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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 April 23, 2008 at 6:35 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Director DiMaio and upon roll call, the following members were present: Freeholder John DiMaio, Freeholder Richard Gardner and Freeholder Everett Chamberlain. 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 DiMaio.

Director DiMaio read the following statement: **“ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING OF APRIL 23, 2008 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. Gardner, seconded by Mr. DiMaio, the Minutes of the Regular Session held on March 26, 2008 were approved.

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

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the Minutes of the Regular Session held on April 9, 2008 were approved.

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

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the Minutes of the Executive Session held on April 9, 2008 were approved.

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

In addition to Architect James Guerra, Projects Committee Chairman Joseph Houston, Subcommittee Chair Laurel Napolitani and County Engineer Dave Hicks participated in the update and presentation of floor plans for the new building to accommodate the Library Headquarters, Human Services Department, PHNA and Election Board. Other Projects Committee Members in attendance were Jane Primerano, Richard Moore and James Durborow. Mr. Chamberlain said he thought having this meeting was important and that a few more should be held to provide updates as the process moves along.

In a meeting that would last for about an hour, Mr. Guerra presented several renderings depicting different aspects of the proposed building. We've come a long

way, he said, but we still have a way to go. The structure has been sited and shaped while maintaining the overall predetermined square footage. The Library will encompass 20,000 square feet on the lower level with the Human Services Department occupying 20,000

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square feet on the upper level. The Public Health Nursing Agency will be located on the upper level with the Election Board below. Each of these departments will consist of 10,000 square feet. Parking lots will be constructed on both sides of the building (upper and lower levels).

A pitched roof design allows for a 13,000 square foot attic space suitable for storage. It was noted that PHNA has a lot of records to store. Solar panels are 10,000 square feet and can be accommodated on the roof. Adding dormers would not only add architectural interest, but bring in natural light to the attic, transforming it into usable office space. Mr. Guerra said aesthetically, he would like the dormers; it's a matter of cost. He estimated about \$3,000-\$4,000 apiece.

The main building design consists of 65,000 square feet not including the 13,000 square foot attic. Mr. Hicks pointed out that so far, the design does not include a lunchroom or vending area which should be added. Mr. Guerra estimated a cost of \$225 per square foot of "finished space" which includes carpeting, lighting, etc. – "everything but furniture". The attic area was estimated to cost \$100 per square foot. A timeline had construction slated to begin in April or May of 2009 and be completed by the end of 2010.

Regarding alternative energy and the LEEDS Program, a grant has been applied for through the State of New Jersey Board of Public Utilities. Feedback on status of the grant is expected in three to four weeks. Mr. Guerra said decisions should be made soon in terms of "green" and solar materials selections. Next to be examined will be geothermal energy.

Mr. DiMaio requested scheduling a workshop meeting in June or July. There seemed to be a consensus for the third Wednesday in July. Decisions on mechanical systems and other materials can be made at that time. Mr. Gardner expressed his preference for the exterior color of the new building to be similar to the Wayne Dumont, Jr. Building.

Mr. Gardner said the building still does not have a name. He suggested "The Warren County Library and Human Resource Center". Mr. Chamberlain said he hadn't given the matter any thought yet.

Mr. Houston thanked Laurel Napolitani and Dave Hicks for their efforts on helping to bring the project to this point. This portion of the meeting concluded at 7:26 and recessed for a five minute break.

Upon return to Open Session at 7:31, the Freeholders and Shade Tree Commission Members presented awards to contest winning second grade students. Paige Lippman, Connor Breeding and Jessica Miccio from Frelinghuysen Township School placed first, second and third, respectively. Their teacher, Mrs. Mai, was unable

to attend. Teresa LaParch from Mrs. Lipp's class in Harmony Township School won first place in her class. Shade Tree Commission Members participating were Bill Kohler, Milly Rice and Dick Mach.

PROCLAMATION 229-08

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, 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 April 23, 2008.

PROCLAMATION – ARBOR DAY OBSERVANCE, APRIL 25, 2008

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WHEREAS, in 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees; and

WHEREAS, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, with states passing legislation to observe Arbor Day and the tradition began in schools nationwide in 1882; and

WHEREAS, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world; and today the most common date for the state observances is the last Friday in April and several U.S. Presidents have proclaimed a national Arbor Day on that date; and Thomas Jefferson stated, "I never before knew the full value of trees, under them I breakfast, dine, write, read and receive my company"; and

WHEREAS, trees can beautify your home, attract wildlife and lower your heating and cooling bills, reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water and by planting the right tree in the right place, tree placement saves trees and utility wires, trees help fight global warming and planting a tree can provide a lasting memorial to the ones we love;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders hereby proclaim April 25, 2008 as Arbor Day in the County of Warren and urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands; and

FURTHER, we hope to inspire people to plant, nurture and celebrate trees for future generations to come.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a proclamation adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Mr. Chamberlain said this is a wonderful event to recognize. The more trees we plant, the more beneficial to the environment. They beautify the landscape and provide habitat for animals. He thought it was wonderful that these young people are appreciative enough to get actively involved as well as their parents.

Mr. Gardner noted that so many streets in our towns and cities are named after trees. In agriculture years ago, trees were completely cleared to make room for crops, but it then became understood that trees are needed for wind breaks and to prevent soil erosion. Trees stabilize the soil and add aesthetic beauty.

Mr. DiMaio spoke of planting a tree in his own yard last weekend. Trees provide shade on a hot summer day. They enhance the world in which we live and provide the oxygen we breathe. Mr. Mach thanked the Board for their continued support of the Shade Tree Commission.

PROCLAMATION 230-08

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, 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 April 23, 2008.

PROCLAMATION – OLDER AMERICANS MONTH, MAY 2008

WHEREAS, each year, the month of May is designated as "Older Americans

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Month” by the State and Federal Government; and

WHEREAS, there are approximately twenty thousand Warren County residents over the age of sixty; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders have made it a tradition to designate the month of May as a time to recognize and honor older residents of the County; and

WHEREAS, our older residents have and continue to make vital contributions to their families, their communities, the workforce and to society; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders do and will continue to encourage and support local programs and initiatives for older adults which promote healthy aging, maintaining personal independence and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders wish to make it known that Warren County’s older residents are vital, contributing and esteemed members of our county;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders do hereby proclaim May, 2008 as Older Americans Month in Warren County.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a proclamation adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Mr. Chamberlain said he views 60’s as the new middle age. We have a very active senior group out there, he said and they will continue to be active with advances in healthcare. Our seniors provide experience, wisdom and expertise and many serve their community as volunteers.

Mr. Gardner said he had attended a function earlier in the day at Warren Haven where he was impressed with the vivaciousness of so many older people who are “in tune to what’s going on”. They contribute so much and there is a lot to be learned from them.

Mr. DiMaio mentioned the County’s progressive senior program and publicly recognized Senior Services Division Director Sue Lennon for doing a great job along with her staff. Mr. DiMaio’s own father is 74 years old and still actively performing a lot of physical labor, he said.

