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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 December 9, 2009 at 7:03 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 DECEMBER 9, 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 November 24, 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 November 24, 2009 were approved.

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

Beth Styler Barry of Musconetcong Watershed Association and Marian Sumner of the Heritage Conservancy were invited to present their annual report. They took turns speaking throughout a slide presentation highlighting developments and activities that have taken place over the past year. The Heritage Conservancy acquired the Cliffdale property – a building plus six acres along the Musconetcong River – with the support of the Freeholders. This property now has public access to the river and a restaurant will soon be operating in the ground floor of the building. The restaurateur is working with the Foodshed Alliance with the aim of serving local, sustainable foods.

A grand opening of the MWA's River Resource Center was held in April of 2009. This LEED Certified building was completely renovated and is now open to the public. This was made possible in part due to a grant from the Freeholders. The Camp Musky Summer Day Camp was so successful that some children had to be turned away. Next summer, the program will be expanded to accommodate more 7-9 year olds.

Several river cleanups, hikes and boat trips were conducted on and near the river over the past year. The Heritage Conservancy helped Route 57 obtain its Scenic Byway designation. Expanded activities, including a landowner forum, are planned for the coming year.

Mr. Gardner said the work being done through the cooperation of these organizations is fantastic. Having lived in Asbury all his life, he said what's happening now is very positive. The

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river is cleaner now than it was in the 1960's. The public is aware of the importance of a clean river. "I think you're right on target with your programs," he said.

Mr. Chamberlain noted that while both Ms. Styler Barry and Ms. Sumner had thanked the Board of Chosen Freeholders for funding to help make these endeavors possible, it was actually paid for by the taxpayers. This meeting concluded at 7:20 p.m.

Jackie Schwier of the Domestic Abuse and Sexual Assault Crisis Center then came forward to introduce the organization's Green Dot Campaign. Warren County's first and only shelter for victims, the Domestic Abuse and Sexual Assault Crisis Center has answered 80,000 hotline calls and sheltered 20,000 women and children over the years. The Green Dot Program is about everyone doing their part in terms of recognizing and preventing abuse and not standing idly by when it happens. A culture change needs to come about. Ms. Schwier suggested the Freeholders pass a resolution proclaiming Green Dot an official program and dedicate \$1,000 toward its implementation.

Mr. Gardner noted that a portion of calls to the hotline are false alarms placed by people struggling with mental illness or other personal issues. He did agree that intervention does not occur often enough. This meeting concluded at 7:34 p.m.

On motion by Mr. Accetturo, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, **CERTIFICATES OF MERIT TO WARREN AND PHYLLIS KEARNS FOR DELIVERING MEALS AT HOME FOR 25 YEARS.**
Recorded Vote: Mr. Accetturo yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes, Mr. Gardner yes

Mr. Accetturo was to present the certificates to the Kearns at a function later in the week. Twenty-five years is incredible, he said.

Mr. Chamberlain said Meals at Home is a great program. In addition to a meal, it provides a social outlet for the recipient.

Public Comments (Agenda Items Only)

Jim Kelsey of the Independence Township Land Use Board said a revolt is growing in opposition to the Highlands Act. He urged the Freeholders to respect property rights. The Warren County Townships of Independence and Mansfield have both declined to submit a petition for plan conformance and the Hunterdon County Freeholder Board has considered doing the same. Mr. Kelsey said now is the time for municipalities and counties to take a stand against the Act. The Planning and Preservations Areas were mapped out based on faulty science and politics. He said if a governing body does not conform, liability will be against the state rather than the municipality or county.

Others that publicly implored the Board not submit a petition for plan conformance included Hank Klumpp of Tewksbury, James Kessler of Mansfield Township, Susan Buck of Oxford, David Shope of Lebanon Township, Bob Best of Independence Township, Elaine Reichart of White Township and James Kessler, Sr. of Mansfield Township.

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo at 8:38 p.m., **A PUBLIC HEARING ON CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ORDINANCE 2009-B WAS OPENED.**
Recorded Vote: Mr. Accetturo yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes, Mr. Gardner yes

A brief explanation of the real estate transaction was provided. The building being purchased will eventually replace the current location of the Northeast Branch of the Warren

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County Library System.

There were no public comments.

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo at 8:40 p.m., **A PUBLIC HEARING ON CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ORDINANCE 2009-B WAS CLOSED.**

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

RESOLUTION 650-09

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 December 9, 2009.

AN ORDINANCE KNOWN AS A COUNTY ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE ACQUISITION OF PREMISES KNOWN AS BLOCK 11, LOT 1.01 ON THE TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE, COUNTY OF WARREN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY. THE PURPOSE OF SAID PURCHASE IS TO PROVIDE REPLACEMENT FACILITY FOR THE NORTHEAST BRANCH LIBRARY IN THE WARREN COUNTY FREE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM. SAID PURCHASE COST IS NOT TO EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF \$1,100,000 INCLUDING TAXES AND ACQUISITION COST. THE SUM OF \$1,100,000 IS HEREBY APPROPRIATED FROM THE GENERAL CAPITAL FUND, LIBRARY EXPANSION RESERVE ACCOUNT FOR SAID PURCHASE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN, NEW JERSEY (the County) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The improvements described in Section 2 of this Ordinance are hereby authorized as a general improvement to be made by the County of Warren, New Jersey. There is hereby appropriated the sum of \$1,100,000.00 from the General Capital Fund of the County of Warren for said stated purpose. Said sum being inclusive of all appropriations heretofore made therefore, and is herein appropriated the sum of \$1,100,000.00 as the payment for said improvement and purpose from the Capital Improvement Fund Account and/or other legally available funds of the county. Said payment is now available for this purpose.

