.M.
March	22 at 7:00 P.M.	November	15 at 7:00 P.M.
April	12 at 9:30 A.M.	November	21 at 7:00 P.M.*
April	19 at 7:00 P.M.	December	13 at 9:30 A.M.
April	26 at 7:00 P.M.	December	20 at 7:00 P.M.
May	10 at 9:30 A.M.	December	27 at 7:00 P.M.
May	17 at 7:00 P.M.		
May	24 at 7:00 P.M.		
June	14 at 9:30 A.M.		
June	21 at 7:00 P.M.		
June	28 at 7:00 P.M.		

*Please note that the second meeting in November is being held on Tuesday, November 21st instead of Wednesday, November 22nd.

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Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

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

RESOLUTION 6-00

On motion by Mr. DeBosh, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 02, 2000.

**RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE STAR GAZETTE/FORUM
AS THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER AND THE EXPRESS-TIMES
AS THE ALTERNATE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER IN WHICH SHALL BE PUBLISHED
ALL ADVERTISEMENTS AND NOTICES REQUIRED BY LAW TO BE PUBLISHED
ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN.**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that THE STAR GAZETTE/FORUM is hereby designated as the official newspaper and THE EXPRESS/TIMES as the alternate official newspaper in which shall be published all advertisements and notices required by law to be published on behalf of the County of Warren . This action is taken pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:23-13.

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Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

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

RESOLUTION 7-99

On motion by Mr. DeBosh, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 2, 2000.

**RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE NEWS AS AN OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER
OF THE COUNTY FOR THE PUBLICATION OF CERTAIN NOTICES
AND ADVERTISEMENTS DURING THE YEAR 2000.**

WHEREAS, by resolution adopted January 2, 2000, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren designated The Star Gazette/Forum, of Hackettstown, as the official newspaper and The Express/Times, of Easton, Pennsylvania, as the alternate official newspaper for the publication of all notices and advertisements required by law to be published on behalf of the County of Warren; and

WHEREAS, it appears that certain notices and advertisements are required by law to be published in a newspaper published at the county seat, if there be one, such as N.J.S.A. 40A:2-19 regarding publication required by the Local Bond Law; and

WHEREAS, it appears that The News is a newspaper published in Belvidere, the county seat, and that The News meets all requirements to qualify as an official newspaper,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that The News is hereby designated as the official newspaper pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:23-13 in which shall be published all notices and advertisements required by law to be published on behalf of the County of Warren in a newspaper published at the county seat. Except as to such notices referred to above, the resolution adopted January 1, 1999 designating official newspapers shall continue in full force and effect.

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

RESOLUTION 8-00

On motion by Mr. DeBosh, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 2, 2000.

**PROVISION UNDER N.J.S. 40A: 4-19
TO OPERATE UNDER A TEMPORARY
APPROPRIATIONS IN THE AMOUNT
OF \$16,842,256.00 THROUGH THE DATE
OF ADOPTION OF THE 2000 BUDGET.**

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WHEREAS, New Jersey Statutes 40A:4-19 provides that every County must make temporary appropriations during the period January 1, to January 30 to cover commitments made during the period of January through the date of the adoption of the Budget, the total of said appropriations for the preceding year, excluding the amount of appropriations for the Debt Service, Capital Improvement Fund and Public Assistance, and

WHEREAS, the date of this Resolution is within the first thirty days of January, and

WHEREAS, one quarter of the total appropriations in the 1999 Budget, excluding the amount of the appropriations for Debt Service, Capital Improvement Fund and Public Assistance is \$16,842,256.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following temporary appropriations in the total amount of \$16,842,256.00 be made and that a certified copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the Financial Officer's Department for their records.

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

Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: abstain Mr. DeBosh: yes Mrs. Stone: yes

RESOLUTION 9-00

On motion by Mrs. Dickey, seconded by Mr. DeBosh, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 2, 2000.

