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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 August 28, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Director Sarnoski.

Director Sarnoski read the following statement: **“ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING OF AUGUST 28, 2013 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. Smith, the Minutes of the Regular Session held on July 24, 2013 were approved.

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

On motion by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the Minutes of the Executive Session held on July 24, 2013 were approved.

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

PROCLAMATION 407-13

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following proclamation was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

LEGAL SERVICES OF NORTHWEST JERSEY, INC., TENTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

WHEREAS, ten years ago, Hunterdon County Legal Services Corporation, Legal Aid Society of Morris County, Somerset Sussex Legal Services Corporation and Warren County Legal Services, Inc. merged to form a nonprofit law firm serving low income people residing in Hunterdon, Morris, Somerset, Sussex and Warren Counties, known as Legal Services of Northwest Jersey, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the work for equal justice of Legal Services of Northwest Jersey builds upon decades of advocacy and service in each of the five counties in northwest New Jersey: Morris County (established 1950); Somerset County (established 1967); Sussex County (established 1971); Hunterdon County (established 1975) and Warren County (established 1975); and

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WHEREAS, Legal Services of Northwest Jersey has provided free legal assistance in 42,873 legal matters affecting essential needs for thousands of low income and other vulnerable people in our community during the past ten years;

WHEREAS, the work of Legal Services of Northwest Jersey is vital to the efforts of low income individuals to maintaining safe and affordable housing, gaining sustainable income to escape the ravages of poverty, accessing quality healthcare, securing family stability and personal safety and living with dignity in the community; and

WHEREAS, the staff, volunteers and Trustees of Legal Services of Northwest Jersey have provided countless hours of dedicated service to our community and the cause of equal justice and continue to do so; and

WHEREAS, the County of Warren has provided unwavering support for the work of Legal Services of Northwest Jersey, assuring low income people that they are valued members of our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren does hereby congratulate Legal Services of Northwest Jersey as it celebrates its Tenth Anniversary as a regional legal services provider.

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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Mr. Sarnoski congratulated Legal Services of Northwest Jersey on this milestone. He thought ten years of advocacy for those who need a fair chance was a significant achievement and that the organization provides a high level of service.

Mr. Smith said this establishment provides a window to our legal system for those who may not otherwise get a fair shot.

Mr. Gardner agreed with his colleagues. There are a whole host of issues that may cause individuals to find themselves in a financial bind so he admired the attorneys who provide pro bono services.

The proclamation was accepted by Diane K. Smith and Theresa Kist, the organization's Executive Director and Office Manager, respectively. Ms. Smith thanked the county for its support since 1975. She expressed appreciation to the Freeholders for their kind words as well as for funding and grants over the years.

PROCLAMATION 408-13

On motion by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Gardner, the following proclamation was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

NATIONAL POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2013

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WHEREAS, there were thousands of American Prisoners of War and those still listed as missing in action as a result of all wars; and

WHEREAS, men and women today are serving their nation in all corners of the globe; and

WHEREAS, in Warren County, we are committed to remembering all veterans who served their country and those still Missing In Action and Prisoners of War; and

WHEREAS, this day will remind everyone of the personal sacrifices made by all war veterans to ensure that future generations of American citizens will be able to enjoy our country's freedoms.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren does join our nation in this day of remembrance to demonstrate the country's continued commitment to the POW/MIA issue.

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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Mr. Gardner said the Board takes great pride in supporting and endorsing continued efforts to recover POW/MIAs. He noted recent technological advances have allowed for scanning the ocean floor better than ever before. He hoped this development would help bring more POW/MIAs home.

Mr. Smith said there's probably nothing worse for families to go through than POW/MIA status of a loved one. There is a need for closure and this Board recognizes the importance of finding and bringing home POW/MIAs. People like Terry Lee remind us not to forget.

Mr. Sarnoski agreed with his colleagues. Terry Lee, the veterans committees and groups like Rolling Thunder never give up and the quest must go on.

As he accepted the proclamation, Terry Lee shared the most recent data of remaining POW/MIAs. World War II: 73,661; Korea: 7,907; Cold War: 126; Vietnam: 1,645; Iraq: 6. He presented a poster promoting National POW/MIA Day for display and encouraged participation in the Warren County Veterans Recognition Ceremony being held on October 5 at the Warren County War Memorial.

Public Comments (Agenda Items Only)

Carol Cook of Blairstown inquired about Agenda Item E7, the recommendation for the grant funding for restoration of the United Methodist Church of Washington. Mr. Sarnoski and Land Preservation Administrator Corey Tierney explained that the church has a Certificate of Eligibility from the State Historic Preservation Office and had been awarded a grant last year from the Municipal & Charitable Conservancy Trust Fund Committee. Its appearance on the agenda this evening was merely a corrective action to award the grant directly to the church rather than it being administered by the town.

RESOLUTION 409-13

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On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION TO PAY BILLS

Be and it is hereby resolved that Master Voucher Certificate **For Certification / Ratification for Payments No. 2013-30, 2013-31, 2013-32, 2013-33, and 2013-34, dated August 28, 2013,** in the amount of **\$10,610,264.01** including payrolls, allowances, bills, and investments, is approved subject to the review of the vouchers by the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

2013-30	7/31/13	\$	448,567.32	
2013-31	8/7/13		1,990,174.79	
2013-32	8/14/13		678,212.40	
2013-33	8/21/13		698,095.69	
2013-34	8/28/13		1,041,653.04	
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TOTAL				\$4,856,703.24
PNC Bank Commercial Card Svc	8/1/13	\$	1,129.15	
Medical-August	8/13/13		1,318,199.85	
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TOTAL WIRE TRANSFERS				1,319,329.00
Payroll	7/25/13	\$	1,530,358.92	
Uniform	7/25/13		48,449.97	
Payroll	8/8/13		1,431,641.25	
Payroll	8/22/13		1,423,781.63	
Subsistence	8/22/13		0.00	
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TOTAL				<u>4,434,231.77</u>
GRAND TOTAL				<u>\$10,610,264.01</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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 410-13

On motion by Mr. Smith, 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 August 28, 2013.