Section 2. (A) The improvement hereby authorized is the acquisition of real property consisting of a building and approximately known as the Cerminara property located at 30 – 42 Route 46, described as Block 11 Lot 1.01 on the Tax Map of the Township of Independence, County of Warren, New Jersey. The purpose of the proposed appropriation for financing said acquisition, including taxes and applicable acquisition expenses associated therefore, is to provide for replacement of the existing Northeast Branch of the free county library system.

Section 2. (B) The maximum amount of money appropriated in the 2009 General Capital Budget for the above noted purchase is \$1,100,000.00, no part of which said sum is to be borrowed.

Section 2. (C) The Board of Chosen Freeholders hereby authorizes the execution of a purchase agreement in accordance with NJSA 40A:12-3 et seq. to provide for the acquisition of said property.

Section 3. The following matters are hereby determined, declared, recited, and stated:

(3A) The said purpose described in Section 2(A) of this Ordinance is not a Current Expense and is for the Purchase of premises known as Block 11, Lot 1.01 on the Tax Map of the Township of Independence, County of Warren, and State of New Jersey and the closing expenses therefore, which the County may lawfully make as a general improvement and no part

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of this cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on the property benefited thereby.

Section 4. The capital budget of the County of Warren is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. The resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services is on file with the Clerk to the Board of Chosen Freeholders and is available for public inspection.

Section 5. The date for final passage of this Ordinance shall be at 7:00 p.m. on the 9th day of December, 2009, during the regular meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders held in the Freeholders Meeting Room, Wayne Dumont Jr. Administration Building, Route 519, Belvidere, New Jersey, or such other meeting as to which it may be adjourned.

At least one (1) week prior to the above date or meeting, for the consideration 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 this Ordinance will be made available during the ensuing week up to and including the date of the meeting for further consideration of the Ordinance by the members of the general public of the County who shall request copies and the notice shall set forth the place at which such copies may be made available.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage as provided herein.

On a 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 **November 10, 2009**.

APPROVED ON FIRST READING

Recorded Vote:

By RESOLUTION 593 – 09 Freeholder Director Gardner

yes

DATED: November 10, 2009

Deputy Director Chamberlain

yes

Freeholder Accetturo

yes

On a motion by **Mr. Accetturo**, seconded by **Mr. Chamberlain**, the following resolution was approved by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held **December 9, 2009**.

ADOPTED ON SECOND READING

Recorded Vote:

By RESOLUTION 650 – 09

Freeholder Director Gardner

yes

DATED: December 9, 2009

Deputy Director Chamberlain

yes

Freeholder Accetturo

yes

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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 651-09

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

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December 9, 2009.

RESOLUTION TO PAY BILLS

Be and it is hereby resolved that Master Voucher Certificate **For Certification / Ratification for Payments No. 2009-48 and 2009-49 dated December 9, 2009** in the amount of **\$ 4,298,625.53** including payrolls, allowances, bills and investments, is approved subject to the review of the vouchers by the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

2009-48	12/2/09	\$	568,434.64	
2009-49	12/9/09		1,077,777.20	
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TOTAL		\$		1,646,211.84
<u>Wire Transfer</u>				
Open Space	12/9/09			972,857.80
Payroll	12/3/09	\$	1,678,955.89	
Subsistence	12/3/09		600.00	
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TOTAL				<u>1,679,555.89</u>
GRAND TOTAL		\$		<u><u>4,298,625.53</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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 652-09

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 December 9, 2009.

INSERTION INTO THE 2009 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$5,166.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SENIOR SERVICES, DIVISION OF AGING & COMMUNITY SERVICES, AREA PLAN GRANT PROGRAM FOR A TOTAL AWARD OF \$985,191.00

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 \$ 5,166.00, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey, Department of Health & Senior Services, Division of Aging & Community Services, Area

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Plan Grant Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$ 5,166.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption:

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

State of New Jersey, Department of Health & Senior Services, Division of Aging & Community Services, Area Plan Grant Program (administered by Aging).

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

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 653-09

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 December 9, 2009.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR OF BOARD TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NJ TRANSIT CORPORATION FOR SENIOR CITIZEN AND DISABLED RESIDENT TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$519,101 FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2010 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010

WHEREAS, on June 24, 2009, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders approved the 2010 Senior Citizen and Disabled Resident Transportation Assistance Program (SCDRTAP) application through the NJ Transit Corporation for \$519,101; and

WHEREAS, NJ Transit has approved the 2010 Warren County SCDRTAP application with anticipated funding of \$519,101.

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 the Agreement with the NJ Transit Corporation for the use of the 2010 Senior Citizen and Disabled Resident Transportation Assistance Program funds for a total of \$519,101.

