

These minutes were approved by the Board of County Commissioners on February 8, 2023. Full texts of resolutions appear at the end of this document.

The Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren met in Regular Session in its offices in the Wayne Dumont, Jr. Administration Building, Belvidere, New Jersey on December 14, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Director Sarnoski and upon roll call, the following members were present: Commissioner James Kern III, Commissioner Deputy Director Lori Ciesla and Commissioner Director Jason Sarnoski. Also attending were County Administrator Alex Lazorisak, County Counsel Joe Bell, County CFO Kim Francisco, County Engineer Bill Gleba and Deputy Commissioner Clerk Tracy Matlock.

After leading the flag salute, Mr. Sarnoski confirmed with the County Administrator that notice of this meeting was in accordance with the OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT (Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975).

Approval of Minutes

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, the minutes of the Executive Session of November 22, 2022 were approved.
Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

MEETINGS

1. PROPOSAL TO EXPAND THE COUNTY PARKS’ ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION PROGRAMMING, COREY TIERNEY, LAND PRESERVATION ADMINISTRATOR.

Mr. Kern introduced Corey Tierney, Land Preservation Administrator. This presentation he has given to the Warren County Environmental Advisory Committee. We are very excited to see the work going on at his office. It aligns with the new Environmental Board’s vision. We wanted Corey to come before the entire Commissioner Board, before the budget process. I think there are a lot of innovative things that could happen in Warren County. The Environmental Advisory Board recently passed a resolution in support of what he is about to show. Without further ado, here is Corey.

Mr. Tierney thanked the Board for allowing him to speak. He mentioned with him is Jennifer Correa-Kruegel, Community Service Aide, from his office. Warren

County has approximately 2,300 acres of park land, spread across the County; 10 different park units. Over the past decade, we have been making improvements to try to open this up for public access, multi-use trails, trails to accommodate hikers, bikers, equestrian riders, all sorts of naturalists. This year, we started to introduce nature education programming; environmental education, which Jennifer has been running. She has been working with small groups and bringing them into our parks. She teaches young kids and people of all ages about nature. Tonight we would like to talk to you about our parks in general, the nature programming that we have started, and the proposal to try to expand. Mr. Tierney turned the presentation over to Jennifer and she will talk about the program she is running.

Ms. Kruegel thanked the Board for allowing them to make the presentation. She said she has been with the county for about a year and a half. Before that she worked for the New Jersey School of Conservation as an environmental educator for about thirteen years. She also worked for several park systems and has a great background in environmental education.

One of the first things she did was create a small group programming listing, advertised it, and set up tables. The groups were about 12 students at a time. I would like to expand it to older groups or organizations and maybe do monthly family programs. At first she advertised it at schools. Since January 2022, she has been able to conduct over 25+ programming to the Youth Corps, home school groups, outreach to the local schools, mom clubs, scouts, Warren County Special Services, summer camps and 4-H clubs. It has been very well received. She did a program for Knowlton Township School District in the spring and they asked me to come back in the fall.

Some of the programs she has done at various parks, including Florence Kuipers Park and White Lake Natural Resource Area. The salamander studies has been very well received, looking under rocks, looking for different animals. At White Lake we actually found a threatened species of salamander, so we made sure we recorded that to the DEP because that can help us with protecting our open spaces. Some other programming that we do is birding programs and stream studies. I tell students they are biologists and they receive a notebook, to jot down their findings throughout the trip.

At Knowlton Township Elementary School I did an outreach program. They have a hiking trail, behind the school that goes back to the Delaware River. They have fun doing this bat and moth game where they have to run around and use echolocation, so they learn about that and how bats use it to find their prey.

Programs for older groups include radio telemetry. Radio telemetry is when we

adhere a radio transmitter is attached to an animal. She created a lesson plan that makes use of this. She hides animals, out in the forest, and students have to use radio telemetry to research and find the animals. Students receive a fact sheet about the animals.

Ms. Kruegel has brought along some of the skulls that is used during her programs. Some of the skulls are real and others are resin. “I like to have things that the kids can handle. I like to allow the kids to handle/touch things because I think the sensory issues are really important.”

Ms. Kruegel shared with the Board some of the other programs she had conducted which include using echolocation with younger kids, and the use of radio telemetry with older kids. This teaches them how to track and find prey. She also did a program about winter trees for 4-H. She adapts the programs for the needs of the group.