Wilson Woolf, Chairman of the Senior Services Advisory Council, accepted the proclamation with appreciation. Seniors are now living longer. Some view that as a cost, but we look at it as a resource, he said. Warren County was selected as a model to improve efficiency in delivery of care and services. Mr. Woolf said we have the opportunity and responsibility to keep seniors in their homes as long as possible by increasing home health care. Mr. Woolf praised the administration and staff of the County’s Senior Services Division for the exemplary job they do.

PROCLAMATION 231-08

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following proclamation was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

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WHEREAS, mental health is critical for the well-being and vitality of our families, business and communities; and

WHEREAS, mental illness will strike one in five Americans in a given year regardless of age, gender, ethnicity, religion, or economic status; and

WHEREAS, mental disorders, collectively, make mental illnesses the most prevalent health problem in America today, have a staggering amount of impact on our nation, and cost an estimated 165 billion dollars per year; and

WHEREAS, up to 10% of Warren County residents may develop a serious and persistent mental illness in his or her lifetime; and

WHEREAS, the stigma of mental illness prevents many people from obtaining the quality mental health services they need and deserve, and only 20% of adults suffering from a diagnosable mental illness seek treatment of any sort, and only 20% of children who need mental health care receive it; and

WHEREAS, effective mental health care reduces serious physical health problems and are as, or more, responsive to treatment than physical disorders; and

WHEREAS, mental health care is an important investment in our nation, our families and ourselves; the cost of untreated mental health problems is far greater than the cost of providing effective, efficient and affordable preventive mental health services;

WHEREAS, the Warren County Mental Health Board, in partnership with the County of Warren, will continue to promote the prevention and treatment of mental illness and support community-based programs that serve Warren County residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren does hereby proclaim the month of May as “Mental Health Month”.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a proclamation adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Mr. Chamberlain said often times mental illness symptoms are not apparent or easily recognized. Individuals and the public in general need to be aware and prepared to react to signs and get help as soon as possible.

Mr. Gardner said today we do have the ability to diagnose and seek treatment if necessary. Sometimes nutraceutical compounds can get people back in good mental health.

Mr. DiMaio said when it comes to conditions such as depression, post-partum disorder and manic depression, unless someone is afflicted with it or is close to the individual, it's hard to understand. These conditions are very serious and can be quite sad. Accurate diagnosis and staying on medication as prescribed are very important.

Mental Health Board Chairwoman Nancy Lowery accepted the proclamation and thanked the Board on behalf of mental health consumers. She said one in five individuals will be affected by some form of mental illness in their lifetimes. A movement is underway to

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eliminate the stigma associated with mental illness, Ms. Lowery said.

PROCLAMATION 232-08

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following proclamation was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

**PROCLAMATION – NATIONAL VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION WEEK,
“VOLUNTEER TO CHANGE THE WORLD”**

WHEREAS, National Volunteer Recognition Week began in 1974 when President Nixon signed an Executive Order establishing an annual celebration of volunteerism and every President since has signed a proclamation promoting the week; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey established the Governor’s Office of Volunteerism to support the growth and development of volunteerism throughout the state through promotion, coordination and enhancement of citizen participation; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Department of Human Services has established a network of advisory groups comprised of approximately 300 volunteers who dedicate their time to make a real difference in the lives of children, adolescents, adults and the elderly; and

WHEREAS, volunteers are increasingly recognized as important members of government and community partnerships as they lend expertise, advice on local program services and priority needs in the area of human and social services; and

WHEREAS, council or committee members represent a variety of both private and public sectors, including business, education, faith based organizations and other constituency groups;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren does hereby proclaim the week of April 27-May 3, 2008 as National Volunteer Week in Warren County to honor the many volunteer members who dedicate their time and commitment in serving on one of the Warren County Department of Human Service’s advisory groups.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a proclamation adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Mr. Chamberlain said our volunteers make most of our systems work and we’re very proud and thankful for having so many active volunteers in Warren County.

Mr. Gardner said volunteerism is very American when you think of EMS, fire, churches and school organizations. Volunteers help to make the system whole.

Mr. DiMaio said on the local, county and state levels, “We just couldn’t do it without our volunteers.” Everyone needs to pitch in and do their part, he said, and many do exactly that in Warren County.

Human Services Director Karen Kubert accepted the proclamation. She said in speaking to other counties, Warren County is unique not only in that we have so many valued volunteers, but that we listen to our volunteers. Ms. Kubert said she feels local people know how to make their own decisions – a “bottom up” approach. She expressed

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appreciation to the Freeholders for their support.

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Gardner at 8:15 p.m., **OPENED PUBLIC HEARING ON RESOLUTION TO EXCEED THE COUNTY TAX LEVY LIMITS.**

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

Mr. Houck said this is a statutory formality required to allow the County to increase its tax levy from 2.5% to 3.5% over the previous year's levy.

There were no public comments or questions.

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Gardner at 8:16 p.m., **CLOSED PUBLIC HEARING ON RESOLUTION TO EXCEED THE COUNTY TAX LEVY LIMITS.**

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

RESOLUTION 233-08

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION TO EXCEED THE COUNTY TAX LEVY LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK AS PER N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a county shall limit any increase in its county tax levy to 2.5% unless authorized by resolution to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's county tax levy, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a county may, when authorized by resolution, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual county tax levy and the 3.5% percentage rate , subject to certain exceptions, as an exception to its final county tax levies in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2008 budget by up to 3.5%, subject to certain exceptions, over the previous year's final county tax levy, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders hereby determines that a one percent increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$ 382,699 in excess of the increase in final county tax levy otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS the Board of Chosen Freeholders hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not levied as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final county tax levy in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2008 budget year, the budget of the County of Warren shall, in accordance with this resolution and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be

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increased by one percent, amounting to \$ 382,699, and that the CY 2008 county budget for the County of Warren be approved and adopted in accordance with this resolution; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not levied as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to the final county tax levy in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such 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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain at 8:17 p.m., **OPENED PUBLIC HEARING ON THE FISCAL YEAR 2008 COUNTY OF WARREN ANNUAL BUDGET.**

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

There were no public comments or questions.

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Gardner at 8:18 p.m., **CLOSED PUBLIC HEARING ON THE FISCAL YEAR 2008 COUNTY OF WARREN ANNUAL BUDGET.**

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

RESOLUTION 234-08

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, 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 April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION DECLARING THAT THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN FOR THE YEAR 2008 COMPLIES WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF N.J.S.A. 40A:4-8 AND THAT THE BUDGET SHALL BE READ BY ITS TITLE

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-8. provides that the county budget may be read by its title at the public hearing if, at least one week prior to the date of the hearing, a complete copy of the approved budget is available for public inspection in each free municipal and county public library and the public officer delegated the responsibility for delivering copies of the approved budget to such libraries provides to the governing body an attestation that each such delivery was made, and copies are made available to each person requesting the same, during said week and during the public hearing; and

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WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-8. also provides that the governing body shall, by resolution passed by not less than a majority of the full membership, determine that the budget shall be read by its title and declare that the conditions set forth above have been met; and

WHEREAS, the public officer delegated the responsibility for delivering

copies of the approved budget to such libraries has provided to the governing body an attestation that each such delivery was made, and copies were available to each person requesting the same, during said week and during the public hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren does hereby declare that the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-8 subsections 1.a and 1.b have been met; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that by virtue of the fact that the prerequisite conditions have been met, the budget shall be read by its title.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 235-08

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2008

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the budget herein set forth is hereby adopted and shall constitute an appropriation for the purposes stated of the sums therein set forth as appropriations, and authorization of the amount of \$68,451,996.00 dollars for the county to be raised by taxation and certification to the County Board of Taxation of the following summary of general revenues and appropriations.

