

**MINUTES****DECEMBER 20, 2000**

The Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren met in regular session in its offices in the Dumont Administration Building, Belvidere, New Jersey on Wednesday, December 20, 2000 at 7:00 p.m.

Director Stone called the meeting to order and upon roll call the following members were present: Freeholder Ann Stone, Freeholder James DeBosh and Freeholder John DiMaio.

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

Director Stone 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**".

Mrs. Stone asked that a proclamation be prepared for the next meeting for Mary Ann Garuti.

There were no public comments on agenda items.

**RESOLUTION 881-00**

On motion by Mr. DeBosh, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 20, 2000.

**RESOLUTION TO PAY BILLS.**

**Be and it is hereby resolved** that Master Voucher Certificate **For Certification/Ratification for Payment No. 2000-41 dated DECEMBER 20, 2000**

In the amount of **\$1,775,298.69** including bills and

Investments, is approved subject to the review of the vouchers

By the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

<b>2000-41</b>	<b>\$ 566,768.58</b>
<b>PAYROLL 12/14/00</b>	<b>\$ 1,044,686.55</b>
<b>LONGEVITY PAYROLL 12/20/00</b>	<b>\$ 163,843.56</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,775,298.69</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.

Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

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

**RESOLUTION 882-00**

On motion by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. DeBosh, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 20, 2000.

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A COUNTY WIDE SAFETY PROGRAM.**

**WHEREAS**, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders recognizes the need of having an ongoing comprehensive county wide safety program to reduce accidents and insurance costs and to improve safety practices; and

**WHEREAS**, a resolution was passed on February 10, 1988, which established a county wide safety program and established the membership representation and committees for the Warren County Safety Advisory Coalition; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to restructure the Warren County Safety Advisory Coalition to better perform its function in improving safety practices inn the county.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the Safety Advisory Coalition be established as follows:

**SECTION I**

The Safety Advisory Coalition will be structured in the following manner:

A. Management Representation

Management representation will be inclusive of, but not limited to, the Director or Assistant Director of the following departments or divisions:

1. Personnel Department
2. Warren Haven
3. County Correctional Facility/Warren Acres
4. Public Safety
5. Environmental Health
6. Roads
7. Bridges
8. Buildings & Grounds
9. Engineering

B. Employee Representation

Other departmental personnel may participate on occasion when safety issues involving their respective departments are addressed.

C. Coalition Advisors

The following representatives will serve in an advisory capacity to the Safety Advisory Coalition as required for the purposes of providing expertise to administrative and committee functions:

1. New Jersey Department of Labor, PEOSHA Representative
2. Warren County Health Department
3. Insurance Carrier
4. Fire Marshal
5. Risk Manager

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**SECTION II**

## A. Subcommittees:

The following subcommittees are established to effectively address or resolve recurring county safety issues, but are not limited to:

1. Policy Development Committee
2. Accident Report Review/Work Site Audit Committee
3. Safety Education and Training Committee
4. Geographic Department/ Employee Sub-Committees:
  - A. Warren Haven
  - B. Courthouse
  - C. Law Enforcement/Corrections
  - D. PHNA/Environmental Health/911
  - E. Administration Building
  - F. Public Works

**SECTION III**

## A. Safety Advisory Coalition

1. The Safety Advisory Coalition will prepare an annual report to be submitted to the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders. This report will outline needed safety improvements, accomplishments and yearly findings recommended by the Safety Coalition through reports prepared by its various committees.
2. The Safety Advisory Coalition will meet monthly or on an emergency basis, if necessary.

**SECTION IV**

## A. Organizational Process

- To conduct monthly meeting for the purpose of addressing countywide safety issues.
- To interact with coalition subcommittees when necessary as listed below, but not limited to:
  - 1) Policy Development Committee
  - 2) Accident Review/Work Site Audit Committee
  - 3) Safety Education and Training Committee
  - 4) Geographic Department/ Employee Sub-Committees

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this resolution rescinds the resolution dated February 10, 1988.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen

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Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

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

**RESOLUTION 883-00**

On motion by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. DeBosh, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 20, 2000.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WARREN COUNTY TO ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF HEPATITIS B IMMUNIZATION VACCINES BY THE WARREN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING AGENCY TO WARREN COUNTY STUDENTS IN GRADES 4 & 5.**

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to provide Hepatitis B inoculations to Warren County students in grades 4 & 5 pursuant to NJAC 8:57-4.16; and

**WHEREAS**, various school districts in Warren County have requested that the Warren County Health Department, Public Health Nursing Agency provide such inoculations pursuant to contract; and

**WHEREAS**, the contract permits efficient and economical administration and performance of inoculation services by the county health department for the benefit of Warren County students in grades 4 & 5;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the freeholder Director be and hereby is authorized to execute the attached interlocal service agreement providing for Hepatitis B inoculations by the Warren County Health Department, Public Health Nursing Agency, to Warren County students in grades 4 & 5.

