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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 February 22, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Director Chamberlain.

Director Chamberlain read the following statement: **“ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING OF FEBRUARY 22, 2012 WAS GIVEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT BY FORWARDING A SCHEDULE OF REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS TO THE WARREN COUNTY CLERK, THE STAR-LEDGER, AND DAILY RECORD AND BY POSTING A COPY THEREOF ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS. FORMAL ACTION MAY BE TAKEN BY THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS AT THIS MEETING. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IS ENCOURAGED. IN ORDER TO ASSURE FULL PUBLIC PARTICIPATION, THOSE INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES WHO WISH TO ATTEND THE MEETING SHOULD SUBMIT ANY REQUESTS FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION ONE WEEK IN ADVANCE.”**

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the Minutes of the Budget Session held on January 28, 2012 were approved.

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

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the Minutes of the Budget Session held on February 1, 2012 were approved.

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

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the Minutes of the Regular Session held on February 8, 2012 were approved.

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

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the Minutes of the Executive Session held on February 8, 2012 were approved.

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

RESOLUTION 99-12

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 22, 2012.

RESOLUTION TO PAY BILLS

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Be and it is hereby resolved that Master Voucher Certificate **For Certification / Ratification for Payments No. 2012-6 and 2012-7, dated February 22, 2012,** in the amount of **\$3,976,609.99** including payrolls, allowances, bills and investments, is approved subject to the review of the vouchers by the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

2012-6	2/15/12	\$	645,801.34	
2012-7	2/22/12		468,859.81	
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TOTAL				\$ 1,114,661.15
Wire Transfer: February Medical				1,256,579.43
Payroll	2/9/12	\$	1,512,767.30	
Subsistence	2/9/12		200.00	
Uniforms	2/9/12		92,402.11	
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TOTAL				<u>1,605,369.41</u>
GRAND TOTAL				<u>\$ 3,976,609.99</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 February 22, 2012.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Mr. Houck explained that by statute, the following resolution is required to be passed first.

RESOLUTION 100-12

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, 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 February 22, 2012.

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

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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 2012 budget by up to 3.5%, subject to certain exceptions, over the previous year's final county tax levy, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders hereby determines that a one percent increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$ **492,127** 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 herein above 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 2012 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 \$ **492,127**, and that the CY 2012 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 February 22, 2012.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Mr. Chamberlain noted that the Budget is being introduced tonight; the Public Hearing and final adoption will take place at 7:00 p.m. on March 28, 2012. He invited the public to make any comments at that time.

RESOLUTION 101-12

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 22, 2012.

MINUTES**FEBRUARY 22, 2012****RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ANNUAL BUDGET AND COUNTY PURPOSE TAX LEVY OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2012**

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 2012;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a summary of said budget shall be published in the Star Ledger in the issue of March 7, 2012.

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 March 28 2012 at 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 2012 may be presented by taxpayers and other interested persons.

SUMMARY OF BUDGET REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE YEAR 2012

Total Appropriations	\$105,967,594.09
Less: Anticipated Revenues	\$ 39,066,808.09
Amount to be Raised by Taxation – County Purpose Tax	\$ 66,900,786.00

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Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Mr. Chamberlain said the following resolution introduces the Capital Improvements portion of the Budget which includes improvements to bridges and roads among other ongoing projects.

RESOLUTION 102-12

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, 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 February 22, 2012.

ORDINANCE 2012-A – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND THE APPROPRIATION OF \$5,662,732 FROM THE WARREN COUNTY GENERAL CAPITAL FUND BUDGET FOR SUCH PURPOSES

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

Section 1. The capital improvements described in Section 2(A) of this Ordinance are hereby authorized as General Improvements to be made by the County of Warren, New Jersey. There is hereby appropriated the sum of \$5,662,732 from the Capital Improvement Fund for the

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said improvements or purposes stated in Section 2(A).

