

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN**
Wayne Dumont, Jr. Administration Building
165 County Road 519 South, Belvidere, NJ 07823-1949



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REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2021 - 6:00 P.M.

WAYNE DUMONT, JR. ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

CALL TO ORDER BY DIRECTOR

ROLL CALL

SALUTE TO FLAG

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT (Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975)

ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WAS GIVEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT IN THE ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE. SAID NOTICE WAS FILED WITH THE COUNTY CLERK, TRANSMITTED TO THE STAR LEDGER AND DAILY RECORD AND POSTED ON THE PUBLIC BULLETIN BOARDS AT THE OFFICE OF THE BOARD COMMISSIONERS AND THE COUNTY COURT HOUSE AND ON THE COUNTY WEBSITE. FORMAL ACTION MAY BE TAKEN BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AT THIS MEETING. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IS ENCOURAGED. IN ORDER TO ASSURE FULL PUBLIC PARTICIPATION, IT IS THE POLICY OF THE COUNTY TO PROVIDE REASONABLE ACCOMODATIONS FOR INDIVIDUALS UPON ADVANCE REQUEST.

THE MEETING AGENDA AND OTHER PUBLIC DOCUMENTS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE COUNTY WEBSITE, WWW.CO.WARREN.NJ.US. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, WHETHER PARTICIPATING IN-PERSON OR BY TELEPHONE OR REMOTE OPTION, WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT DURING THE PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING. THOSE PARTICIPATING TELEPHONICALLY OR REMOTELY WILL REMAIN ON MUTE UNTIL SUCH TIME. FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PLEASE SEE RULES OF CONDUCT AND DECORUM THAT ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE ON THE COUNTY'S WEBSITE.

TELEPHONICALLY:

1-877-309-3457 OR 1-404-397-1516; WHEN PROMPTED FOR MEETING NUMBER (ACCESS CODE) ENTER 179 492 1397 FOLLOWED BY THE # SIGN; AND PRESSING # WHEN PROMPTED FOR ATTENDEE NUMBER.

WEBEX

MEETING LINK:

<https://warrencountynj.webex.com/warrencountynj/j.php?MTID=mb313069b03eb3246df60d031931f02c1>

MEETING NUMBER (ACCESS CODE): 179 492 1397

MEETING PASSWORD: warren2021

NOTICE * This Agenda is subject to change by order of the Warren County Board of County Commissioners before, and / or during the scheduled meeting *

Approval of Minutes

Regular Session of February 10, 2021
Executive Session of February 10, 2021

A. MEETINGS

B. CERTIFICATE OF MERIT/PROCLAMATIONS

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

D. FINANCIAL RESOLUTIONS

1. RESOLUTION TO PAY BILLS
2. RESOLUTION TO EXCEED THE COUNTY TAX LEVY LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK AS PER N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14.
3. RESOLUTION ADOPTING TAX LEVY CAP TO BE APPLIED TO THE 2021 COUNTY BUDGET.
4. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ANNUAL BUDGET AND COUNTY PURPOSE TAX LEVY OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2021.
5. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2021 BUDGET FOR THE WARREN COUNTY LIBRARY AND ESTABLISHING THE AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR THE USE OF THE WARREN COUNTY FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.
6. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND THE APPROPRIATION OF \$6,170,180 FROM THE WARREN COUNTY GENERAL CAPITAL FUND BUDGET FOR SUCH PURPOSES.
7. RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF THE 2021 COUNTY FARMLAND PRESERVATION, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND LEVY.
8. GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE UNITED STATES EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION'S "Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964".

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3. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WC2114 THE LEASING OF BLOCK 11 LOT 1 AND BLOCK 18 LOT 27 IN FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP FOR AGRICULTURE.
4. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PARTICIPATION WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY IN THE COUNTY PROSECUTOR INSURANCE FRAUD REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE OFFICE OF THE INSURANCE FRAUD PROSECUTOR CYCLE 2021, AMOUNT OF THE AWARD IS \$250,000.00.
5. RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE PREFERRED PRELIMINARY PLAN FOR THE NJ 57/CR 519 INTERSECTION PROJECT AS PREPARED BY THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.
6. RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ESTABLISHING WEIGHT LIMIT OF 13 TONS ON PORTIONS OF COUNTY ROUTE 519 AND COUNTY ROUTE 521 BETWEEN U.S. 46 IN WHITE TOWNSHIP AND INTERSTATE 80, INTERCHANGE 12, IN HOPE TOWNSHIP, WARREN COUNTY.

F. RESOLUTIONS APPROVING SPECIFICATIONS

1. RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC2113 AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE GARRET D. WALL PARK SIDEWALK AND LIGHTING PROJECT.

