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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 22, 2009 at 7:02 p.m.

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

Director Gardner read the following statement: **“ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING OF APRIL 22, 2009 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. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the Minutes of the Regular Session held on April 8, 2009 were approved.

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

On motion by Mr. Accetturo, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the Minutes of the Executive Session held on April 8, 2009 were approved.

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

PROCLAMATION 249-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following proclamation was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

ARBOR DAY OBSERVANCE, APRIL 24, 2009

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;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders hereby proclaim April 24, 2009 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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

PROCLAMATION 250-09

On motion by Mr. Accetturo, 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 22, 2009.

ARBOR DAY RECOGNITION AND COMMENDATION OF THE KNOWLTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, DELAWARE, NJ, APRIL 24, 2009

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; and

WHEREAS, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world; and

WHEREAS, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, shade from the hot sun and as a barrier against cold winds, help absorb pollution and purify water and provide habitat for wildlife; and

WHEREAS, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products; and

WHEREAS, in addition to beautifying and adding color to our communities, trees also provide economic benefits. The shade from trees provides a cooling effect which reduces the need for air conditioning. This not only saves money, but energy as well; and

WHEREAS, trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal;

THEREFORE, we want to recognize and commend the second grade students and teachers of the **Knowlton Elementary School in Delaware, New Jersey** for their participation in planting a tree in observance of Arbor Day and understanding that trees are a renewable resource;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders hereby proclaim April 24, 2009 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 encourage tree planting and environmental stewardship in your own yard and neighborhood, in your community and in your world and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Mr. Accetturo said he has planted a lot of trees over the years including Christmas trees, on his property. It is very rewarding to watch a tree you planted grow over time, especially when you look at photos. Having planted a tree that grows to 30 or 40 feet is very gratifying, he said.

Mr. Chamberlain noted that he too has been a Christmas tree grower for many years. I appreciate trees as a renewable resource, he said. They add peace and tranquility to our environment. Our parks and forests enhance our environment and Arbor Day is a celebration of this. We are very fortunate to see trees in bloom right now. The colors are aesthetically pleasing.

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Mr. Gardner agreed with the sentiments of his colleagues, noting the beauty of the magnolia and forsythia. Time capsules can be planted along with trees to add to the fulfillment.

Awards were then presented to winners of the Warren County Shade Tree Commission Arbor Day Contest. Shade Tree Commissioners Bill Kohler and Milly Rice announced the following winners in attendance: Laura Deutsch of White Township School; Kayla Senzig, Chelsea Estacio and John Novack of Hope Township School and David Rojas, Joey Rodriguez and Gabriella Remo of Hackettstown's Hatchery Hill School. Also present to represent Hatchery Hill School were Principal Sandy Machecek and Teacher Joan Brands.

The contest, "What Arbor Day Means to Me", was begun by the Shade Tree Commission three years ago and all of the County's elementary schools are welcome to participate. The children received medals, certificates, saplings and other prizes and were congratulated by the Freeholders. Teachers were presented with birdhouses. Mr. Kohler emphasized what had already been said about the importance of trees. They are a big asset that increase property values and shaded roads require less maintenance.

Mr. Chamberlain thanked members of the Shade Tree Commission for their efforts. Ms. Rice announced the upcoming Beaver Day Celebration at Knowlton Township School and a May 7 ceremonial tree planting in honor of the late Ralph Coppersmith who had been a member of the Commission for many years.

PROCLAMATION 251-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following proclamation was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK, APRIL 26-MAY 2, 2009

WHEREAS, more than 33 million Americans are victims of crime each year;

WHEREAS, victims may suffer emotional, physical, psychological and financial harm as a result of crime;

WHEREAS, victim assistance and compensation programs across the country provide vital and supportive services for victims to help cope with the impact of crime;

WHEREAS, the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA), passed by Congress in 1984, affirmed a national commitment to helping victims rebuild their lives by establishing the Crime Victims Fund, a major source of funding for services and compensation to victims of crime throughout the United States.