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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 654-09

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 December 9, 2009.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF AGING & DISABILITY SERVICES TO SUBMIT THE WARREN COUNTY 2010-2012 AREA PLAN ON AGING TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES

WHEREAS, every three years, as Warren County's designated Area Agency on Aging, the Division of Aging & Disability Services is required to submit a countywide Area Plan on Aging; and

WHEREAS, the new 2010-2012 Three-Year Area Plan on Aging has been completed

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by the Division of Aging & Disability Services for final submission to the NJ Department of Health & Senior Services; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Aging Services Advisory Council has reviewed and approved the 2010-2012 Area Plan on Aging; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, The Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders do hereby approve the submission of Warren County's Three-Year Area Plan on Aging 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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 655-09

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 December 9, 2009.

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING GRANT FUNDING TO POHATCONG HISTORY & HERITAGE SOCIETY FOR CONTINUED STABILIZATION OF FINESVILLE CEMETERY

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren (BCF) has, by resolution, established the "Warren County Open Space Farmland, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Procedures and Rules;" and

WHEREAS, the Municipal and Charitable Conservancy Trust Fund Committee (MCCTFC) has reviewed and considered an application from the Pohatcong History & Heritage Society for the continued stabilization of the Finesville Cemetery; and

WHEREAS, the Pohatcong History & Heritage Society has demonstrated its eligibility and that of the proposed project to the satisfaction of the MCCTFC; and

WHEREAS, the granting of funds for this project is fully in keeping with the intent and purpose of the rules; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds in the amount of \$31,000 are available in account 03893 5065 8930904 5065.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at its regular meeting on December 9, 2009, that such a grant be approved.

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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 656-09

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 December 9, 2009.

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING GRANT FUNDING TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF OXFORD FOR STABILIZATION/ RESTORATION OF CHURCH, COMMUNITY CENTER AND GROUNDS

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren (BCF) has, by resolution, established the "Warren County Open Space Farmland, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Procedures and Rules;" and

WHEREAS, the Municipal and Charitable Conservancy Trust Fund Committee

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(MCCTFC) has reviewed and considered an application from the First Presbyterian Church of Oxford for the stabilization and restoration of the church, community center and grounds; and

WHEREAS, First Presbyterian Church of Oxford has demonstrated its eligibility and that of the proposed project to the satisfaction of the MCCTFC; and

WHEREAS, the granting of funds for this project is fully in keeping with the intent and purpose of the rules; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds in the amount of \$249,500 are available in account 03893 5065 8930901 5065.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at its regular meeting on December 9, 2009, that such a grant be approved.

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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 657-09

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 December 9, 2009.

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING GRANT FUNDING TO LOPATCONG TOWNSHIP FOR ACQUISITION OF BLOCK 9, LOT 3 (PART) AND BLOCK 10, LOTS 7 AND 8 IN LOPATCONG TOWNSHIP FOR THE MARBLE HILL GREENWAY

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren (BCF) has, by resolution, established the "Warren County Open Space Farmland, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Procedures and Rules;" and

WHEREAS, the Municipal and Charitable Conservancy Trust Fund Committee (MCCTFC) has reviewed and considered an application from Lopatcong Township for acquisition of Block 9, Lot 3 (part of), and Block 10, Lots 7; and 8.

WHEREAS, Lopatcong Township has demonstrated its eligibility and that of the proposed project to the satisfaction of the MCCTFC; and

WHEREAS, the granting of funds for this project is fully in keeping with the intent and purpose of the rules; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds in the amount of \$55,000 are available in account 03894 5065 89409003 5065.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at its regular meeting on December 9, 2009, that such a grant be approved.

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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 658-09

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 December 9, 2009.

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RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING GRANT FUNDING TO PHILLIPSBURG AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY FOR STABILIZATION/ RESTORATION OF THE ROSEBERRY HOMESTEAD IN PHILLIPSBURG

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren (BCF) has, by resolution, established the "Warren County Open Space Farmland, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Procedures and Rules;" and

WHEREAS, the Municipal and Charitable Conservancy Trust Fund Committee (MCCTFC) has reviewed and considered an application from Phillipsburg Area Historical Society for the Roseberry Homestead Stabilization/Renovation; and

WHEREAS, the Phillipsburg Area Historical Society has demonstrated its eligibility and that of the proposed project to the satisfaction of the MCCTFC; and

WHEREAS, the granting of funds for this project is fully in keeping with the intent and purpose of the rules; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds in the amount of \$121,900 are available in account 03893 5065 8930902 5065.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at its regular meeting on December 9, 2009, that such a grant be approved.

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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 659-09

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 December 9, 2009.

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING GRANT FUNDING TO POHATCONG TOWNSHIP FOR RE-POINTING OF STILL VALLEY TUNNEL

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren (BCF) has, by resolution, established the "Warren County Open Space Farmland, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Procedures and Rules;" and

WHEREAS, the Municipal and Charitable Conservancy Trust Fund Committee (MCCTFC) has reviewed and considered an application from Pohatcong Township for the re-pointing of the Still Valley Tunnel; and

WHEREAS, Pophatcong Township has demonstrated its eligibility and that of the proposed project to the satisfaction of the MCCTFC; and

WHEREAS, the granting of funds for this project is fully in keeping with the intent and purpose of the rules; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds in the amount of \$91,000 are available in account 03893 5065 8930905 5065.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at its regular meeting on December 9, 2009, that such a grant be approved.

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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 660-09

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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 December 9, 2009.