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

1. General Revenues

Surplus Anticipated 40003-10	\$ 6,249,999.02
Miscellaneous Revenues Anticipated 40004-10	\$ 34,492,522.51
Receipts for Delinquent Taxes 41419-10	0.00

2. AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR COUNTY PURPOSES (Item 6, Sheet 9) 41417-10 \$ 68,451,996.00

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Total General Revenues 40000-10

\$109,194,517.53**SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS**

3. General Appropriations	
(a&b) Operations Including Contingent	\$ 87,273,562.51
(c) Capital Improvements	\$ 11,969,474.00
(d) County Debt Service	\$ 4,077,963.22
(e) Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures-County	\$ 5,873,517.80
(f) Judgements	\$ 0.00
(g) Cash Deficit	\$ 0.00
Total General Appropriations	<u>\$109,194,517.53</u>

It is hereby certified that this summary is a true copy of the budget finally adopted by resolution of the Board of Chosen Freeholders on the 23rd day of April, 2008. It is further certified that each item of revenue and appropriation is set forth in the same amount and by the same title as appeared in the 2008 approved budget and all amendments thereto, if any, which have been previously approved by the Director of Local Government Services.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Mr. Gardner said he would have expected more people to come out to talk about the budget, but in these challenging economic times, families are faced with their own issues to deal with. This year, the budget was tough and next year will be even tougher, Mr. Gardner said. Revenues are down. Under the circumstances, we are doing a service to the taxpayer by holding the line on spending.

Mr. Chamberlain said the budget process is always difficult and that task took even longer this year due to the CAP System. Difficult choices have to be made. We should really start next year's budget process as soon as possible, he said.

Mr. DiMaio said there is no doubt that 2009 will be a budget challenge with increases in utilities, field costs and insurance. Add that to losses of revenues and CAP restrictions. Fortunately, we believe in paying for things up front and have deposited funds in our capital account for upcoming building projects, Mr. DiMaio said. This county has always been pretty proactive in providing services to our residents, but many of these services are discretionary. We have still achieved a bit of a tax rate cut, Mr. DiMaio said. He thanked Pete Houck and Fiscal Analyst Dan Olshefski for all their work during the process.

Mr. Gardner added that Warren still has the lowest net debt service of any county in the state which is good news for our younger citizens. He said he had recently seen a list of foreclosures throughout the state and the sheer numbers were "alarming".

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On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, 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 April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2008 BUDGET FOR THE WARREN COUNTY LIBRARY AND ESTABLISHING THE AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR THE USE OF THE WARREN COUNTY FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the Warren County Public Library budget herein set forth is hereby adopted and shall constitute an appropriation for the purposes stated of the sums therein set forth as appropriations, and authorization of the amount of \$5,484,463.00 dollars for the county to be raised by taxation and certification to the County Board of Taxation of the following summary of general revenues and appropriations.

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

General Revenues	
Surplus Appropriated	\$ 700,000.00
State Aid	\$ 35,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenues Anticipated	\$ 80,000.00
AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION	<u>\$ 5,484,463.00</u>
Total General Revenues	<u>\$ 6,299,463.00</u>

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS

General Appropriations	
Operations Including Contingent	\$ 4,308,950.00
Capital Improvements	<u>\$ 1,990,513.00</u>
Total Appropriations	<u>\$ 6,299,463.00</u>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:33-9, the sum of \$5,484,463.00 is hereby authorized to be raised by taxation for the use of the Warren County Free Public Library; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders is hereby instructed to notify the Warren County Board of Taxation of this action.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Mr. Chamberlain said our Library personnel do a fantastic job. The headquarters branch has been in temporary quarters since 1973, so plans for a new building are long overdue. Comments from the public about our Library System are always very positive, he said.

Mr. Gardner said Library usage is widespread. The staff is very helpful and Library Director Richard Moore does a "fantastic job", he said.

Mr. DiMaio agreed the Library does a wonderful job. Their budget also includes deposits into its capital account for their new building.

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On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND THE APPROPRIATION OF \$7,462,695 FROM THE WARREN COUNTY GENERAL CAPITAL FUND BUDGET FOR SUCH PURPOSES

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The capital improvements described in Section 2(A) of this Ordinance are hereby authorized as General Improvements to be made by the County of Warren, New Jersey. There is hereby appropriated the sum of \$7,462,695 from the Capital Improvement Fund account in the General Capital Fund of the County of Warren for the said improvements or purposes stated in Section 2(A).

Section 2(A). The improvements hereby authorized and the proposed appropriations are for the following purposes:

(1)	Road Resurfacing Improvements	\$ 2,299,000
(2)	Road and Drainage Improvements Design, construct or reconstruct and improve various county roads and intersections.	\$ 810,000
(3)	Bridge and Culvert Improvements Design, construct or reconstruct and improve various county bridges and culverts	\$ 445,000
(4)	Equipment and Furnishings Acquisition of office, communications, safety & security, maintenance equipment, furniture & furnishings, and computer hardware and software	\$ 1,740,124
(5)	Buildings & Grounds Improvements Design, construct or renovate and improve various county facilities	\$ 1,442,071
(6)	Specialty Vehicles and Maintenance and Construction Equipment Trucks, snowplows, sanders, tractors, mowers, and maintenance and heavy construction equipment	\$ 726,000
(7)	Building and Land Acquisitions	\$ <u>0</u>
	Total appropriations	<u>\$ 7,462,695</u>

Section 2(B). The maximum amount of money to be appropriated for said purposes is \$7,462,695, no part of which is to be borrowed.

Section 3. The said purposes described in Section 2(A) of this Ordinance are not Current Expenses and are for the improvements or purposes as stated above, no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on the property benefited thereby.

Section 4. These appropriations are made as a result of the need to improve

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existing county infrastructure and facilities.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall be published, together with a Notice of Introduction thereof and of the Date of Final Passage in the manner provided by law. Final Passage is scheduled for Wednesday, May 14, 2008 at 7:30 PM., in the Freeholders Meeting Room, Wayne Dumont Jr. Administration Building, 165 County Road 519 South, Belvidere, New Jersey or at such other date and time to which it may be adjourned.

