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The Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren met in Regular Session in its offices in the Wayne Dumont, Jr. Administration Building, Belvidere, New Jersey on September 26, 2007 at 7:35 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Director Chamberlain and upon roll call, the following members were present: Freeholder Everett Chamberlain, Freeholder John DiMaio and Freeholder Richard Gardner. Also attending were County Engineer Dave Hicks, CFO Charles Houck, County Counsel Joseph J. Bell and County Administrator Steve Marvin.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Director Chamberlain.

Director Chamberlain read the following statement: **“ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2007 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-LEDGER, AND DAILY RECORD AND BY POSTING A COPY THEREOF ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS. FORMAL ACTION MAY BE TAKEN BY THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS AT THIS MEETING. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IS ENCOURAGED. IN ORDER TO ASSURE FULL PUBLIC PARTICIPATION, THOSE INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES WHO WISH TO ATTEND THE MEETING SHOULD SUBMIT ANY REQUESTS FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION ONE WEEK IN ADVANCE.”**

On motion by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the Minutes of the Regular Session held on September 12, 2007 were approved.

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, the Minutes of the Executive Session held on September 12, 2007 were approved.

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner, yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

**PROCLAMATION 524-07**

On motion by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the following proclamation was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on September 26, 2007.

**PROCLAMATION – RETIRED AND SENIOR VOLUNTEER DAY-OCTOBER 4, 2007**

**WHEREAS**, The **NORWESCAP** Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (**RSVP**) has acted as an experienced resource and support system for the residents of Warren County; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 941 **RSVP** Volunteers, sponsored by **NORWESCAP**, volunteered more than 127,307 hours during July, 2006-August, 2007, providing services to hospitals, food banks, Meals on Wheels, tutors, peer support/friendly visitors, Healthy Bones instructors, teaching money management and many other numerous capacities; and

**WHEREAS**, **RSVP**, as part of the Corporation for National Service, provides the opportunity for volunteers to make use of the skills and knowledge they have gained over the years;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, Everett A. Chamberlain, Director of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren, do hereby proclaim October 4, 2007 as **RSVP DAY**, and congratulate the organization as they celebrate 33 years of service to our County.

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

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

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The proclamation speaks for itself, said Mr. DiMaio, and we should celebrate how this segment of Warren County's population gives back that which has been learned through life experience.

Mr. Gardner agreed while also acknowledging the services provided by NORWESCAP. Volunteers help make government better, he said. Warren County is blessed to have so many compassionate volunteers that brighten the days of others.

Mr. Chamberlain concurred, adding that without our active senior volunteers, we wouldn't be able to fund and perpetuate all the County programs currently in place.

Mr. Bob Goltz, President/CEO of the Warren County Regional Chamber of Commerce then provided his Economic Development and Tourism update. Mr. Goltz said he was proud to have been handling tourism promotion since March 1, 2007. A new website was launched, [www.visitwarren.com](http://www.visitwarren.com), which gets about 1,000 hits per month. A mobile information center has been taken to area events and new brochure racks obtained through matching grants are being installed in 16 locations throughout Warren, Sussex, Morris and Hunterdon Counties. Roughly 25-30 information packets are mailed weekly and a new Warren County Visitor Magazine will be distributed in January, 2008.

The Warren County Business Awards will be held on October 23 at Architects Golf Club. Among the awards to be presented are Business Person of the Year to Gregory Ackerson of Blue Ridge Lumber/Grand Rental Station of Blairstown and Hackettstown and the New Jersey Tourism Award will go to Hot Dog Johnny's. Mr. Goltz said he has also been taking on some consumer affairs issues and asked to borrow a County Flag to replicate and show/sell. Mr. DiMaio thought duplicating the flag was a great idea.

Mr. Chamberlain was happy about Hot Dog Johnny's; it's a very prominent, well-known business that hires young people and treats them well.

Mr. Gardner asked about the impact of the Highlands on business. Mr. Goltz alluded to six developers having looked at various multi-use facilities, but they're afraid of not being able to expand or rebuild as needed due to Highlands restrictions. The Master Plan is still not complete and the Council is not business-friendly. Lack of industrial property is concern, said Mr. Goltz. He also noted that New Jersey is not offering as much as the Lehigh Valley. The Lehigh Valley Economic Development Corporation spent more money than did the State of New Jersey on economic development.