INSERTION INTO THE 2013 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF

MINUTES**AUGUST 28, 2013****\$110,000.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, RECYCLING ENHANCEMENT ACT GRANT**

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

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Warren request the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the year 2013 in the sum of \$ 110,000.00, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection, Recycling Enhancement Act Grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$ 110,000.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption:

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

State of New Jersey, Department of Law Environmental Protection, Recycling Enhancement Act Grant (administered by Planning Department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of the approval by the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection.

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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 411-13

On motion by Mr. Smith, 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 August 28, 2013.

INSERTION INTO THE 2013 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,625.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY, VICTIM WITNESS ADVOCACY-SUPPLEMENTAL VWAF

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

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Warren request the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the year 2013 in the sum of \$ 9,625.00, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law & Public Safety, Victim Witness Advocacy – Supplemental VWAF.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$ 9,625.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption:

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State of New Jersey, Department of Law & Public Safety, Victim Witness Advocacy – Supplemental VWAF (administered by the Prosecutor’s Dept).

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

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 412-13

On motion by Mr. Smith, 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 August 28, 2013.

INSERTION INTO THE 2013 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,000.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY & VETERAN AFFAIRS, FOR VETERANS TRANSPORTATION

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

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Warren request the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the year 2013 in the sum of \$ 7,000.00, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey, Department of Military & Veteran Affairs, For Veterans Transportation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$ 7,000.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption:

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

State of New Jersey, Department of Military & Veteran Affairs, For Veterans Transportation (administered by the Human Services Dept.).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of the approval by the State of New Jersey, Department of Military & Veteran Affairs.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 413-13

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

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by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

INSERTION INTO THE 2013 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,650.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, COUNCIL FOR THE HUMANITIES POETRY

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

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Warren request the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the year 2013 in the sum of \$ 12,650.00, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey, Council for the Humanities Poetry.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$ 12,650.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption:

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

State of New Jersey, Council for the Humanities Poetry (administered by the Cultural & Heritage Dept.).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of the approval by the State of New Jersey, Council for the Humanities.

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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 414-13

On motion by Mr. Smith, 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 August 28, 2013.

INSERTION INTO THE 2013 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$46,902.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY, JAG COUNTY GANG, GUN AND NARCOTICS TASK FORCE GRANT

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

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Warren request the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the year 2013 in the sum of \$ 46,902.00, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey,

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Department of Law & Public Safety, JAG County Gang, Gun and Narcotics Task Force Grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$ 46,902.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption:

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

State of New Jersey, Department of Law & Public Safety, JAG County Gang, Gun and Narcotics Task Force Grant (administered by the Prosecutor’s Dept).

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

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 415-13

On motion by Mr. Smith, 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 August 28, 2013.

INSERTION INTO THE 2013 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,057.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY, VICTIM WITNESS ADVOCACY-DV ADVOCATE

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

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Warren request the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the year 2013 in the sum of \$ 9,057.00, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law & Public Safety, Victim Witness Advocacy – DV Advocate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Grant Match of \$ 3,019.00 is included in the 2013 County Budget, Sheet 19 Prosecutor’s Office S&W.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$ 9,057.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption:

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

State of New Jersey, Department of Law & Public Safety, Victim Witness Advocacy – DV Advocate (administered by the Prosecutor’s Dept).

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

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

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

RESOLUTION 416-13

On motion by Mr. Smith, 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 August 28, 2013.

INSERTION INTO THE 2013 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$97,945.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ACT

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

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Warren request the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the year 2013 in the sum of \$ 97,945.00, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection, Clean Communities Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Grant Match of \$ 83,220.00 is included in the 2013 County Budget, Sheet 20-b County Health Service Interlocal Agreement (NJS 40:8A-1) S&W.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$ 97,945.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption:

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

State of New Jersey, Department of Law Environmental Protection, Environmental Health Act (administered by Health Department).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of the approval by the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection.

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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 417-13

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WARREN COUNTY CULTURAL AND HERITAGE COMMISSION TO ACCEPT AND ADMINISTER A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,000 FOR THE 8TH BIENNIAL WARREN COUNTY POETRY FESTIVAL, SEPTEMBER 28, 2013 FROM THE NEW JERSEY STATE COUNCIL ON THE ARTS

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WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:33A-1, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders adopted a Resolution creating the Warren County Cultural and Heritage Commission on October 11, 1972; and

WHEREAS, the development of the arts in Warren County is deemed a valuable cultural asset and will have a positive impact on the quality of life in Warren County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders does hereby authorize the Warren County Cultural and Heritage Commission to accept and administer the New Jersey State Council on the Arts funds in the amount of \$8,000 for the 8th Biennial Poetry Festival, September 28, 2013 in Warren County.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 418-13

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION RE: WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING AGENCY'S CORPORATE COMPLIANCE POLICY

WHEREAS, as a home health agency (HHA) that participates in the Medicare and Medicaid programs, this agency and its affiliated organizations must comply with a number of federal and state laws and regulations; and

WHEREAS, it is the continuing desire of the board to provide care to Warren County residents and to promote the health of all people in the community served by this HHA; and

WHEREAS, the board has determined that this HHA will not be able to provide needed services to its patients and the community if it does not comply with all applicable federal and state laws, and regulations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren hereby adopts the compliance policy attached to this resolution. The compliance policy shall evidence the policy of this agency and all of its affiliated organizations regarding compliance with all applicable state and federal laws, including, but not limited to, the federal False Claims Act; all applicable regulations governing participation in the Medicare and Medicaid programs; the Stark Bill; the Medicare and Medicaid anti-kickback laws; state licensure regulations; and federal, state, and local civil rights laws.