Section 6. At least one (1) week prior to the date set for Final Passage of this Ordinance, there shall be posted on the bulletin board of the Board of Chosen Freeholders, a copy of this Ordinance and a notice that copies of same will be made available upon request during the ensuing week up to and including the date set for final passage and the notice shall set forth the place at which such copies may be made available; and

Section 7. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage as provided herein.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 238-08

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, 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 April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION TO PAY BILLS

Be and it is hereby resolved that Master Voucher Certificate **For Certification / Ratification for Payments No. 2008-15 and 2008-16 dated April 23, 2008** in the amount of **\$ 2,432,037.63** including payrolls, allowances, bills and investments, is approved subject to the review of the vouchers by the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

2008-15	4/16/08	\$	459,295.29	
2008-16	4/23/08		499,869.02	
TOTAL				\$ 959,164.31
Payroll	4/10/08	\$	1,472,153.32	
Subsistence	4/10/08		720.00	
TOTAL				<u>1,472,873.32</u>
GRAND TOTAL				<u><u>\$ 2,432,037.63</u></u>

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 239-08

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, 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 April 23, 2008.

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WHEREAS, on June 26, 2002, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders reorganized the Warren County Department of Human Services and established the Division of Senior Services; and

WHEREAS, since 2005, the Warren County Division of Senior Services has been the New Jersey State pilot site for the implementation of the Federal Aging and Disability Resource Connection (ADRC) project initiative; and

WHEREAS, as the NJ lead agency for the ADRC project, the Warren County Division of Senior Services has been successful in integrating the administration of Warren County grant programs targeted specifically for the adult physically disabled population; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Senior Services staffs the bi-monthly meetings of the Warren County Advisory Council on Disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Senior Services Advisory Council and the Warren County Advisory Council on Disabilities support this reorganization and designation; and

WHEREAS, this consolidation of administration and services within the Department of Human Services to form a newly-designated Division of Aging and Disability Services will improve efficiency, coordination of programs, and the provision of services to Warren County's older adults as well as to Warren County's residents with disabilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders does hereby approve the re-designation of the Warren County Department of Human Services, Division of Senior Services, as the Division of Aging and Disability Services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all internal administrative and program responsibilities associated with the administration of the Division of Senior Services under the Federal Older Americans Act and the NJ State Department of Health & Senior Services shall remain unchanged.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders shall forward a certified true copy of this adopted resolution to the New Jersey Department of Health & Senior Services, New Jersey State Area Agency on Aging Administrator and the New Jersey Department of Human Services and the Office on Aging in other counties.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that programs and services previously rendered to the residents of Warren County shall in no way be diminished.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 240-08

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, 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 April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR OF BOARD TO EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENT 2008-2152-00 WITH THE NJ DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

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FOR \$15,000 STATE FUNDS AND \$3,000 ANTICIPATED COUNTY MATCHING FUNDS THROUGH THE CY '08 RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES GRANT AGREEMENT, THEREBY REDUCING THE ORIGINAL GRANT APPLICATION TOTALING \$22,645 STATE FUNDS AND \$4,529 COUNTY MATCHING FUNDS

WHEREAS, on July 11, 2007 the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders approved a grant application for \$22,645 state funds and \$4,529 county matching funds to the NJ Department of Community Affairs for anticipated 2008 Recreational Opportunities for Individuals with Disabilities (ROID) grant funding; and

WHEREAS, the NJ Department of Community Affairs has subsequently awarded Warren County a total of \$15,000 through the 2008 ROID Grant (2008-2152-00) which requires a local match from the county of \$3,000; funds to be subcontracted as follows:

	<u>DCA ROID</u>	<u>County Match</u>
The Arc	\$ 9,600	\$ 1,920
DAWN CIL	\$ 5,400	\$ 1,080

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the Director of the Board is authorized to execute grant agreement with the NJ Department of Community Affairs for a total of \$15,000 state funds and \$3,000 anticipated county matching funds for CY' 08; funds to be used by The ARC and DAWN CIL.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 241-08

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, 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 April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION APPROVING PARTICIPATION WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY IN THE EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM (JAG) ADMINISTERED BY THE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY

WHEREAS, the Warren County Prosecutor's Office wishes to apply for funding for a project under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren has reviewed the accompanying application and has approved said request; and

WHEREAS, the project is a joint effort between the Department of Law and Public Safety and the Warren County Prosecutor's Office for the purpose described in the application;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that

- 1) As a matter of public policy the Warren County Prosecutor's Office wishes to participate to the fullest extent possible with the Department of Law and Public Safety.

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- 2) The Attorney General will receive funds on behalf of the applicant.
- 3) The Division of Criminal Justice shall be responsible for the receipt and review of the applications for said funds.
- 4) The Division of Criminal Justice shall initiate allocations to each applicant as authorized.

Grant # JAG 1-24LL-06

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 242-08

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, 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 April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE AN APPLICATION TO THE NJ DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,274.00 FEDERAL MONEY AND THE COUNTY MATCH OF \$1,758.00 FOR A TOTAL OF \$7,032.00 FOR THE PERIOD MARCH 1, 2008 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2009 FOR USE BY THE MEGAN'S LAW ENFORCEMENT UNIT

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 to the NJ Division of Criminal Justice for the Warren County Prosecutor's Office in the amount of \$5,274.00 federal money and the county match of \$1,758.00 for a total of \$7,032.00 for the period March 1, 2008 through February 28, 2009 and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the part-time intern position will not be utilized after the grant funds have been expended.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 243-08

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, 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 April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WARREN COUNTY TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF HEPATITIS B IMMUNIZATION VACCINES BY THE WARREN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING AGENCY TO CERTAIN PERSONNEL EMPLOYED BY BLAIRSTOWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

WHEREAS, there is a need to provide Hepatitis B inoculations to certain personnel employed by Blairstown Elementary School, P.O. Box E, Blairstown, NJ 07825; and

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WHEREAS, the local office of Blairstown Elementary School has requested that the Warren County Health Department, through the 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 certain personnel of Blairstown Elementary School;

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 agreement providing for Hepatitis B inoculations by the Warren County Health Department, Public Health Nursing Agency, to relevant personnel of Blairstown Elementary School.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 244-08

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, 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 April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER TO SUBMIT THE 2007 WARREN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES

WHEREAS, NJS 26:3-35 and the "Public Health Standards of Performance for Local Boards of Health in New Jersey" requires every local or county health department to submit an annual report to the New Jersey State Department of Health, and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Health Officer has prepared the required report for the year 2007;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders approves the report and authorizes its submission to the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 245-08

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, 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 April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION ADOPTING "WARREN COUNTY TRAFFIC CONTROL POLICIES" FOR USE ON THE WARREN COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM

WHEREAS, there is a need to formalize and standardize present County policies so they can be uniformly applied Countywide; and

WHEREAS, specific written guidelines and policies will help avoid miscommunications and unnecessary investigations.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren in the State of New Jersey does hereby approve the attached

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policy titled "Warren County Traffic Control Policies", dated April 9, 2008.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 246-08

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, 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 April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE USE OF COUNTY ROUTE #612 (JOHNSONBURG ROAD) AND COUNTY ROUTE #667, ALLAMUCHY TOWNSHIP, ON SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 2008 FOR THE ALLAMUCHY DAY PARADE