WHEREAS, the fund comprises fines and penalties levied on offenders and affirms the principle that those who commit crimes should be held accountable for their actions and supports more than 4,400 state and local victim assistance programs, including sexual assault and domestic violence programs, victim assistants in offices and other direct service providers that help millions of victims every year;

WHEREAS, National Crime Victims' Rights Week, April 26-May 2, 2009 provides an opportunity for our country to recognize the Victims of Crime Act as a bedrock of support for victim services and to reaffirm our nation's commitment to addressing the needs of victims of crime; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Prosecutor's Office is joining forces with victim service programs, law enforcement, criminal justice officials and concerned citizens throughout Warren County, New Jersey and America to observe the 25th anniversary of VOCA during National Crime Victims' Rights Week;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders do hereby proclaim the week of April 26-May 2, 2009 as **National Crime Victims'**

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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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Mr. Chamberlain said this proclamation is appropriate. Many times, the focus is more on the perpetrator rather than the victim of crime. It is important to recognize the trauma endured by victims that may be carried with them throughout their lives. Counseling and emotional support should be available to crime victims.

Mr. Accetturo agreed. It's nice to know there are people and organizations out there to help victims, he said.

Mr. Gardner said the emotional impact on a victim is significant. We're grateful to Prosecutor Scott Ferguson and Victim/Witness Coordinator Lori Craig for doing such a great job with care and compassion.

Mr. Ferguson took the opportunity to thank Ms. Craig and her staff for a job well done. Ms. Craig thanked the Prosecutor, noting that without his support, that of the Assistant Prosecutors and the philosophy of the office "that victims are very important and their input means something to the cases", she wouldn't be able to do her job. She also thanked her own staff members for their efforts and expressed appreciation to the Freeholders for their support.

PROCLAMATION 252-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following proclamation was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

DENIM DAY IN NEW JERSEY, APRIL 28, 2009

WHEREAS, the mission of the Domestic Abuse & Sexual Assault Crisis Center is to support and empower those affected by domestic violence and sexual assault and to develop community awareness that supports this perspective; and

WHEREAS, the Domestic Abuse & Sexual Assault Crisis Center of Warren County provides services to all who identify themselves as victims of domestic violence or sexual assault; and

WHEREAS, this year, the Domestic Abuse & Sexual Assault Crisis Center of Warren County is organizing "Denim Day in New Jersey" to increase awareness and knowledge in Warren County; and

WHEREAS, on Tuesday, April 28, 2009, businesses, students, churches and individuals will be holding rallies, posting fliers, raising funds and wearing denim in support of this effort.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders urge our citizens to provide their support to help eliminate all forms of sexual violence through education, awareness and community action.

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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Having passed this proclamation as Mayor of Oxford, Mr. Accetturo said he thought it was important to recognize that sexual abuse happens more than we'd like to think about. It's an

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unfortunate fact of life we should acknowledge through Denim Day.

Mr. Chamberlain said domestic violence is probably one of the most prevalent destroyers of our family unit and family structure. If we can educate people and help them become aware of ways to prevent it and know when they're in need of help, we'll be a better society, he said. There are resources out there that can help victims of these crimes. He thanked the people involved in the program for all that they do.

Years ago, Mr. Gardner said, there was a stigma associated with certain crimes and they were "basically kept behind a dark door". Today, it is a blessing that we have so many people involved to help victims of sexual assault and domestic violence get through that very tough time. Unfortunately, tough economic times can add tension to the home and sometimes result in an increase in domestic violence. "We have to stay vigilant on this matter. It's a degradation to all society when it happens," said Mr. Gardner.

Pam Farago, Executive Director of the Warren County Domestic Abuse Sexual Assault Crisis Center, thanked the Board and the Department of Human Services for the funding they continue to provide to the agency.

Architect Ray O'Brien then provided an update on the Court House renovation design process that lasted about 30 minutes. A ceremonial groundbreaking is scheduled for May 12. Mr. O'Brien displayed renderings of the building's exterior and an interior Court Room. Despite earlier assurances to the contrary, it recently became known that the planned Court Room design did not meet with the approval of Judges who preferred the ability to enter and exit securely without having to walk through the Court Room. To address the problem, the design will be modified to provide access and egress to the second floor and also cover the sally port and a secured hallway and egress area will be added to the first floor design.

Mr. Chamberlain cautioned his colleagues that the redesign would add an estimated \$200,000 to the cost of the project. Projects Committee Chairman Joe Houston came

forward to emphasize that the access issue was not unanticipated by either Mr. Chamberlain or Mr. O'Brien; communication lagged between Court Administration and Judges. The Board concurred that the request was reasonable.