A. General principles

1. It is the policy of this agency to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations – both civil and criminal.
2. No employee has any authority to act contrary to the provision of the law or to authorize, direct, or condone violations offered by any other employee.
3. Any employee or agent of the agency who has knowledge of facts concerning this agency's activities that he or she believes might violate the law has an obligation, promptly after learning such facts, to report the matter to his or her immediate superiors or to the agency's compliance officer (CO).

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4. This agency will take steps to effectively communicate its standards and procedures to all employees and agents by requiring participation in training programs and by disseminating publications that explain in a practical manner what is required.
5. To achieve compliance with its standards, this HHA will employ monitoring and auditing systems that are reasonably designed to detect criminal conduct by its employees and agents. This agency will also implement and publicize a reporting system that employees and other agents can use, without fear of retribution, to report criminal conduct within the agency.
6. This compliance policy will be consistently enforced through appropriate disciplinary mechanisms, including, as appropriate, discipline of individuals responsible for the failure to detect an offense and those individuals who actually committed or conducted an offense. The appropriate form of discipline will be case-specific.
7. After an offense has been detected, this agency will take all reasonable steps to respond appropriately to the offense and to prevent further similar offenses – including any necessary modifications to detect and to prevent violations of law.

B. Commitments

This HHA is organized for the promotion of the health of the individuals who reside in this County. This agency, its board, officers, employees, and agents hereby express the following commitments:

1. To the community: This HHA is committed to the promotion of health and to using the agency's best efforts to satisfy the medical needs of the community while operating in a fiscally responsible manner.
2. To this HHA's employees: This agency will implement and maintain employment practices and programs that comply with all applicable federal and state laws.
3. To this HHA's patients: This agency is committed to providing appropriate quality of care, consistent with the agency's facilities and resources, that is responsive to patient needs and complies with state and federal government laws and resources.
4. To third-party payers: This HHA is committed to submitting bills for patient services in a timely and accurate fashion and reporting all reimbursable costs to the Medicare and Medicaid program and to any other third party in a legally appropriate manner.
5. To this HHA's suppliers: This agency stresses a sense of responsibility that enables it to be a good customer. When this agency determines that is in its best interest to employ a competitive bidding process, it is committed to being fair and equitable.
6. To all who do business with this HHA: This agency shall conduct its business in a manner that is consistent with all applicable laws and regulations.

C. Corporate compliance officer/Privacy officer

1. This HHA designates Judith A. Leone, Division Director as its CO.
2. The CO shall also review and – when the CO determines that it is reasonable to do so – disseminate to the appropriate parties the Department of Health and Human Services' (HHS)

Office of Inspector General's (OIG) monthly program exclusion listing published in the *Federal Register*. The CO will also regularly review and disseminate new statutes, regulations, pronouncements, or directive of the federal or state government, the government's fiscal intermediary, any third-party payers, or any HHA association or trade publication that might affect these standards.

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3. The CO shall also monitor this HHA's continued compliance with the terms and conditions set forth in any settlement agreement that might be executed by this agency with the federal or state government.

D. Security officer

1. This HHA designates Karen Frutche, Principle Technician, Management Information Specialist, as its Security Officer. The Security Officer of the agency oversees security risk assessment of the clinical information system and implements an effective risk management plan to minimize risks to confidentiality, integrity, and availability of electronic Protected Health Information with assistance of the County Security Officer, as needed.

E. Reporting violations

It is the duty of each employee to promptly report any suspected violations of these standards to the CO.

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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 419-13

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LOPATCONG BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE WARREN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE NURSING SERVICES TO PHILLIPSBURG CHRISTIAN ACADEMY THROUGH THE DIVISION OF PERSONAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$3,783.00 FOR THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 1, 2013 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2014

WHEREAS, Chapter 226 laws of 1991 provided that medical examinations, hearing screenings and other services may be provided to non-public schools as a board of health activity; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Health Department, Division of Personal Health Services has trained personnel to provide nursing services to Phillipsburg Christian Academy; and

WHEREAS, the Lopatcong Board of Education is interested in continuing last year's agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the attached contract agreement between the Lopatcong Board of Education and the Warren County Health Department to provide nursing services to Phillipsburg Christian

Academy through the Division of Personal Health Services of the Health Department for the sum not to exceed \$3783.00 for the period of September 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014, be and is hereby approved, and further, that the Freeholder Director is hereby authorized and directed to execute said agreement.

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 August 28, 2013.