Mr. DiMaio said he thinks the Chamber has done a good job. Mr. Chamberlain thanked Mr. Goltz for his report and reminded him that he was expected to stay for Executive Session to discuss a contract.

**RESOLUTION 525-07**

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on September 26, 2007.

**RESOLUTION TO PAY BILLS**

**Be and it is hereby resolved** that Master Voucher Certificate **For Certification / Ratification for Payments No. 2007-37 and 2007-38 dated September 26, 2007** in the amount of **\$ 4,526,655.95** including payrolls, allowances, bills and

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investments, is approved subject to the review of the vouchers By the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

2007-37	19-Sep-07	\$ 1,585,640.82	
2007-38	26-Sep-07	1,461,775.66	
TOTAL			\$3,047,416.48
Payroll	13-Sep-07	\$ 1,479,239.47	
Subsistance		-	
Uniforms		-	
TOTAL			1,479,239.47
GRAND TOTAL			<u>\$4,526,655.95</u>

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

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

**RESOLUTION 526-07**

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 meeting held on September 26, 2007.

**INSERTION INTO THE 2007 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$216,146.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SENIOR SERVICES, SPECIAL CHILD HEALTH SERVICES, EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICE COORDINATION #08-205-SCH-L-0**

**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 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 2007 in the sum of \$ 216,146.00, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey, Department of Health & Senior Services, Special Child Health Services, Early Intervention Service Coordination #08-205-SCH-L-0.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County's Match of \$189,718.00 is included in the 2007 County Budget – County Health Services Interlocal Agreement (NJS 40:8A-1) S&W and OE Sheet 20-B.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a like sum of \$216,146.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption:

“UNDER STATE AND FEDERAL PROGRAMS OFF-SET BY REVENUES”

State of New Jersey, Department of Health & Senior Services, Special Child Health Services, Early Intervention Service Coordination #08-205-SCH-L-0 (administered by Health Dept.)

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the above is the result of the approval by the State of New Jersey, Department of Health & Senior Services.

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

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

**RESOLUTION 527-07**

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 meeting held on September 26, 2007.

**INSERTION INTO THE 2007 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF  
\$1,064,300.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DIVISION OF ARCHIVES &  
RECORD MANAGEMENT – PUBLIC ARCHIVES AND RECORDS  
INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT GRANT (PARIS)**

**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 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 2007 in the sum of \$ 1,064,300.00, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey, Division of Archives & Record Management – Public Archives & Records Infrastructure Support Grant (PARIS).

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a like sum of \$ 1,064,300.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption:

“UNDER STATE AND FEDERAL PROGRAMS OFF-SET BY REVENUES”

Division of Archives & Record Management – Public Archives & Records Infrastructure Support Grant (PARIS) (administered by the Information Systems Dept.)

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the above is the result of the approval by the State of New Jersey, Division of Archives & Record Management.

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

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

**RESOLUTION 528-07**

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on September 26, 2007.

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CALENDAR YEAR 2008 MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE  
SPENDING PLAN FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS  
AND  
FOR COORDINATION EXPENSES OF MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE PROGRAMS;  
FUNDS AVAILABLE THROUGH THE NJ GOVERNOR’S COUNCIL ON  
ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE FOR A TOTAL OF \$150,428**

**WHEREAS**, the NJ Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug abuse has made available to Warren County a total of \$150,428 for substance abuse prevention and education programs

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provided by local municipal alliances and for coordination expenses of municipal alliance programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Warren County Department of Human Services, Division of Administration, has prepared the 2008 Municipal Alliance Spending Plan for use of these funds, which has been approved by the Local Advisory Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (LACA/DA) and the County Alliance Steering Subcommittee (CASS).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders approves the Calendar Year 2008 Municipal Alliance Spending Plan for anticipated funding of \$150,428 from the NJ Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse for prevention and educational substance abuse programs by various municipal alliance programs and for coordination expenses of municipal alliance programs.

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

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

**RESOLUTION 529-07**

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on September 26, 2007.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2008 WARREN COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE ALCOHOL AND DRUG PLAN, AS PREPARED BY THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION, IN COOPERATION WITH THE WARREN COUNTY LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE**

**WHEREAS**, the NJ Department of Human Services has required the Warren County Department of Human Services, Division of Administration, to prepare the 2008 County Comprehensive Alcohol and Drug Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Division has developed this Plan in cooperation with the Warren County Local Advisory Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (LACA/DA).