G. RESOLUTIONS REJECTING BIDS

H. RESOLUTIONS RECEIVING BIDS AND AWARDING CONTRACTS

1. RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2111R FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A GENERATOR AT THE WARREN COUNTY ROAD GARAGE – HOPE TO THE GREAT MEADOWS DESIGN GROUP, LLC OF GREAT MEADOWS, NEW JERSEY IN THE CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$17,500.00.

I. RESIGNATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

1. RESOLUTION APPOINTING AND REAPPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE WARREN COUNTY VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL BOARD.

APPOINT

TIFFANI WARREN – TERM TO EXPIRE: 10/31/2023

REAPPOINT

GUS R. RUTLEDGE – TERM TO EXPIRE: 10/31/2024

2. RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE WARREN COUNTY PEQUEST RIVER MUNICIPALITY UTILITIES AUTHORITY.

JOSEPH KENNEDY, SR. – TERM TO EXPIRE: 02/01/2026

JOSEPH P. ROTH – TERM TO EXPIRE: 02/01/2026

J. PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS

1. RESOLUTION APPROVING SALARY ADJUSTMENTS FOR CERTAIN APPOINTED PERSONNEL OF THE PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE AS RECOMMENDED BY THE PROSECUTOR.

K. REPORTS AND COMMENTS

COUNTY COUNSEL

COUNTY ENGINEER

COUNTY PLANNER

COUNTY CFO

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

1. REVIEW POSITION VACANCY REPORT FOR APPROVAL
2. COVID-19 UPDATE

COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER

L. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

LORI CIESLA:

JASON SARNOSKI

JIM KERN, III:

M. CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENTS

N. PRESS COMMENTS & QUESTIONS

O. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS 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.

P. ADJOURNMENT

REMINDERS

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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RESOLUTION

**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 **1%** unless authorized by resolution to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's county tax levy, subject to certain exceptions; and,

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

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2021 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 County Commissioners hereby determines that a two and one half percent increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$ **1,349,780** 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 County Commissioners 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 County Commissioners of the County of Warren, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2021 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 2.5%, amounting to \$ **1,349,780**, and that the CY 2021 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 there on be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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RESOLUTION

On motion by _____, seconded by _____, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held February 24, 2021.

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING TAX LEVY CAP TO
BE APPLIED TO THE 2021 COUNTY BUDGET**

WHEREAS, the County introduced its 2021 County Budget on February 24, 2021, which is scheduled for adoption by the Warren County Board of County Commissioners on March 24, 2021, and

WHEREAS, the County's Budget has to be reviewed and approved by the Division of Local Government Services within the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; and

WHEREAS, the Division has reviewed the County's Budget, has determined that the 1977 and 2010 maximum allowable amount to be raised by taxation is the same and is requiring that the County signify adoption of a tax levy cap by Resolution of its Board of County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, a careful review of the New Jersey Local Budget Law which governs the formulation, approval and adoption of a County Budget, specifically N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.45a(1) requires that the amount to be raised by taxation in the case of a County shall not exceed the amounts permitted under the 1977 Tax Levy Cap Law; and

WHEREAS, based upon a review of the Local Budget Law provisions, the County Counsel and County Chief Financial Officer believe that the law requires the County to adhere to the tax cap levy provisions established pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.4 and 40A:4-45.45;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of County Commissioners that the County does hereby adopt the 1977 tax levy cap provisions provided for in the aforementioned statutes and that said provisions shall govern the enactment and enforcement of Warren County's 2021 Budget.

ROLL CALL: Ms. Ciesla, Mr. Sarnoski, Mr. Kern

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak

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RESOLUTION

On motion by _____, seconded by _____, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held February 24, 2021.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ANNUAL BUDGET AND
COUNTY PURPOSE TAX LEVY OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2021**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren that the following statements of revenues and appropriations herein set forth shall constitute the County Budget for the year 2021;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a summary of said budget shall be published in the Star Ledger in the issue of March 10, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notice is hereby given that the Budget and Tax Resolution was approved by the Board of County Commissioners 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 24, 2021 at 6:00 pm in the Commissioners 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 2021 may be presented by taxpayers and other interested persons.