WHEREAS, the Allamuchy Day Committee has requested permission to use County Route #612 (Johnsonburg Road) and County Route #667 between the intersection of Spring Brook Road and the Allamuchy Elementary School on Saturday, June 7, 2008, from approximately 12:00 noon to approximately 12:30 PM for the Allamuchy Day Parade.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren does hereby approve the use and closing of a section of County Route #612 and County Route #667 for the above mentioned event with the following conditions:

1. Approval of the event by the Township.
2. All barricades, detours, and traffic control signs shall conform to the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.
3. Police supervision of the barricading of the roads and handling of safety shall be provided.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 247-08

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, 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 April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF A DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON THE SHOE BOX FARM, BLOCK 92, LOT 14 IN BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 23 ACRES PROVIDING COUNTY FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP'S SHARE OF THE PURCHASE

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WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren has determined that the property known as the Shoe Box Farm located on Block 92 Lot 14 in Blairstown Township, consisting of approximately 23 acres, has available for purchase a development easement in accordance with the requirements of the farmland preservation programs; and

WHEREAS, preliminary approval for the purchase of development rights on this farm has been granted by the State Agriculture Development Committee and final approval by the Warren County Agriculture Development Board; and

WHEREAS, the property is part of an approved Planning Incentive Grant application; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of the development easement on the property will encourage the survivability of productive agriculture in Warren County.

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

1. The Board hereby grants permission for the purchase of the development easement on the above described property based on an easement value of \$10,000.00 per acre as certified by the State Agriculture Development Committee (SADC). Cost to be shared with the SADC and Blairstown Township as follows: SADC \$1,186.96, Warren County \$4,406.52, Blairstown Township \$4,406.52, plus the additional amount they have contracted with the applicant.

2. This approval includes the following conditions:

- a. One (1) non-severable exception of two (2) acre
- b. No non-agriculture use on the premises

3. The County's share in regard to the purchase of said easement shall be no greater than the share that the Township of Blairstown provides, the County's share is estimated at \$101,350.00. The Freeholder Director or Administrator of Warren County is authorized to sign the Assignment of Deed of Easement, the Cost Share Agreement, and any and all documents necessary for the acquisition of the development easement on the above property in the Township of Blairstown, County of Warren, State of New Jersey under the terms outlined above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that adequate funds in the amount of \$101,350.00 in account #03895-5067-8950829-5067 have been certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 248-08

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the following resolution

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was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF A DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON THE WHITE TOWNSHIP FARM, BLOCK 18, LOT 13.03 IN WHITE TOWNSHIP CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 20 ACRES

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren has determined that the property known as the White Township Farm located on Block 92, Lot 14, in White Township, consisting of approximately 20 acres, has available for purchase a development easement in accordance with the requirements of the farmland preservation programs; and

WHEREAS, preliminary approval for the purchase of development rights on this farm has been granted by the State Agriculture Development Committee and final approval by the Warren County Agriculture Development Board; and

WHEREAS, the property is part of an approved Planning Incentive Grant application; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of the development easement on the property will encourage the survivability of productive agriculture in Warren County.

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

1. The Board hereby grants permission for the purchase of the development easement on the above described property based on an easement value of \$11,112.48 per acre as certified by the State Agriculture Development Committee (SADC). Cost to be shared with the SADC and White Township as follows: SADC \$6,667.49 Warren County \$2,222.50, White Township \$2,222.50, plus the additional amount they have contracted with the applicant.

2. This approval includes the following conditions:

- a. One (1) non-severable exception of one (1) acres
- b. No non-agriculture use on the premises

3. The County's share in regard to the purchase of said easement shall be no greater than the share that the Township of White provides, the County's share is estimated at \$44,450.00. The Freeholder Director or Administrator of Warren County is authorized to sign the Assignment of Deed of Easement, the Cost Share Agreement, and any and all documents necessary for the acquisition of the development easement on the above property in the Township of White, County of Warren, State of New Jersey under the terms outlined above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that adequate funds in the amount of \$44,450.00 in account #03895-5067-8950828-5067 have been certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

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Mr. Chamberlain stepped down from the dais.

RESOLUTION 249-08

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 April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF A DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON THE SUPPLEE FARM, BLOCK 47, LOT 12 & BLOCK 48, LOT 12 IN WHITE TOWNSHIP CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 95 ACRES

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren has determined that the property known as the Supplee Farm located on Block 47 Lot 12 & Block 48 Lot 12, in White Township, consisting of approximately 95 acres, has available for purchase a development easement in accordance with the requirements of the farmland preservation programs; and

WHEREAS, preliminary approval for the purchase of development rights on this farm has been granted by the State Agriculture Development Committee and final approval by the Warren County Agriculture Development Board; and

WHEREAS, the property is part of an approved Planning Incentive Grant application; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of the development easement on the property will encourage the survivability of productive agriculture in Warren County.

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

1. The Board hereby grants permission for the purchase of the development easement on the above described property based on an easement value of \$10,000.00 per acre as certified by the State Agriculture Development Committee (SADC). Cost to be shared with the SADC and White Township as follows: SADC \$6,000.00 Warren County \$2,000.00, White Township \$2,000, plus the additional amount they have contracted with the applicant.
2. This approval includes the following conditions:
 - a. One (1) non-severable exception of one (1) acres
 - b. No non-agriculture use on the premises
3. The County's share in regard to the purchase of said easement shall be no greater than the share that the Township of White provides, the County's share is estimated at \$190,000.00. The Freeholder Director or Administrator of Warren County is authorized to sign the Assignment of Deed of Easement, the Cost Share

Agreement, and any and all documents necessary for the acquisition of the development easement on the above property in the Township of White, County of Warren, State of New Jersey under the terms outlined above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that adequate funds in the amount of \$190,000.00 in account #03895-5067-8950827-5067 have been certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

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

Mr. Gardner said this parcel is strategically important for agriculture and preservation to continue for a long time.

Mr. Chamberlain returned to his seat on the dais.

RESOLUTION 250-08

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC0833 AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR INSTALLATION OF A SEPTIC SYSTEM AT PLANE 9 WEST FOR THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF LAND PRESERVATION

BE IT RESOLVED that specification WC0833 for installation of a septic system at Plane 9 West for the Warren County Department of Land Preservation is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of Purchasing is hereby directed to advertise for bids for the above in The Star-Ledger.