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Chosen Freeholders approves the 2008 Warren County Comprehensive Alcohol and Drug Plan, as developed by the Warren County Department of Human Services, Division of Administration and approved by the LACA/DA.

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

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

**RESOLUTION 530-07**

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on September 26, 2007.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE AN APPLICATION TO THE SEXUAL ASSAULT NURSE EXAMINER PROJECT – VICTIM OF CRIME ACT GRANT BETWEEN THE NJ DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, OFFICE OF VICTIM WITNESS ADVOCACY AND THE WARREN COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$21,622.00 COUNTY SHARE AND \$86,486.00 FEDERAL SHARE FOR A TOTAL OF \$108,108.00 FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2007 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2008**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY** the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the Director of the Board is authorized to execute an application for the Victim Assistance Project – Victim of Crime Act Grant between the NJ Division of Criminal Justice, Office of Victim

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Witness Advocacy and the Warren County Prosecutor's Office in the amount of \$21,622.00 County Share and \$86,486.00 Federal Share for a total of \$108,108.00 for the period of October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008.

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

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

**RESOLUTION 531-07**

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on September 26, 2007.

**RESOLUTION ABANDONING A PORTION OF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF COUNTY  
ROUTE #519, BETWEEN ROUTE 22 AND STRYKERS ROAD IN  
GREENWICH TOWNSHIP**

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

1. The Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren intends the following described portion of right-of-way of County Route #519 to be vacated and abandoned as a public right-of-way.

All of that portion of the existing right-of-way of County Route #519, outside of the proposed right-of-way line, along the frontage of lot 39, block 23, Greenwich Township, from station 1503+51.48 right to station 1511+42.76 right, as shown on the plan entitled "County Route #519 Vacation of Right-of-Way", dated July 24, 2007. The new right-of-way line will be parallel to and distant 45' from the centerline of County Route #519 between the above two centerline stations. See attached Schedule 'A'.

This right-of-way vacation shall be subject to all existing utility and other easements of record.

2. The Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren hereby sets October 24, 2007, at 7:30 PM in the Freeholder's Meeting Room, Wayne Dumont, Jr. Administration Building, 165 County Route #519 South, White Township, New Jersey, as the time and place for final consideration of an action upon this resolution when and where all persons interested therein may appear and be given an opportunity to be heard.
3. Within three (3) days of the passage of this resolution on first reading, the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders shall cause said resolution to be advertised verbatim in a newspaper published and circulated within the limits of the County of Warren, which publication shall be inserted once a week for three (3) weeks consecutively before the date of the meeting for second reading thereof.
4. Upon second reading and passage by a vote of the majority of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren, the above mentioned right-of-way area shall be deemed to be vacated and abandoned and shall cease to be a public road or highway and that title to the land which therefore was lying within the area of the sidelines or legal right-of-way of said roads or highways shall revert to and vest in the respective owners of the legal title thereto free and clear of any easement or right-of-way thereover or thereupon in favor of the public.

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5. Upon passage of this resolution on second reading, the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders shall forthwith file a certified copy of this resolution in the office of the Warren County Clerk who shall record and index the same in the Book of Records in said office.
6. This resolution is made in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 27:16-28b.

First Reading - September 26, 2007

Published three (3) times in the Star Ledger - September 28, 2007  
 - October 5, 2007  
 - October 12, 2007

Second Reading - October 24, 2007

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

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

**RESOLUTION 532-07**

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on September 26, 2007.

**RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN TURNING LANES ON COUNTY ROUTE #517 IN INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP, WARREN COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, in the interest of traffic safety, there is a need for left turn lanes on County Route #517 in Independence Township as specified in Section 1.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren does hereby approve the following:

- Section 1. The lane location described is designated as lane use reservation and traffic shall move as indicated.

**INTERSECTION****MOVEMENT**

County Route #517  
and Hackettstown  
Baptist Church  
(Block 6.01, Lot 3.01)

Southbound left lane on County Route 517  
reserved for left turn only.

County Route #517 and  
Crossroads Shopping Plaza  
(Block 5, Lot 1)

Northbound left lane on County Route 517  
reserved for left turn only.