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING A CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN
DESIGNATING OFFICIALS AUTHORIZED TO INVEST AND
DISBURSE FUNDS, AUTHORIZED DEPOSITORIES,
PERMITTED INVESTMENTS AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS
FOR WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC MONIES.**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14, the annual Cash Management Plan prepared by the Chief Financial Officer of the County of Warren, is hereby approved and adopted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the board directs the official charged with the custody of public funds covered under the plan to deposit and invest said funds in accordance with the provisions of said plans.

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. Dickey: yes Mr. DeBosh: yes Mrs. Stone: yes

RESOLUTION 10-00

On motion by Mr. DeBosh, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, the following resolution was

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adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 2, 2000.

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING BRIAN D. SMITH
AS SPECIAL COUNSEL TO WARREN COUNTY AND
AUTHORIZING THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR TO
EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT.**

WHEREAS, it is the public interest to maintain effective legal representation of Warren County; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance thereof the board has determined that Brian D. Smith, Esq. should continue to perform certain professional legal services on behalf of the county;

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

1. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:20-1, N.J.S.A. 40A:9-43, and the cases cited thereunder, Brian D. Smith, Esq., an attorney-at-law of the State of New Jersey, with offices located at 515 Oxford Street, Belvidere, New Jersey 07823, is hereby appointed as special counsel to Warren County for a one (1) year term of office commencing January 2, 2000 and until December 31, 2000.
2. The Agreement between the Board and Mr. Smith setting forth the terms and conditions of said appointment in regard to duties, responsibilities and compensation, which agreement is made a part of this Resolution by reference and is incorporated herein as if set forth verbatim, is hereby approved by the Board, and the Director of the Board is hereby authorized to execute said Agreement on behalf of the Board.
3. Said Agreement is made, negotiated and awarded by the Board without public advertising for bids and bidding therefor, as said Agreement is for professional services under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law inasmuch as the services thereunder are rendered or performed by a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law.
4. Notice of this action, stating the nature, duration, service and amount of said Agreement are on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Clerk of the Board, shall be published in the Star Gazette/Forum as required by law within ten (10) days of the adoption of this Resolution.

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. Dickey: yes Mr. DaBosh: yes Mrs. Stone: yes

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RESOLUTION 11-00

On motion by Mr. DeBosh, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 2, 2000.

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING AND REAPPOINTING MEMBERS
TO THE WARREN COUNTY WELFARE BOARD.**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren hereby appoints the following member to fill a vacancy on the Warren County Welfare Board, effective January 2, 2000:

Marie Sweet
138 Cedar Lake Road
Blairstown, NJ 07825

Term to expire 12/31/02

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren hereby reappoints the following members to the Warren County Welfare Board, effective January 2, 2000:

Desmond M. Fitzgerald
228 Mansfield St.
Belvidere, NJ 07823

Term to expire: 12/31/03

Doris Rayna
520 North Main St.
Stewartsville, NJ 08886

Term to expire: 12/31/04

Gladys Blemmer
12 Hemlock Lane
Belvidere, NJ 07823

Term to expire: 12/31/04

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Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Dickey: abstain Mr. DeBosh: yes Mrs. Stone: yes

RESOLUTION 12-00

On motion by Mr. DeBosh, seconded by Mrs. Stone, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 2, 2000.

**RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE WARREN COUNTY
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL.**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren hereby reappoints the following members, effective January 2, 2000, to the Warren