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING GRANT FUNDING TO PORT COLDEN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH FOR CONTINUED RESTORATION OF HISTORIC CHURCH

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren (BCF) has, by resolution, established the "Warren County Open Space Farmland, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Procedures and Rules;" and

WHEREAS, the Municipal and Charitable Conservancy Trust Fund Committee (MCCTFC) has reviewed and considered an application from the Port Colden United Methodist Church for the continued restoration of their historic church; and

WHEREAS, the Port Colden United Methodist Church has demonstrated its eligibility and that of the proposed project to the satisfaction of the MCCTFC; and

WHEREAS, the granting of funds for this project is fully in keeping with the intent and purpose of the rules; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds in the amount of \$208,732 are available in account 03893 5065 8930903 5065.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at its regular meeting on December 9, 2009, that such a grant be approved.

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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 661-09

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 December 9, 2009.

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING GRANT FUNDING TO RIDGE & VALLEY CONSERVANCY FOR ACQUISITION OF BLOCK 5200, LOTS 200, 400 AND 1200 IN HOPE TOWNSHIP FOR THE MORAVIAN SPRINGS PRESERVE

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren (BCF) has, by resolution, established the "Warren County Open Space Farmland, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Procedures and Rules;" and

WHEREAS, the Municipal and Charitable Conservancy Trust Fund Committee (MCCTFC) has reviewed and considered an application from the Ridge & Valley Conservancy for acquisition of Block 5200, Lots 200, 400 and 1200 in Hope Township; and

WHEREAS, the Ridge & Valley Conservancy has demonstrated its eligibility and that of the proposed project to the satisfaction of the MCCTFC; and

WHEREAS, the granting of funds for this project is fully in keeping with the intent and purpose of the rules; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds in the amount of \$150,000 are available in account 03894 5065 8940904 5065.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at its regular meeting on December 9, 2009, that such a grant be approved.

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 December 9, 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 December 9, 2009.

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING GRANT FUNDING TO THE NEW JERSEY CONSERVATION FOUNDATION FOR THE ACQUISITION OF THE MORRISON PROPERTY (BLOCK 11, LOT 29) IN HARMONY TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren (BCF) has, by resolution, established the "Warren County Open Space Farmland, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Procedures and Rules;" and

WHEREAS, the Municipal and Charitable Conservancy Trust Fund Committee (MCCTFC) has reviewed and considered an application from the New Jersey Conservation Foundation for acquisition of the Morrison property (Block 11, Lot 29) in Harmony Township; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Conservation Foundation has demonstrated its eligibility and that of the proposed project to the satisfaction of the MCCTFC; and

WHEREAS, the granting of funds for this project is fully in keeping with the intent and purpose of the rules; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds in the amount of \$88,750 are available in account 03894 5065 8940905 5065.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at its regular meeting on December 9, 2009, that such a grant be approved.

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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 663-09

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 December 9, 2009.

RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF A DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON THE CLARA & SANTINO SANTINI TESTAMENT TRUST FARM, BLOCK 41, LOT 9 IN FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 101 ACRES

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren has determined that the property known as the Clara & Santino Santini Testament Trust Farm, located on Block 41 Lot 9, in Franklin Township, consisting of approximately 101 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 the approved Franklin Township Planning Incentive Grant application; and

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WHEREAS, the purchase of the development easement on the property will encourage the survivability of the productive agriculture in Franklin Township and 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 \$5,800 per acre as certified by the State Agriculture Development Committee (SADC). Cost to be shared with the SADC as follows: SADC \$1,800 per acre, Warren County \$ 1,000 per acre, Franklin Township \$1,200 per acre (which includes an additional negotiated amount of \$200 per acre) and the Farm and Ranchland Protection Program, \$2,000 per acre, and the FRPP \$2,000 per acre.
2. This approval includes the following conditions
 - a. No existing housing opportunities
 - b. No existing agricultural labor housing units
 - c. One severable exception of (7) seven acres and one non-severable exception of (1) one acre
 - d. No RDSOs allocated
 - e. No preexisting non-agricultural uses
 - f. No preexisting access easements or proposed trails
 - g. SADC funding from Base grant
3. The County's share in regard to the purchase of said easement is estimated at \$101,000. 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 Franklin, County of Warren, State of New Jersey under the terms outlined above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that adequate funds in the amount of \$101,000 in account #03895-5067-8950913-5067 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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 664-09

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 December 9, 2009.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INTER-LOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF WARREN AND THE VARIOUS MUNICIPALITIES IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN

WHEREAS, various municipalities in the County of Warren and the County of Warren desire to enter into an Inter-local Services Agreement with respect to setting forth the terms and conditions of the use of a document management system; and

WHEREAS, the County of Warren has agreed to provide the use of the software, licenses, a VPN client, and the use of existing storage space at no cost; and

WHEREAS, the various municipalities will be responsible for the sharing of the cost of any necessary future storage expansion and purchase of any other equipment they may need;

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and

WHEREAS, the current software, licenses, VPN client, and a portion of the current hardware were funded through the PARIS grant program for the purposes of records management in both the County of Warren and the various municipalities in the County of Warren; and

WHEREAS, this type of project falls within the type of shared services agreement that serves to lower the operation cost of government on the local level;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren, New Jersey, that the Freeholder Director is hereby authorized to execute and Inter-local Services Agreement with the Town of Hackettstown, Borough of Washington, Township of Mansfield, Township of Independence, and Township of Washington in the County of Warren setting forth the terms and conditions regarding the sharing of a document management system.