- Section 2. Regulatory and warning signs shall be erected and maintained as designated in the current Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

- Section 3. This resolution shall take effect upon approval by the Commissioner of the Department of Transportation.

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

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

**RESOLUTION 533-07**

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on September 26, 2007.

**RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN TURNING LANES AT THE INTERSECTION  
OF COUNTY ROUTE #517, COUNTY ROUTE #654 (OLD ALLAMUCHY ROAD) AND  
COUNTY ROUTE #665 (BILBY ROAD), INDEPENDENCE  
TOWNSHIP, WARREN COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, in the interest of traffic safety, there is a need for turn lanes and movement restrictions at the intersection of County Route #517, County Route #654 (Old Allamuchy Road), and County Route #665 (Bilby Road) in Independence Township.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren does hereby approve the following:

Section 1. The lane locations described are designated as lane use reservation and traffic shall move as indicated.

**INTERSECTION****MOVEMENT**

County Route #517 and  
County Route #665

Southbound left lane on County Route #517  
reserved for left turn only.

County Route #517 and  
County Route #654

Northbound lane on County Route #654  
permitted for right turn only.

Section 2. Turns shall be prohibited at the following location. No person shall turn at the below described location as indicated.

**INTERSECTION****MOVEMENT**

County Route #517 and  
County Route #654

Northbound left lane on County Route #517  
prohibited for left turn.

Section 3. Regulatory and warning signs shall be erected and maintained as designated in the current Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

Section 4. This resolution shall take effect upon approval by the Commissioner of the Department of Transportation.

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

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

**RESOLUTION 534-07**

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on September 26, 2007.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY OF WARREN TO ENTER INTO AN  
UNDERGROUND UTILITY SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE OWNER OF**

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**LOT 64, BLOCK 17 IN INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP FOR THE  
CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE OF ELECTRIC,  
TELEPHONE, CABLE T.V. SERVICES WITHIN  
THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF COUNTY  
ROUTE #614**

**WHEREAS**, Owner of Lot 64, Block 17 has constructed underground electric, telephone and cable T.V. services in the right-of-way of County Route #614 to service Lot 64, Block 17 in Independence Township; and

**WHEREAS**, the County owns the right-of-way of County Route #614 in Independence Township; and

**WHEREAS**, the lot Owner and Warren County agree that the lot Owner shall own and be responsible for the construction and maintenance of the underground electric, telephone and cable T.V. services; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in the State of New Jersey hereby approves the Underground Utility Service Agreement between the Owner of Lot 64, Block 17 and the County of Warren for the construction and maintenance of the above underground electric, telephone and cable T.V. services within the right-of-way of County Route #614 in Independence Township.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Director and Clerk of the Board are hereby authorized and directed to execute said Agreement.

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

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

**RESOLUTION 535-07**

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on September 26, 2007.

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING AN EXTENSION OF TIME FOR MUNICIPALITIES TO FILE  
COMPREHENSIVE FARMLAND PRESERVATION PLANS UNDER THE  
NEW RULES OF THE SADC**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren has been strongly supportive of farmland preservation and especially supportive of Municipal Planning Incentive Grant Programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the State Agriculture Development Committee (SADC) has promulgated new rules for the implementation of both County and Municipal Programs; and

**WHEREAS**, Warren County has embarked on establishment of a Comprehensive Farmland Preservation Plan (CFFP) required under the new rules to be eligible for funding; and

**WHEREAS**, each municipality is required to establish a similar plan that relies on much of the data included in the County Plan and must be reviewed and approved by the County Agriculture Development Board (CADB) to insure compliance with the County CFFP; and

**WHEREAS**, the County CFFP will not receive approval from the SADC until at best November and the municipalities are required to have their plans to the SADC by December 15, it seems impossible given the complexity of the plan and the need for CADB review and approval, for said municipalities to conform to this deadline and they will therefore not be eligible for funding in the 2009 Fiscal Year; and

**WHEREAS**, the partnering of the County and municipalities is essential to the success of Warren County's Farmland Preservation Program as evidenced by the fact that municipalities have over 50 farms in some stage of application and, while adequate funding from the County is assured, if funding is not available from the SADC for those farms in the 2009 Fiscal Year, their preservation would be endangered.