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

(1)	Road Resurfacing Improvements	\$ 1,176,100
(2)	Road and Drainage Improvements	\$ 1,500,000
	Design, construct or reconstruct and improve various county roads and intersections.	
(3)	Bridge and Culvert Improvements	\$ 1,380,000
	Design, construct or reconstruct and improve various county bridges and culverts	
(4)	Equipment and Furnishings	\$ 673,827
	Acquisition of office, communications, safety & security, maintenance equipment, furniture & furnishings, and computer hardware and software	
(5)	Buildings & Grounds Improvements	\$ 388,000
	Design, construct or renovate and improve various county facilities	
(6)	Specialty Vehicles and Maintenance and Construction Equipment	\$ 544,805
	Trucks, snowplows, sanders, tractors, mowers, and maintenance and heavy construction equipment	
(7)	Building and Land Acquisitions	<u>\$ 0</u>
	Total appropriations	<u>\$ 5,662,732</u>

Section 2(B). The maximum amount of money to be appropriated for said purposes is \$ 5,662,732, no part of which is to be borrowed.

Section 3. The said purpose(s) described in Section 2(A) of this Ordinance are not Current Expenses and can be funded by the issuance of bonds if they were not being permanently funded by capital funds on hand.

Section 4. These appropriations are made as a result of the need to improve existing county infrastructure and facilities.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall be published, together with a Notice of Introduction thereof and of the Date of Final Passage in the manner provided by law. Final Passage is scheduled for Wednesday, March 28, 2012 at 7:00 PM., in the Freeholders Meeting Room, Wayne Dumont Jr. Administration Building, 165 County Road 519 South, Belvidere, New Jersey or at such other date and time to which it may be adjourned.

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

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

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 22, 2012.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

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Regarding the Justice Assistance Grant, Mr. Gardner said this was an “absolute plus” to the County and he was thankful to the Prosecutor for participating. Mr. Chamberlain said the Board appreciated all department heads that apply for grants.

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On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 22, 2012.

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

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

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

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

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

1. As a matter of public policy the Warren County Prosecutor’s Office wishes to participate to the fullest extent possible with the Department of Law and Public Safety.
2. The Attorney General will receive funds on behalf of the applicant.
3. The Division of Criminal Justice shall be responsible for the receipt and review of the applications for said funds.
4. The Division of Criminal Justice shall initiate allocations to each applicant as authorized.

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 February 22, 2012.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 104-12

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 22, 2012.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE AN APPLICATION TO THE NJ DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PROSECUTOR’S OFFICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,338.00 FEDERAL MONEY WITH NO COUNTY MATCH FOR A TOTAL OF \$6,338.00 FOR THE PERIOD MARCH 1, 2012 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2013 FOR USE BY THE MEGAN’S LAW ENFORCEMENT UNIT

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the Director of the Board is authorized to execute an application to the NJ Division of Criminal Justice for the Warren County Prosecutor’s Office in the amount of \$6,338.00 federal money

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On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 22, 2012.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE AN APPLICATION TO THE VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT (VOCA) COUNTY OFFICE OF VICTIM WITNESS ADVOCACY GRANT PROGRAM BETWEEN THE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY AND THE WARREN COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$24,309.00 COUNTY SHARE AND \$97,236.00 FEDERAL SHARE FOR A TOTAL OF \$121,545.00 FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2012 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2012

BE IT RESOLVED BY the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the Director of the Board is authorized to execute an application for the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) County Office of Victim Witness Advocacy Grant Program between the NJ Division of Criminal Justice, Department of Law And Public Safety and the Warren County Prosecutor's Office in the amount of \$24,309.00 County Share and \$97,236.00 Federal Share for a total of \$121,545.00 for the period of January 1, 2012 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 February 22, 2012.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 107-12

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 22, 2012.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENTS #SCP-12-PS-21, SCP-12-PM-21, FC-12-21 AND JABG-11-21 WITH THE NEW JERSEY JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION TOTALLING \$309,920 (\$199,228 STATE/COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDS, \$102,376 IN FAMILY COURT FUNDS AND \$7,484 JUVENILE ACCOUNTABILITY BLOCK GRANT FUNDS, \$832 COUNTY MATCHING FUNDS) TO BE USED BY THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION

WHEREAS, on October 26, 2011, the Board of Chosen Freeholders approved the comprehensive county youth services plan and grant application with the New Jersey Juvenile Justice Commission (JJC) for anticipated funding in the amount of \$309,920 (\$199,228 State/Community Partnership funds, \$102,376 in Family Court Funds, and \$7,484 Juvenile Accountability Block Grant Funds, \$832 county matching funds); and

WHEREAS, the JJC has subsequently awarded the county this amount to be used by the Warren County Department of Human Services, Division of Administration for program services, program administration and Family Court services during the period January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the Director of the Board is authorized to execute grant agreements #SCP-12-PS-21, SCP-12-PM-21, FC-12-21, and JABG-11-21 with the NJ Juvenile Justice Commission totaling

\$309,920 (\$199,228 State/Community Partnership funds, \$102,376 in Family Court Funds, and

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\$7,484 Juvenile Accountability Block Grant Funds, \$832 county matching funds) to be used by the Warren County Department of Human Services, Division of Administration for program services, program administration and Family Court services during the period January 1, 2012 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 February 22, 2012.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 108-12

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 22, 2012.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR OF BOARD TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE NJ DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR \$2,425 TO PROVIDE ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDING TO COUNTY WELFARE AGENCIES FOR THE 2012 UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND

WHEREAS, the Warren County Department of Human Services, Division of Temporary Assistance and Social Services, wishes to enter into an agreement with the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for the anticipated 2012 Universal Service Fund; and

WHEREAS, funding is available for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the NJ Department of Community Affairs has subsequently awarded Warren County a total of \$2,425 to provide administrative funding to county welfare agencies for the 2012 Universal Service Fund.

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 grant agreement with the NJ Department of Community Affairs for a total of \$2,425 to provide administrative funding to county welfare agencies for the 2012 Universal Service Fund; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the persons whose names and titles appear below are authorized to sign the agreement and any other documents necessary in connection therewith:

Everett Chamberlain, Freeholder Director

Steve Marvin, County Administrator/Clerk of the Board

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 February 22, 2012.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 109-12

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 22, 2012.

RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF A DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON THE D. RACE FARM, BLOCK 1803, LOTS 3.02 & 3.03 IN BLAIRSTOWN TOWNSHIP CONSISTING OF

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WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren has determined that the property known as the D. Race Farm, LLC owned by Douglas Race located on Block 1803 Lots 3.02 & 3.03, in Blairstown Township, consisting of approximately 30.57 acres, has available for purchase a development easement in accordance with the requirements of the farmland preservation programs; and

WHEREAS, final approval for the purchase of development rights on this farm has been granted by the Warren County Agricultural Development Board and preliminary approval of the purchase by the SADC is dependent upon that approval and the approval of this Board; and

WHEREAS, the property is part of the approved Warren County Planning Incentive Grant application and is funded by the Warren County Open Space, Farmland, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of the development easement on the property will encourage the survivability of the productive agriculture in Blairstown 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 \$6,700 per acre as certified by the State Agricultural Development Committee (SADC). Cost to be shared with the SADC as follows: SADC \$4,250 per acre, Warren County \$1,225 per acre, Blairstown Township \$1,225 per acre.
2. This approval includes the following conditions
 - a. One single family residence on premises
 - b. Three barns and four greenhouses for agricultural purposes on premises
 - c. One manufactured home for agricultural labor housing with one unit on premises
 - d. No exception areas
 - e. No RDSOs allocated
 - f. No pre-existing non-agricultural uses on premises
 - g. No pre-existing access easements or proposed trails
 - h. SADC funding from Base grant, competitive round or both
 - i. Warren County is requesting SADC funding for a 3% buffer on the acreage
3. The County's share in regard to the purchase of said easement is estimated at \$37,448.25. The Freeholder Director or Administrator of Warren County is authorized to sign the Assignment of Deed of Easement, the Cost Share Agreement, and any and all documents necessary for the acquisition of the development easement on the above property in the Township of Blairstown, County of Warren, State of New Jersey under the terms outlined above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that adequate funds in the amount of \$37,448.25 in account #03895-5067-8951204-5067 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 February 22, 2012.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 110-12

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was

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adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 22, 2012.

RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL TO PURCHASE A PORTION OF PART OF BLOCK 601.03, LOT 55 IN MANSFIELD TOWNSHIP KNOWN AS MEADOWS AT MANSFIELD

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren has determined that the property known as Meadows at Mansfield, part of Block 601.03, Lot 55, in Mansfield Township, consisting of approximately twenty five (25) acres is available for purchase; and

WHEREAS, approximately one (1) acre of additional adjoining canal property on Block 601.03 Lot 54 will also be conveyed to the County as part of this transaction; and

WHEREAS, this property contains a significant section of the "Morris Canal" and has long been a target of the County's Open Space Plan and has been approved and recommended for acquisition by the Warren County Board of Recreation Commissioners (BORC); and

WHEREAS, these properties adjoin an existing 140 acre County owned preserve which also contains very significant sections of the Morris Canal; and

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

1. The Board hereby grants permission for the purchase of this property.
2. The cost of the acquisition is estimated to be Two Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$230,000) and after reimbursement by Green Acres, the County's cost share towards acquisition is estimated to be One Hundred Thirty Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$134,500).
3. The Freeholder Director or Administrator of Warren County is authorized to sign the contract of sale and any and all documents necessary for the

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that adequate funds in the amount of \$230,000 in the account #03894-5065-894604-5064 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 February 22, 2012.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 111-12

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 22, 2012.

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING AN EXTENSION TO 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 Township has entered into a grant agreement with the County for financial assistance in fiscal year 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal and Charitable Conservancy Trust Fund Committee (MCCTFC)

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has reviewed and considered a request for an extension from Pohatcong Township for the re-pointing of the Still Valley Tunnel; and

WHEREAS, the County has confirmed the findings of the MCCTFC regarding the re-pointing of the Still Valley Tunnel; and

WHEREAS, the granting of funds for this project is fully in keeping with the intent and purpose of the rules which in the Grant Agreement state an extension of 12 months is allowable upon written request; and

WHEREAS, Pohatcong Township has submitted a written request for an extension of 12 months and the MCCTFC recommends same; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available and already encumbered 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 February 22, 2012 that such an extension 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 February 22, 2012.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 112-12

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 22, 2012.

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING AN EXTENSION TO GRANT FUNDING TO WHITE TOWNSHIP AND FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF OXFORD AT HAZEN FOR STABILIZATION AND RESTORATION OF THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF OXFORD AT HAZEN

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 Township has entered into a grant agreement with the County for financial assistance in fiscal year 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal and Charitable Conservancy Trust Fund Committee (MCCTFC) has reviewed and considered a request for an extension from White Township and The First Presbyterian Church of Oxford at Hazen for Stabilization and Restoration of the church buildings; and

WHEREAS, the County has confirmed the findings of the MCCTFC regarding the Stabilization and Restoration of The First Presbyterian Church of Oxford at Hazen; and

WHEREAS, the granting of funds for this project is fully in keeping with the intent and purpose of the rules which in the Grant Agreement state an extension of six (6) months is allowable upon written request; and

WHEREAS, White Township and The First Presbyterian Church of Oxford at Hazen has submitted a written request for an extension of six (6) months and the MCCTFC recommends

same; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available and already encumbered in account 03893 5065 8930901 5065.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at its regular meeting on February 22, 2012 that such an extension 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 February 22, 2012.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 113-12

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 22, 2012.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WARREN COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TO ACCEPT A FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2012 SUBGRANT AWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$55,000.00 FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Warren County Office of Emergency Management has applied for and been awarded State Homeland Security Grant Program Subgrant CFDA #97.042 from the New Jersey State Police Office of Emergency Management, incorporating all conditions and representations contained or made in application and notice of this award; and

WHEREAS, the Subgrant, consisting of a total amount of \$110,000.00, including \$55,000.00 Federal Award and \$55,000.00 Local Matching Funds, which the Warren County Office of Emergency Management adequately satisfies through the 2012 Warren County draft budget for Division salaries and wages and fringe benefits: and