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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 665-09

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 December 9, 2009.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WARREN COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER TO APPLY FOR PUBLIC HEALTH PRIORITY FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$46,842 FOR 2010

WHEREAS, State Public Health Priority Funding (PHPF) has helped provide essential public health services to the Warren County citizenry since 1970; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 2003 C. 113, effective July 1, 2003, changed the method of providing PHPF to county health departments from a direct state appropriation to revenues from supplemental realty transfer fees; and

WHEREAS, said law requires that these new fee revenues support future PHPF services at least at the 2003 funding level, which for Warren County is \$46,842 per year; and

WHEREAS, compliance with the PHPF law (N.J.S.A. 26:2F-1) requires submission of an application to the New Jersey Department of Health & Senior Services (NJDHSS) for PHPF funding approval;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the County Health Officer is authorized to submit an application to NJDHSS for PHPF in the amount of \$46,842 for calendar year 2010; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is authorized to receive and disburse the above-referenced supplemental realty transfer fees for the purpose of supporting PHPF 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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 666-09

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 December 9, 2009.

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF WARREN HOSPITAL

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WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren recognizes that Warren Hospital is one of the primary medical providers for the residents of Warren County, and the second largest employer in the County;

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders has been made aware of a serious health crisis for the residents of Warren County caused by the State's present Department of Health Regulations as they are applied to Warren Hospital;

WHEREAS, the State prohibits Warren Hospital from performing advanced cardiac procedures despite the fact that Warren Hospital has 12 Board-certified invasive cardiologists on staff;

WHEREAS, the same 12 Board-certified invasive cardiologists are on staff at Easton Hospital and are permitted to perform the same procedures with similar equipment at Easton Hospital;

WHEREAS, public health openly recognizes that the time delay in getting patients in cardiac distress proper cardiac treatment is directly related to whether a person will live or die or sustain permanent heart damage;

WHEREAS, in 2008 the Society of Cardiovascular Angiography and Interventions (SCAI) determined that "patients with acute myocardial infarction are at a disadvantage in the Phillipsburg area. They are precluded from treatment at Warren Hospital and facilitated transfer to Pennsylvania (or other NJ) hospitals is not available. Responsible health care planning requires that all patients have prompt access to primary PCI centers."

WHEREAS, the estimated financial impact and lost revenue from Warren Hospital being precluded from providing full-service cardiac catheterization and primary angioplasty services totals over \$21 million since 2006;

WHEREAS, lost revenues from Warren Hospital jeopardize its ability to remain viable and provide our residents with continued quality care.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders strongly supports Warren Hospital's application to obtain a conditional limited approval to provide full-service cardiac catheterization and primary angioplasty on an 18 month trial basis from the Department of Health and respectfully requests that the Commissioner of Health grant a waiver to approve Warren Hospital's application in light of its unique situation and more importantly to protect and promote the public health of the residents of Warren County.

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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Mr. Frank Greenagle thanked the Board very much for recommending grant funding for the restoration of Phillipsburg's Roseberry Homestead (Agenda Item E6). He said it is a real gem and will be operated as an active, interpretive historical site.

The Board did not vote on Agenda Item E12 which would have authorized the submission of a petition for plan conformance to the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Council for land in the Preservation Area.

County Planner Dave Dech had supplied documents that had been reviewed and modified for the County Planning Board. In numerous places, it is stated that the goals are those of the Highlands Council and that data presented by the State has not been verified. Development regulations for County facilities are included in the plan. "This is what we were tasked to do," he said.

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Mr. Gardner said there are no conservation measures on the tap side. No penalties, no incurred costs, no fines. The legislation falls far short of what it was intended to do. He said the Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) cannot work and was incredibly short-sighted. Mr. Gardner thought the nitrate pollution module was outrageous. Water purveyors have gotten a free ride. Businesses are stagnating because they are prevented from expanding.

Mr. Accetturo said the Highlands Council had five years to attempt to make it right. He said he had gone down the TDR path while on the Oxford Township Committee. It cost money and nothing really happened; just promises. It's a shame to see this happening in our country, he said. They're paying all kinds of people to plan, yet it is poor planning.

Mr. Chamberlain said we understand the ramifications of the Highlands Act. We have taken a strong stance from the beginning, before it became legislation. We joined forces and entered into a lawsuit. He appreciated all the comments made on the subject this evening. Mr. Chamberlain thought there was "a glimmer of hope" that sensible people may now be appointed to the Highlands Council. "I'm optimistic at this point," he said, adding he hoped the new governor will stand strong.

Mr. Gardner said the earlier presentation by the MWA and Heritage Conservancy illustrated how much can be done with minimal dollars. We can achieve so much more than State bureaucracy.

RESOLUTION 667-09

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 December 9, 2009.

**RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT #WC0870FO-7 TO KUPPER, LLC FOR
ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE SUPERSTRUCTURE ON
COUNTY BRIDGE #16005/1401189, OLD TURNPIKE ROAD OVER THE MUSCONETCONG
RIVER, MANSFIELD/WASHINGTON, WARREN/MORRIS COUNTIES
IN THE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$104,246.00**

WHEREAS, the County has received Qualification Statements for Contract #WC0870FO for Bridge and Culvert Survey, Design, and Permitting; 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 Kupper, LLC meets the needs of the program, price and other factors considered in the amount of \$104,246.00 (Morris County to reimburse Warren County for 50% of contract amount); and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available in accounts 0403A301 5064 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 Kupper, LLC of Trenton, N.J. for professional services for the above project in the amount of \$104,246.00, 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. A notice of this action shall be published in the Star Ledger.