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**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that we urgently request that the deadline for municipalities to obtain approval of their Comprehensive Farmland Preservation Plans be extended to March 15, 2008 so that the dynamic partnership of the County and municipalities can continue to preserve our precious and irreplaceable farms.

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

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

**RESOLUTION 536-07**

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on September 26, 2007.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING A LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON, PA CONCERNING THE USE OF 500 MHz FREQUENCIES LICENSED BY NORTHAMPTON COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, in the interest of improving various aspects of public safety telecommunications interoperability between the County of Warren, NJ and the County of Northampton, PA, a Letter of Understanding memorializing these plans has been executed and forwarded by the County of Northampton, PA.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders does hereby approve the Letter of Understanding of August 6, 2007 with the County of Northampton, PA concerning use of their licensed 500 MHz frequencies and does hereby authorize the Freeholder Director to execute same.

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

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

**RESOLUTION 537-07**

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on September 26, 2007.

**RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 776-05 OF DECEMBER 28, 2005 AS CONCERNS APPOINTMENT OF A FUND COMMISSIONER TO THE STATEWIDE INSURANCE FUND**

**WHEREAS**, Resolution 776-05, dated December 28, 2005 authorized Warren County to continue membership in the joint insurance fund, Statewide Insurance Fund, and also appointed Charles L. Houck as Warren County's designated Fund Commissioner and the Board of Chosen Freeholders have appointed Michael Grossmann with the working title of Insurance Risk Manager effective September 13, 2007.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that Resolution 776-05 dated December 28, 2005 is amended to appoint Michael Grossmann as the Warren County Fund Commissioner to the Statewide Insurance Fund effective immediately.

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

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

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Regarding the request for an extension of time for municipalities to file Farmland Preservation plans, Mr. Chamberlain explained that the State Agricultural Development Committee (SADC) has implemented new regulations that affect the county as well as the townships. In their Planning Incentive Grants, the townships really need to rely on what the County is doing, but with the SADC having plans for both the townships and counties due at the same time, it simply isn't fair. This action has been supported by many Freeholder Boards throughout the state as well as our legislators.

**RESOLUTION 538-07**

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on September 26, 2007.

RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC0774C AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR PROPOSALS THROUGH THE COMPETITIVE CONTRACTING MODEL FOR THE 2008 HUMAN SERVICES PROGRAMS & AREA PLAN ON AGING FUNDING.

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

**RESOLUTION 539-07**

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC0776C AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR PROPOSALS THROUGH THE COMPETITIVE CONTRACTING MODEL FOR THE 2008 PARATRANSIT PROGRAM.

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

**RESOLUTION 540-07**

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC0778 AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR A DIGITAL WIDE FORMAT PRINTER FOR THE WARREN COUNTY CLERK.

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

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On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC0779C AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR PROPOSALS THROUGH THE COMPETITIVE CONTRACTING MODEL FOR HEALTHCARE REIMBURSEMENT CONSULTING SERVICES FOR WARREN HAVEN.

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

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On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC0780 AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR FOOD SERVICE FOR THE WARREN COUNTY SENIOR NUTRITION PROGRAM (DIVISION OF SENIOR SERVICES) FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2008 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2008 WITH THE RIGHT TO EXTEND FOR TWO ADDITIONAL ONE YEAR PERIODS AS PROVIDED FOR BY THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACT LAW 40A:11-15(10).

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

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On motion by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. Gardner, RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT MODIFICATION #1 FOR CONTRACT #WC0722FO-1 WITH MEDINA CONSULTANTS, PC FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE INSPECTION OF THE

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RECONSTRUCTION OF COUNTY CULVERTS #04024, #11088 & BRIDGE #09037, BLAIRSTOWN, HOPE & HARDWICK TOWNSHIPS FOR A NET INCREASE OF \$6,800.00 AND A REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$39,440.00.

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

**MINUTES****SEPTEMBER 26, 2007****8****RESOLUTION 544-07**

On motion by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. Gardner, RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC0769C HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY CORRECTIONAL CENTER & WARREN ACRES FOR THE PERIOD OF NOVEMBER 1, 2007 THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2008 WITH THE RIGHT TO EXTEND FOR TWO ADDITIONAL ONE YEAR PERIODS TO CFG HEALTH SYSTEMS, LLC, IN THE APPROXIMATE AMOUNT OF \$1,167,242.41 FOR THE FIRST YEAR.