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

RESOLUTION 420-13

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW JERSEY TRANSIT CORPORATION FOR RECEIPT AND OPERATION OF ONE SECTION 5310 PARATRANSIT VEHICLE

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders approved an application with NJ Transit for one paratransit vehicle through the GY '09 Section 5310 program; and

WHEREAS, NJ Transit has subsequently made available to Warren County the following vehicle through the Section 5310 program:

One (1) 2013 Ford Champion Challenger; and

WHEREAS, NJ Transit requires that the county execute a Lease Agreement to operate the vehicle.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Director of the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders is authorized to execute a Lease Agreement with New Jersey Transit for the operation of the paratransit vehicle through the GY '09 Section 5310 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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 421-13

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION REAPPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE NJ YOUTH CORPS FOR MAINTENANCE SERVICES FROM AUGUST 10, 2011 TO AUGUST 10, 2016 IN AN ANNUAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$60,000.00 AND SUBJECT TO ANNUAL REVIEW AND APPROVAL BY THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

WHEREAS, the NJ Youth CORPS (CORPS) has been using and maintaining the Stine property and providing lawn mowing services under prior agreements; and

WHEREAS, those arrangements have proven to be beneficial to both parties, and;

WHEREAS, both parties wish to provide for expanded activities not covered by their existing agreements; and

WHEREAS, such changes will provide the opportunity for additional activities and growth experiences for CORPS members while providing needed services for the County Open Space Program; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders wish to continue the agreement with the NJ Youth CORPS for expanded services and therefore authorize the Freeholder Director to execute a Memorandum of Understanding to effectuate this arrangement. Be it further resolved that adequate funds in the amount of \$60,000.00 in account 03892-5100 have been certified by the CFO.

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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 422-13

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NATURE CONSERVANCY FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF BLOCK 908, LOT 4 IN HARDWICK TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, the County of Warren purchased Block 901, Lot 4, in Hardwick Township, known as The White Lake Natural Resource Area, as part of the County's Open Space Acquisition Program; and

WHEREAS, The Nature Conservancy is an international non-profit organization whose mission is to preserve the diversity of life on earth and having the specific expertise required to manage stewardship activities at The White Lake Natural Resource Area; and

WHEREAS, The Nature Conservancy has managed the site since August 30, 2005, and has presented a proposal to provide an enhanced stewardship program for The White Lake Natural Resource Area, including an estimate of associated costs; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that The Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders have reviewed the Agreement with The Nature Conservancy regarding the continued management of The White Lake Natural Resource Area and hereby authorize the Freeholder Director to execute said Agreement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that adequate funds in the amount of \$73,921.00 in account 03892-5100-8921301-5100 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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 423-13

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING GRANT FUNDING TO THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF WASHINGTON FOR THE RESTORATION OF THE CHURCH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$148,202.00

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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 Farmland, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Procedures and Rules;" and

WHEREAS, the Municipal and Charitable Conservancy Trust Fund Committee (MCCTFC) has reviewed and considered an application from the United Methodist Church of Washington for the restoration of the United Methodist Church in Washington; and

WHEREAS, a grant in the amount of \$148,202.00 for the Restoration of the United Methodist Church in Washington was previously approved by the Freeholders on December 12, 2012, with the understanding that the Borough of Washington, in cooperation with the United Methodist Church, would be the Grantee; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Washington is unable to act as Grantee for purposes of this project and the Land Preservation Department therefore requests and recommends that the Grantee be changed to the United Methodist Church of Washington; and

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

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

WHEREAS, adequate funds in the amount of \$148,202.00 are available in account 03893 5065 8931207 5065.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at its regular meeting on August 28, 2013, 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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 424-13

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WARREN COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TO ACCEPT A FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2013 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 2013 Warren County draft

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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 2013 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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 425-13

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE INVESTIGATION OF TRAFFIC SIGNAL RETIMING AT THE INTERSECTION OF NEW JERSEY STATE ROUTES 57 & 182 AND COUNTY ROUTE #517 LOCATED IN THE TOWN OF HACKETTSTOWN, WARREN COUNTY IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE REPLACEMENT OF WARREN COUNTY BRIDGE #16003/MORRIS COUNTY BRIDGE #1401-196, NEWBURGH ROAD OVER THE MUSCONETCONG RIVER, MANSFIELD TOWNSHIP, WARREN COUNTY & WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP, MORRIS COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Counties of Warren and Morris will be reconstructing Warren County Bridge #16003/ Morris County Bridge #1401-196 (Newburg Road over the Musconetcong River) in the Township of Mansfield; and

WHEREAS, there is a detour route for the project that includes the intersection of New Jersey State Routes 57 & 182 and County Route 517 located in the Town of Hackettstown; and

WHEREAS, a temporary retiming of the traffic signal may be necessary to accommodate additional traffic during the detour; and

WHEREAS, the County of Morris will be preparing a traffic signal analysis once the bridge is closed, subject to approval by Warren County, prior to submission to the NJDOT for a

request to review and retime the signal as needed during the construction detour.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren does hereby support the request to NJDOT to review the signal timing and make any changes that are found to be warranted during the detour.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of the Board is hereby authorized and

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directed to sign a letter to the NJDOT as attached and made a part hereof.