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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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 668-09

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 December 9, 2009.

RESOLUTION AWARDED CONTRACT #WC0967 TO TILCON NEW YORK, INC. FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF WARREN COUNTY BRIDGE #15016, STRYKER'S ROAD, GREENWICH & LOPATCONG TOWNSHIPS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,107,245.25

WHEREAS, the County advertised for bids to be received on Tuesday, November 24, 2009 at 1:30 P.M. for Contract #WC0967 for the Reconstruction of Warren County Bridge #15016, Stryker's Road

Greenwich & Lopatcong Townships; and

WHEREAS, Tilcon New York, Inc. of Wharton, New Jersey submitted the lowest responsible and responsive bid of \$1,107,245.25; and

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

WHEREAS, adequate funds have been established in accounts S11655380 5064, S21655380 5064 and S71655302 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 Tilcon New York, Inc. in the contract amount of \$1,107,245.25.

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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 669-09

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 December 9, 2009.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC0979a FO FOR AGENCY NURSING SERVICES AT WARREN HAVEN TO WARREN HOSPITAL FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2010 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010, COST IS BASED UPON A NEGOTIATED RATE SCHEDULE, TOTAL COST OF CONTRACT NOT TO EXCEED \$120,000.00

BE IT RESOLVED that contract WC0979aFO for Agency Nursing Services at Warren Haven for the period of January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 is hereby awarded to . . . Warren Hospital, Phillipsburg, New Jersey in the amount of . . . Cost is based upon a negotiated rate schedule, total cost not to exceed \$120,000.00

as per their proposal submitted . . . November 24, 2009

and reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing as the lowest responsible and responsive proposal received price and other factors considered through the Fair and Open Process in accordance with N.J.S.A.19:44A-20.4. Award based upon experience and familiarity with providing the services listed above under the direction of Warren

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Haven, and quality of past services rendered.

Funds will be provided in budget accounts 013507/5029 -Warren Haven – Nursing Contracted Services.

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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 670-09

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 December 9, 2009.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC0980a FO FOR THERAPY AND NURSING SERVICES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING AGENCY TO WARREN HOSPITAL FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2010 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010 IN THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$275,000.00

BE IT RESOLVED that contract WC0980aFO for Therapy and Nursing Services for the Warren County Public Health Nursing Agency for the period of January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 is hereby awarded

to . . . Warren Hospital, Phillipsburg, New Jersey

in the estimated amount of . . . \$275,000.00 based upon the following rate schedule

Registered Nurse – Regular Staff relief/shift days - \$28.00-\$42.00 per hour

On-call, 4:30 p.m. – 8:00a.m. weekdays - \$2.50 per hour

On-call, 4:30p.m. Friday – 8:00 a.m. Monday, Weekends & Holidays - \$3.00 per

Hour

Registered Nurse/LPN – Weekend differential - \$3.00 per hour

Licensed Practical Nurse - \$20.00 - \$28.00 per hour

Physical Therapist - \$30.00 - \$44.00 per hour

as per their proposal submitted . . . November 24, 2009

and reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing as the lowest responsible and responsive proposal received price and other factors considered through the Fair and Open Process in accordance with N.J.S.A.19:44A-20.4. Award based upon experience and familiarity with providing the services listed above under the direction of the Warren County Public Health Nursing Agency, and quality of past services rendered.

Funds will be provided in budget accounts 19330/5716 Health Trust Account and 013302/5048 – PHNA – Nursing Services and certified by the Warren County Treasurer.

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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 671-09

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 December 9, 2009.

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**RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC0988FO FOR QUALIFYING SURVEYORS
 FOR THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS TO THE SURVEYORS
 LISTED BELOW FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2010 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010**

WHEREAS, The Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders received proposals from surveyors on Friday, November 20, 2009. These proposals were based on qualifications, to develop a list of qualified surveyors to receive proposals on various Land Preservations and acquisitions.

WHEREAS, the proposals were reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing through the Fair and Open Process in accordance with N.J.S.A.19:44A-20.4. Award based upon experience and familiarity with providing surveying services under the direction of the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders, and the Warren County Department of Land Preservation and quality of past services rendered.

WHEREAS, this is a qualification of surveyors only, award of contracts will be based upon proposals submitted on various properties through the course of the year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Surveyors listed below are qualified by the County of Warren to receive proposals:

L. J Brill & Associates Blairstown, NJ	Cherry, Weber & Associates, P.C. Phillipsburg, NJ
Finelli Consulting Engineers Inc. Washington, NJ	CMX Phillipsburg, NJ
Robert W. Lee Associates, Inc. Hampton, NJ	Smith Surveying Morristown, NJ
Hatch Mott MacDonald Clinton, NJ	French & Parello Associates Wall, NJ
Suburban Consulting Engineers Mt. Arlington, NJ	Survet Forked River, NJ
Maser Consulting Mount Arlington, NJ	Thomas L. Yager & Associates Clinton, NJ
Dykstra Associates Newton, NJ	Harris Surveying Robbinsville, NJ
Adams, Rehmann & Heggan Associates Hammonton, NJ	
Lan Associates Midland Park, NJ	Malick & Scherer, P.C. Whitehouse Station, NJ
Kupper LLC Trenton, NJ	Dykstra & Waller Lake Hopatcong, NJ
Barry Isett & Associates Inc., Trexlorstown, PA	Pennoni Associates Cedar Knolls, NJ

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Wayne Jarvis LS
Great Meadows, NJ

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Keller & Kirkpatrick
Morris Plains, NJ

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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 672-09

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 December 9, 2009.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC0989FO FOR QUALIFYING APPRAISERS FOR THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS TO THE APPRAISERS LISTED BELOW FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2010 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010

WHEREAS, The Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders received proposals from appraisers on Friday, November 20, 2009. These proposals were based on qualifications, to develop a list of qualified appraisers to receive proposals on various Land Preservations and acquisitions.

WHEREAS, the proposals were reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing through the Fair and Open Process in accordance with N.J.S.A.19:44A-20.4. Award based upon experience and familiarity with providing appraisal services under the direction of the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders, and the Warren County Department of Land Preservation and quality of past services rendered.

WHEREAS, this is a qualification of appraisers only, award of contracts will be based upon proposals submitted on various properties through the course of the year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Appraisers listed below are qualified by the County of Warren to receive proposals:

Curran Realty Advisors
Princeton, NJ

Landmark I Appraisal, LLC
Chester, NJ

Holzauer & Holenstein, LLC
Newton, NJ

Robert F. Heffernan & Associates
Oldwick, NJ

MGM Associates
Flemington, NJ

C. L. Orbaker & Associates Inc.
Doylestown, PA

Thomas Rodriguez
Stockton, NJ

Swift Real Estate Solutions
Newton, NJ

Sterling DeSanto Associates
Somerville, NJ

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 December 9, 2009.

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

RESOLUTION 673-09

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 December 9, 2009.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC0990FO FOR QUALIFYING TITLE COMPANIES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS TO THE TITLE COMPANIES LISTED BELOW FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2010 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010

WHEREAS, The Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders received proposals from Title Companies on Friday, November 20, 2009. These proposals were based on qualifications, to develop a list of qualified Title Companies to receive proposals on various Land Preservations and acquisitions.

WHEREAS, the proposals were reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing through the Fair and Open Process in accordance with N.J.S.A.19:44A-20.4. Award based upon experience and familiarity with providing title services under the direction of the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders, and the Warren County Department of Land Preservation and quality of past services rendered.

WHEREAS, this is a qualification of Title Companies only, award of contracts will be based upon proposals submitted on various properties through the course of the year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Title Companies listed below are qualified by the County of Warren to receive proposals:

Central Jersey Title Co., Inc.,
Morristown, NJ

Probe Lawyers Service
Washington, NJ

Lafayette General Title Agency
Toms River, NJ

Chicago Title Insurance Co
Toms River, NJ

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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 674-09

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 December 9, 2009.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC0992FO FOR THE EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT TO QUANTUM HEALTH SOLUTIONS, INC. FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2010 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010 AT A RATE OF \$2.95 PER EMPLOYEE PER MONTH; TOTAL CONTRACT NOT TO EXCEED \$37,000.00

BE IT RESOLVED that contract WC0992FO for the Employee Assistance Program for the Warren County Personnel Department is hereby awarded to . . . Quantum Health Solutions, Inc., Flanders, New Jersey in the amount of . . . \$2.95 per employee per month, not to exceed \$37,000.00 as per their proposal submitted . . . November 20, 2009

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and reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing as the lowest responsible and responsive proposal received price and other factors considered through the Fair and Open Process in accordance with N.J.S.A.19:44A-20.4. Award based upon experience and familiarity with providing employee assistance programs under the direction of the Warren County Personnel Department, and quality of past services rendered.

Funds for this contract are provided in budget account 011050/5040 – Personnel Department EAP.

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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 675-09

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 December 9, 2009.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC0993FO FOR CLINICAL ASSESSMENTS & RELATED ASSESSMENTS FOR THE WARREN COUNTY DIVISION OF SENIOR SERVICES TO MARELL & ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2010 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010 AT THE RATE OF \$150.00 PER COMPLETED ASSESSMENT AND \$75.00 PER REASSESSMENT, TOTAL CONTRACT NOT TO EXCEED \$55,000.00

BE IT RESOLVED that contract WC0993FO for Clinical Assessments and Reassessments for the Warren County Division of Senior Services is hereby awarded to . . . Marell & Associates, Inc., Phillipsburg, New Jersey in the amount of . . . not to exceed \$55,000.00 as per their proposal submitted . . . November 20, 2009

and reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing as the lowest responsible and responsive proposal received price and other factors considered through the Fair and Open Process in accordance with N.J.S.A.19:44A-20.4. Award based upon experience and familiarity with providing clinical assessment services under the direction of the Warren County Division of Senior Services, and quality of past services rendered.

Funds for this contract are provided in grant account F03525303 085303-C 5029 – Area Plan Grant on Aging.

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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 676-09

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 December 9, 2009.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO MOTOROLA INC.

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**UNDER THE NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #A53804 COVERING RADIO
 COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES FOR VARIOUS TYPES OF RADIO
 EQUIPMENT, FIREFIGHTER'S RADIOS FOR THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF
 PUBLIC SAFETY IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$880,381.07**

BE IT RESOLVED that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for various types of radio equipment, firefighter's radios for the Warren County Department of Public Safety and is hereby awarded

to . . . Motorola Inc., Schaumburg, Illinois in the amount of . . . \$880,381.07

at the prices established under New Jersey State Contract #A53804

Funding for this contract has been provided in capital account 0407A409/5054 – Public Safety Communications Equipment and F92505351/5054 – OEM Homeland Security Grant – Communications Equipment and F72525351-5100 Homeland Security Grant and Assistance to Firefighters Grant.

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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 677-09

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 December 9, 2009.

**RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC0965 FOR THE WARREN COUNTY COURT
 HOUSE RENOVATION TO THE BENNETT COMPANY, INC. IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT
 AMOUNT OF \$5,881,000.00**

BE IT RESOLVED that contract WC0965 for the Warren County Courthouse Renovation is hereby awarded

to . . . The Bennett Company, Inc., Passaic, New Jersey

in the contract amount of . . . \$5,881,000.00

as per their bid submitted . . . October 27, 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 CHOUSE – 09 Capital – 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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Regarding the award of Contract WC0965, Mr. Chamberlain said the renovations to the Court House are moving ahead and will hopefully progress quickly.

RESOLUTION 678-09

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 December 9, 2009.

RESOLUTION TO REAPPOINT MEMBERS TO THE

MINUTES**DECEMBER 9, 2009****WARREN COUNTY AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD**

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, recommendations for membership on the Warren County Agriculture Development Board for Frank Gibbs and Lou Baduini have been received from the Warren County Board of Agriculture as appointee; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren hereby reappoints the following individuals to the Warren County Agriculture Development Board:

Frank H. Gibbs (Farmer Member) PO Box 207 Allamuchy, NJ 07820	Term to Expire:	12/31/13
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Lou Baduini (General Public/At-Large Member) PO Box 427 Vienna, NJ 07880	Term to Expire:	12/31/13
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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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 679-09

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 December 9, 2009.

RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING A COUNTY DESIGNATED MEMBER TO THE PHILLIPSBURG FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Library Federation Agreement of March 8, 1990 and the Amendment thereto of January 11, 1999 between the County of Warren and the Town of Phillipsburg, a member of the Phillipsburg Free Public Library Board shall be appointed by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following reappointment to the Phillipsburg Free Public Library Board is hereby approved:

Richard Moore 201 Buckhorn Drive Washington, NJ 07882	Term to expire:	12/31/14
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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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 680-09

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 December 9, 2009.

RESOLUTION CREATING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF SENIOR ACCOUNT CLERK,

MINUTES **DECEMBER 9, 2009**
CLASSIFIED AND ABOLISHING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT CLERK,
CLASSIFIED WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF LONG TERM CARE SERVICES,
WARREN HAVEN

BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that a full-time position of Senior Account Clerk, classified, is created in the Warren County Department of Long Term Care Services, Warren Haven, for the purpose of enhancing the effectiveness and efficiency of operations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that a full-time position of Principal Account Clerk, classified, is abolished.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the newly created position of Senior Account Clerk is created and established on AFSCME Local 3287, Range 0437 and made effective immediately.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Reports and Comments

The only official to submit a report was County Administrator Steve Marvin. His Vacancy Report with accompanying recommendations was approved. He also informed the Freeholders that the next 6 County Coalition Meeting is scheduled for February 3, in Somerset County, focusing on the topic of transportation.

Freeholder Comments

Mr. Chamberlain thanked Dave Dech and the Planning Board for their efforts on Highlands Plan Conformance documentation.

Regarding the Pequest River Municipal Utilities Authority, Mr. Accetturo thought Oxford was underrepresented. With just one of nine current members hailing from Oxford, he thought this should be addressed. Mr. Marvin said several terms will soon expire so the situation can be rectified.

Mr. Gardner reiterated his opinion that the Highlands Legislation is wrong.

Closing Public Comments

Jim Kelsey thanked the Board very much for taking no action on Highlands Plan Conformance. Regarding the Library Building purchase, he suggested naming the new location in honor of Bob and Ruth Best (the former owners of the site). He then related a story about the ridiculousness of the DEP and its confusion regarding dead frogs on Shades of Death Road.

Hank Klumpp and David Shope also thanked the Freeholders for their stance on the Highlands.

MINUTES**DECEMBER 9, 2009****RESOLUTION 681-09**

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, at 9:10 p.m., the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on December 9, 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: Schedule for employees' payment for opt-out of health benefits.
- (2) *Matters Relating to Employment Relationship*: Items to be discussed include: Full Board Interview of Health Officer candidate.
- (3) *Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiations and Attorney-Client Privilege*: Items to be discussed include: Loan default-Harry S. Pursel.
- (4) *Miscellaneous*: Items to be discussed include: W.C. Community College Trustee Search Committee recommendations and responses to RFP for 2010 legal services.

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.

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 December 9, 2009.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

On motion by Mr. Accetturo, seconded by Mr. Chamberlain, the Board adjourned executive session at 10:24p.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 10:24 p.m.

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

ATTESTED TO:

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board