Funding for this contract will be provided in budget account 03892/5100 – Open Space Maintenance.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 251-08

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZING THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH COVENTRY FAMILY PRACTICE FAMILY HEALTH TO PROVIDE AMBULATORY OUTPATIENT VD AND TB SERVICES THROUGH THE WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING AGENCY FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2008 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2009 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$6,000.00

WHEREAS, there exists a need for Tuberculosis and Venereal Disease services through the Warren County Public Health Nursing Agency for the period of May 1, 2008 through April 30, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 et. seq.) requires that a resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "professional services" without competitive bids and the contract itself must be available for public inspection; and

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WHEREAS, the Director of Purchasing has certified that this contract meets the statute and regulations governing the award of such contracts; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available in budget account 013302/5046 – Venereal Disease and TB, and certified by the Chief Financial Officer,

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

Ambulatory Tuberculosis (TB) and Venereal Disease (VD) Services

1. Said services to be provided by Coventry Family Practice, 755 Memorial Parkway, Suite 30, Phillipsburg, New Jersey 08865, at \$40.00 per visit not to exceed \$6,000.00 total.
2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a Professional Service in accordance with the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law (40A:11-5(1)(a)(i))
3. A notice of this action shall be published in the Star Ledger, as required by law, within ten days of its adoption.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 252-08

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZING THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH WARREN HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE (WARREN HILLS FAMILY HEALTH CENTER) TO PROVIDE TUBERCULOSIS AND VENEREAL DISEASE SERVICES THROUGH THE WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING AGENCY FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2008 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2009 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$6,000.00

WHEREAS, there exists a need for Tuberculosis and Venereal Disease services through the Warren County Public Health Nursing Agency for the period of May 1, 2007 through April 30, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 et. seq.) requires that a resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "professional services" without competitive bids and the contract itself must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Purchasing has certified that this contract meets the statute and regulations governing the award of such contracts; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available in budget account 013302/5046 – Venereal Disease and TB, and certified by the Chief Financial Officer,

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

Ambulatory Tuberculosis (TB) and Venereal Disease (VD) Services

1. Said services to be provided by Warren Healthcare Alliance, (Warren Hills Family Health Center), 315 Route 31 South, Washington, New Jersey 07882, at \$40.00 per visit not to exceed \$6,000.00 total.
2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a Professional Service in accordance with the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law (40A:11-5(1)(a)(i))

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3. A notice of this action shall be published in the Star Ledger, as required by law, within ten days of its adoption.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 253-08

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

**RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO
COMPUTER SQUARE, INC. FOR INFOBASE-INFOSHARE SOFTWARE AND
ASSOCIATED PRODUCTS UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #A81220
COVERING COMPUTER EQUIPMENT AND RELATED COMPUTER SUPPORT
SERVICES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE IN THE TOTAL
CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$166,800.00**

BE IT RESOLVED that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for Infobase-Infoshare Software and associated products for the Warren County Prosecutor's Office and this purchase is hereby awarded

to . . . Computer Square, Inc., Keasbey, New Jersey

in the amount of . . . \$166,800.00

at the prices established under New Jersey State Contract #A81220

Funding for this contract has been provided in grant account S71405377/5029 – PARIS Grant Funding.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 254-08

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

**RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO EMTEC
INC. FOR A COPIBOOK RGB MODEL BOOK SCANNER AND ASSOCIATED
PRODUCTS UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #A81212 COVERING
COMPUTER EQUIPMENT AND RELATED COMPUTER SUPPORT SERVICES FOR
THE WARREN COUNTY INFORMATION SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT IN THE TOTAL
CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$48,978.00**

BE IT RESOLVED that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for a CopiBook RGB Model Book Scanner and associated products for the Warren County Information System's Department and this purchase is hereby awarded

to . . . Emtec Inc., Springfield, New Jersey

in the amount of . . . \$48,978.00

at the prices established under New Jersey State Contract #A81212

Funding for this contract has been provided in grant account S71405377/5029 – PARIS Grant Funding.

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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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 255-08

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO EMTEC INC. FOR A WIDE FORMAT DIGITAL SCANNER PRINTER AND ASSOCIATED PRODUCTS UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #A81212 COVERING COMPUTER EQUIPMENT AND RELATED COMPUTER SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$26,124.00

BE IT RESOLVED that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for a wide format digital scanner printer and associated products for the Warren County Clerk's Office and this purchase is hereby awarded to . . . Emtec Inc., Springfield, New Jersey

in the amount of . . . \$26,124.00

at the prices established under New Jersey State Contract #A81212

Funding for this contract has been provided in trust account 35120/5053 – Trust Account Office Equipment.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 256-08

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO WARNOCK AUTOMOTIVE INC. FOR ONE 2008 DODGE DURANGO SPORT UTILITY VEHICLE UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #A70852 COVERING VEHICLES, SPORT UTILITY, FOR THE WARREN COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$27,670.00

BE IT RESOLVED that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for one 2008 Dodge Durango Sport Utility Vehicle for the Warren County Sheriffs Department and is hereby awarded

to . . . Warnock Automotive Inc., East Hanover, New Jersey

in the amount of . . . \$27,670.00

at the prices established under New Jersey State Contract #A70852

Funding for this contract has been provided in account 013150/5051 – Motor Pool Vehicles.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 257-08

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO WARNOCK AUTOMOTIVE INC. FOR ONE 2008 DODGE DURANGO SPORT UTILITY VEHICLE UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #A70852 COVERING VEHICLES, SPORT UTILITY, FOR THE WARREN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$20,695.00

BE IT RESOLVED that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for one 2008 Dodge Durango Sport Utility Vehicle for the Warren County Health Department and is hereby awarded

to . . . Warnock Automotive Inc., East Hanover, New Jersey
in the amount of . . . \$20,695.00

at the prices established under New Jersey State Contract #A70852

Funding for this contract has been provided in trust account 013150/5051 – Motor Pool Vehicles.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 258-08

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO HERTRICH FLEET SERVICES FOR TWO 2008 CHEVROLET IMPALA SEDANS \$15,299.00 EACH UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #A70356 COVERING AUTOMOBILES, SEDANS, FOR THE WARREN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$30,598.00

BE IT RESOLVED that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for two 2008 Chevrolet Impala Sedans for the Warren County Health Department and is hereby awarded

to . . . Hertrich Fleet Services, Milford, Delaware
in the amount of . . . \$30,598.00

at the prices established under New Jersey State Contract #A70356

Funding for this contract has been provided in account 013150/5051 – Motor Pool Vehicles.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

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On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

**RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO
HERTRICH FLEET SERVICES FOR ONE 2008 CHEVROLET IMPALA SEDAN UNDER
NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #A70356 COVERING AUTOMOBILES, SEDANS,
FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING AGENCY IN THE TOTAL
CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$15,299.00**

BE IT RESOLVED that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for one 2008 Chevrolet Impala Sedan for the Warren County Public Health Nursing Agency and is hereby awarded

to . . . Hertrich Fleet Services, Milford, Delaware
in the amount of . . . \$15,299.00

at the prices established under New Jersey State Contract #A70356

Funding for this contract has been provided in account 013150/5051 – Motor Pool Vehicles.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 260-08

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

**RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO
HERTRICH FLEET SERVICES FOR ONE 2008 CHEVROLET IMPALA SEDAN UNDER
NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #A70356 COVERING AUTOMOBILES, SEDANS,
FOR THE WARREN COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT IN THE
TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$15,299.00**

BE IT RESOLVED that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for one 2008 Chevrolet Impala Sedan for the Warren County Road Department and is hereby awarded

to . . . Hertrich Fleet Services, Milford, Delaware
in the amount of . . . \$15,299.00

at the prices established under New Jersey State Contract #A70356

Funding for this contract has been provided in account 013150/5051 – Motor Pool Vehicles.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