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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 426-13

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION TO SUBMIT A JOINT CONTINUUM OF CARE (CoC) APPLICATION TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) FOR FY 2013 CONTINUUM OF CARE FUNDS FOR THE HOMELESS ASSISTANCE GRANT, SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

WHEREAS, Warren County Department of Human Services, Division of Administration, is in the process of completing a joint Continuum of Care application with Hunterdon and Sussex Counties to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Homeless Assistance Program for assistance that would provide permanent housing for homeless persons with disabilities in Warren, Sussex, and Hunterdon County. Supportive services will be provided through existing community resources. Applicants must be able to provide services in all three counties; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Department of Human Services has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the counties of Hunterdon and Sussex to file a joint application for the HUD FY 2013 Continuum of Care Homeless Assistance Grant; and

WHEREAS, Warren County will serve as the lead entity and administrative agent for this grant application; and

WHEREAS, the counties of Warren, Sussex, and Hunterdon have agreed to issue a Request for Letters of Intent (RLI) from entities interested in providing supportive housing for the homeless; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders recognizes the need to provide housing assistance and supportive services to homeless individuals and families of Warren County to encourage self-sufficiency; and,

WHEREAS, the County of Warren is anticipating the release of the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the FY 2013 HUD Continuum of Care Homeless Assistance Grant competition; and

WHEREAS, funds are available under the HUD Supportive Housing programs for both new and renewal projects and, if available, administrative funds to monitor said projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the Warren County Department of Human Services, Division of Administration, is hereby authorized to submit the FY 2013 Continuum of Care Homeless Assistance Grant Application for the Tri-County Continuum of Care of Warren, Sussex and Hunterdon, for an anticipated maximum allocation of **\$1,035,851.00 for new and renewal projects**, or an alternate amount

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approved by HUD, is hereby approved and authorized, subject to the availability of funds.

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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Mr. Gardner noted the long-standing relationship with the Nature Conservancy has been a good one and thought the management has been excellent. Mr. Marvin pointed out that the same should be said about the N.J. Youth Corps. Mr. Sarnoski concurred and Mr. Gardner said these agreements benefit the taxpayers.

RESOLUTION 427-13

On motion by Mr. Smith, 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 August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC1351 AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE CHILLER REPLACEMENT AT THE WAYNE DUMONT, JR. ADMINISTRATION BUILDING PROJECT

BE IT RESOLVED that specification WC1351 for the Chiller Replacement at the Wayne Dumont Jr., Administration Building Project 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 0413A504/5062 – Adm Boiler Build – Building & Grds.

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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 428-13

On motion by Mr. Smith, 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 August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC1354 AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR ANTI-ICING & DEICING FLUID FOR THE WARREN COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT

BE IT RESOLVED that specification WC1354 for anti-icing & deicing fluid for the Warren County Road Department is hereby approved.

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

Funding for this contract will be provided in budget account 012900/5125 – Road Department M & R Materials.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen

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

RESOLUTION 429-13

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC1340 FOR THE WARREN COUNTY COMMUNICATION CENTER TEMPERATURE CONTROL REPLACEMENT PROJECT TO ATC SYSTEMS, INC. IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$138,700.00

BE IT RESOLVED that contract WC1340 for the Warren County Communications Center Temperature Control Replacement System is hereby awarded to . . . ATC Systems, Inc., Middlesex, New Jersey in the amount of . . . \$138,700.00 as per their bid submitted . . . July 23, 2013 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 capital account 0410A509/5062 – HVAC Public Safety.

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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 430-13

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC1342 DENTAL SERVICES AT THE WARREN COUNTY CORRECTIONAL CENTER TO DENTRUST DENTAL, P.A. FOR THE PERIOD OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2013 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2014 WITH THE RIGHT TO EXTEND FOR TWO ADDITIONAL ONE YEAR PERIODS AS PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACT LAW 40A:11-15(29) IN THE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$2,600.00 PER MONTH, TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT \$31,200.00

BE IT RESOLVED that Warren County Contract WC1342 for dental services at the Warren County Correctional Center is hereby awarded to . . . Dentrust Dental, P.A., Pipersville, Pennsylvania in the amount of . . . \$2,600.00 per month, \$31,200.00 yearly as per their bid submitted . . . July 23, 2013 and reviewed and recommended by the Director of Purchasing as the lowest responsible and responsive bid received.

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Funding for this contract has been provided in budget account 012800/5093 – Correctional Center – Medical Expenses.

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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 431-13

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC1343-1 LUMBER FOR THE PERIOD OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2013 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2014 TO BLUE RIDGE LUMBER AT THE UNIT PRICES AND DISCOUNTS OFFERED, NO GUARANTEED ANNUAL AMOUNT

BE IT RESOLVED that contract WC1343-1 for lumber is hereby awarded to . . . Blue Ridge Lumber, Hackettstown, New Jersey
this contract establishes unit pricing and discounts

NOTE: New Jersey State Contract is the primary source of supply for lumber.

This contract is to provide a local supply contract in the event that items are not readily available under the state contract when needed.
as per their bid submitted . . . July 23, 2013
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 various department OE budget accounts.

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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 432-13

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC1343-2 LUMBER FOR THE PERIOD OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2013 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2014 TO L.E. RITTER LUMBER CO. AT THE UNIT PRICES AND DISCOUNTS OFFERED, NO GUARANTEED ANNUAL AMOUNT

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BE IT RESOLVED that contract WC1343-2 for lumber is hereby awarded to . . . L. E. Ritter Lumber Co., Belvidere, New Jersey this contract establishes unit pricing and discounts

NOTE: New Jersey State Contract is the primary source of supply for lumber.

This contract is to provide a local supply contract in the event that items are not readily available under the state contract when needed. as per their bid submitted . . . July 23, 2013 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 various department OE budget accounts.