Mr. Gardner inquired about approval from SHPO (State Historic Preservation Office). Having obtained prior approval, Mr. O'Brien thought the modification could go in as an addendum for a safety issue. The new plans will also be presented to the Belvidere Historical Society.

The existence of numerous information/technology lines of various origins is another issue. This will also be addressed through the renovation process with all IT lines being controlled by the County from a central area. This task will require more modifications to the contracts.

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the **PUBLIC HEARING ON CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ORDINANCE 2009-A WAS OPENED AT 8:06 P.M.**

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

There were no comments or questions.

On motion by Mr. Accetturo, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the **PUBLIC HEARING ON CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ORDINANCE 2009-A WAS CLOSED AT 8:07 P.M.**

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

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On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND THE APPROPRIATION OF \$16,659,943 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 \$14,701,822 from the Capital Improvement Fund account in the General Capital Fund of the County of Warren, \$1,000,000 from the Open Space, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund and \$958,121 from the Community Development Block Grant Trust Fund 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:

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| (1) | Road Resurfacing Improvements | \$ 1,946,000 |
| (2) | Road and Drainage Improvements
Design, construct or reconstruct and improve various county roads and intersections. | \$ 1,205,000 |
| (3) | Bridge and Culvert Improvements
Design, construct or reconstruct and improve various county bridges and culverts | \$ 1,000,000 |
| (4) | Equipment and Furnishings
Acquisition of office, communications, safety & security, maintenance equipment, furniture & furnishings, and computer hardware and software | \$ 1,862,321 |
| (5) | Buildings & Grounds Improvements
Design, construct or renovate and improve various county facilities | \$ 8,731,622 |
| (6) | Specialty Vehicles and Maintenance
and Construction Equipment
Trucks, snowplows, sanders, tractors, mowers, and maintenance and heavy construction equipment | \$ 655,000 |
| (7) | Building and Land Acquisitions
Total appropriations | <u>\$ 1,260,000</u>
<u>\$16,659,943</u> |

Section 2(B). The maximum amount of money to be appropriated for said purposes is \$16,659,943, 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 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, April 22, 2009 at 7:00 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

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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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 254-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

RESOLUTION TO PAY BILLS

Be and it is hereby resolved that Master Voucher Certificate **For Certification / Ratification for Payments No. 2009-15 and 2009-16 dated April 22, 2009** in the amount of **\$ 2,521,161.00** including payrolls, allowances, bills and investments, is approved subject to the review of the vouchers by the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

2009-15	4/15/09	\$ 596,348.17	
2009-16	4/22/09	486,729.88	
TOTAL			\$1,083,078.05
Payroll	4/9/09	\$ 1,437,482.95	
Subsistence	4/9/09	600.00	
TOTAL			<u>1,438,082.95</u>
GRAND TOTAL			<u><u>\$2,521,161.00</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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 255-09

On motion by Mr. Accetturo, 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 22, 2009.

INSERTION INTO THE 2009 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$160,305.00 FROM THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM & DRUG ABUSE FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE ALLIANCE TO PREVENT ALCOHOLISM & DRUG ABUSE

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A-4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been available by Law and the amount thereof was not determined at the adoption of the Budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Warren request the Director

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of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the year 2009 in the sum of \$ 160,305.00, which item is now available from the Governor's Council on Alcoholism & Drug Abuse for Participation in the Alliance to Prevent Alcoholism & Drug Abuse.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$ 160,305.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption:

"UNDER STATE AND FEDERAL PROGRAMS OFF-SET BY REVENUES"

Governor's Council on Alcoholism & Drug Abuse for Participation in the Alliance to Prevent Alcoholism & Drug Abuse (administered by the Human Services Dept)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of the approval by the Governor's Council on Alcoholism & Drug Abuse.

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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 256-09

On motion by Mr. Accetturo, 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 22, 2009.

INSERTION INTO THE 2009 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$94,405.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY, INSURANCE FRAUD PROGRAM

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A-4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been available by Law and the amount thereof was not determined at the adoption of the Budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Warren request the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the year 2009 in the sum of \$ 94,405.00, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law & Public Safety, Insurance Fraud Program

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$ 94,405.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption:

"UNDER STATE AND FEDERAL PROGRAMS OFF-SET BY REVENUES"

State of New Jersey, Department of Law & Public Safety, Insurance Fraud Program (administered by the Prosecutor's Dept)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of the approval by the State of New Jersey, Department of Law & Public Safety.