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

**RESOLUTION 545-07**

On motion by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. Gardner, RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC0771FOR A 2008 F-SERIES DS MOTORFUEL CALIBRATION VEHICLE WITH PROVER FOR THE WARREN COUNTY WEIGHTS & MEASURES DEPARTMENT TO PEMBERTON FABRICATORS, INC., DIVISION OF SERAPHIN TEST MEASURE IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$119,921.00.

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

**RESOLUTION 546-07**

On motion by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. Gardner, RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC0772FO FOR ELECTRONIC & MANUAL RECORD INVENTORY RECORDS MANAGEMENT & NEEDS ASSESSMENT FOR THE WARREN COUNTY INFORMATION SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT TO CHENOA INFORMATION SERVICES, INC. IN THE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$400,000.00.

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

**RESOLUTION 547-07**

On motion by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. Gardner, RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC0773FO FOR GENERAL AUDITING SERVICES (INCLUDING STATUTORY OFFICERS, MOSQUITO COMMISSION AND LIBRARY AND THE OFFICE OF TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE) FOR THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS TO NISIVOCCIA & COMPANY, LLP IN THE CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$119,850.00.

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

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On motion by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. Gardner, RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO ZETRON, INC., UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #A51008 COVERING 9-1-1 TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES FOR SERIES 3200 E9-1-1 TELEPHONE SYSTEM EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$39,598.00.

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Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

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On motion by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. Gardner, RESOLUTION RE: APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR CONTRACT WC0723, WARDEN'S HOUSE RENOVATION WITH AIRE ENTERPRISES, INC. OF COLUMBIA, NEW JERSEY FOR EXTRA BLOCK WORK, REPLASTERING OF WALLS, REPLACEMENT OF DECAYED WOOD AND INSTALLATION OF PARAPET, A NET INCREASE OF \$14,694.90 AND A FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$298,694.90.

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

**RESOLUTION 550-07**

On motion by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. Gardner, RESOLUTION RE: APPROVING CONTRACT MODIFICATION #3 FOR CONTRACT WC0667C VOICE DATA COMMUNICATIONS & NETWORK SERVICES WITH UNITED TELEPHONE COMPANY OF NEW JERSEY FOR INTEGRATION OF DISPATCH CONSOLES INTO THE PBX SYSTEM AT THE WARREN COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER, A NET INCREASE OF \$74,073.09 AND A FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$1,698,888.09.

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

**MINUTES****SEPTEMBER 26, 2007****10****RESOLUTION 551-07**

On motion by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. Gardner, RESOLUTION RE: DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AS PROVIDED FOR BY THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACT LAW 40A:11-6 AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF A DISHWASHER, HOBART MODEL #C44A FOR THE WARREN COUNTY CORRECTIONAL CENTER TO CULINARY DEPOT IN THE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$25,032.30.

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

Mr. Chamberlain said he wanted to discuss the award of contract WC0781R to Lazorisak Construction, LLC in Executive Session.

Although he had not taken the opportunity to speak during the Public Comments portion of the Agenda, Mr. Walter Menegus of White Township now wanted to be heard and the Board indulged him. Mr. Menegus referred to Title 18A of New Jersey School Law and wondered if, with the County's population growing, perhaps it was now in a different classification. He thought five years was a long time for a School Board term and that there should be a balance of Republicans and Democrats. County Counsel Joe Bell said we conform to the requirements.

**RECOMMENDATION**

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF SUSAN CUOCO FROM THE WARREN COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL.

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

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On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBER TO THE WARREN COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL:  
KENT HOBOKAN – NO TERM

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

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On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE POLLUTION CONTROL FINANCING AUTHORITY OF WARREN COUNTY:  
TODD J. YANOFF – TERM TO EXPIRE 2/1/10

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

**RESOLUTION 554-07**

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE WARREN COUNTY VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL BOARD:  
HAROLD A. WARNE – TERM TO EXPIRE 10/31/11

DAVID J. SHOTWELL – TERM TO EXPIRE 10/31/11

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

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On motion by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. Gardner, RESOLUTION APPOINTING AND REAPPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE WARREN COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEE SEARCH COMMITTEE:

LAUREL NAPOLITANI – TERM TO EXPIRE 9/26/08

ED KELLY – TERM TO EXPIRE 9/26/08

BOB ROKOSZ – TERM TO EXPIRE 9/26/08

DIANE KEBLES – TERM TO EXPIRE 9/26/08

ARTHUR SHENINGER – TERM TO EXPIRE 9/26/08

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

Mr. Chamberlain requested the Committee interview candidates and recommend four individuals to the Board who will then select two to serve in positions that will be vacated. Mr. Gardner agreed and said last year's Search Committee did a fantastic job. The members cooperated well and found a great pool of candidates from which to choose.