WHEREAS, it would be in the best interest of the County of Warren and the State of New Jersey to participate in this initiative and enhance Warren County's ability to prevent, protect against, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism, natural disasters and other catastrophic events and emergencies:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren hereby accept this Award and that the Director of the Board, the Clerk, the Chief Fiscal Officer, and the County Emergency Management Coordinator are hereby authorized to sign certain documents relative to their positions in order to effectuate with the NJ State Police Office of Emergency Management, funding from the FFY 2012 Homeland Security, Emergency Management Performance Grant Program.

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 February 22, 2012.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 114-12

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, 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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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WARREN COUNTY TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF HEPATITIS B IMMUNIZATION VACCINES BY THE WARREN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING AGENCY TO CERTAIN PERSONNEL EMPLOYED BY ABILITIES OF NORTHWEST NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, there is a need to provide Hepatitis B inoculations to certain personnel employed by Abilities of Northwest New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the local office of Abilities of Northwest New Jersey has requested that the Warren County Health Department, through the Public Health Nursing Agency provide such inoculations pursuant to contract; and

WHEREAS, the contract permits efficient and economical administration and performance of inoculation services by the county health department for the benefit of certain personnel of Abilities of Northwest New Jersey;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the freeholder director be and hereby is authorized to execute the attached agreement providing for Hepatitis B inoculations by the Warren County Health Department, Public Health Nursing Agency, to relevant personnel of Abilities of Northwest New Jersey.

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 February 22, 2012.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 115-12

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 22, 2012.

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

WHEREAS, there is a need to provide Hepatitis B inoculations to certain personnel employed by The Arc, Warren County Chapter; and

WHEREAS, the local office of The Arc, Warren County Chapter has requested that the Warren County Health Department, through the Public Health Nursing Agency provide such inoculations pursuant to contract; and

WHEREAS, the contract permits efficient and economical administration and performance of inoculation services by the county health department for the benefit of certain personnel of The Arc, Warren County Chapter;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the Freeholder Director be and hereby is authorized to execute the attached agreement providing for Hepatitis B inoculations by the Warren County Health Department, Public Health Nursing Agency, to relevant personnel of The Arc, Warren County Chapter.

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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 February 22, 2012.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 116-12

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, 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 February 22, 2012.

RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC1219 AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR A KETTLE STEAMER FOR WARREN HAVEN

BE IT RESOLVED that specification WC1219 for a Kettle Steamer for Warren Haven is hereby approved.

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

Funding for this contract will be provided in capital account 0411A403/5062 – Warren Haven Kettle Steamer.

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 February 22, 2012.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 117-12

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 22, 2012.

RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT #WC1104FO-3 TO TY LIN INTERNATIONAL FOR INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF WARREN COUNTY BRIDGE #10031, COUNTY ROUTE #519 OVER THE LOPATCONG CREEK, HARMONY TOWNSHIP IN THE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$56,580.00

WHEREAS, the County requested proposals to be received on Tuesday, February 22, 2011 for Contract #WC1104FO for Construction Phase Engineering/Inspection Services; and

WHEREAS, construction phase engineering and inspection services are needed for the above project; 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 TY Lin International meets the needs of the program, price and other factors considered in the amount of \$56,580.00; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available in account 0409A307 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

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TY Lin International of Hackettstown, N.J. for professional services for the above project in the amount of \$56,580,000, 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.

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 February 22, 2012.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 118-12

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 22, 2012.

RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT #WC1193 TO COPPOLA SERVICES, INC. FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF WARREN COUNTY BRIDGE #10031, COUNTY ROUTE #519 OVER THE LOPATCONG CREEK, HARMONY TOWNSHIP IN THE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$1,004,028.42

WHEREAS, the County advertised for bids to be received on Thursday, February 9, 2012 at 1:30 P.M. for Contract #WC1193 for the Reconstruction of Warren County Bridge #10031, County Route #519 over the Lopatcong Creek, Harmony Township; and

WHEREAS, Coppola Services, Inc. of Ringwood, New Jersey submitted the lowest responsible and responsive bid of \$1,004,028.42; and

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

WHEREAS, adequate funds have been established in accounts S11655445 5064 and 0409A307 5064 and certified by the County Chief Financial Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren do hereby award the contract for the above project to Coppola Services, Inc. in the contract amount of \$1,004,028.42.