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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 257-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE THE
 HIGHLANDS INITIAL ASSESSMENT GRANT AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,000
 WITH THE NJ HIGHLANDS COUNCIL**

WHEREAS, on January 28, 2009, the Board of Chosen Freeholders authorized the submission of the Highlands Initial Assessment Grant Application to the Highlands Council in the amount \$15,000; and

WHEREAS, this grant program will fund preliminary municipal and county Plan Conformance activities for lands within the Preservation Area where conformance is mandatory, as well as in the Planning Area where conformance is voluntary.

WHEREAS, the grant will allow the county to assess the requirements and benefits of Plan Conformance; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders believes that it is in the best interest of the County of Warren to accept the Initial Assessment Grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the Freeholder Director is authorized to execute the Initial Assessment Grant agreement #09-033-010-2100 with the Highlands Council in the amount of \$15,000.

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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 258-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

**RESOLUTION TO FILE AN HISTORIC SITE MANAGEMENT GRANT APPLICATION TO THE
 NEW JERSEY HISTORIC TRUST AND TO AUTHORIZE THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR TO
 SIGN THE APPLICANT ASSURANCES**

WHEREAS, the Morris Canal was placed on the New Jersey State Register of Historic Places on November 26, 1973, and the National Register on October 1, 1974; and

WHEREAS, the County of Warren has been acquiring portions of the Historic Morris Canal for historic preservation and greenway purposes; and

WHEREAS, the County acquired Inclined Plane #9W in 1994 and Inclined Plan #10W in 2008; and

WHEREAS, to effectively preserve elements on both properties, an existing conditions report, archeological assessment, and engineering report need to be prepared; and

WHEREAS, County funding in the amount of \$15,000 will be provided for the required 75:25 match.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders hereby directs the Warren County Planning Department to prepare an application with the New Jersey Historic Trust in the amount of \$45,000, and a \$15,000 County cash match, for a total project cost of \$60,000, and to authorize the Freeholder Director to sign the applicant assurances as the County's representative.

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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 259-09

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On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL TO PURCHASE BLOCK 11, LOT 23 IN FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP KNOWN AS THE ESTATE OF NETTIE SINGLEY

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren has determined that the property known as The Estate of Nettie Singley, Block 11 Lot 23 in Franklin Township consisting of approximately fifty five (55) acres is available for purchase, and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey Green Acres Program has certified the value of this property at six thousand four hundred (\$6,400) dollars per acre, and

WHEREAS, this property contains a significant section of the "Morris Canal" and has been a target of the County's Open Space Plan and is eligible for a fifty per cent (50%) cost share within the Green Acres Program, and

WHEREAS, this parcel will link another section of the canal already owned by the County of Warren providing approximately a half of a mile of well preserved towpath and canal prism.

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 this property.
2. The cost of the acquisition is estimated to be three hundred fifty two thousand (\$352,000) dollars.
3. The Freeholder Director or Administrator of Warren County is authorized to sign the contract of sale and any and all documents necessary for the acquisition of this property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that adequate funds in the amount of \$350,000 in account #03984-5065-8940901-5065 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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 260-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AGREEMENT FOR A TEMPORARY SLOPE AND CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF WARREN COUNTY BRIDGE #20025, CARPENTERSVILLE ROAD FROM THE OWNER OF BLOCK 94, LOT 4.01, POHATCONG TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, the reconstruction of Bridge #20025 will require a temporary slope and construction easement of 1,222± Sq. Ft. on Block 94, Lot 4.01, owned by James W. and Laurie B. McVey; and;

WHEREAS, an equitable cost of \$500.00 was negotiated by the County Engineer for the easements which is agreeable to the owner; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available in account 0401A205 5063 and certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren does hereby approve the needed easements at the negotiated price of \$500.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director and Clerk of the Board are hereby authorized and directed to execute said agreement hereto and made a part of this resolution.