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 884-00**

On motion by Mr. DeBosh, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 20, 2000.

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MGM ASSOCIATES OF FLEMINGTON, NEW JERSEY, FOR APPRAISAL SERVICES ON PROPERTY PROPOSED FOR ACQUISITION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$750.00.**

**WHEREAS**, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders has been provided a matching grant from the New Jersey 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 acquisitions; and

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

**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

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**WHEREAS**, adequate funds are available in Account #03894-5065, 894099 (Open Space Tax/Recreation & Conservation Land Acquisition) and certified by the Chief Financial Officer;

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

1. The agreement between the County of Warren and MGM Associates in the amount of \$750, to prepare an appraisal of Block 1, Lot 36, in Independence Township 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 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: Mr. DiMaio: yes Mr. DeBosh: yes Mrs. Stone: yes

**RESOLUTION 885-00**

On motion by Mr. DeBosh, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 20, 2000.

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MGM ASSOCIATES OF FLEMINGTON, NEW JERSEY, FOR APPRAISAL SERVICES ON PROPERTY PROPOSED FOR ACQUISITION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$750.00.**

**WHEREAS**, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders has been provided a planning incentive from the New Jersey Green Acres Program for the acquisition of the Open Space; and

**WHEREAS**, land appraisals are required by the Green Acres Program prior to negotiations for acquisitions; and

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

**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 #03894-5065, 894099 (Open Space Tax/Recreation & Conservation Land Acquisition) and certified by the Chief Financial Officer;

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

1. The agreement between the County of Warren and MGM Associates in the amount of \$750, to prepare an appraisal of Block 3, Lot 1, in Lopatcong Township 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 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: Mr. DiMaio: yes Mr. DeBosh: yes Mrs. Stone: yes

**RESOLUTION 886-00**

On motion by Mr. DeBosh, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 20, 2000.

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MGM ASSOCIATES OF FLEMINGTON, NEW JERSEY, FOR APPRAISAL SERVICES ON PROPERTY PROPOSED FOR ACQUISITION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000.00.**

**WHEREAS**, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders has been provided a planning incentive from the New Jersey Green Acres Program for the acquisition of the Open Space; and

**WHEREAS**, land appraisals are required by the Green Acres Program prior to negotiations for acquisitions; and

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

**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 #03894-5065, 894099 (Open Space Tax/Recreation & Conservation Land Acquisition) and certified by the Chief Financial Officer;

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

1. The agreement between the County of Warren and MGM Associates in the amount of \$1,000, to prepare an appraisal of Block 801, Lot 7, in Mansfield Township 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 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: Mr. DiMaio: yes Mr. DeBosh: yes Mrs. Stone: yes

**RESOLUTION 887-00**

On motion by Mr. DeBosh, seconded by Mrs. DiMaio, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 20, 2000.

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MGM ASSOCIATES OF FLEMINGTON, NEW JERSEY, FOR APPRAISAL SERVICES ON PROPERTY PROPOSED FOR ACQUISITION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000.00.**

**WHEREAS**, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders has been provided a planning incentive from the New Jersey Green Acres Program for the acquisition of the Open Space; and

**WHEREAS**, land appraisals are required by the Green Acres Program prior to negotiations for acquisitions; and

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

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**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 #03894-5065, 894099 (Open Space Tax/Recreation & Conservation Land Acquisition) and certified by the Chief Financial Officer;

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

1. The agreement between the County of Warren and MGM Associates in the amount of \$1,000, to prepare an appraisal of Block 1307, Lot 4, in Mansfield Township 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 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: Mr. DiMaio: yes Mr. DeBosh: yes Mrs. Stone: yes

On motion by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. DeBosh, a resolution is to be prepared for the next meeting for the reappointment of Loraine Gonsky, Lynne Kranik, Betty Merring and Bonnie Scher, to three-year terms, effective October 2000, as members to the Commission for Women.