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On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, RESOLUTION CREATING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF PRINCIPAL CLERK, CLASSIFIED AND ABOLISHING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF PRINCIPAL CLERK TRANSCRIBER, CLASSIFIED, WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE AND SOCIAL SERVICES.

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

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No reports were submitted by County Counsel, County Engineer, County Planner or County CFO.

Regarding the County's response to the NJ DEP's request for information on deer carcass removal procedures, County Administrator Steve Marvin wondered if the Freeholders had any comments.

Also for the Board's review was a letter received from the Director of the State Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness as to whether the County would commit 1.5 FTE's (Full-Time Equivalents) over the course of the next three years as matching funds for a federal grant in the interest of interoperability across the state. Mr. Marvin cited the Budget CAP Restrictions and that no consideration appears to have been given to allocating these costs on a proportional basis across the state. Roughly 60% of the \$30 million federal grant is going to seven counties in the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI), which does not include Warren County, leaving approximately \$14 million to be shared among the other 14 counties. Since an answer had been requested within five days, Mr. Marvin suggested the Board authorize him to respond in writing saying while we are certainly willing to participate, we are not willing to commit – especially on a three year basis – that amount of matching money. Mr. Chamberlain asked if Public Safety Director Dave Gallant was in agreement. The answer was affirmative.

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On motion by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. Gardner, AUTHORIZATION FOR COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO RESPOND IN WRITING TO THE STATE OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND PREPAREDNESS REGARDING MATCHING FUNDS FOR A FEDERAL GRANT IN THE INTEREST OF INTEROPERABILITY ACROSS THE STATE.

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

Mr. Marvin reminded the Board of the County Service Awards Dinner to be held at Bello Giorno on October 5.

Under Freeholder Comments, Mr. DiMaio said he wanted to speak with County Engineer Dave Hicks and County Planner Dave Dech regarding an upcoming meeting on the Hope truck traffic issue. Mr. Chamberlain said the State has all the authority, but has not been responsive. Permission to place a sign on Route 80 directing trucks to get off at the Columbia exit was denied.

In reference to deer carcasses, Mr. Gardner criticized the State for questioning how we deal with a situation that was forced upon us, yet they can leave a dead deer laying on a State Highway for four or five days as they did on Route 31 recently.

Mr. Gardner wanted to pursue lowering energy costs by utilizing energy-efficient lighting whenever possible. Although such light bulbs may cost more for the initial purchase, they are worthwhile in the long run. Mr. Chamberlain suggested conferring with the Purchasing Department regarding energy conservation and cost.

Back to the subject of dead deer, Mr. Chamberlain said the State discards about 400 tons of deer carcasses a year to the landfills. We have found a business willing to recycle the carcasses in a way that is mutually beneficial and now we are being taken to task on it.

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We find creative ways to overcome problems and operate efficiently, said Mr. DiMaio and the State makes it more difficult for our level of government to operate.

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Mr. Chamberlain then asked for Public Comments.

Mr. Ed Yarusinsky, Warren County Technical School Education Association (WTEA) President and a teacher at the school for 30 years, was the first to speak. The teachers at Warren Tech have been working without a contract for more than one year and have not had a raise since September of 2005, he said. The School District and the union have spent a lot of time trying to negotiate a new agreement to replace the contract that expired in June of 2006 and a tentative Agreement was reached in January, 2007. A Memorandum of Agreement, signed by representatives of both parties, obligated the WTEA and the District's bargaining committee to recommend this Agreement for ratification, said Mr. Yarusinsky. The WTEA ratified the Agreement on May 24, 2007, but the tentative Agreement was not brought before the full Board of Education until September 19, 2007 at which time it was rejected.