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

RESOLUTION 261-08

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO HERTRICH FLEET SERVICES FOR ONE 2008 CHEVROLET UPLANDER, SEVEN PASSENGER VAN UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #70870 COVERING VEHICLES, PASSENGER VANS, FOR THE WARREN COUNTY ENGINEER'S DEPARTMENT IN THE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$17,552.55

BE IT RESOLVED that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for one 2008 Chevrolet Uplander, seven passenger van for the Warren County Engineer's Department and is hereby awarded

to . . . Hertrich Fleet Services, Milford, Delaware

in the amount of . . . \$17,552.55

at the prices established under New Jersey State Contract #70870

Funding for this contract has been provided in account 013150/5051 – Motor Pool Vehicles.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 262-08

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION RE: EXTENSION OF CONTRACT WC0736 WITH AYERS ENTERPRISES INC. FOR AUTO COLLISION REPAIR FOR THE WARREN COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT FOR THE PERIOD OF JUNE 1, 2008 THROUGH MAY 31, 2009 FOR THE SECOND YEAR OF A THREE YEAR CONTRACT AS PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACT LAW 40A:11-15(7) IN THE APPROXIMATE ANNUAL AMOUNT OF \$20,000.00

BE IT RESOLVED that Warren County Contract WC0736 for providing auto collision repair for the Warren County Road Department is hereby awarded for the second year of a three year contract as provided by the Local Public Contract Law 40A:11-15(7) said contract is hereby extended for the period of June 1, 2008 through May 31, 2009

to . . . Ayers Enterprises Inc., Columbia, New Jersey

In the approximate amount of . . . \$20,000.00

as per their bid submitted . . . May 1, 2007

Funding for this contract has been provided in budget account 013150/5100 – Motor Pool Program Operating Expenditures.

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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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 263-08

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION RE: EXTENSION OF CONTRACT WC0736-1 WITH STEW'S AUTO BODY INC. FOR AUTO COLLISION REPAIR FOR THE WARREN COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT FOR THE PERIOD OF JUNE 1, 2008 THROUGH MAY 31, 2008 FOR THE SECOND YEAR OF A THREE YEAR CONTRACT AS PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACT LAW 40A:11-15(7) IN THE APPROXIMATE ANNUAL AMOUNT OF \$30,000.00

BE IT RESOLVED that Warren County Contract WC0736-1 for providing auto collision repair for the Warren County Road Department is hereby awarded for the second year of a three year contract as provided by the Local Public Contract Law 40A:11-15(7) said contract is hereby extended for the period of June 1, 2008 through May 31, 2009

to . . . Stew's Auto Body Inc., Washington, New Jersey

In the approximate amount of . . . \$30,000.00

as per their bid submitted . . . May 1, 2007

Funding for this contract has been provided in budget account 013150/5100 – Motor Pool Program Operating Expenditures.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 264-08

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION RE: APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR CONTRACT WC0790 FOR NURSES CALL SYSTEM UPGRADE AT WARREN HAVEN WITH SIMPLEX GRINNELL L.P. OF ROCKAWAY, NEW JERSEY FOR ADDITIONAL MONITORS FOR SAFETY STANDARDS, A NET INCREASE OF \$1,755.00 AND A FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$86,765.00

WHEREAS, Simplex Grinnell L.P., of Rockaway, New Jersey were awarded Nurses call System Upgrade at Warren Haven in the contract amount of \$85,010.00; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for additional monitors for safety standards; and

WHEREAS, this change in award will result in a net increase of \$1,755.00 and a final contract amount of \$86,765.00

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WHEREAS, adequate funds have been established in capital account 0407A401/5054 – Upgrade Nurse’s Call System and approved and certified by the County C.F.O.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren do hereby approve Change Order #1 for the above contract for a net increase of \$1,755.00 and a final Contract in the amount of \$85,010.00

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 265-08

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT #WC0817 TO LAMINATED CONCEPTS, INC. FOR THE SUPPLY OF A GLUE LAMINATED WOOD SUPERSTRUCTURE FOR WARREN COUNTY BRIDGE #13085, QUARRY ROAD OVER A BRANCH OF STONY BROOK, KNOWLTON TOWNSHIP IN THE AMOUNT OF \$21,867.00

WHEREAS, the County advertised for bids to be received on Tuesday, April 15, 2008 at 1:30 P.M. for Contract #WC0817 for the Supply of a Glue Laminated Wood Superstructure for Warren County Bridge #13085, Quarry Road over a branch of Stony Brook, Knowlton Township; and

WHEREAS, Laminated Concepts, Inc. of Big Flats, New York submitted the lowest responsible and responsive bid of \$21,867.00; and

WHEREAS, the bid does not exceed the Engineer's estimate for the project; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds have been established in account 0407A308 5064 and certified by the County Chief Financial Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren do hereby award the contract for the above project to Laminated Concepts, Inc. in the amount \$21,867.00.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 266-08

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR CONTRACT #WC0750 WITH OWL CONTRACTING FOR THE 2007 RESURFACING & REHABILITATION OF COUNTY ROUTES #517, #519, #611, #621 & #646, ALLAMUCHY, INDEPENDENCE, HOPE, LIBERTY & LOPATCONG TOWNSHIPS & TOWN OF PHILLIPSBURG FOR A NET INCREASE OF \$73,667.80 AND A FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$2,609,202.80

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WHEREAS, Contract #WC0750 was awarded to Owl Contracting for the 2007 Resurfacing & Rehabilitation of County Routes #517, #519, #611, #621 & #646, Allamuchy, Independence, Hope, Liberty & Lopatcong Townships & the Town of Phillipsburg in the amount of \$2,535,535.00; and

WHEREAS, as built quantities resulted in a net increase of \$73,667.80; and

WHEREAS, said changes were recommend by the County Engineer; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds have been established in accounts 40165 5100 (PB0650SP) 4834,40165 5100 (PB0259SP) 4834, 0407A101 5063 and certified by the County Chief Financial Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren do hereby approve change order #1 for the above project with Owl Contracting for a net increase of \$73,667.80 and a final contract amount of \$2,609,202.80.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 267-08

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION TO APPOINT LYNNE HABERKERN AS MEMBER TO THE WARREN COUNTY MUNICIPAL AND CHARITABLE CONSERVANCY TRUST FUND COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders adopted the Warren County Open Space and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund Procedures and Rules on June 26, 1996; and

WHEREAS, a recommendation for membership on the committee has been received from the town of Hackettstown of the Municipal Region 5; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren hereby appoint the following persons to the Warren County Municipal and Charitable Conservancy Trust Fund Committee:

Hackettstown, Region 5 Representative:

Lynne Haberkern

206 West Moore Street

Hackettstown, NJ 07840

Term 03/26/08 – 03/25/10

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 268-08

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING GEORGE M. MELROY AS ASSISTANT COUNTY

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WARREN COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 27:14-24, George M. Melroy is hereby reappointed to the position of Assistant County Supervisor of Roads, Unclassified, within the Warren County Road Department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders desires to reappoint Mr. Melroy to a term of appointment for three (3) years, effective May 13, 2008 through May 12, 2011.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 269-08