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

A request was received from the Municipal & Charitable Conservancy Trust Fund Committee for an Alternate At-Large Member to replace Joel Schnetzer, term to expire 3/25/02 and an At-Large position now held by Harry Brown, term to expire 3/25/01. No action was taken.

A resignation was received from Lynne Steiner as a member to the WC Mental Health Board. No action was taken.

### **RESOLUTION 888-00**

On motion by Mrs. Stone, seconded by Mr. DeBosh, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 20, 2000.

#### **RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE WARREN COUNTY WELFARE BOARD.**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren hereby reappoints the following member to the WC Welfare Board to a five (5) year term effective January 1, 2001:

Dawn Gallant  
103 Walnut Valley Road  
Columbia, NJ 07832

Term to expire: 12/31/05

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: Mr. DiMaio: abstain Mr. DeBosh: yes Mrs. Stone: yes

Mr. DiMaio said he does not think this appointment is valid, it should not be done this year. Mrs. Stone said that Ms. Gallant was recommended by Steve Lance and is an outstanding member. Mr. DiMaio said he still thinks they can't do this. County Counsel Dave Wallace said that

technically it is not appropriate for Mrs. Stone to do this.

**RESOLUTION 889-00**

On motion by Mr. DeBosh, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 20, 2000.

**RESOLUTION AMENDING THE ANNUAL SALARY ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS, UNCLASSIFIED, MANAGERIAL AND CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYEES FOR THE COUNTY OF WARREN FOR FISCAL 2000.**

**WHEREAS**, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders approved annual salary adjustments for constitutional officers, unclassified, managerial and confidential employees on March 8, 2000: and

**WHEREAS**, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders approved annual salary adjustments retroactive to January 1, 2000 for these unclassified employees; and

**WHEREAS**, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders desires to amend the resolution of March 8, 2000 in conjunction with recently approved employee collective bargaining agreements,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the salary adjustments fixed hereto amend the salary adjustments of March 8, 2000 for all constitutional officers, unclassified, managerial and confidential employees and be made retroactive to January 1, 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: Mr. DiMaio: yes Mr. DeBosh: yes Mrs. Stone: yes

**RESOLUTION 890-00**

On motion by Mr. DeBosh, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 20, 2000.

**RESOLUTION CREATING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY, CLASSIFIED, AND ABOLISHING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF SECRETARIAL ASSISTANT, CLASSIFIED, WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY RUTGERS COOPERATIVE EXTENSION OFFICE.**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that a full-time position of *administrative secretary*, classified, is created within the Warren County *Rutgers Cooperative Extension Office* for the purpose of enhancing the efficiency and effectiveness of operations; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a full time position of *secretarial assistant*, classified, be abolished; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the created position of *administrative secretary* be made effective January 1, 2001 and established on AFSCME range group 1240.

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

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

**RESOLUTION 891-00**

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 December 20, 2000.

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING JOHN J. COYLE, JR., AS WARREN COUNTY COUNSEL AND AUTHORIZING AN EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT.**

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

1. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 9-43, John J. Coyle, Jr., Esq., an attorney-at-law of the State of New Jersey, with offices located at 865 U.S. Highway 22 West, Phillipsburg, New Jersey 08865, is hereby appointed as Warren County Counsel for a three (3) year term of office commencing on December 24, 2000 and until December 23, 2003.
2. The Employment Agreement between the Board and Mr. Coyle setting forth the terms and conditions of said appointment and employment in regard to duties, responsibilities and compensation, which Employment Agreement is made a part of this Resolution by reference and is incorporated herein as if set forth verbatim, is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Employment Agreement on behalf of the Board.

Neither Mr. Doherty or Mr. DiMaio agree with this action and they have spoken with John Coyle about it.

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

Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

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

**RESOLUTION 892-00**

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 December 20, 2000.

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING FREDRIC M. KNAPP, ESQ. AS WARREN COUNTY SPECIAL LABOR COUNSEL AND AUTHORIZING AN EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT.**

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED**, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders OF THE County of Warren as follows:

1. Fredric M. Knapp, Esq., an attorney-at-law of the State of New Jersey, with offices located at Courter, Kobert, Laufer & Cohen, 23 Cattano Avenue, Morristown, New Jersey 07960, is hereby appointed as Warren County Special Labor Counsel for a three (3) year term of office commencing December 24, 2000 and until December 23, 2003.
2. The Employment Agreement between the Board and Mr. Knapp setting forth the terms and conditions of said appointment and employment in regard to duties, responsibilities and compensation, which Employment 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 and directed to execute said Employment Agreement on behalf of the Board.

