

MINUTES

NOVEMBER 12, 2003

PUBLIC HEARING - SWAC

The Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren met for a Public Hearing on a proposed amendment to the Warren County Solid Waste Management Plan and it was held in its offices at the Wayne Dumont, Jr. Administration Building, Belvidere, New Jersey on November 12, 2003 at 7:32 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Director Doherty and upon roll call, the following members were present: Freeholder Michael J. Doherty, Freeholder Richard D. Gardner, Freeholder John DiMaio, and Freeholder-Elect Everett Chamberlain. Also attending were County Counsel Joseph J. Bell, County Administrator Steve Marvin, and Deputy Clerk Tammy M. Lynn.

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

Director Doherty read the following statement: **“ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING OF NOVEMBER 12, 2003 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, THE EXPRESS-TIMES, STAR-LEDGER, 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”**.

Director Doherty welcomed all the citizens from the county attending the meeting. He explained that the purpose of the meeting was to hold a public hearing and the Board will allow everyone to express their concerns relating to the proposed amendments to the Warren County Solid Waste Management Plan.

Director Doherty announced that the Board will not be responding to any comments during this public hearing, and asked for full cooperation from everyone to be courteous when speaking. He further explained that in order for everyone to have an opportunity to speak there will be a three minute time limit, and Director Doherty informed the audience that Deputy Clerk Tammy Lynn will be keeping the time. Also, on recommendation by County Counsel Joseph J. Bell, the Board hired a Court Reporter to create a full transcript of the public hearing. He asked the speakers to be recognized before coming before the Board and to state their name and address for the record.

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, at 7:35 p.m. the Board opened the public hearing.

Attached to these minutes and approved and adopted as part of these minutes, are the court reporters transcripts of all comments during the open public hearing and the Freeholder Board's subsequent action.

On motion by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. Gardner, at 8:55 p.m. the public hearing was closed.

RESOLUTION

Under Freeholder comments, on motion by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a

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meeting held on November 12, 2003.

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT AMENDMENTS TO THE WARREN COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN, ADOPTED JANUARY 12, 2000.

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Management Plan for Warren County was originally prepared and adopted in September 1980 and modifications were subsequently adopted in 1981; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of Warren County to prepare a periodic update of the adopted plan and make appropriate amendments in accordance with the New Jersey Solid Waste Management Act; and

WHEREAS, an amendment of the Warren County Solid Waste Management Plan has been prepared and circulated to appropriate agencies, municipalities, and the general public for comment; and

WHEREAS, the amendment modifies portions of Section 2, Existing Solid Waste Facilities; Section 8, District Solid Waste Disposal Strategy; and Section 9, Solid Waste Management Facility Siting, by providing for a side slope modification, an expansion of landfill capacity, an increase in the tonnage of waste deliveries, and closure and capping of the landfill in 2007; and

WHEREAS, this amendment to the Solid Waste Management Plan was the subject of a public hearing, held in accordance with the New Jersey Solid Waste Management Act, on November 12, 2003, at the Wayne Dumont Jr., Administration Building, 165 County Route 519 South, Belvidere, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders has considered the oral and written comments submitted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that copies of this resolution and the plan amendment be sent to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection; all Warren County municipalities; Pollution Control Financing Authority of Warren County; Boards of Chosen Freeholders of Hunterdon, Morris and Somerset Counties; Covanta, Inc.; and Warren Energy Resources Corporation.

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.

Tammy M. Lynn Deputy Clerk

ROLL CALL: Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Doherty no.

On motion by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. Gardner, and there being no further official business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. Doherty yes

ATTESTED TO:

Tammy M. Lynn, Deputy Clerk

Certified transcript of proceedings is placed in permanent minute's book.