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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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 261-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

RESOLUTION TAKING OVER JURISDICTION OF THE COURTHOUSE ALLEY FROM MANSFIELD STREET TO HARDWICK STREET, TOWN OF BELVIDERE, WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, the Courthouse Alley serves as primary access to the rear of the Courthouse facility and parking lots; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Belvidere and County of Warren have discussed transferring jurisdiction and ownership of the public right-of-way of this alley.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren, in accordance with provisions of N.J.S.A. 27:16-5, does hereby approve the takeover of the jurisdiction and ownership of the public right-of-way of the alley adjacent to the Courthouse, between Mansfield Street and Hardwick Street, in the Town of Belvidere.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this transfer of jurisdiction shall become effective on June 1, 2009 subject to the approval of the Town of Belvidere and the filing of both resolutions in the Office of the County Clerk.

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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 262-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

RESOLUTION OPPOSING ASSEMBLY BILL 3686 WHICH PROPOSES THE TRANSFER OF THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE (GCADA) TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

WHEREAS, the County of Warren desires to oppose Assembly Bill 3686 sponsored by Assemblywomen Sheila Y. Oliver, Connie Wagner, Nilsa Cruz-Perez, and Eleese Evans which proposes the transfer and control of the GCADA and the Drug Enforcement Demand Reduction (DEDR) funds to the NJ DHS; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders has been advised and believes that Assembly Bill 3686 is not in the public interest and would dramatically diminish, if not eliminate the invaluable role of the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Substance Abuse in developing and implementing community-based substance abuse prevention and education programs at the grass-roots, local level; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders opposes the transfer of the GCADA and control of the DEDR funds to the New Jersey Department of Human Services, as the consequences of such a transfer would effectively serve to dismantle Municipal Alliance programs, a massive network of dedicated volunteers who have examined their individual communities' needs and developed effective programs to address those needs and reduce alcoholism and drug abuse in their communities for the past 20 years.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders through this resolution strongly opposes Assembly Bill 3686 and objects to the transfer of the GCADA and control of the DEDR funds to the New Jersey Department of Human Services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution shall be sent to Governor Jon S. Corzine, Senator Marcia A. Karrow, and Assemblymen Michael Doherty and John DiMaio, representing legislative districts with municipalities in the County of Warren; and the Boards of Chosen Freeholders of the remaining 20 counties.

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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 263-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2010-2012 WARREN COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE ALCOHOL AND DRUG PLAN AS PREPARED BY THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION, IN COOPERATION WITH THE WARREN COUNTY LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE

WHEREAS, the NJ Department of Human Services, Division of Addiction Services has required the Warren County Department of Human Services, Division of Administration, to prepare the 2010-2012 County Comprehensive Alcohol and Drug Plan; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders approves the 2010-2012 Warren County Comprehensive Alcohol and Drug Plan, as developed by the Warren County Department of Human Services, Division of Administration and approved by the LACA/DA.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 264-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC0941C AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR PROPOSALS THROUGH THE COMPETITIVE CONTRACTING MODEL FOR THERAPY SERVICES AT WARREN HAVEN

BE IT RESOLVED that specification WC0941C for therapy services at Warren Haven 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 013515/5028 – Haven

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Medicare Specialized Services – Rehab.

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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 265-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT #WC0922 TO BARNARD CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF WARREN COUNTY BRIDGE #20025, CARPENTERSVILLE ROAD, POHATCONG TOWNSHIP IN THE AMOUNT OF \$224,700.00

WHEREAS, the County advertised for bids to be received on Tuesday, April 9, 2009 at 1:30 P.M. for Contract #WC0922 for the Reconstruction of Warren County Bridge #20025, Carpentersville Road, Pohatcong Township; and

WHEREAS, Barnard Construction Company of Pompton Plains, New Jersey submitted the lowest responsible and responsive bid of \$224,700.00; and

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

WHEREAS, adequate funds have been established in account S81655302 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 award the contract for the above project to Barnard Construction Company in the contract amount of \$224,700.00.

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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 266-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC0914 FOR MOWING OF COUNTY PROPERTY FOR THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF LAND PRESERVATION TO GREENLEAF LANDSCAPE SYSTEMS & SERVICES, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,695.00

BE IT RESOLVED that contract WC0914 for mowing of county property for the Warren County Department of Land Preservation is hereby awarded to . . . Greenleaf Landscape Systems & Services, Inc., Red Bank, New Jersey in the amount of . . . \$11,695.00

as per their bid submitted . . . March 3, 2009

and reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing as the lowest responsible and responsive bid received.