Mr. Doherty disagrees with this action and said it is an inappropriate appointment. Mr. DiMaio agreed and said that this appointment adds costs for employee benefits, pension, health care, etc. He should not be an employee. Mrs. Stone said it is time for a change.

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

County Counsel David Wallace had items for executive session only.

County Administrator Steve Marvin submitted two hiring requests and both were approved.

The Election Board sent correspondence regarding action taken last week. What they really wanted is an unclassified employee, full-time at an annual salary of \$21,914. After discussion, Mr. DeBosh asked if this could be held until next week but Mr. Marvin said they have already hired someone and put her on the payroll.

Mrs. Stone made a motion to hire this person at \$25,465 but the motion died for lack of a second.

On motion by Mr. DeBosh, seconded by Mrs. Stone, authorization was given to hire the Employee of the Election Board at \$21,914. and create a resolution memorializing this action.

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

Mr. Marvin handed out draft reorganization meeting agendas and draft resolutions for freeholder liaison assignments and asked that the board get back to him with their decisions.

There were no freeholder comments.

Mr. Doherty said that as this is Mr. Wallace's last meeting he wanted to thank him for all his time and efforts on behalf of Warren County.

There were no closing public comments and no press comments or questions.

**RESOLUTION 893-00**

On motion by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. DeBosh, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 20, 2000.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS TO HOLD AN EXECUTIVE SESSION ON DECEMBER 20, 2000. 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.**

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**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: Mr. DiMaio: yes Mr. DeBosh: yes Mrs. Stone: yes

The board went into executive session at 7:30 p.m.

The board returned to open session at 7:45 p.m.

Nothing discussed in executive session has lost its confidentiality.

On motion by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. DeBosh, authorization was given for execution of the Memorandum of Agreement with CWA, Public Health Nursing Agency.

ROLL CALL: Mr. DiMaio: yes Mr. DeBosh: yes Mrs. Stone: absent

**RESOLUTION 894-00**

On motion by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. DeBosh, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 20, 2000.

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING DAVID A. WALLACE AS SPECIAL COUNSEL AND AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT REGARDING MR. WALLACE'S SERVICES AS SPECIAL COUNSEL AND AS COUNTY ADJUSTER.**

**WHEREAS**, David A. Wallace, an attorney-at-law of the State of New Jersey, currently serves as Warren County Counsel and as County Adjuster; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Wallace's term of office as Warren County Counsel shall expire on December 23, 2000; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren desires Mr. Wallace

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to continue to serve as County Adjuster, and to serve as Special Counsel on such matters as may be designated by the Board or the County Administrator, after the expiration of his term of office as Warren County Counsel and upon the appointment and qualification of another individual to serve as Warren County Counsel, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board is desirous of entering into an Agreement with Mr. Wallace setting forth the economic terms relating to Mr. Wallace's services as County Adjuster and as Special Counsel;

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

1. Mr. Wallace is hereby appointed as Special Counsel on such matters as may be designated by the Board or the County Administrator, effective upon the expiration of Mr. Wallace's term of office as Warren County Counsel and upon the appointment and qualification of another individual to serve as Warren County Counsel, for the remainder of calendar year 2000 and thereafter, unless and until alternate arrangements may be made by the successor Board scheduled to take office on January 1, 2001 or by any other future successor Board.
2. Mr. Wallace shall continue to serve as County Adjuster after the expiration of his term of office as Warren County Counsel, for the remainder of calendar year 2000 and thereafter, unless and until another individual may be designated to serve as County Adjuster by the successor Board scheduled to take office on January 1, 2001 or by any other future successor Board.
3. The Agreement setting forth the economic terms relating to Mr. Wallace's services as County Adjuster and as Special Counsel, which Agreement is made a part of this Resolution by reference and is incorporated herein as if set forth verbatim, is hereby approved, and the Director of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Agreement.
4. Said Agreement is awarded without competitive bidding as a "professional service" under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law because the services are to be performed by a person authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.
5. Notice of this action shall be published in the Star Gazette, 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.

Naomi J. Stout Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mr. DiMaio: yes Mr. DeBosh: yes Mrs. Stone: absent

On motion by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. DeBosh, and there being no further official business to come before the board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

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

**ATTESTED TO:**

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**Naomi J. Stout, Deputy Clerk**