Yarusinsky alleged that Mr. Harold Warne, the Board's President and chief negotiator, tried to implement significant changes after the tentative Agreement was signed by both parties before presenting it before the Board of Education. The Agreement was fair, said Mr. Yarusinsky and we're only asking for that which has already been bargained for in good faith. The WTEA is trying to avoid confrontation. We just want the matter brought to a close so we can return to what we do best – provide a quality education to our students, he said. In light of what has transpired, "With whom do we negotiate?" asked Yarusinsky. Members of the WTEA include custodians, secretaries and teachers.

Mr. Yarusinsky asked the Board of Chosen Freeholders to intervene since they appoint members to the Vo-Tech's Board of Education. We simply want them to ratify what they already agreed to, he said.

County Counsel Joe Bell thought this matter fell under the auspices of the Public Employment Relations Commission (PERC) in which case, to respond would be "improper and imprudent". Mr. Yarusinsky's clearly expressed comment would be taken under advisement, but Mr. Bell advised the Freeholders against engaging in any dialogue at this time.

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After a bit more discussion, Patrick Rumaker, the WTEA's Rep/Consultant in NJEA Communications, emphasized their point is that the Board of Education already signed and agreed to conditions only to renege.

Next to speak was Warren County Technical School Teacher Walt Menegus. In his opinion, five year terms for School Board Members are "ridiculous". He suggested a roundtable discussion including representatives from the School Board and the WTEA and all three Freeholders. We've got a problem, said Mr. Menegus. He felt there should be more accountability since the Freeholders appoint the School Board Members. He seemed to think there would be more proper representation on the School Board if the members were elected rather than appointed.

Mr. Chamberlain explained that this Freeholder Board did not ask to be the appointing authority. One of the problems in the past was that the Vo-Tech Budgets were not being passed

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by the public. The Freeholders at that time, decided to change the organization to bring it under the Boards of School Estimate. That was not the action of this Freeholder Board; that was given to us. Mr. Chamberlain said he didn't have a problem with going back to having the public vote on the Budget and elect School Board Members.

As far as being accountable, continued Mr. Chamberlain, I think we are very accountable. You have a negotiation process in which we're not involved. You have to negotiate through the proper channels.

Mr. Gardner pointed out that this Freeholder Board has been accountable and supportive by keeping our financial commitment to the Vo-Tech through several different administrators. We are teaching tomorrow's work force, he said.

Mr. Marvin suggested the WTEA go back to the mediator involved with the negotiations, Thomas Hartigan, who is very reasonable, competent and thorough. This Freeholder Board is not a party to the agreement and should not participate in negotiations disputes.

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Ms. Jasmine Slowik, another Vo-Tech teacher, then approached the Board to comment on behalf of the students. These students attend Warren Tech because they choose to, not because they have to, she said. We need to keep the best educational interests of the students in mind.

Mr. Chamberlain said the Vo-Tech is a wonderful institution in Warren County. The faculty and staff are very much appreciated in all they do. All teachers are appreciated because they go above and beyond in most cases.

Blairstown Township Committee Member Richard Mott commented to express appreciation for the Freeholders' participation in Open Space Programs. Almost 1,000 acres of land have been put into preservation in Blairstown Township. Your money extends our money, so we've been able to preserve some beautiful pieces of property and we wanted to thank you, said Mr. Mott.

Mr. Menegus had one more announcement regarding a Tractorama and barbeque being held the last Saturday in October to benefit the fire company.

**RESOLUTION 557-07**

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, at 8:45 p.m. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS PROVIDING FOR A MEETING NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12.

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, the Board adjourned executive session at 10:03 p.m. and returned to open session.

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

**RESOLUTION 558-07**

On motion by Mr. DiMaio, seconded by Mr. Gardner, RESOLUTION APPROVING A PROMOTIONAL SALARY ADJUSTMENT FOR RICHARD MOORE IN THE POSITION OF WARREN COUNTY LIBRARY DIRECTOR.

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Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

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**RESOLUTION 559-07**

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC0781R TO LAZORISAK CONSTRUCTION, LLC OF OXFORD, NEW JERSEY FOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT/OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE SERVICES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY LIBRARY/HUMAN SERVICES/PHNA/ELECTION BOARD BUILDING PROJECT AT A \$60.00 PER HOUR RATE AND WITH REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES IN A TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$84,000.00.

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, and there being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

Recorded Vote: Mr. Gardner yes, Mr. DiMaio yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes