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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 March 10, 2010 at 7:00 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 Fiscal Analyst Dan Olshefski, County Counsel Joseph J. Bell and County Administrator Steve Marvin. County Engineer Dave Hicks was on vacation and County CFO Charles Houck was absent due to personal reasons.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Director Gardner.

Director Gardner read the following statement: **“ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING OF *MARCH 10, 2010* 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 February 24, 2010 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 February 24, 2010 were approved.
Recorded Vote: Mr. Accetturo yes, Mr. Chamberlain yes, Mr. Gardner yes

PROCLAMATION 136-10

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 March 10, 2010.

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY HEALTH SCIENCES' LIVING WELL WEEK, MARCH 14-20, 2010

WHEREAS, the health and well-being of individuals and families today is crucial for future generations and to the functioning of the nation; and

WHEREAS, the Family and Community Health Sciences Department of Warren County's initiatives in food, nutrition, healthy lifestyles and food safety enable citizens to gain knowledge and skills to improve their health and well-being; and

WHEREAS, Family and Community Health Sciences, Rutgers Cooperative Extension is part of the nationwide Extension educational system of educators, researchers and staff and who in New Jersey work through the New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station at Rutgers – the State University – with financial and other support from the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders, State of New Jersey and U.S. Department of Agriculture.

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WHEREAS, Family and Community Health Sciences offers educational workshops, seminars, publications and websites to help families and individuals stay active and well; and

WHEREAS, "Family and Community Health Sciences' Living Well Week" is a project of the National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences as a tribute to the professionals and staff who provide community education and to the millions of people nationwide who benefit from family and consumer sciences programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of Warren County that March 14-20, 2010 be designated as "Family and Community Health Sciences' Living Well Week" and that we encourage county residents to take advantage of the educational opportunities that Family and Community Health Sciences offers in the community.

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 March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Mr. Chamberlain said people should eat well, exercise and enjoy life. We're fighting obesity in this country; anything we can do to encourage individuals to maintain a healthy lifestyle is worth the effort.

Mr. Accetturo said healthy lifestyle choices benefit our nation. This is a worthwhile endeavor.

Mr. Gardner agreed with his colleagues. An alarming emerging statistic suggests that our young generation will not live longer than their parents due to poor nutrition choices and sedentary habits. Living well is vital, not just for monetary reasons, but sociologically, in Warren County and in the State of New Jersey.

Accepting the proclamation was Sherri Cirignano, Family and Community Health Sciences Educator for Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Warren County. She thanked the Freeholders for their comments, noting they were very true and good reasons for Living Well Week and other health initiatives. A display is currently in place in the front lobby with lots of information, including the "Walk New Jersey Point to Point" Program. Good nutrition and keeping active are very important.

RESOLUTION 137-10

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 March 10, 2010.

RESOLUTION TO PAY BILLS

Be and it is hereby resolved that Master Voucher Certificate **For Certification / Ratification for Payments No. 2010-8 and 2010-9 dated March 10, 2010** in the amount of **\$ 4,403,089.04** including payrolls, allowances, bills and investments, is approved subject to the review of the vouchers by the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

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2010-8	3/3/10	\$ 1,037,439.51	
2010-9	3/10/10	695,508.75	
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TOTAL			\$ 1,732,948.26
<u>Wire Transfers</u>			
Medical Ins-March 2010	3/5/10		1,076,091.26
Payroll	2/25/10	1,593,849.52	
Subsistence	2/25/10	200.00	
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TOTAL			<u>1,594,049.52</u>
GRAND TOTAL			<u><u>\$ 4,403,089.04</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 March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 138-10

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 March 10, 2010.

TRANSFER IN THE 2009 BUDGET RESERVE APPROPRIATIONS:

TO:VARIOUS OE	\$13,605.00
VARIOUS S&W	<u>\$194,700.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$208,305.00</u>
FROM: PROVISION FOR SALARY ADJUSTMENTS	<u>\$208,305.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$208,305.00</u>

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-58 states that transfers can be made after November 1, and

WHEREAS, by unforeseen demand there has arisen the necessity for expenditures to fulfill the purposes of the appropriations as stated in the 2009 Budget and Tax Levy in the following accounts:

VARIOUS OE	\$ 13,605.00
VARIOUS S&W	<u>\$194,700.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$208,305.00</u>

and there being an excess in appropriations heretofore made as follows:

PROVISION FOR SALARY ADJUSTMENTS	<u>\$208,305.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$208,305.00</u>

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that by a Majority Vote of this Board that the following transfer in the 2009 Budget Reserve Appropriations be made:

FROM:

014250 R5011	PROVISION FOR SALARY ADJ	\$ 208,305.00
	TOTAL	<u>\$ 208,305.00</u>

TO:

011110 R5011	BOARD CLERK S&W	\$ 400.00
011010 R5011	PURCHASING S&W	600.00
011200 R5011	COUNTY CLERK S&W	1,500.00
011300 R5011	TREASURER S&W	5,200.00
011600 R5011	SURROGATE S&W	1,200.00
012522 R5011	EMER MANAGEMENT S&W	1,800.00
012700 R5011	SHERIFF S&W	25,000.00
013350 R5011	COUNTY HEALTH SERV S&W	27,000.00
013520 R5011	AGING S&W	12,000.00
013540 R5011	NUTRITION S&W	1,200.00
013990 R5011	COUNTY EXTENSION S&W	3,800.00
013450 R5011	TASS S&W	115,000.00
011010 R5026	PURCHASING OE	12,000.00
012700 R5032	SHERIFF OE	1,400.00
011000 R5100	RISK MANAGEMENT OE	205.00
	TOTAL	<u>\$ 208,305.00</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 March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 139-10

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 March 10, 2010.

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

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

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

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2010 budget by up to 3.5%, subject to certain exceptions, over the previous year's final county tax levy, in the interest of promoting the

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health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders hereby determines that a one percent increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$ **460,210** in excess of the increase in final county tax levy otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

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

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2010 budget year, the budget of the County of Warren shall, in accordance with this resolution and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by one percent, amounting to \$ **460,210**, and that the CY 2010 county budget for the County of Warren be approved and adopted in accordance with this resolution; and,

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

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

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

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 140-10

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 March 10, 2010.

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ANNUAL BUDGET AND COUNTY PURPOSE TAX LEVY OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2010

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the following statements of revenues and appropriations herein set forth shall constitute the County Budget for the year 2010;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a summary of said budget shall be published in the Star Ledger in the issue of March 24, 2010.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that notice is hereby given that the budget and Tax Resolution was approved by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren on the date herein indicated. A public hearing on the County Operating, Open Space and County Library budget and Tax Resolution is scheduled on Wednesday April 14, 2010 at

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7:00 pm in the Freeholders' Meeting Room, Wayne Dumont Jr. Administration Building, 165 County Road 519 So., Belvidere (White Township), New Jersey. Objections to the Budget and Tax Resolution for the year 2010 may be presented by taxpayers and other interested persons.

SUMMARY OF BUDGET REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE YEAR 2010

Total Appropriations	\$113,775,739.38
Less: Anticipated Revenues	\$ 46,374,953.38
Amount to be Raised by Taxation – County Purpose Tax	\$ 67,400,786.00

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 March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Regarding the resolution to exceed the County tax levy limits, Mr. Gardner said it was standard practice to create a CAP Bank for next year. The Public Hearing on the County Budget will be held on April 14.

RESOLUTION 141-10

On motion by Mr. Accetturo, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on March 10, 2010.

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SALARY REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF WARREN AND RUTGERS COOPERATIVE EXTENSION, RUTGERS, THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2010 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010

WHEREAS, the County of Warren and Rutgers Cooperative Extension, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, executed a Memorandum of Understanding on June 25, 2003; and

WHEREAS, salary reimbursement agreements for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 are required for memorialization of the parties agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Director of the Board is hereby authorized to execute the salary reimbursement agreements on behalf of the County of Warren; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this agreement shall become effective January 1, 2010 and will continue until December 31, 2010 as per the terms and conditions in the agreements incorporated herein by reference.

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 March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 142-10

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 March 10, 2010.

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR OF BOARD TO EXECUTE THE ROUND 10 SECTION 3037 JOB ACCESS REVERSE COMMUTE AGREEMENT WITH THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$261,206 (\$130,603 FEDERAL AND MATCHING FUNDS AND \$130,603 IN ANTICIPATED COUNTY MATCHING FUNDS); SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

WHEREAS, NJ Transit Corporation has made available to the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders Section 3037 JARC grant in the amount of \$261,206 (\$130,603 federal and matching funds and \$130,603 anticipated county matching funds); and

WHEREAS, the JARC funds are available for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2012.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders that the Director of the Board is authorized to execute the Round 10 JARC grant agreement with the FTA for \$130,603 federal and matching funds and \$130,603 anticipated county matching funds; funds subject to availability for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2012.

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 March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 143-10

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 March 10, 2010.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD TO SIGN THE 2009/2010 APPLICATION FOR SIX VEHICLES THROUGH THE FEDERAL SECTION 5310 PROGRAM SPONSORED BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION-FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION AND THE NEW JERSEY TRANSIT CORPORATION

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders is eligible to receive vehicles through the 2009/2010 Section 5310 Program sponsored by the US Department of Transportation - Federal Transit Administration and NJ Transit Corporation; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Department of Human Services, Division of Administration, has prepared an application for these funds to support the purchase of six vehicles for use in the county's paratransit program; and

WHEREAS, Section 5310 funding will support the total purchase costs of these vehicles.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Director of the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders is authorized to sign the 2009/2010 Section 5310 application for six vehicles through the US Department of Transportation - Federal Transit Administration and NJ Transit Corporation.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on March 10, 2010.

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 March 10, 2010.

RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL TO TRANSFER \$65,000 FROM PROJECT 8930803 TO PROJECT 8930730 FOR COMPLETION OF DESCRIBED WORK

WHEREAS, the Municipal and Charitable Conservancy Trust Fund Committee (MCCTFC) recommended a grant to the Hardwick Township Historical Society (HTHS) at its October 27, 2008 meeting for the purpose of renovation of the main barn on the Vass House Homestead, and

WHEREAS, at the December 10, 2008 meeting of the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders (WCBCF) the recommended grant was approved, and

WHEREAS, the HTHS had previously been awarded a grant from the MCCTFC for renovation of the Vass Homestead House, which grant has been completed, but significant work on the house remains to be done, and

WHEREAS, the HTHS has received a grant of \$58,000 from the New Jersey Historic Trust (NJHT) for the purpose of continued renovation of the Vass House which requires matching fund expenditures of \$95,000 in completed restoration work by December 31, 2010, and

WHEREAS, the HTHS, through judicious management of the present grant funds for the barn renovation and by the use volunteer labor, feels that sufficient economies have been realized that the barn renovation can be achieved well within the grant amount, and

WHEREAS, the HTHS has a short fall of \$65,000 to meet the matching requirement of the NJHT grant they have requested consideration be given to use funds from the grant for the barn renovation so as not to forfeit the NJHT funding, and

WHEREAS, the MCCTFC agrees that it is prudent to permit the use of these funds to match the NJHT funds and has highly recommended to this Board that permission be granted to transfer funds from project 8930803 to the continuation of project 8930730 for completion of the scope of work detailed in the attached letter from the responsible architect.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of Warren County that approval is granted to transfer the amount of \$65,000 from the Vass barn renovation, project 8930803, to the described work on the Vass House under continuation of project 8930730.

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 March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 145-10

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 March 10, 2010.

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING GRANT FUNDING TO THE TRUST FOR PUBLIC LAND FOR ACQUISITION OF BLOCK 104, LOT 11 IN FRELINGHUYSEN TOWNSHIP

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WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren (BCF) has, by resolution, established the "Warren County Open Space Recreation, Farmland 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 Trust for Public Land for the acquisition of Block 104, Lot 11 in Frelinghuysen Township; and

WHEREAS, The Trust for Public Land 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 those rules; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds in the amount of \$400,000 are available in account 03894-5065-8941001-5065.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at its regular meeting on March 10, 2010 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 March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 146-10

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 March 10, 2010.

RESOLUTION MODIFYING THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES/TASS FY '10 WORK FIRST NEW JERSEY GRANT WITH THE NJ DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF FAMILY DEVELOPMENT; GRANT CEILING REDUCED FROM \$143,773 TO \$112,568 EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2010; SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

WHEREAS, on August 26, 2009, the Board of Chosen Freeholders approved the FY'10 Work First New Jersey (WFNJ) grant application between the Warren County Department of Human Services/TASS and the NJ Department of Human Services, Division of Family Development, in the amount of \$143,773 for the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the NJ Department of Human Services has notified the Warren County Department of Human Services that a total of \$31,205 will be reduced from the grant, effective April 1, 2010 through June 30, 2010 as follows:

Special Initiatives	\$16,330
Post TANF Transportation	\$14,875

and; **WHEREAS**, a grant modification is required by the NJ Department of Human Services reflecting the revised grant ceiling of \$112,568.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the modification to the Fiscal Year 2010 Work First NJ grant with the NJ Department of Human Services, Division of Family Development, is approved subject to

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the availability of funds; grant ceiling reduced from \$143,773 to \$112,568; effective 4/1/10.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 147-10

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 March 10, 2010.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION TO THE NEW JERSEY CLEAN ENERGY PROGRAM (NJCEP) TO EXTEND THE GRANT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PHOTOVOLTAIC ENERGY SYSTEM FOR THE COUNTY OF WARREN, CORE APPROVAL NO. MM06002

WHEREAS, it had been previously determined that it may benefit the County of Warren, New Jersey to purchase and install a photovoltaic system on the proposed County Library & Human Services Building for the purpose of generating electric power by solar energy; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Clean Energy Program (NJCEP) had previously committed to a \$284,980.00 rebate intended to reduce the costs for constructing a 99.79kW new solar photovoltaic system at the proposed County Library & Human Services Building; and

WHEREAS, said rebate requires an extension process to retain the \$284,980.00 commitment for the County of Warren for the period of March 6, 2010 through March 6, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the proposed County Library & Human Services Building is currently "on hold" due to the current economic conditions pending further analysis of its estimated costs for construction and all reasonable alternatives; and

WHEREAS, the existing Warren County Correctional Center located at 175 County Route 519 has been determined to be a feasible location for the construction of a ground-mounted solar array of the same kW value as that previously planned for the proposed Library & Human Services Building; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the County to solicit bids for the Photovoltaic Electric Generation System for the Warren County Correctional Center, within 180 days after notification by NJCEP that the County has received an extension of said grant. Construction of the system will be completed within one year of the date that the construction contract is executed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren, New Jersey, that the request to extend the commitment by NJCEP for the aforementioned \$284,980.00 rebate, and to relocate the 99.79 kW Photovoltaic Electric Generation System to the Warren County Corrections Center is hereby approved, and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Engineer is hereby authorized to execute said application of behalf of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren.

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 March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 148-10

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 March 10, 2010.

RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC1019 AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF A COMMUNICATIONS TOWER AT THE ALLAMUCHY SITE FOR THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

BE IT RESOLVED that specification WC1019 for Supply and Installation of a Communications Tower at the Allamuchy Site for the Warren County Department of Public Safety 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.

Funds for this contract will be provided in capital account 0408A407/5054 – Tower Upgrade.

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 March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 149-10

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 March 10, 2010.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT TO SURVET LAND SURVEYORS OF FORKED RIVER, NEW JERSEY FOR SURVEYING SERVICES ON THE DEMETER 3, FARM PROPERTY, WHITE TOWNSHIP, BLOCK 11, LOT 4, APPROXIMATELY 60 ACRES AND PRANT FARM PROPERTY, ALLAMUCHY TOWNSHIP, BLOCK 501, LOT 8, APPROXIMATELY 100 ACRES PROPOSED FOR ACQUISITION AS LISTED IN THE PROPOSAL IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$7,895.00

WHEREAS, The Warren County Agriculture Development Board has developed a comprehensive Farmland Preservation Plan in accordance with the requirements of the State Agriculture Development Committee ;and

WHEREAS, Warren County is interested in obtaining surveys on various farm properties as listed in the proposal; and

WHEREAS, land surveys are required by the SADC prior to negotiations for acquisitions; and

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WHEREAS, said surveys will be in accordance with the SADC Handbook, and the Uniform Standard of Professional Surveyor's Practice;

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

WHEREAS, Survet Land Surveyors, was pre-qualified as a surveyor by WC0988FO on November 20, 2009; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available in account 03895 5067 – Open Space – Preliminary Expenses

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

1. The agreement between the County of Warren and Survet Land Surveyors, in the amount of \$7,895.00 to prepare a survey on the land listed be accepted.
2. The Freeholder Director is hereby authorized to execute said agreement.
3. Notice of this action shall be published in THE STAR-LEDGER, as required by law, within ten (10) days of 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 March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 150-10

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 March 10, 2010.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC1004A-1 FOR THE LEASE OF COUNTY PROPERTY (NABOZNY PROPERTY) FOR FARMING FOR THE PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2010 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2011 WITH THE RIGHT TO EXTEND FOR TWO ADDITIONAL YEARS TO TRUSZKOWSKI FARMS FOR ANNUAL RENT OF \$165.50 PER ACRE, TOTAL AMOUNT \$13,074.50

BE IT RESOLVED that Contract WC1004 A-1 for lease of county property for agricultural purposes in Franklin and Greenwich Townships, property identified as Block 39, Lot 1, and Block 15, Lot 4, approximately 79 acres is hereby awarded to . . . Truskowski Farms, Stewartsville, New Jersey annual rent of \$165.50 per acre for a total amount of \$13,074.50 as per his bid submitted February 17, 2010 and reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing as the highest responsible and responsive bid received.

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 March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 151-10

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 March 10, 2010.

MINUTES**MARCH 10, 2010****RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC1010 FOR TIRES AND TUBES TO PETTY'S TIRE & AUTO CENTER FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2010 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2011 IN THE APPROXIMATE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$125,000.00**

BE IT RESOLVED that contract WC1010 for tires and tubes is hereby awarded to . . . Petty's Tire & Auto Center, Washington, New Jersey in the approximate amount of . . . \$125,000.00 as per their bid submitted . . . February 23, 2010 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 013150/5100 – Motor Pool Program Operating Expenditures.

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 March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 152-10

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 March 10, 2010.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC1011 FOR LABORATORY TESTS FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING AGENCY TO LABORATORY CORPORATION OF AMERICA HOLDINGS FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2010 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2011 IN THE APPROXIMATE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$11,156.94

BE IT RESOLVED that contract WC1011 for laboratory tests for the Warren County Public Health Nursing Agency is hereby awarded to . . . Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings, Raritan, New Jersey in the approximate amount of . . . \$11,156.94 as per their bid submitted . . . February 23, 2010 and reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing as the lowest responsible and responsive bid received.

Funding for this contract has been provided in budget accounts 013302/5030 – Public Health Nursing Community Health services Operating Supplies and 013302/5046 – Public Health Nursing Community Health Service T.B. Program.

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 March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 153-10

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 March 10, 2010.

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**RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC1012 JANITORIAL SERVICE AT THE
WARREN COUNTY LIBRARY LOCATIONS FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2010 THROUGH
APRIL 30, 2011 TO MAVERICK BUILDING SERVICES
IN THE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$27,322.88**

BE IT RESOLVED that contract WC1012 for janitorial services at the Warren County Library Sites is hereby awarded to . . . Maverick Building Services, Rutherford, New Jersey in the amount of . . . \$27,322.88 as per their bid submitted . . . February 23, 2010 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 153908/5024 – Library Facility Maintenance, Repair & Cleaning.

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 March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 154-10

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 March 10, 2010.

**RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO ROYAL
COMMUNICATIONS INC. UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #A54382 COVERING
RADIO COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES FOR INSTALLATION OF
RADIOS AND CHARGERS FOR THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$52,475.00**

BE IT RESOLVED that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for installation of radios and chargers for the Warren County Department of Public Safety and is hereby awarded

to . . . Royal Communications Inc., Wharton, New Jersey

in the amount of . . . \$52,475.00

at the prices established under New Jersey State Contract #A54382

Funding for this contract has been provided in grant account F9250 5351 5054 – OEM Homeland Security Grant – Communications Equipment.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on March 10, 2010.

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 March 10, 2010.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO ZETRON INC. UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #A53824 COVERING 9-1-1 TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES FOR SILVER PLAN MAINTENANCE ON TELEPHONE SYSTEM EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$41,675.00

BE IT RESOLVED that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for Silver Plan Maintenance on Telephone System Equipment and accessories for the Warren County Communications Center and is hereby awarded to . . . Zetron Inc., Redmond, Washington in the amount of . . . \$41,675.00 at the prices established under New Jersey State Contract #A53824

Funding for this contract has been provided in budget account 012500/5026 – Public Safety Contracted Equipment .

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 156-10

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 March 10, 2010.

RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT #WC0906FO-10 TO FINELLI CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC. FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE INSPECTION OF ANDOVER-HACKETTSTOWN GAS MAIN INSTALLATION ON VARIOUS WARREN COUNTY ROADWAYS IN THE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$39,609.50

WHEREAS, the County requested proposals to be received on Tuesday, February 24, 2009 for Contract #WC0906FO for Engineering Services for the Inspection of Andover-Hackettstown Gas Main Installation on Various Warren County Roadways for Permit #10001, Elizabethtown Gas Company; 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 \$39,609.50; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available in account 40165 5100 09039 4834 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., of Washington, N.J. for professional services for the above project in the amount of \$39,609.50, currently on file in the Office of the County

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Ann Miller
 PO Box 396
 Washington, NJ 07882

Term to expire: 12/31/12

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 March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 158-10

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 March 10, 2010.

RESOLUTION APPOINTING ALEX J. LAZORISAK TO THE POSITION OF WARREN COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders does hereby appoint Alex J. Lazorisak to the position of Warren County Superintendent of Buildings & Grounds in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:9-32 with a term to be effective March 15, 2010 and expiring March 14, 2015, at an annual salary for 2010 of \$82,500.00

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 March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 159-10

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 March 10, 2010.

RESOLUTION CREATING A WARREN COUNTY HEALTHCARE OPT-OUT PROGRAM FOR ALL FULL-TIME WARREN COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND RETIREES

BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders, that a Healthcare Opt-Out Program is created for all full-time Warren County employees and retirees who wish to seek alternate means of healthcare coverage; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that a reimbursement in the amount of two-thousand dollars (\$2,000) is approved for any employee or retiree choosing to participate in this plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the annual reimbursement as indicated above be apportioned and disbursed to employees and retirees as established within the embodiment of the plan.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the Warren County Healthcare Opt-Out Program annexed hereto, is created and made effective May 1, 2010.

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 March 10, 2010.

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 March 10, 2010.

**RESOLUTION CHANGING THE HOURS OF WORK FOR THE FULL-TIME CLERICAL STAFF
WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT,
DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the regular hours of work for the full-time clerical staff within the Warren County Health Department, Division of Public Health Nursing be increased from thirty-five (35) hours per week to thirty-seven and one half (37.5) hours per week, in support of ongoing operations as a result of a departmental reorganization; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the following employees be changed to thirty-seven and one half (37.5) hours per week and made effective March 18, 2010.

Karen Frutchey, Principal Technician, Management Information Systems
Lousie Adams, Principal Account Clerk
Donna DeRiancho, Clerk Transcriber
Cheryl Leggio, Senior Clerk Stenographer
Courtney Leggio, Clerk Stenographer
Celena Roberts, Principal Account Clerk
Tracy Smith, Principal Clerk Stenographer
Claire Trongone, Senior Data Control Clerk
Kevin Wolfinger, Principal Clerk Stenographer
Lisa Yerance, Community Service Aide/Senior 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 March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 161-10

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 March 10, 2010.

**RESOLUTION CREATING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF PRINCIPAL DATA CONTROL CLERK,
CLASSIFIED AND ABOLISHING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF SENIOR CLERK TYPIST,
CLASSIFIED IN THE WARREN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT,
DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that a full-time position of Principal Data Control Clerk, classified, is created in the Warren County Health Department, Division of Public Health Nursing for the purpose of enhancing the effectiveness and efficiency of operations resulting from a departmental reorganization; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a full-time position of Senior Clerk Typist, classified, is abolished.

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the newly created full-time position of Principal Data Control Clerk, classified, is created and established on AFSCME Local 3287, Range 0737 and made effective March 18, 2010.

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 March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 162-10

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 March 10, 2010.

RESOLUTION CREATING TWO FULL-TIME POSITIONS OF CLERK TRANSCRIBER, CLASSIFIED AND ABOLISHING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF SENIOR DATA CONTROL CLERK, CLASSIFIED AND A FULL-TIME POSITION OF PRINCIPAL CLERK TRANSCRIBER IN THE WARREN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING

BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that two full-time positions of Clerk Transcriber, classified, is created in the Warren County Health Department, Division of Public Health Nursing for the purpose of enhancing the effectiveness and efficiency of operations resulting from a departmental reorganization; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a full-time position of Senior Data Control Clerk, classified, and a full-time position of Principal Clerk Transcriber are abolished.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the newly created full-time position of Clerk Transcriber, classified, is created and established on AFSCME Local 3287, Range 0337 and made effective March 18, 2010.

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 March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 163-10

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 March 10, 2010.

RESOLUTION CREATING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF SENIOR MAINTENANCE REPAIRER/ELECTRICIAN, CLASSIFIED AND ABOLISHING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF SENIOR MAINTENANCE REPAIRER/LOW PRESSURE, 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 Maintenance Repairer/Electrician, classified, is created within the Warren County Department of Long Term Care Services, Warren Haven, in response to a directive from the Civil Service Commission requiring a qualified electrician to perform electrical installations at Warren Haven; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a full-time position of Senior Maintenance Repairer/Low Pressure, classified is abolished; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the full-time position of Senior Maintenance Repairer/Electrician is established on AFSCME Local 3287, Range 1137 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 March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 164-10

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 March 10, 2010.

RESOLUTION CREATING A PART-TIME POSITION OF HEAD NURSE, CLASSIFIED AND ABOLISHING A PART-TIME POSITION OF SUPERVISOR OF NURSES, CLASSIFIED WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF LONG TERM CARE SERVICES, WARREN HAVEN

BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that a part-time position of Head Nurse, 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 part-time position of Supervisor of Nurses, classified, is abolished.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the newly created position of Head Nurse, classified, is created and established on AFSCME Local 0671, Range 1640 and made effective April 1, 2010.

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 March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Mr. Chamberlain noted that the Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds position (Agenda Item J1) was a five year appointment.

Reports and Comments

County Counsel Joe Bell had no report.

County Engineer Dave Hicks was absent.

County Planner Dave Dech asked the Board for permission to modify the Recycling Bonus Grant to utilize \$1,200 for paper shredding that had been planned for battery collection. Paper shredding events for the public have been very popular in other counties.

Mr. Chamberlain said he had expressed liability concerns regarding personal documents, but had been assured this would not be an issue. Therefore, he didn't have a problem with it. Mr. Accetturo asked how the shredding event would be advertised. Mr. Dech said information would be posted on the County website, an ad would be placed in the

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paper and signage would be placed around the County Administration Building where the event will be held.

The Board had no objection to Mr. Dech submitting a Spending Modification Plan to the NJ DEP. County CFO Pete Houck has to sign off on it, but Mr. Dech had already spoken to him about it.

County CFO

Mr. Olshefski said if the Board decides to pursue to Chapter 12 Bond Ordinance, it would be a good opportunity to also refinance the 2003A Open Space Bonds. Such action would result in a savings of between \$20,000 and \$22,000 per year for a total of more than \$200,000 over the remaining life of the bond.

Mr. Chamberlain said we could do that anyway, regardless of whether the Chapter 12 project goes through. Mr. Marvin and Mr. Olshefski both noted that there are significant costs involved and the savings wouldn't be worth it on its own.

Regarding the County's agreement with the PRMUA to provide financial services, it is past the time for renewal. Mr. Olshefski asked the Freeholders if they wanted to continue the arrangement with a five year agreement. Mr. Chamberlain said he would be very much in favor of this providing the PRMUA is in favor. Mr. Accetturo agreed the arrangement should be extended. Mr. Gardner asked his colleagues if they saw no down side; they did not. This being the case, Mr. Gardner supported the idea as well. Ultimately, he said, it saves the ratepayers money.

County Administrator Steve Marvin asked the Board to review the latest Vacancy Report. There were no comments or questions.

After some discussion and calendar consultation, the Boards of School Estimate Meeting with Warren County Technical School and Special Services School District were scheduled for Thursday, April 8, 2010 beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Freeholder Comments

Mr. Chamberlain deferred comments.

Mr. Accetturo declined to make comments.

Mr. Gardner reported that he would be attending an NJAC Meeting later in the week. The group is trying to correct and reform problems of the past. He said he thought we will be seeing a revitalized NJAC going forward.

With the Meeting Room overflowing with people presumably interested in issues involving Warren County Community College, Mr. Gardner asked the crowd to hold their comments until after a brief presentation by WCCC President Will Austin, accompanied by Board of Trustees Members David Boone and Craig Dana as well as Samir Elbassiouny, Foundation & Advancement Executive Director.

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Dr. Austin introduced a PowerPoint presentation and distributed accompanying handouts. He began by saying the idea behind the Chapter 12 bonding proposal is to serve the general community, offering both credit and noncredit (workforce development, corporate support) options. The financial issues facing the college are how to deal with significant cuts from the State; how to expand programs or increase enrollment to offset declining support; to be mindful that Warren County is facing similar financial restraints; and how do we avoid having all the financial burden fall on the students. In 2004, funding sources were fairly evenly split between the County, the State and the students, about one-third each. As of last week, only 17% of the revenue will come from the State, 22% from the County and 60% from students. This project is about running the college like a business and pursuing alternate revenue sources.

Financial details were provided regarding County support per credit, chargebacks paid to County College of Morris and the cost efficiency of WCCC versus area high schools. Our inability to serve our students, said Dr. Austin, costs the taxpayers money.

Dr. Austin explained that Chapter 12 is not a grant program, but a law in place since 1971 that is supported by the Christie Administration. According to the law, a County must float a bond; the College is not allowed to do it. Half of the debt service is paid by the State, the other half by the County. Other area community colleges – CCM, Raritan Valley and Sussex County – have taken advantage of this funding program. We are asking for \$7.3 million; \$9.5 million is available. If we don't act now, money will not be available again for about five years. Residents will pay for this program in the form of State taxes regardless of whether Warren County takes advantage of the opportunity.

The College is filled to capacity (including the recent addition) due to increased enrollment. As the economy continues to worsen, enrollment grows. Further physical expansion at the present site, according to Dr. Austin, is not practical because of geography/sewer issues that need to be addressed, plus the cost of new construction would be prohibitive.

Dr. Austin then addressed the question, "Why in Phillipsburg?" Mathematical and professional geo-demographic modeling demonstrates only three suitable locations for economic development centered college expansion: Washington, Hackettstown and Phillipsburg. Expansion in Hackettstown is part of the College's master plan, but as this project is to be job-focused and Phillipsburg is both the largest industrial and residential area in the County and the largest feeder school district to the College, Phillipsburg is the best location for a business incubator. This particular site (445 Marshall Street) sits on a 4.4 acre lot; 2.4 acres contain building and parking plus an adjacent 2 acre parking lot. A few other locations, a convent, Pohatcong School, a site on Main Street, were dismissed as unsuitable for various reasons including lack of parking and issues with regard to access for the disabled that would require major renovations.

The Hillcrest Mall site would also be suitable, but the 445 Marshall Street site has value in existing leases and would be mutually beneficial to the Phillipsburg School District. Currently in a long-term lease, PSD's rent would be frozen and they would be released two years early from the lease resulting in a savings to PSD of more than \$400,000 over time. The purchase price of the property has not yet been negotiated. If and when these negotiations take place, they will be conducted by WCCC Trustees David Boone, a banker

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and Craig Dana, an attorney and judge; neither of whom have any relationship with the property owners.

Dr. Austin then delved into statistics of the benefits of business incubators and where they have been successful. Programs slated to be relocated to the Marshall Street location: Medical Assisting, Certified Nursing Assistant Program, Hospital Unit Coordinator, Computerized Accounting, Office Assistant Program and Professional Development & Continuing Ed Seminars.

Many different things are built into the \$7.3 million bond request including telecommunications/network wiring, computers/printers/server for labs and offices, telephone system, camera/security system, miscellaneous cost such as moving expenses and some work at Washington campus to reconstitute vacated space and address ADA concerns. Dr. Austin said the College will assume all costs for bonding, County debt serve and any debt obligations not met by the State of New Jersey. He said loss of municipal tax revenue will be offset by no more pass-through tax payments by PSD. The College will take on all costs and they will be covered by rental income.

As he concluded his presentation, Dr. Austin decried derogatory comments posted online on the Warren County Forum. He said people who claim to support the College are making personal attacks. I'm not involved in politics, he said, and do not want the College's name used to attack people. Please do not attack our students or those employed by the College. Attack me personally, he said. We're trying to create an asset for this community. We're the only County College in the State that pays its own way. I stand behind what I say. I don't hide behind anonymous letters and webposts. "We're trying to build a good college," said Dr. Austin.

Mr. Gardner added that he has been in Dr. Austin's office, calling it a "humble abode" and by no means lavish. Regarding the circulation of a "rogue letter" questioning the motives of this initiative, the author(s) did not identify themselves.

Closing Public Comments

Don Hagan of Lopatcong Township voiced two concerns: he thought incubators were normally associated for four year universities and the cost of the property (appraised value vs. market value). Mr. Gardner said the current owners put about \$1.8 million in improvements into the building. Dr. Austin pointed out that the building did not have tenants when purchased before which adds value.

Regarding the incubator, Dr. Austin said one of the most successful business incubators is operated by Burlington County College. He said the best time to start an incubator is in the midst of an economy such as this.

Walter Lake of Harmony Township also questioned the purchase price and accused Dr. Austin of being politically involved with the owners.

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Trustee Craig Dana responded, saying he took great umbrage to the questioning of ethics. We are looking at a building that suits the College's needs based on what it produces as an income stream. Nobody's in bed with any of those people, I can assure you of that, he said.

Kathy Yeagan of Lopatcong Township asked if the purchase price has not yet been determined, how can you ask for \$7.3 million? Dr. Austin reiterated that these funds will encompass a number of different improvements and projects including some work to be done at the Washington campus. We have lots of capital needs. She then asked if all of Phillipsburg had been revalued recently. She was told there is still some to be done. She pointed out that the parking lot at WCCC needs improving. Dr. Austin said the current paved lot is sinking. Bound to adhere to prevailing wage laws, it will cost \$2.8 million to fix just that one lot. Plus, nothing can be done until sewage issues are addressed. This is why we want to purchase a facility that is already finished.

Trustee Harry Brown said indoor improvements will take place at the Washington campus including work on the library.

John Crocus of Washington wanted to know why no soil boring had been done before installing the parking lot. That action predated Dr. Austin's employment and all sitting Freeholders and Trustees, none of whom disagreed with Mr. Crocus that it should have been done.

Steve Stark of Mansfield Township said he has been out of work for 16 months and has a hard time paying his property taxes now. The idea of any level of government borrowing money upsets him. We're treading on very thin ice and I don't think we should borrow a cent more, he said.

Louis Cartabona of Alpha said he considers himself taxed enough, but while he too has trouble paying his property taxes, he complimented Dr. Austin for what he is trying to achieve. He said he thought this was the right approach. The public has a duty to get involved, understand what the options are and voice its opinions. As for any conflict of interest, sometimes it's unavoidable to have a relationship. The College has done its due diligence. Mr. Cartabona did not think there was any impropriety.

Jill Kolodzieski of Columbia and alumna of WCCC, said the College desperately needs this extension. We need hope for the future. I understand what it's like not have enough money for certain things. I've grown so much at WCCC, she said. With education comes faith and hope for a brighter future. She begged the Freeholders to give hope to these students and people who need it.

Ally Ware of Harmony Township, another alumna, was also in favor of the purchase. While she understood that the economy is tough right now and everyone is suffering, she believes that education comes first. Her mother graduated from WCCC and went on to earn a law degree from Moravian. She herself now attends Ramapo and is pursuing her dreams. This location is excellent and will give students hope. It will be great in the long run.

David Boone, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, said he has gotten his education over the years and done it through community colleges. In today's world, a two year degree

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is the minimum, four years is pretty much a requirement. This pursuit will benefit not only the college, but Phillipsburg as well. Just having a campus in Phillipsburg will attract people to the town.

Garrett Ivans of Phillipsburg currently attends WCCC as part of the NJ STARS Program and will graduate in the spring. He looked at other community colleges, but kept coming back to Warren. Dr. Austin does what he says he's going to do. Why would you not invest in education?

Mr. Gardner asked Dr. Austin to again clarify: Is the College prepared to assume repayment of the bond if the State does not live up to its obligation? Dr. Austin said yes. We don't want any money from the taxpayers. Were we not to pursue this funding source, it would be hard to tell students to pay us more today to build a facility that they can't use.

Saying he likes to hear all viewpoints from the public, Mr. Gardner noted that there will be another opportunity to speak out at the Board of School Estimate Meeting being held at WCCC at 7:00 p.m. on March 18.

RESOLUTION 165-10

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, at 8:31 p.m., the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on March 10, 2010.

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 – awaiting response to proposed 2008-2009 settlement; results of March 8, 2010 negotiations with AFSCME 3287 and AFSCME 671; PBA 331- Prosecutor's Detectives' health benefits dispute; PBA 280-Sheriff's Officers-result of March 2, 2010 mediation/arbitration meeting.
- (2) *Matters Relating to Employment Relationship*: Items to be discussed include: Consideration of appointment of Deputy Warden to Active Warden effective April 1, 2010; appoint replacement supervisor for Veterans Interment.
- (3) *Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiations and Attorney-Client Privilege*: Items to be discussed include: Draft amendments to the Phillipsburg Library Federation Agreement; Northwest Branch Library cell tower site; engagement of Holzhauer & Holenstein for appraisal of Village Square Center II property.

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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 March 10, 2010.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, the Board adjourned executive session at 9:08 p.m. and returned to open session.

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

On motion by Mr. Chamberlain, seconded by Mr. Accetturo, and there being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

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

ATTESTED TO:

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board