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

**RESOLUTION CREATING A FULL-TIME INTERIM POSITION OF COUNTY
CORRECTION SERGEANT, CLASSIFIED, WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY
CORRECTIONAL CENTER**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that a full-time interim position of *County Correction Sergeant*, classified, is created within the Warren County Correctional Center for the purpose of maintaining efficiency and effectiveness of operations in response to a County Correctional Sergeant who has been placed on workers compensation leave of absence; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that this full-time interim position of *County Correction Sergeant* be abolished when a full complement of County Correctional Sergeants is restored to the Correctional Center.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that a full-time interim position of *County Correction Sergeant* is created and made effective retroactive to April 7, 2008.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 270-08

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE WARREN COUNTY PERSONNEL
POLICIES AS AMENDED**

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders last approved and

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adopted amended and revised Warren County Personnel Policies on June 27, 2001; and
WHEREAS, over the course of approximately six months the Personnel Director, County Administrator and Labor Counsel engaged in a comprehensive review of the Personnel Policies resulting in amendments and revisions to the Personnel Policies and all appendices thereof; and

WHEREAS, this comprehensive and critical document is viewed as necessary to the efficient, effective and thorough administration of Warren County government and will serve as a keystone to the assembly and adoption of the first Warren County Administrative code;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders does hereby approve and adopt the amended and revised Warren County Personnel Policies and further directs that this document be distributed to all Warren County Departments, Agencies, Subdivisions and Constitutional Officers for their reference, use and application in the administration of Warren County government's affairs.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

County Counsel Joe Bell had no report.

County Engineer Dave Hicks asked the Board if it would be acceptable to reproduce the architect's rendering of the proposed building presented tonight for the sign to mark the future building site. The Freeholders agreed that would be acceptable.

County Planner Dave Dech had no report.

County CFO Charles Houck had no report, but Mr. Chamberlain thanked him publicly for all the work he had done on the budget.

County Administrator Steve Marvin said no Personnel Vacancy Report is being provided because nothing has changed since the last meeting.

Mr. Gardner, as NJAC (New Jersey Association of Counties) Director, suggested Warren County purchase an ad for the Association's annual conference as has been done in the past.

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

RESOLUTION TO PURCHASE A HALF-PAGE AD IN THE NJAC ANNUAL CONFERENCE PROGRAM AT A COST OF APPROXIMATELY \$500-\$600

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

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Under Freeholder Comments, Mr. Chamberlain said he thought it was important the architect attended this evening to exchange information. He suggested inviting Ray O'Brien to come in as well to discuss Court House renovations. It was decided to start the next Regular Session an hour early for this purpose.

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, 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 April 23, 2008.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, CHAPTER 231, P.L. 1975, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 ET SEQ., NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS' REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 14, 2008 IN THE FREEHOLDERS' MEETING ROOM IN THE WAYNE DUMONT, JR. ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 165 COUNTY ROUTE 519 SOUTH, BELVIDERE, NEW JERSEY 07823 WILL BEGIN AT 6:30 P.M.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Mr. Gardner said he was very pleased that it appeared the State House Rally earlier in the month protesting the dissolution of the Department of Agriculture was successful. Another rally was to have taken place today protesting the closure of several State parks. Warren County's Stephen's State Park, Jenny Jump State Forest and Worthington State Forest are facing a threat of full closure. Mr. Gardner said it was "outrageous" for the DEP Commissioner to go along with this.

Regarding the Environmental Commission, Mr. Gardner furnished his colleagues with a resolution to form a restructured Warren County Environmental Advisory Council. He recommended appointing three members from each of the County's three regions (south, central and north) plus one non-voting representative each from the Planning and Health Departments. Mr. Gardner said he would like to move the process along to get the entity back on track. He hoped to have the resolution approved during the Board's next meeting.

Mr. DiMaio made no comments.

Under Closing Public Comments, Human Services Director Karen Kubert provided an update on the situation of transferring mentally ill patients from the Hagedorn Facility in Glen Gardner to Greystone in Morris County. She wanted to publicly express thanks to Assemblywoman Marcia Karrow, with whom she had traveled to Trenton in an attempt to resolve the matter. Ms. Karrow is a very strong advocate for Warren County, she said.

Under Press Comments and Questions, Mike Frassinelli of The Star-Ledger asked Mr. DiMaio what he thought of Mr. Gardner's Environmental Council proposal. Mr. DiMaio said he would take it under advisement.

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Sara Satullo of The Express-Times asked how much money has been set aside for the new building. Fiscal Analyst Dan Olshefski said \$15 million is in an account to be devoted to any capital projects. She was told bonding would “probably” have to be done to complete all intended building projects.

RESOLUTION 271-08

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, at 8:50 p.m., the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

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

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders is subject to certain requirements of the *Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, et seq.*, and

WHEREAS, the *Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12*, provides that an Executive Session, not open to the public, may be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by Resolution, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders to discuss in a session not open to the public certain matters relating to the item or items authorized by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b and designated below:

(1) *Matters Required by Law to be Confidential*: Any matter which, by express provision of Federal law of State statute or rule of court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act.

(2) *Matters Where the Release of Information Would Impair the Right to Receive Funds*: Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the Government of the United States.

(3) *Matters Involving Individual Privacy*: Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as any records, data, reports, recommendations, or other personal material of any educational, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing, relocation, insurance and similar program or institution operated by a public body pertaining to any specific individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including but not limited to information relative to the individual's personal and family circumstances, and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned (or, in the case of a minor or incompetent, his guardian) shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publicly.

(4) *Matters Relating to Collective Bargaining Agreements*: Any collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of the terms and conditions thereof with employees or representatives of employees of the public body.

(5) *Matters Relating to the Purchase, Lease or Acquisition of Real Property or the Investment of Public Funds*: Any matter involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of banking rates or investment of public funds, where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed.

(6) *Matters Relating to Public Safety and Property*: Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public, provided that their disclosure could impair such protection. Any investigations of possible violations of the law.

(7) *Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiations and the Attorney-Client Privilege*: Any

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pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is, or many become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer.

(8) *Matters Relating to the Employment Relationship*: Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance or promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all the individual employees or

appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting.

(9) *Matters Relating to the Potential Imposition of a Penalty*: Any deliberations of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty upon the responding party or the suspension or loss of a license or permit belonging to the responding party bearing responsibility.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders, assembled in public session on April 23, 2008 that an Executive Session closed to the Public shall be held on April 23, 2008 at 8:50 p.m. in the Freeholders Conference Room located at the Wayne Dumont, Jr. Administration Building, 165 County Route 519 South, Belvidere, New Jersey 07823 for the discussion of matters relating to the specific items designated above.

It is anticipated that the deliberations conducted in closed session may be disclosed to the public upon the determination of the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality.

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 at a meeting held on April 23, 2008.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the Board adjourned executive session at 9:50 p.m. and returned to open session.

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

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, and there being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

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

ATTESTED TO:

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board