SUMMARY OF BUDGET REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE YEAR 2021

Total Appropriations	\$ 91,901,430.34
Less: Anticipated Revenues	\$ 20,501,430.34
Amount to be Raised by Taxation – County Purpose Tax	\$ 71,400,000.00

ROLL CALL: Ms. Ciesla, Mr. Sarnoski, Mr. Kern

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

Clerk

Alex J. Lazorisak

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RESOLUTION

On motion by _____, seconded by _____, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held February 24, 2021.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2021 BUDGET FOR THE
WARREN COUNTY LIBRARY AND ESTABLISHING THE
AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR THE USE
OF THE WARREN COUNTY FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren that the Warren County Public Library budget herein set forth is hereby adopted and shall constitute an appropriation for the purposes stated of the sums therein set forth as appropriations, and authorization of the amount of \$4,460,000.00 for the county to be raised by taxation and certification to the County Board of Taxation of the following summary of general revenues and appropriations.

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

General Revenues	
Surplus Appropriated	\$ 1,099,844.00
State Aid	\$ 39,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenues Anticipated	\$ 85,702.00
AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION	<u>\$ 4,460,000.00</u>
Total General Revenues	<u>\$ 5,684,546.00</u>

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS

General Appropriations	
Operations Including Contingent	\$ 4,387,920.00
Capital Improvements	<u>\$ 1,296,626.00</u>
Total Appropriations	<u>\$ 5,684,546.00</u>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:33-9, the sum of \$4,460,000.00 is hereby authorized to be raised by taxation for the use of the Warren County Free Public Library; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners is hereby instructed to notify the Warren County Board of Taxation of this action.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a summary of said budget shall be published in the Star Ledger in the issue of March 10, 2021.

**COUNTY OF WARREN, NEW JERSEY
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ORDINANCE**

RESOLUTION

NUMBER 2021-A

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CERTAIN CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENTS AND THE APPROPRIATION OF \$ 6,170,180
FROM THE WARREN COUNTY GENERAL CAPITAL
FUND BUDGET FOR SUCH PURPOSES**

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS 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 \$6,170,180 from the General Capital Improvement Fund for the said improvements or purposes stated in Section 2(A).

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

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| (1) | Road Resurfacing Improvements | \$ 753,894 |
| (2) | Road and Drainage Improvements
Design, construct or reconstruct and improve various county roads and intersections. | \$ 560,000 |
| (3) | Bridge and Culvert Improvements
Design, construct or reconstruct and improve various county bridges and culverts | \$ 1,000,000 |
| (4) | Equipment and Furnishings
Acquisition of office, communications, safety & security, maintenance equipment, furniture & furnishings, and computer hardware and software | \$ 2,232,700 |
| (5) | Buildings & Grounds Improvements
Design, construct or renovate and improve various county facilities | \$ 520,181 |
| (6) | Specialty Vehicles and Maintenance and Construction Equipment
Trucks, snowplows, sanders, tractors, mowers, and maintenance and heavy construction equipment | \$ 420,405 |
| (7) | New Building and Land Acquisitions | <u>\$ 683,000</u> |
| | | <u>\$ 6,170,180</u> |

Section 2(B). The maximum amount of money to be appropriated for said purposes is \$ 6,170,180 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 24, 2021 at 6:00 PM., in the Commissioners 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 County Commissioners, 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.

On motion by _____, seconded by _____, Capital Improvement Ordinance 2021-A was introduced on the first reading by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held February 24, 2021:

ADOPTED BY RESOLUTION XXX-21 ON FIRST READING DATED: February 24, 2021

ROLL CALL: Ms. Ciesla, Mr. Sarnoski, Mr. Kern

On motion by _____, seconded by _____ Capital Improvement Ordinance 2021-A was adopted on the second reading by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held April 24, 2021:

ADOPTED BY RESOLUTION XXX-21 ON SECOND READING DATED: March 24, 2021

ROLL CALL:

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of an ordinance adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren on the dates above mentioned.

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak

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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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RESOLUTION

**RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF THE 2021 COUNTY FARMLAND
PRESERVATION, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND LEVY**

WHEREAS, on November 2, 1993, the County, pursuant to a ballot question, created a dedicated tax in the amount of 2 cents per \$100.00 of County equalized real property for the County Farmland Preservation, Recreation and Open Space Trust Fund; and

WHEREAS, said dedicated tax was increased by an additional 2 cents per \$100.00 of the county equalized real property on the November 2, 1999 election to assess up to a maximum of 4 cents per \$100.00 of the total County equalized real property valuation, and that the County would annually determine the rate to be levied, which could not exceed the maximum of 4 cents per \$100.00 of total County equalized real property valuation; and