Funding for this contract will be provided in budget account 03892/5100 – Maintenance of Rec & Co Property – Program Operating Expense.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of the Board of Chosen Freeholders be authorized and directed to execute the necessary contract.

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 22, 2009.

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

RESOLUTION 267-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC0927 FOR RESTORATION OF THE BARN AT WHITE LAKE TO EUROPEAN COPPER SPECIALIST, INC. IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$37,390.00

BE IT RESOLVED that contract WC0927 for the Restoration of the Barn at White Lake is hereby awarded

to . . . European Copper Specialist, Inc., Newark, New Jersey

in the contract amount of . . . \$37,390.00

as per their bid submitted . . . April 7, 2009

and reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing as the lowest responsible and responsive bid received.

Funds for this contract are provided in budget account 03892/5100 – Open Space Maintenance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of the Board of Chosen Freeholders be authorized and directed to execute the necessary contract.

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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 268-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

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, 2009 THROUGH MAY 31, 2010 FOR THE THIRD AND FINAL 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 third and final 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, 2009 through May 31, 2010

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.

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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

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On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

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, 2009 THROUGH MAY 31, 2010 FOR THE THIRD AND FINAL 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 third and final 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, 2009 through May 31, 2010 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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 270-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE PURCHASE ORDER TO WARNOCK FLEET & LEASING D/B/A WARNOCK FORD FOR ONE 2009 FORD E-350 FIFTEEN PASSENGER VAN UNDER THE MORRIS COUNTY COOP CONTRACT #15-C-11, FOR THE WARREN COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOL IN THE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$27,595.00

BE IT RESOLVED that the purchasing department is authorized to issue purchase order for one 2009 Ford E-350 Fifteen Passenger Van for the Warren County Technical School and is hereby awarded

to . . . Warnock Fleet & Leasing, d/b/a Warnock Ford, East Hanover, New Jersey
in the amount of . . . \$27,595.00

at the prices established under the Morris County Cooperative Contract #15-C-11.

Funding for this contract has been provided in budget 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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 271-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

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RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO SEELY EQUIPMENT & SUPPLY CO. FOR SNOW PLOW BLADES AND ASSOCIATED PRODUCTS UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #A70290 COVERING SNOW PLOWS, BLADES AND RELATED PRODUCTS FOR THE WARREN COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$23,704.70

BE IT RESOLVED that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for snow plow blades and associated products for the Warren County Road Department and this purchase is hereby awarded to . . . Seely Equipment & Supply Co., Farmingdale, New Jersey in the amount of . . . \$23,704.70 at the prices established under New Jersey State Contract #A70290

Funding for this contract has been provided in budget account 012900/5030 – Roads – 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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 272-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO HERTRICH FLEET SERVICES FOR ONE 2009 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #A73846 COVERING SUV'S, MIDSIZE VEHICLES, FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT IN THE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$17,432.00

BE IT RESOLVED that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for one 2009 Jeep Grand Cherokee for the Warren County Planning Department and is hereby awarded to . . . Hertrich Fleet Services, Milford, Delaware in the amount of . . . \$17,432.00 at the prices established under New Jersey State Contract #A73846

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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 273-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZING THE FREEHOLDER DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH CONVENTRY 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, 2009 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2010 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$6,000.00

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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, 2009 through April 30, 2010; 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 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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 274-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

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, 2009 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2010 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, 2009 through April 30, 2010; 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:

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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))
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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 275-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

RESOLUTION AWARDED CONTRACT #WC0906FO-1 TO FINELLI CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION & INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE STRYKER'S ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, GREENWICH TOWNSHIP IN THE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$23,920.00

WHEREAS, the County requested proposals to be received on Tuesday, February 24, 2009 for Contract #WC0906FO for Inspection Services for the Reconstruction of Stryker's Road in Greenwich Township; and

WHEREAS, this contract is awarded in accordance with N.J.S.A.19:44A-20.4, as a fair and open contract; and

WHEREAS, the proposal submitted by Finelli Consulting Engineers, Inc., meets the needs of the program, price and other factors considered in the amount of \$23,920.00; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available in account F61655358 5063 and certified by the County 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:

1. The agreement between the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren and Finelli Consulting Engineers, Inc., Washington, N.J. for professional services for the above projects in the amount of \$23,920.00, currently on file in the Office of the County Engineer, be made a part of this resolution by reference and approved and entered into by the Board on behalf of the County of Warren.
2. The Director is hereby authorized to execute said letter of agreement by signing same.
3. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "professional service" under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law because the services are to be performed by a person or persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.