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 February 22, 2012.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 119-12

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, 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 February 22, 2012.

RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT MODIFICATION #3 FOR CONTRACT #WC0870FO-4 WITH

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**BOSWELL ENGINEERING FOR FINAL ENGINEERING PHASE II FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF
WARREN BRIDGE #10031, COUNTY ROUTE #519 OVER THE LOPATCONG CREEK, HARMONY
TOWNSHIP FOR A NET INCREASE OF \$40,000.00**

WHEREAS, Boswell Engineering was awarded a contract #WC0870-FO for Engineering Services for the Reconstruction of Warren County Bridge #10031, County Route #519 over the Lopatcong Creek, Harmony Township with the revised amount of \$263,739.00; and

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

WHEREAS, final engineering costs for the construction support services will result in a net increase of \$40,000.00; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available in account 0411A301 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. Hereby approve Contract Modification #3 for the above project for a net increase of \$40,000.00 and a revised contract amount of \$303,739.00.
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.

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 February 22, 2012.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 120-12

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 22, 2012.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC1207 FOR ELEVATOR MAINTENANCE TO STATEWIDE ELEVATOR LLC FOR THE PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013 WITH THE RIGHT TO EXTEND FOR TWO ADDITIONAL ONE YEAR PERIODS AS PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACT LAW 40A:11-15(7) IN THE APPROXIMATE AMOUNT OF \$16,200.00

BE IT RESOLVED that Warren County Contract WC1207 for elevator maintenance is hereby awarded

to . . . Statewide Elevator LLC., Succasunna, New Jersey

In the amount of . . . approximately \$16,200.00

as per their bid submitted . . . February 15, 2012

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 013100/5029 – Buildings & Grounds Contracted Services, 013112/5029 – Buildings & Grounds Annex Contracted Services, and 013504/5029 – Warren Haven Maintenance Contracted Services.

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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 February 22, 2012.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 121-12

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 22, 2012.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC1208 FOR THE LEASE OF COUNTY PROPERTY (LANDFILL PROPERTY) FOR THE PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013 TO JIM SMITH FARMS LLC FOR ANNUAL RENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$431.40

BE IT RESOLVED that Contract WC1208 for lease of county property for agricultural purposes in White Township, Landfill property identified as Block 32, Lot 18, approximately 43.14 acres is hereby awarded

to . . . Jim Smith Farms LLC, Belvidere, New Jersey

annual rent of \$10.00 per acre for a total amount of \$431.40

as per his bid submitted February 7, 2012

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there were no bids received for county property in Mansfield Township, Warren Haven identified as Parcel A-1, and A-2

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 February 22, 2012.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 122-12

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 22, 2012.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC1209 FOR THE LEASE OF COUNTY PROPERTY (HAMLEN FARM) FOR THE PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013 TO J-P SMITH FARMS LLC FOR ANNUAL RENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,268.00

BE IT RESOLVED that Contract WC1209 for lease of county property for agricultural purposes in Greenwich and Lopatcong Townships, property identified as Block 23, Lot 7, and

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Block 98, Lot 2, approximately 38 acres is hereby awarded

to . . . J-P Smith Farms LLC, Phillipsburg, New Jersey
annual rent of \$86.00 per acre for a total amount of \$3,286.00
as per his bid submitted February 7, 2012

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 February 22, 2012.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 123-12

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 22, 2012.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT TO NORMAN J. GOLDBERG, INC. OF CLINTON, NEW JERSEY FOR APPRAISAL SERVICES ON THE HANDLOS PROPERTY, MANSFIELD TOWNSHIP, BLOCK 601.01, LOT 2.01; BLOCK 601.03, LOT 69, APPROXIMATELY 3.8 ACRES PROPOSED FOR ACQUISITION AS LISTED IN THE PROPOSAL IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$2,250.00