WHEREAS, said dedicated tax was increased again by an additional 2 cents per \$100.00 of the county equalized real property on the November 5, 2002 election to assess up to a maximum of 6 cents per \$100.00 of the total County equalized real property valuation, and that the County would annually determine the rate to be levied, which could not exceed the maximum of 6 cents per \$100.00 of total County equalized real property valuation; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners have reviewed the proposed 2021 expenditures from the Farmland Preservation, Recreation and Open Space Trust Fund, and have determined that the amount of **2.0 cents** per \$100.00 of County equalized real property valuation will be sufficient to assist the Farmland Preservation, Recreation and Open Space Program in the County of Warren for the year 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners hereby approves a 2021 levy of **2.0 cents** of County equalized real property valuation pursuant to the County Farmland Preservation, Recreation and Open Space Trust fund established in November, 1993, modified in November, 1999, and modified again in November, 2002; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners hereby certifies to the Warren County Board of Taxation, the 2021 Warren County Farmland Preservation, Recreation and Open Space Trust Fund levy in the amount of **2.0 cents** per \$100.00 of the County equalized real property valuation, which is estimated to provide a levy of \$2,271,056.

ROLL CALL: Ms. Ciesla, Mr. Sarnoski, Mr. Kern

Alex J. Lazorisak

, Clerk

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RESOLUTION

On motion by _____, seconded by _____, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 24, 2021.

**GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE
UNITED STATES EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION'S
"Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment
Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964"**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5 as amended by P.L. 2017, c.183 requires the governing body of each municipality and county to certify that their local unit's hiring practices comply with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's "Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964," *as amended*, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e *et seq.*, (April 25, 2012) before submitting its approved annual budget to the Division of Local Government Services in the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; and

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have familiarized themselves with the contents of the above-referenced enforcement guidance and with their local unit's hiring practices as they pertain to the consideration of an individual's criminal history, as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren, hereby states that it has complied with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5, as amended by P.L. 2017, c.183, by certifying that the local unit's hiring practices comply with the above-referenced enforcement guidance and hereby directs the Clerk to cause to be maintained and available for inspection a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to show evidence of said compliance.

ROLL CALL: Ms. Ciesla, Mr. Sarnoski, Mr. Kern

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren on the dated above mentioned.

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak

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RESOLUTION

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the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at
a meeting held February 24, 2021.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD TO ACCEPT AND TO
EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENTS #SCP-21-PS-21, SCP-21-PM-21, FC-21-21 WITH THE
NEW JERSEY JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION TOTALING \$296,688 (\$195,937
STATE/COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDS & \$100,751 IN FAMILY COURT FUNDS) TO
BE USED BY THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION
OF ADMINISTRATION**

WHEREAS, Warren County applied to the New Jersey Juvenile Justice Commission (JJC) for
anticipated funding in the amount of \$296,688 (\$195,937 State/Community Partnership funds & \$100,751
in Family Court 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, 2021 through December 31, 2021;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of the County
of Warren that the Director of the Board is authorized to execute grant agreements #SCP-21-PS-21, SCP-
21-PM-21, FC-21-21 with the NJ Juvenile Justice Commission totaling \$296,688 (\$195,937
State/Community Partnership funds & \$100,751 in Family Court 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, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

ROLL CALL: Ms. Ciesla, Mr. Sarnoski, Mr. Kern

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of County
Commissioners of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak

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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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RESOLUTION

On a motion by _____, seconded by _____, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held February 24, 2021.

**RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF
A DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON THE VASS FARM,
BLOCK 46 LOT 2, BLOCK 46.01 LOT 1 & BLOCK 47 LOT 4
IN KNOWLTON TOWNSHIP CONSISTING OF
APPROXIMATELY 93.55 GROSS ACRES**

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of County Commissioners has determined that the property known as the Vass Farm, owned by Wayne and Mary Vass, located on Block 46 Lot 2, Block 46.01 Lot 1, Block 47 Lot 4, Knowlton Township and consisting of approximately 93.55 net acres has available for purchase a development easement in accordance with the requirements of the farmland Preservation program; and

WHEREAS, final approval for the purchase of development rights on this farm has been granted by resolution from the Warren County Agricultural Development Board at its February 18, 2021 meeting and preliminary approval of the purchase by the State Agriculture Development Committee (SADC) is dependent upon that approval and the approval of this Board; and

WHEREAS, the pressures from development have significantly heightened the degree of imminence of change of land use from productive agriculture to nonagricultural uses; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 2:76-17.9A(b) on October 7, 2019 it was determined by the State Agriculture Development Committee (SADC) that the application for the sale of a development easement was complete and accurate and satisfied the criteria contained in N.J.A.C. 2:76-17A.9(a); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 2:76-17A.11, on May 14, 2020 in accordance with the SADC Resolution #FY2020R4 (14), Executive Director Payne and Secretary Fisher signed the Certification of Market Value and has certified a development easement value of \$4,700 per acre based on the zoning and environmental regulations in place as of the current valuation date of February 11, 2020 with an estimated total value of \$456,135.00; and