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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 276-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC0932 FOR THE WARREN COUNTY COURT

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HOUSE ASBESTOS ABATEMENT PROJECT PHASE I TO NIRAM, INC. IN THE TOTAL
CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$67,500.00

BE IT RESOLVED that contract WC0932 for the Warren County Courthouse Asbestos Abatement Project Phase I is hereby awarded to . . . Niram, Inc., Boonton, New Jersey in the contract amount of . . . \$67,500.00 as per their bid submitted . . . April 16, 2009 and reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing as the lowest responsible and responsive bid received.

Funds for this contract are provided in capital account 0409A510/5062 – Courthouse Renovation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of the Board of Chosen Freeholders be authorized and directed to execute the necessary contract.

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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Regarding the asbestos abatement at the Court House, Mr. Chamberlain noted that an informational seminar was recently conducted for the benefit of those working in the facility.

RESOLUTION 277-09

On motion by Mr. Accetturo, 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 22, 2009.

**RESOLUTION TO APPOINT A MEMBER TO THE NORTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION
PLANNING AUTHORITY, INC. FOR THE YEAR 2009**

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that Freeholder Angelo Accetturo is hereby appointed as a voting member, representing the County of Warren, to the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority, Inc., for the year 2009.

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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RECOMMENDATION

On motion by Mr. Accetturo, 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 22, 2009.

**RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF WILLIAM F. CASHILL FROM THE
PHILLIPSBURG FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

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On motion by Mr. Accetturo, 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 22, 2009.

RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF RECREATION COMMISSIONERS

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:12-1, the following individuals shall be reappointed to the Warren County Board of Recreation Commissioners:

Jane Bullis
401 Hardwick Street
Belvidere, NJ 07823

Term to expire: January 1, 2012

John M. Halmi, Jr.
34 Michael Road
Oxford, NJ 07863

Term to expire: January 1, 2014

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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 279-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FOLLOWING ASSISTANT PROSECUTOR POSITIONS TO BE PLACED IN THE WARREN COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Civil Service Commission requires this resolution; and
WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders has authorized the following Assistant Prosecutor Positions in the Warren County Prosecutor's Office:

- 1 First Assistant Prosecutor
- 11 Assistant Prosecutors

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders authorizes the Assistant Prosecutor positions named above to be placed in the Prosecutor's Office effective immediately; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the New Jersey Civil Service Commission, State of New Jersey, Division of Personnel, PO Box 0314, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0314.

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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 280-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FOLLOWING INVESTIGATOR POSITIONS TO BE

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PLACED IN THE WARREN COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Civil Service Commission requires this resolution; and
WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders has authorized the following Investigator Positions in the Warren County Prosecutor's Office:

- 1 Chief of County Investigators
- 1 Deputy Chief of County Investigators
- 4 Lieutenants of County Investigators
- 5 Sergeants of County Investigators
- 11 County Investigators

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders authorizes the Investigator positions named above to be placed in the Prosecutor's Office effective immediately; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the New Jersey Civil Service Commission, State of New Jersey, Division of Personnel, PO Box 0314, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0314.

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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 281-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE WARREN COUNTY PERSONNEL POLICIES

BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that sections of the Warren County Personnel Policies are amended to reflect changes in administrative policies and procedures that impact the effective and efficient operation of all Warren County departments; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the following amendments as described below and annexed hereto be approved and implemented.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the changes to the Warren County Personnel Policies are approved and made effective April 23, 2009.

Amendments

1. Section 402. Workers Compensation/Sick Leave Injury Insurance
2. Section 509. Longevity Pay
3. Appendix A, Policies & Schedules, Warren County Modified Duty Policy

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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 282-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

RESOLUTION APPOINTING JODY L. PERKIN TO THE POSITION OF CONFIDENTIAL ASSISTANT, HUMAN RESOURCES, UNCLASSIFIED, WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that Jody L. Perkin is hereby appointed to the position of Confidential Assistant, Human Resources, unclassified, as set forth under N.J.S.A. 11A: 3-5 (l) and shall serve as division head in charge of personnel functions within the Department of Long Term Care Services, Warren Haven.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that Jody L. Perkin is appointed Confidential Assistant, Human Resources at an annual salary of \$60,000 and made effective April 30, 2009.