WHEREAS, The Warren County Board of Recreation has developed a list of Property for preservation for the year 2012; and

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

WHEREAS, land appraisals are required by the State Green Acres Program prior to negotiations for acquisitions in order to be eligible to receive Cost Share Funding for Land Easement Purposes; and

WHEREAS, said appraisals will be in accordance with the Agriculture Retention Program Appraisal Handbook, and the Uniform Standard of Professional Appraisal 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, Norman J. Goldberg, Inc., was pre-qualified as an appraiser by WC1188FO on November 18, 2011; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available in account 03894/5065, – 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 Norman J. Goldberg, Inc., in the amount of \$2,250.00 to prepare an appraisal 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.

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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 February 22, 2012.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 124-12

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 22, 2012.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT TO LANDMARK I APPRAISAL, LLC OF CHESTER, NEW JERSEY FOR APPRAISAL SERVICES ON THE HANDLOS PROPERTY, MANSFIELD TOWNSHIP, BLOCK 601.01, LOT 2.01; BLOCK 601.03, LOT 69, APPROXIMATELY 3.8 ACRES PROPOSED FOR ACQUISITION AS LISTED IN THE PROPOSAL IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$2,650.00

WHEREAS, The Warren County Board of Recreation has developed a list of Property for preservation for the year 2012; and

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

WHEREAS, land appraisals are required by the State Green Acres Program prior to negotiations for acquisitions in order to be eligible to receive Cost Share Funding for Land Easement Purposes; and

WHEREAS, said appraisals will be in accordance with the Agriculture Retention Program Appraisal Handbook, and the Uniform Standard of Professional Appraisal 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, Landmark I Appraisal, LLC., was pre-qualified as an appraiser by WC1188FO on November 18, 2011; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available in account 03894/5065, – 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 Landmark I Appraisal, LLC., in the amount of \$2,650.00 to prepare an appraisal 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 February 22, 2012.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Mr. Gardner asked for additional information regarding the bridge over Lopatcong Creek. He wanted to know which bridge it was. Mr. Hicks said it was Stryker's Road at Harkers Hollow. This is just for the construction phase. One resolution is for inspection and the other is for a design engineer as required by DEP Wetlands Mitigation.

Regarding the lease of the County property known as the Hamlen Farm, Mr. Chamberlain

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noted that Mr. Smith was in attendance and he thanked him for his bid.

RESOLUTION 125-12

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 22, 2012.

RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING STEVE MARVIN WARREN COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren is authorized to appoint a County Administrator pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-42.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that Steve Marvin is hereby reappointed County Administrator for a term of three (3) years commencing February 23, 2012 and terminating February 22, 2015.

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 February 22, 2012.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Mr. Gardner said Mr. Marvin's service to the County is appreciated. You've got to have a tough captain of any ship and Steve is a darn good one. Mr. Sarnoski said Mr. Marvin is doing a great job and he couldn't imagine anyone else doing it. Likewise, Mr. Chamberlain said he appreciated the work Mr. Marvin does and thanked him very much. "I think you have served the County very well and we appreciate it," Mr. Chamberlain said. Mr. Marvin said, "Thank you gentlemen."

Reports and Comments

County Counsel Joe Bell said he had two items for Executive Session regarding matters of litigation.

County Engineer Dave Hicks had nothing further to report.

County Planner Dave Dech said he had attended an Army Corps of Engineers' open house on preliminary findings of ways of mitigating flooding along the Delaware River. No structural measures were identified except for possibly creating a ring wall around the Phillipsburg sewage treatment plant. More engineering hydraulic studies need to be conducted to determine cost effectiveness.

Mr. Chamberlain asked if there was any initiative to purchase or raze flood-prone dwellings. Mr. Dech said that wasn't really addressed, but they prefer to stay as a Blue Acres Program where the State would be willing to buy properties if the owner were willing to sell. Whatever is more cost-effective. More details are available, but Mr. Dech didn't have the information readily at hand.