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

WHEREAS, the tract would encourage the survivability of production agriculture in Knowlton Township, and said tract falls within a predetermined County Agricultural Development Area and is in the North Project Area and the Township's Project Area 2; and

WHEREAS, on February 8, 2021, the Knowlton Township Committee voted by resolution to approve the owner's application for sale of the development easement, but is not participating financially in the easement purchase as the local municipal funds have been exhausted; and

WHEREAS, the WCADB had previously agreed to utilize the SADC’s MUNI PIG Grant for Knowlton Township to preserve this farm and is also contributing the Knowlton Township’s local cost-share of 21.24% to the County’s own cost-share; and

WHEREAS, the County’s cost share for the Vass Farm will be \$1,480 per acre (42.49%) since Knowlton Township has exhausted all of its local municipal funds for farmland preservation; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of the development easement on the property will encourage the survivability of the productive agriculture in Knowlton Township and Warren County; and

WHEREAS, preliminary approval for the purchase of development rights on this farm has been granted by the State Agricultural Development Committee; and

WHEREAS, the SADC is expected to grant final approval for funding amount on said application at its March 18, 2021 meeting; and

WHEREAS, the cost share is as follows:

Cost share based on 97.05 acres:

	<u>Total</u>
SADC	\$312,501.00 – 68.51% (\$3,220/acre)
<u>Warren County</u>	<u>\$143,634.00 – 42.49% (\$1,480/acre)</u>
Total Easement Purchase	\$456,135.00 (\$4,700/acre)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of County Commissioners 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 \$4,700 per acre as certified by the State Agricultural Development Committee (SADC). Cost to be shared with the SADC as follows: SADC \$3,220 per acre, Warren County \$1,480 per acre.
2. This approval includes the following conditions
 - a. One existing barn on premises
 - b. No existing agriculture labor housing on premises
 - c. Exceptions
 - 1) A 3 acre severable exception on Block 47 Lot 4 for future single family residence unit, restricted to one single family residential unit and future flexibility
 - 2) A 4.75 non-severable exception area on Block 46 Lot 2 for existing single family residential unit restricted to one single family residential unit and future flexibility
 - d. No Residual Dwelling Site Opportunities (RDSO’s)
 - e. No preexisting non-agricultural uses on premises
 - f. Access easements to be determined at title search
 - g. No proposed trails
 - h. SADC funding from Base grant, competitive round or both

3. The County's share in regard to the purchase of said easement is estimated at \$143,634.00. The Commissioner Director or Administrator of Warren County is authorized to sign the 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 Knowlton, County of Warren, State of New Jersey under the terms outlined above.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of County Commissioners hereby grants permission for the cost-share purchase price of \$143,634.00 for the development easement on the Vass Farm, Block 46 Lot 2, Block 46.01 Lot 1, and Block 47 Lot 4, Knowlton Township; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that adequate funds for the purchase price funding depending upon final surveyed acres in the amount of \$143,634.00 in account #03895-5067-8952103-5067 have been certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

ROLL CALL: Ms. Ciesla, Mr. Sarnoski, Mr. Kern

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak

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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN**
Wayne Dumont, Jr. Administration Building
165 County Route 519, South
Belvidere, NJ 07823

RESOLUTION

On a motion by _____, seconded by _____, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held February 24, 2021.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WC2114 THE LEASING OF BLOCK 11 LOT 1 AND
BLOCK 18 LOT 27 IN FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP FOR AGRICULTURE**

WHEREAS, the County of Warren (the “County”) purchased Block 11 Lot 1 and Block 18 Lot 27 in Franklin Township (the “Property”) as part of the County’s Open Space Acquisition program, which Property contains approximately 75 acres of land including approximately 25 acres of land suitable for agriculture, as well as a portion of the historic Morris Canal; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-14, et seq. (the “Local Lands and Buildings Law”), the Board of Commissioners of the County of Warren (the “Board”) has determined that the Property should be leased for agricultural use to the highest bidder for a period of six (6) months from July 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021 and in accordance with the provisions thereof; and

WHEREAS, said lease shall be made to the highest bidder by open public bidding at auction or by submission of sealed bids; and

WHEREAS, advertisement of the method of bidding shall be published in a newspaper circulating in Franklin Township where the leasehold is situated by two insertions at least once a week during two consecutive weeks; the lease publication to be not earlier than seven days prior to the letting of the lease; and

WHEREAS, the Board may fix a minimum rental with the reservation of the right to reject all bids where the highest bid is not accepted; and

WHEREAS, notice of such reservation shall be included in the advertisement of the letting of the lease and public notice thereof shall be given of the time of the letting of the lease; and

WHEREAS, upon the completion of the bidding, the highest bid may be accepted or all of the bids may be rejected; and

WHEREAS, the advertisement shall include the conditions, restrictions and limitations upon the tenancy subject to the lease; and

WHEREAS, acceptance or rejection of the bid or bids shall be made not later than at the second regular meeting of the Board following the completion of the bidding, and, if the Board shall not so accept such highest bid, or reject all bids, said bids shall be deemed to have been rejected; and

WHEREAS, any such award may be adjourned at the time advertised for not more than one week without readvertising.