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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 433-13

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR TECHNOLOGY ASSESSMENT OF THE WARREN COUNTY INFORMATION SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT TO THE NEW JERSEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$19,000.00

WHEREAS, the County of Warren requires the services of The New Jersey Institute of Technology to do an assessment of the Warren County Information Systems Department; and

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

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

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available in budget account 011100/5028 – Freeholders Consultant – Other Expenses, and certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

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

1. An agreement between the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren and The New Jersey Institute of Technology, of Newark, New Jersey, for technology services, in an amount not to exceed \$19,000.00, be made part of this resolution by reference and approved and entered into by the Board on behalf of the County of Warren.
2. The Director is hereby authorized to execute said letter of Agreement by signing same.
3. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as an “Exception” in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law 40A:11-5 et. Seq.) because the services are for computer technology services.
4. A notice of this action shall be published in the Star-Ledger, as required by law, within ten

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days of its adoption.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 434-13

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION RE: EXTENSION OF CONTRACT WC1146 FOR INMATE COMMISSARY SERVICES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY CORRECTIONAL CENTER TO ARAMARK CORRECTIONAL SERVICES, INC. FOR THE PERIOD OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2013 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2014 FOR THE THIRD AND FINAL YEAR OF A THREE YEAR CONTRACT AS PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACT LAW 40A:11-15(10), AT A COMMISSION RATE OF 32.5%

BE IT RESOLVED that Warren County Contract WC1146 for inmate commissary services for the Warren County Correctional Center is hereby extended for the third and final year of a three year contract as provided by the Local Public Contract Law 40A:11-15(10) said contract is hereby extended for the period of September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2014 to . . . Aramark Correctional Services, Inc., Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois In the amount of . . . contractor to pay commission in the amount of 32.5% as per their bid submitted . . . July 26, 2011

No county funds are required for this 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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 435-13

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION RE: EXTENSION OF CONTRACT WC1246 FOR DEER CARCASS REMOVAL FOR THE WARREN COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT TO DEER CARCASS REMOVAL SERVICE LLC FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2013 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2014 FOR THE SECOND AND FINAL YEAR OF A TWO YEAR CONTRACT AS PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACT LAW 40A:11-15(1) AT A UNIT COST OF \$39.25 PER DEER, ESTIMATED TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT \$20,000.00

BE IT RESOLVED that Warren County Contract WC1246 for deer carcass removal for the Warren County Road Department is hereby extended for the second and final year as provided by the Local Public Contract Law 40A:11-15(1) said contract is hereby extended for the period

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of October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014
 to . . . Deer Carcass Removal Service LLP., Cream Ridge, New Jersey
 In the amount of . . . \$39.25 per deer, estimated amount \$20,000.00
 as per their bid submitted . . . August 28, 2012

Funding for this contract has been provided in budget account 012900/5029 – Road Department Contracted Services.

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 436-13

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO BI INCORPORATED FOR ELECTRONIC MONITORING DEVICES AND ASSOCIATED PRODUCTS UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #84242 COVERING ELECTRONIC MONITORING DEVICES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY CORRECTIONAL CENTER IN THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$26,000.00

BE IT RESOLVED that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for Electronic monitoring devices and associated products for the Warren County Correctional Center and is hereby awarded

to . . . BI Incorporated, Boulder, Colorado
 in the estimated amount of . . . \$26,000.00
 at the prices established under New Jersey State Contract #84242

Funding for this contract has been provided in budget account 012800/5030 – Jail Operating Supplies.

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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 437-13

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE PURCHASE ORDERS TO AMERIGAS PROPANE L.P. UNDER THE MORRIS COUNTY COOPERATIVE CONTRACT #43 PROPANE GAS AT A FIXED MARK UP OF \$.5035 PER GALLON FOR 100 GALLON TANKS AND LARGER AND A FIXED MARK UP OF \$.6535 PER GALLON FOR TANKS SMALLER THAN 100 GALLONS, AN APPROXIMATE ANNUAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$68,000.00

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BE IT RESOLVED that the purchasing department is authorized to issue purchase orders for Propane for the Warren County Road Department, Warren Haven, and the Warren County Buildings & Grounds Department and is hereby awarded to . . . Amerigas Propane L.P., Chester, New Jersey in the approximate amount of . . . \$68,000.00 at the prices established under Morris County Cooperative Contract #43

Funding for this contract has been provided in budget accounts 014470/5070 – Bldg & Grds – Heating Fuels, 014470/5951 – Roads Heating Fuel, and 013510/5030 – Warren Haven Utilities – Operating Supplies.

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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 438-13

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF A PURCHASE ORDER TO INTERACT TO PROVIDE COMPUTER SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE AND LICENSING FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2013 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2013 FOR THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$19,828.80

WHEREAS, it has been recommended that the county issue a purchase order for computer maintenance services on specific special licensed computer software; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(dd)) is an exception and requires a resolution authorizing the award of contracts without competitive bids and the contract itself must be available for public inspection; and

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

WHEREAS, Warren County has received all necessary documentation to allow award of this contract including the Business Entity Disclosure Certification, Certificate of Compliance With Campaign Contribution Law and the Determination of Value and these forms are on file; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a contract be awarded to InterAct, of Dallas, Texas for providing computer software maintenance on licensed products for the Warren County Department of Public Safety

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren as follows:

1. The Director of Purchasing is hereby authorized and directed to issue a purchase order to Interact, of Dallas, Texas
2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as an "Exception" in accordance with

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40A:11-5(dd) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the services provided are for proprietary computer hardware and software maintenance.

3. A notice of this action shall be published in the The Star-Ledger.

Funding for this contract is 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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 439-13

On motion by Mr. Smith, 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 August 28, 2013.

**RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING MEMBER TO THE
WARREN COUNTY VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL BOARD**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren hereby reappoints the following individual to the Warren County Vocational Technical School Board:

Ellen Johnson-Demeter

Term to expire: 10/31/17

87 Buckhorn Drive

Washington, NJ 07882

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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RECOMMENDATION

On motion by Mr. Smith, 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 August 28, 2013.

**RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT THE AUTOMATIC RESIGNATION OF MARGARET DICKERSON
FROM THE WARREN COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL
DUE TO NON-ATTENDANCE**

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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Mr. Sarnoski thanked Ellen Johnson Demeter for continuing to serve as such a long-standing member of the Warren County Technical School Board. Mr. Gardner agreed, saying she's stayed with it "through thick and thin".

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On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN AND LOCAL 3287 AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE, COUNTY & MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES, AFSCME COUNCIL 73, FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2012 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2015

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders and representatives of Local 3287 of the American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employees, AFSCME Council 73, have completed contract negotiations and have agreed to the terms and conditions of employment,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren that the Director of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement between the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren and Local 3287 of the American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employees, AFSCME Council 73, for the period January 1, 2012 through December 31, 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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

RESOLUTION 441-13

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION CREATING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF GRADUATE NURSE, PUBLIC HEALTH, CLASSIFIED AND ABOLISHING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF LPN, CLASSIFIED WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SERVICES

BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that a full-time position of Graduate Nurse, Public Health, classified, is created in the Warren County Health Department, Division of Public Health Nursing Services, to maintain the efficiency and effectiveness of nursing services to the general public; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that a full-time position of LPN, classified, is abolished; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the position of Graduate Nurse, Public Health, is created and established on the designated range found in the contract agreement between Warren County and CWA-PHNA, and made effective August 29, 2013.

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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

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On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

RESOLUTION CREATING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF PUBLIC HEALTH PLANNER, CLASSIFIED AND ABOLISHING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF ASSISTANT HEALTH EDUCATOR, CLASSIFIED WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT

BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that a full-time position of Public Health Planner, classified, is created within the Warren County Health Department to enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of operations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a full-time position of Assistant Health Educator, classified, is abolished effective August 01, 2013

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the newly created position of Public Health Planner is created on AFSCME Local 3287, Range 1935, Step 1 and made effective on August 01, 2013.

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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

Reports and Comments

County Counsel Joe Bell said he only had matters with regard to pending litigation for Executive Session.

Neither County Engineer Bill Gleba nor County Planner Dave Dech had anything to report.

County CFO Charles Houck had submitted a draft of the Annual Budget Call Letter. With the Board's approval, the letter would be distributed to all departments and grant recipients. While the picture is still not "rosy", Mr. Houck said with the improving housing market have come increases in fees collected by the County Clerk's Office. Once the third quarter is over, Mr. Sarnoski asked if it would be possible to get some preliminary numbers and compare the current

year to the same time last year.

Mr. Houck said his department could do an analysis. Mr. Marvin said it's the revenues that are the issue as expenditures have been kept down for years. Mr. Houck said the big concern is what level of funding can be expected from State and Federal Governments. The County's healthcare and pension costs combined will increase by \$1 million.

County Administrator Steve Marvin had the most recent Personnel Vacancy Report which contained nothing unusual. He then reminded everyone that the Board's next meeting was to be held at Warren County Community College.

Freeholder Comments

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Mr. Gardner mentioned this significant day in history marks the 50th anniversary of the March for Jobs and Freedom. He said he thought this country has come a long way and civil rights of all Americans are important for this democracy to survive.

A bill put forward by Assemblyman Greenwald looks to determine certified cost estimate ranges on contracts that go out to bid. Mr. Gardner thought this defeated the whole purpose and NJAC does not support it. He requested the Freeholders take action to oppose the legislation.

Mr. Smith reported that he had attended two events recently. One was the marker dedication at Franklin Township commemorating Paleo Indians that inhabited the Musconetcong Valley some 13,000 years ago. Leonard Zigler had been advocating for that for quite some time.

The other event was a cooperative effort between Warren County Community College and Warren County Technical School kicking off a Culinary Arts Degree Program. There will be the daytime program for WCTS students and then also an evening program for college students utilizing the facilities.

With regard to budget issues, Mr. Smith has been studying insurance and said perhaps as a result of Hurricane Sandy, the value of buildings are being looked at very closely to avoid total losses exceeding aggregate amounts. A number of county facilities may be undervalued. Mr. Smith asked John Daly to come forward to help explain the way things are going.

Mr. Daley provided a fairly detailed report that touched on a number of changes. The new Library and Human Services Buildings added \$10 million worth of facilities to be insured. Increased property values combined with rate increases are driving insurance costs up. Worker's Comp is always an issue.

Mr. Smith said there will be a savings of \$30,000 at Warren Haven, but that is less than had been anticipated. Mr. Daly said overall, the upcoming premiums will still be a lot less than the County had been paying five years ago and it is getting extra coverage.

Mr. Sarnoski thanked Mr. Daly for the analysis and Mr. Smith for taking on an active role in insurance matters. Mr. Gardner said considering all the damage caused by Sandy, he had expected increases to be even higher. Mr. Daly said it's a national issue; tornadoes in Missouri affect rates here. The Board also thanked Buildings and Grounds Superintendent Alex Lazorisak for his expertise.

Mr. Sarnoski said the Board's next meeting will take place on September 11, so there will be a short commemorative event at the Emergency Services Memorial at 7:00 p.m. followed by the meeting at the college at 7:30 p.m. Taking the meeting on the road is part of a continued effort to bring representation out to the communities.