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Mr. Dech also announced a Complete Streets Seminar being held April 4, 2012 at the County College of Morris. Intended for local officials, the meeting is being spearheaded by Sussex County Freeholder Susan Zellman. This is an effort to implement a policy adopted by the American Society of Civil Engineers in which streets would be built for pedestrians and cyclists.

County CFO Charles Houck had nothing further to report.

County Administrator Steve Marvin had the customary Personnel Vacancy Report for approval. The Board had no questions or comments.

He also presented a summary of departmental requests for personnel actions for Fiscal Year 2012. The proposed promotions, merit increases, title changes, etc. included Mr. Marvin's recommendations. The Board was going to take additional time to review the requests for future action.

The Complete Streets Seminar conflicts with the scheduled Six County Coalition Meeting. With no venue secured or agenda yet determined, Mr. Marvin thought it could be held May 2 or skip ahead to September. Mr. Gardner was not in favor of putting it off until September.

The Board decided to hold Boards of School Estimate Meetings on March 28, 2012. The Technical School was scheduled for 6:00 p.m. followed by Special Services School District at 6:30 p.m.

Freeholder Comments

Mr. Gardner spoke of the Governor's Budget Address that had taken place the previous day. He thought Governor Christie did a great job delivering the speech and touched on the right topics. Education appears to be a high priority; hopefully, the Earned Income Tax Credit will come to fruition and utilizing the Hagedorn Facility for homeless and needy veterans is a positive alternative use. Mr. Gardner said he was impressed by the address, yet it is subject to both houses of the legislature. "We'll see what happens," he said.

Regarding an agenda for the aforementioned Six County Coalition Meeting, Mr. Gardner said he is working on some ideas with Dave Dech.

Mr. Sarnoski had no further comments.

Mr. Chamberlain said he was sorry to hear of the death of Mr. Sarnoski's father-in-law. "Our condolences are with you," he said. On a lighter note, Human Services Director Karen Kubert recently celebrated a milestone birthday. "We appreciate all that Karen does for the County," said Mr. Chamberlain.

In regard to the County Budget, Mr. Chamberlain said we flat-funded things and made cuts. He said he thinks "we're on the right road" and that the budget was reasonable.

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Diane Sare of Hackensack, NJ who happens to be running for the U.S. House of Representatives, spoke for a few moments about a movement to reinstate the Glass-Steagall Act. This act was repealed in 1999. Prior to that, it was illegal for savings and loan banks to engage in speculative activity. If the act were in place now, Ms. Sare said it would be illegal to bail out firms engaging in such activities. She provided sample resolutions adopted by the Boards of Chosen Freeholders of Essex and Middlesex Counties as well as a list of co-sponsors and legislative support of the reinstatement.

Mr. Chamberlain said he thought there was more to this than Ms. Sare had just related and wanted to review it further and talk to people in the banking community to find out more.

Mr. Marvin asked if this action would repeal Dodd-Frank. Ms. Sare said there had been a bipartisan effort to add Glass-Steagall as an amendment, but Barney Frank wrote a bunch of letters to Scott Brown who stopped Glass-Steagall from being added to the Dodd-Frank Bill. The bill is about 3,000 pages long. Mr. Chamberlain said he appreciated the information and would take it under consideration and go from there.

RESOLUTION 126-12

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, at 7:35 p.m., the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 22, 2012.

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: PBA 280-Sheriff's Officers-status of interest arbitration; FOP 171-Corrections Officers and PBA 331-Prosecutor's Detectives-status of negotiations and other labor negotiation with AFSCME 3287, AFSCME 671, CWA 1071-PHNA and CWA 1032-Prosecutor's Clerical.

(2) *Matters Relating to Litigation*: Items to be discussed include: Aire Enterprises v. Warren County; Ruling regarding Court Room #2 and status of Prosecutor's appeal.

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 February 22, 2012.

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

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, the Board adjourned executive session at 8:02 p.m. and returned to open session.

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

On motion by Mr. Sarnoski, seconded by Mr. Gardner, and there being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

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

ATTESTED TO:**Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board**