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 22, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Reports and Comments

County Counsel Joe Bell had no report.

County Engineer Dave Hicks forewarned the Board of the paperwork required for federal stimulus funds projects which will go "above and beyond" the customarily voluminous federal aid paperwork. The Director of the Board will be asked to sign scores of documents. The County will receive \$3,720,000 in aid.

Mr. Hicks said construction management for the new Library Building is going to be complicated. He worked with Alex Lazorisak on putting together a scope of the job. There will be a lot to coordinate with many subcontractors and delivery of materials. A professional should have valuable input regarding availability of materials that will help save money. Mr. Hicks asked the Freeholders to please offer any comments or questions they may have so the project can move forward.

Regarding solar renewable energy credits, Mr. Hicks suggested SSP Architects be invited to make a 10-15 minute presentation to the Board to answer any questions or concerns. As electricity is generated, certificates are granted which are in turn, sold on the open market. This makes the pursuit of solar energy attractive. Mr. Gardner noted that the solar renewable energy credits are now declining, but the County had submitted an application at an advantageous time.

County Planner Dave Dech followed up on the subject of federal stimulus money by reporting that the ISTEPA (Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act) Grant received years ago to restore the Morris Canal is a project that is now ready to go through the stimulus program. We are working with the DOT to make the scope of the work fit in for this worthwhile project and will obtain waivers from the DEP for stormwater restrictions.

Mr. Dech then reminded the Board of the Open House Meeting on the Route 22 Corridor being held April 27 from 6-8 p.m. at the Alpha Municipal Building. Ideas to address traffic problems will be shared.

County CFO Charles Houck had no report.

County Administrator Steve Marvin asked the Freeholders to turn their attention to the

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latest Personnel Vacancy Report. They made no comments.

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, **RESCHEDULE MEETING TIME OF MAY 13, 2009 FROM 7:30 P.M. TO 5:00 P.M.**

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

Freeholder Comments

Mr. Accetturo said everybody has been very helpful; things are going smoothly.

Mr. Gardner mentioned an article that had run in The Express-Times concerning an effort by the Legislature and Governor's Office to renew the Garden State Preservation Trust Fund. Some comments on the subject were interesting, he said. Assemblyman John

McKeon (D-Essex), who supports finding an alternate source of steady funding to continue the program, seems to reject the idea of assessing a water fee or tax, but people pay for utilities anyway, Mr. Gardner said. This seems like a lack of will on the part of someone who impounded property in the Highlands. The Highlands Act gave water purveyors a free ride. Mr. Gardner thought a water fee would be a reasonable and logical way to fund the program.

In closing, Mr. Gardner said he was pleased to see the large number of folks in attendance this evening.

RESOLUTION 283-09

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, at 8:35 p.m., the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on April 22, 2009.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Board hereby excludes the public in order to discuss such matters. The general nature of the subjects to be discussed are as follows:

(1) *Matters Relating to Collective Bargaining Agreements*: Items to be discussed include: CWA 1071-TASS – fact-finding notice filed; negotiations with AFSCME 3287, AFSCME 671, PBA 280-Sheriff's Officers, CWA 1071-PHNA and CWA 1032-Prosecutor's Clerical; PBA 331-Prosecutor's Detectives- preparation for Binding Interest Arbitration Trial, Labor Counsel prep, certifications from CFO, etc.; FOP 171-Corrections Officers' challenge of move to State Health Benefits Plan.

(2) *Miscellaneous Matters*: Salary adjustments for Elected/Appointed/Unclassified group; BCF/PCFA dual membership; Soil Conservation District request for financial assistance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board shall disclose to the public, as soon as practicable, the contents of the discussions after the final disposition of the matters discussed.

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Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

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On motion by Mr. Accetturo, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the Board adjourned executive session at 9:31 p.m. and returned to open session.

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

On motion by Mr. Accetturo, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, and there being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 9:31 p.m.

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

ATTESTED TO:

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board