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

1. The Board authorizes the leasing of Block 11 Lot 1 and Block 18 Lot 27 in Franklin Township for agricultural use with a six (6) month term beginning July 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2021, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-14 et seq., and in accordance with the terms thereof; and
2. The lease shall be made to the highest bidder by open public bidding at auction or by submission or sealed bids; and
3. Advertisement of the method of bidding shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:12-14(a); and
4. The Board has set a minimum bid of \$1.00 for the Property and reserves the right to accept the highest bid or reject all bids should the highest bid be rejected; and
5. Acceptance of the highest bid or rejection of all bids will be made by the Board no later than at its second regular meeting following the completion of the bidding; and
6. If the highest bid is accepted, the successful bidder will be required to enter into the lease included in the bidding materials (as may be modified by the County) within ten (10) business days of being notified by the County of the award, and provide all other documentation required in the County's bidding materials.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Kern, Mr. Sarnoski, Ms. Ciesla

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

Alex J. Lazorisak

, Clerk

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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN**
Wayne Dumont, Jr. Administration Building
165 County Route 519, South
Belvidere, NJ 07823

RESOLUTION

On a motion by _____, seconded by _____, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held February 24, 2021.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PARTICIPATION WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY
IN THE COUNTY PROSECUTOR INSURANCE FRAUD REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM
ADMINISTERED BY THE OFFICE OF THE INSURANCE FRAUD PROSECUTOR CYCLE
2021, AMOUNT OF THE AWARD IS \$250,000.00**

WHEREAS, the Office of the Insurance Fraud Prosecutor has been designated by the Legislature to implement funding reimbursement for anti-insurance fraud activities, pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 17:33A-28*.

WHEREAS, Warren County wishes to apply and accept funding of \$ 250,000.00. The award period is January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners 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 Office of the Insurance Fraud Prosecutor and the Warren County Prosecutor's Office for the purpose described in the application and;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners 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 Office of the Insurance Fraud Prosecutor.
- (2) The Attorney General has allocated funds dedicated for the purpose of reimbursing County Prosecutors for anti-insurance fraud activities.
- (3) The Office of Insurance Fraud Prosecutor shall be responsible for the receipt, review and approval of the applications for said funding.
- (4) Office of Insurance Fraud Prosecutor shall initiate allocations to each applicant as authorized.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren authorizes the Commissioner-Director to execute the Governing Body Resolution as required to validate the application.

ROLL CALL: Ms. Ciesla, Mr. Sarnoski, Mr. Kern

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Belvidere, NJ 07823

RESOLUTION

On a motion by _____, seconded by _____, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held February 24, 2021.

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE PREFERRED PRELIMINARY PLAN FOR THE
NJ 57/CR 519 INTERSECTION PROJECT AS PREPARED BY THE
NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

WHEREAS, the County of Warren has been advised by the NJ Department of Transportation that operational and safety improvements are needed that will entail the provision of turning lanes and shoulders, the replacement of the bridges on NJ 57 and CR 519, and land acquisition to facilitate stormwater mitigation requirements; and

WHEREAS, the County of Warren, and the Township of Lopatcong have been consulted on this project and agree that the work must be done; and

WHEREAS, this project is in its preliminary engineering phase with construction programmed for Fiscal Year 2024; and

WHEREAS, historically, this intersection has been one of the worst locations for crashes on the county road system and has been a high priority project to the County for approximately 30 years; and

WHEREAS, over the years both bridges have experienced deterioration and obsolescence to the extent that both must now be replaced; and

WHEREAS, The NJ Department of Transportation has presented a preferred preliminary plan alternative that is acceptable to the County of Warren.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Warren County Board of County Commissioners hereby supports the preferred preliminary plan as presented by the New Jersey Department of Transportation and urges the Department to prioritize the project to ensure that it is completed before the bridges fall into a further state of disrepair and to provide for the safe movement of traffic through the region.