To those who participated in and attended the 2013 Warren County Farmers' Fair, Mr. Sarnoski said it was a success and everyone did a great job.

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Mr. Gardner said a few more words about the Paleo Indian site in Asbury. It is a very significant historical site.

Closing Public Comments

Durand Metrione of Allamuchy commented on the potential privatization of Warren Haven. He asked if the Board had attempted to find out what happens in terms of violations with regard to patient care. He said on the national level, 83 percent of the worst violations occur in private nursing homes.

Mr. Sarnoski said in New Jersey, there are 300 private nursing homes and only 14 owned by 11 counties that are publicly owned and operated. With such a strong majority of such facilities being privately owned, that may be attributable to that high percentage of violations.

A committee is currently studying many aspects of Warren Haven's operations and the issues it is facing. Human Services Director Karen Kubert, who is a member of the committee, said that specific matter has not yet been studied, but it could be if the Freeholders give that direction. Mr. Smith said Mr. Metrione raised a very valid point.

William Van Geeson of Independence Township said just because the majority of nursing homes in New Jersey are private doesn't mean they're good. He wanted to know if Warren Haven were to be sold or privatized, would his tax bill go down? Mr. Sarnoski said theoretically it would be a significant reduction in the overall County Purpose Tax level, but he had no idea what this gentleman's taxes were so it would be difficult to predict. He thought about a five percent reduction.

Mr. Sarnoski said no decision has been made regarding privatization. A study is currently underway, but right now, the deficits at Warren Haven are greater than the County's ability to keep up financially. Last year, the deficit was \$3.5 million.

Mr. Smith said an important aspect is the sustainability issue. We are limited by law to an increase of taxation of up to two percent. With costs spiraling out of control at Warren Haven, the Board will not be able to continue to fund it to its required level and still provide other government services. Another angle is the Affordable Care Act. We still don't know what the consequences will be as a result of State and Federal Government funding decisions.

Regarding the two percent CAP, Mr. Gardner said thanks to the leadership of the County CFO, we are still managing to pay for Warren Haven, but it will get to a point where funding will have to be pulled from other departments and government can't run that way. He said at NJAC, a group called CNHNJ was formed to try to work with State Government to facilitate buying power among the small group of county-owned nursing homes left, but he feared that would only be a Band-Aid since the issue is so massive with Medicaid cutbacks and the overall economy.

Mr. Van Geeson asked about the Marcus & Millichap study. Mr. Sarnoski explained it was

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a prospective report evaluating the different options the Board could consider: continue operations in the same manner; privatize management; lease out the facility to a third-party operator and privatize. Mr. Sarnoski said the firm has not been paid and would only be paid if the facility were to be sold. That being the case, Mr. Van Geeson thought it was doubtful the report would be objective. Mr. Sarnoski said the report was objective.

Mr. Sarnoski emphasized that Warren Haven is not the only program that benefits seniors and other vulnerable populations. There are numerous programs that are suffering. There are approximately 14,000 seniors in Warren County; 180 of those are in Warren Haven. "So we have to really think about all of our seniors in Warren County and how are we best protecting them," Mr. Sarnoski said.

Mr. Gardner said from his perspective, all avenues of approach should be exhausted to try and keep Warren Haven a public facility. Mr. Marvin said the math was very simple. Currently the County receives Medicaid reimbursement of about \$216 per bed per day. As of July of next year, that reimbursement is expected to go down to \$190 per bed per day.

Fred Cook of Blairstown suggested approaching our legislators to exempt nursing homes from the two percent CAP. The Freeholders told him they have already tried that. The State is not looking to fund county nursing homes in any significant way and expects counties to close or sell their nursing homes.

Mr. Marvin said this all goes back to the federal level years ago. The concept was that people should be kept home as long as possible and kept out of nursing homes. "We're working at cross purposes here, he said. At the nursing home, we're trying to get people in to maximize the population. Right across the hall in the Division of Senior Services, all the money is devoted to keeping people out.

Mr. Gardner said another related aspect was that residents come in older, sicker and in need of more acute care and their stay is briefer than it used to be.

Walt Huysen of Great Meadows said with the overall population aging, the County is going to need this facility. He thought if it were to be sold, it's like turning your backs on these people. His aunt resides there and gets very good care. He thought these are the most vulnerable segment of our population; they have lived here and paid taxes here. Mr. Sarnoski said his goal was to make sure we still have a facility there to care for these people regardless of who is running it, but if we continue on the same path, we won't be able to maintain the facility.

Mr. Huysen thought Warren Haven has been there a long time, those people are helpless and other departments that have been added over the years should not be deemed more important.

RESOLUTION 443-13

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, at 8:46 p.m., the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Warren at a meeting held on August 28, 2013.

MINUTES**AUGUST 28, 2013****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 Litigation, Negotiations & Attorney-Client Privilege*: Items to be discussed include: Court Room #2 dispute, reservation of rights letter from Selective Insurance re: "W.M." litigation and draft RFP for insurance services.

(2) *Matters Relating to Collective Bargaining Agreements*: Items to be discussed include: Status of various grievances, etc. and impending negotiations; discussion of proposed arbitration with PBA 280-Sheriff's Officers and discussion of interest arbitration with FOP 171-Corrections Officers.

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 August 28, 2013.

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board

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

On motion by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Smith, the Board adjourned executive session at 9:39 p.m. and returned to open session.

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

On motion by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Gardner, and there being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 9:39p.m.

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

ATTESTED TO:

Steve Marvin, Clerk of the Board