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Robert McCabe 2B Market St. Belvidere, NJ 07823	Term to expire: 12/31/01
Edward Salmon 604 Victory Ave. Phillipsburg, NJ 08865	Term to expire: 12/31/01
Dr. Vincent DeSanctis WCCC, 475 Rte. 57W Washington, NJ 07882	Term to expire: 12/31/01
Joseph Kennedy P.O. Box 85 Vienna, NJ 07880	Term to expire: 12/31/01
Denis H. O'Rourke Skylands Community Bank P.O. Box #507 Hackettstown, NJ 07840	Term to expire: 12/31/01
Robert Shoremount P.O. Box #512 Hackettstown, NJ 07840	Term to expire: 12/31/01
John Celentano 63 Locust Lake Rd. Blairstown, NJ 07825	Term to expire: 12/31/01
Thomas B. Drake 2 Locust Street Box 329 Columbia, NJ 07832	Term to expire: 12/31/01
Robert Langner 700 Youngs road Phillipsburg, NJ 08865	Term to expire: 12/31/01
Ann Stone 532 North Main St. Stewartsville, NJ 08886	Term to expire: 12/31/01

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

Director Stone introduced Senator Schluter who congratulated Freeholder DeBosh on his election to the board and Freeholder Stone upon her appointment as Director of the Board. Thirty years ago, there was a County/Municipal Study Commission that served and recommended that county government be abolished; the question being is it really necessary. County government must remain so that the repository of politics is at the county level. Although there is a change in the political complexion, the dynamics of politics can be good. There will be disagreements but we must all work together for all the people with dignity and respect. Senator Schluter read a message from Assemblyman Leonard Lance who couldn't attend today but extended his warm wishes and congratulations to the board.

Director Stone also introduced County Clerk Terry Lee, Sheriff Don Kelley, former Freeholder Jake Matthenius and former Freeholder Ken Miller. Mr. Miller pointed out that there is life after politics and as Vice-President of the NJ State Rail Museum Committee, he is involved in doing a study tomorrow naming Phillipsburg as the Rail Museum site. He urged the freeholders to continue their support of this worthy project.

Freeholder Susan Dickey congratulated Mr. DeBosh and Mrs. Stone and wished a happy New Year to all. She said she was sorry Senator Torricelli had left as she had some comments for him regarding the environmental issues in Harmony. She thanked the Department Heads and employees, in particular the 911 center, regarding the Y2K issues and for the effortless transition into the new millennium. She thanked the legislature for their efforts in obtaining planning grants, the Police, Fire and Emergency Squads for their help at 911 and the approval of the additional Open Space Tax. She pledged to work to serve the citizens of Warren County and pledged her support and assistance to the board to the degree that she can without compromising her values.

Freeholder DeBosh thanked Father Driscoll for stepping in today on short notice in the absence of Monsignor Corona. He also thanked his wife and children and his parents for their support during the campaign. His wife had served on the boards of ARC and the Family Guidance Center but has graciously resigned from those boards to avoid any conflict of interest. He also thanked Jack Joyce and the WC Democratic Organization for their help and support. He will continue to support farmland and open space preservation and to utilize installment purchasing. The county with a Democratic majority, will govern effectively and will be fiscally prudent. He thanked Senator Torrecelli for coming today and thanked Mrs. Stone and Mrs. Dickey and extended his hand in reconciliation.

Freeholder Stone thanked everyone for coming and said she was pleased at the good turnout. She thanked her husband and family and also thanked God for allowing her to serve the county residents as freeholder. She said that during her last tenure as Director, she worked towards open space and farmland preservation and that is still her Number One priority, plus reduced debt, taxes in control and the revitalization of the Economic Development and Tourism Office. She has also been committed to making sure that Warren County does not become the garbage dump of New Jersey. There are new challenges on the horizon; growth, land

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preservation, educational planning, transportation, the Phillipsburg Library expansion and the responsibility of holding the county budget in line. The board has scheduled budget meetings to allow the department heads to express their views on the budget. She extended her congratulations to Mr. DeBosh, thanked the employees and volunteers for all their hard work and expressed her hope that the entire freeholder board will work as a team.

Mrs. Stone invited everyone to a get-together to be held at Flynn's Catering in Phillipsburg immediately following this meeting.

On motion by Mr. DeBosh, seconded by Mrs. Dickey, and there being no further official business to come before the board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

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

ATTESTED TO:

NAOMI J. STOUT, DEPUTY CLERK