ROLL CALL: Ms. Ciesla, Mr. Sarnoski, Mr. Kern

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

Clerk

Alex Lazorisak

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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN**
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165 County Route 519 South
Belvidere, NJ 07823

RESOLUTION

On a motion by _____, seconded by _____, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held February 24, 2021.

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ESTABLISHING WEIGHT LIMIT OF 13 TONS ON PORTIONS OF COUNTY ROUTE 519 AND COUNTY ROUTE 521 BETWEEN U.S. 46 IN WHITE TOWNSHIP AND INTERSTATE 80, INTERCHANGE 12, IN HOPE TOWNSHIP, WARREN COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Township of Hope has requested that the Board of County Commissioners of Warren County impose a commercial motor vehicle (CMV) weight restriction on portions of County Route 519 and County Route 521 between US 46 and Interstate 80, Interchange 12; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Transportation, NJDOT, retains jurisdiction to establish weight restrictions on all roadways for CMV's; and

WHEREAS, a letter and study dated May 2020 were prepared by and for Hope Township were submitted to the NJDOT in support of a 13 ton gross vehicle weight restriction citing pedestrian safety and preservation of historic buildings as the primary purpose of the CMV; and

WHEREAS, In August 2020, a response to the request from Hope Township, the NJDOT prepared a Field Investigation Report ("FIR") to review a proposed 13-ton weight restriction on CR 519 and CR 521 from US 46 to I-80; and

WHEREAS, the FIR concluded that, among other items, no input or support was provided by Warren County or White Township; and

WHEREAS, the County of Warren contracted with WSP USA to prepare an engineering report on behalf of the County of Warren in accordance New Jersey Department of Transportation regulations, and guidance provided by NJDOT officials and to address the input and support of the County of Warren; and

WHEREAS, WSP analyzed all of the required elements for the engineering report including existing roadway conditions, traffic volumes, crashes, crash types, entrapment, and a designated alternative route; and

WHEREAS, the WSP report concluded that a CMV weight restriction of 13 tons and more could be as follows:

- CR 519 in the northbound direction only, between the intersections of US 46 and CR 521/CR 609.
- CR 521 in both directions between the CR 519/CR 609 intersection and the intersection of Millbrook Road (CR 611);
- CR 521 in the southbound direction only between I-80, Interchange 12 and Millbrook Road (CR 611); and

WHEREAS, the designated alternate route to be signed for northbound CMV weight restricted trucks diverted from the CR 519/CR 521 corridor is via US 46 west to I-80, Interchange 4 to the east, and the designated alternate route to be signed for southbound CMV weight restricted trucks diverted from the CR 519/CR 521 corridor is via I-80 west to US 46 east at Interchange 4; and

WHEREAS, resolutions of support for the designated and signed alternate route will be required from the Townships of White, Knowlton, and Blirstown.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners, that vehicles having a registered gross vehicle weight of thirteen (13) tons and more be prohibited from County Route 519 and County Route 521 as follows:

- CR 519 in the northbound direction only, between the intersections of US 46 and CR 521/CR 609.
- CR 521 in both directions between the CR 519/CR 609 intersection and the intersection of Millbrook Road (CR 611);
- CR 521 in the southbound direction only between I-80, Interchange 12, and Millbrook Road (CR 611).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the designated alternate route to be signed for northbound CMV weight restricted trucks diverted from the CR 519/CR 521 corridor is via US 46 west to I-80, Interchange 4 to the east, and the designated alternate route to be signed for southbound CMV weight restricted trucks diverted from the CR 519/CR 521 corridor is via I-80 west to US 46 east at Interchange 4.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that resolutions of support from the Townships of White, Knowlton, and Blirstown shall be transmitted to the New Jersey Department of Transportation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the CMV weight restriction of 13 tons and over shall take effect upon approval by the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Transportation.

ROLL CALL: Ms. Ciesla, Mr. Sarnoski, Mr. Kern

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

Alex J. Lazorisak

, Clerk

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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN**

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165 County Road 519, South
Belvidere, NJ 07823

RESOLUTION

On motion by _____, seconded by _____
the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the
County of Warren at a meeting held February 24, 2021.

**RESOLUTION RE: APPROVAL OF SPECIFICATION WC2113 AND
AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS
FOR THE GARRET D. WALL PARK SIDEWALK
AND LIGHTING PROJECT**

BE IT RESOLVED, that specification WC2113 for the Garret D. Wall Park
Sidewalk and Lighting Project are hereby approved.

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

Funds for this contract will be provided in budget account 03892 5100 Maintenance
of Recreation and Conservation

ROLL CALL: Ms. Ciesla, Mr. Sarnoski, Mr. Kern

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of
County Commissioners of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

Clerk

Alex J. Lazorisak

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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN**
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Belvidere, NJ 07823

RESOLUTION

On a motion by _____, seconded by _____, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held February 24, 2021.

**RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2111R FOR PROFESSIONAL
ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE INSTALLATION
OF A GENERATOR AT THE WARREN COUNTY ROAD
GARAGE – HOPE TO THE GREAT MEADOWS DESIGN
GROUP, LLC OF GREAT MEADOWS, NEW JERSEY IN
THE CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$17,500.00**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for professional services of an engineer to provide engineering services for the installation of a generator at the Warren County Road Department Hope Garage, and

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

WHEREAS, 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 contract meets the statute and regulations governing the award of such contracts; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available in the following Capital Accounts 0413A606/5050, 0416A512/5050, and 0416A505/5062

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

1. The agreement between the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren and Great Meadows Design Group, LLC, of Great Meadows, New Jersey, for professional services for the above project, in the contract amount not to exceed \$17,500.00 per letter of agreement currently on file in the Office of the Director of Purchasing, 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 of The Board of County Commissioners is hereby authorized to execute said letter of Agreement by signing same.

3. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a Professional Service under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law (40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) because the services are to be performed by a person or persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession.

4. A notice of this action shall be published in the Star-Ledger, as required by law, within ten days of its adoption.

ROLL CALL: Ms. Ciesla, Mr. Sarnoski, Mr. Kern

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

Alex J. Lazorisak _____, Clerk
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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN**

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Belvidere, NJ 07823

RESOLUTION

On motion by _____, seconded by _____, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held February 24, 2021.

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING AND REAPPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE
WARREN COUNTY VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL BOARD**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren hereby appoints and reappoints the following individuals to the Warren County Vocational Technical School Board:

Appointing:

Tiffani Warren
9 Ridge Top Terrace
Washington, NJ 07882

Term to expire: 10/31/23

Reappointing:

Gus R. Rutledge
880 Strykers Road
Phillipsburg, NJ 08865

Term to expire: 10/31/24

ROLL CALL: Ms. Ciesla, Mr. Sarnoski, Mr. Kern

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioner of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

_____, Clerk
Alex J. Lazorisak

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RESOLUTION

On a motion by _____, seconded by _____, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held February 24, 2021.

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE
WARREN COUNTY PEQUEST RIVER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren hereby appoints the following members to the Warren County Pequest River Municipal Utilities Authority effective February 18, 2021.

Joseph Kennedy, Sr.
315 Mill Street
Belvidere, NJ 07823

Term to expire February 1, 2026
Representing Town of Belvidere

Joseph P. Roth
530 Third Street
Belvidere, NJ 07823

Term to expire February 1, 2026
Representing Town of Belvidere

ROLL CALL: Ms. Ciesla, Mr. Sarnoski, Mr. Kern

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

Alex J. Lazorisak

_____, Clerk

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**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN**

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Belvidere, NJ 07823

RESOLUTION

On motion by Lori Ciesla, seconded by Jason Sarnoski, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held on February 24, 2021.

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION OF
THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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 County Commissioners 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 Required by Law to be Confidential*: Any matter which, by express provision of Federal law or State statute or rule of court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act.
- (2) *Matters Where the Release of Information Would Impair the Right to Receive Funds*: Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the Government of the United States.
- (3) *Matters Involving Individual Privacy*: Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as any records, data, reports, recommendations, or other personal material of any educational, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing, relocation, insurance and similar program or institution operated by a public body pertaining to any specific individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including but not limited to information relative to the individual's personal and family circumstances, and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned (or, in the case of a minor or incompetent, his guardian) shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publicly.
- (4) *Matters Relating to Collective Bargaining Agreements*: Any collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of the terms and conditions thereof with employees or representatives of employees of the public body.

(5) *Matters Relating to the Purchase, Lease or Acquisition of Real Property or the Investment of Public Funds:* Any matter involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of banking rates or investment of public funds, where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed.

(6) *Matters Relating to Public Safety and Property:* Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public, provided that their disclosure could impair such protection. Any investigations of possible violations of the law.

(7) *Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiations and the Attorney-Client Privilege:* Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is, or many become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer.

(8) *Matters Relating to the Employment Relationship:* Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance or promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all the individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting.

(9) *Matters Relating to the Potential Imposition of a Penalty:* Any deliberations of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty upon the responding party or the suspension or loss of a license or permit belonging to the responding party bearing responsibility.

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.

ROLL CALL: Ms. Ciesla, Mr. Sarnoski, Mr. Kern

I HEREBY CERTIFY the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

Alex J. Lazorisak

Clerk

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