“What’s to come?” Some of the things that the Ms. Kruegel and Land Preservation Department would like to do is:

- More advertising
- More outreach to public school systems
- Do monthly public programs, including programs on the weekends, including but not limited to interpretive hikes.
- Take part in Alliance for New Jersey New Jersey Environmental Educators Conference, great way to advertise.
- Research more grants to obtain educational materials and supplies.
- Incorporate use of the Inaturalists app to aid in the identification of animals and plants
- Collaborate with Warren County Community College.
- Environmental management with other environmental entities

Ms. Ciesla commented hands-on learning for science is much more fun than reading about it in a book. She asked if there are programs for schools who don’t have that type of environment around their schools, do you offer field trips? Ms. Kruegel responded, “Yes, I do offer field trips, I would come up with the closest park that is near the school and adopt the program for that space.”

Mr. Tierney commented that Ms. Kruegel is doing such a great job and we are getting more requests that we can’t accommodate all the requests that have come in. In addition to doing all of this, Jennifer is also the Community Service Aide in the office. She is doing clerical work, taking minutes, doing correspondence, resolutions along with general office work. We would like to expand the program and create a

full-time park naturalist position. We also would like to create a nature center at Bread Lock Park, on RT 57 in Stewartsville. We have about 60 acres with the New Jersey Audubon lease and another 80 acres that's under a farm lease. There is a 7 acre field behind the museum. Mr. Tierney shared photos showing the layout of the property. This year they received a grant so they were able to put native plantings there. Ms. Hammer has been helpful pointing out there is a nature center in Mercer County, similar with ours. It was an old ranch and they were able to convert it into a nature center. They went through a visioning process and made significant improvements to this structure and now they have a beautiful space for programming. This shows you can take an old ranch and repurpose it. They also looked at how the interior space is used. With a full-time naturalist, we could house them out of this building and we could accommodate larger groups year round.

Mr. Tierney had explained to the Board there is an area behind the ranch, currently planted with soy. We would like to convert that into a native pollinator garden and have trails run through. We can teach school groups about insects and wildlife.

There is an underutilized space in front of the park, currently a workshop. We are looking at moving the volunteer museum, to the front building. We can have a visitor's center, a heritage center for this scenic by-way and we can update the artifacts and displays. We have the potential to install EV charging stations. It would be visible from RT 57, unlike the current museum. It's a more prominent location and will help to promote the by-way.

Corey showed the Board, for conceptual purposes, pictures of other nature museums throughout the State. He said we have this building and the potential to repurpose it. In telling the story of the by-way, we can connect the old with the new. Some of the artifacts that are in the museum now can be moved to this space and utilize it as a visitor center for tourism. This all ties in nicely with what we are doing there. In the spring, the barn will be resided. It's a good space for events such as concerts and art shows. We're looking forward to that being done. We also have a grant from NJTPA to resurface the tow path that passes through there. We are finalizing the designing/permitting phase now so this is probably about a year or two off, but we did receive a grant for it. We also work with the food shed alliance. They have a farm incubator plot they run out of the ag-leased area. In the Audubon we have 60 acres we've concerted to warm season grasses, on the western end of the park. All of this will tie in nicely. We can have the canal greenway trail, the nature trails, wildlife meadow and the nature center to run these programs. Out front we can have the by-way visitors' center. That's the general concept.

Mr. Kern commented he has seen this presentation already. “He thinks Corey and Jen are doing a fantastic job with the limited resources that they are given already. I think Warren County has done a tremendous job preserving land, but I think we can do a much better job in how we use that land for the public. It’s their land, so how can we give it back to them in the best way possible? I’ve received many complimentary emails on the programs already.” I’ve fielded the calls from superintendents who want to be on the list with this program. With Corey’s vision and I think the group we have with the Environmental Committee, really wants to help work with this and have it grow. I think this can be a jewel. “Thank you Corey and Jennifer.”

Ms. Ciesla commented the location is perfect and moving the visitors’ center up front, that’s great and putting everything to the back. Incorporating electric vehicles will let them know they will have a place to stop and gets them to visit. Like you said, we’ve preserved a lot of land, now we need to get people out on it.

Mr. Sarnoski stated “good job”, he was conserving his voice for the remainder of the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

None.

FINANCIAL RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 565-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION TO PAY BILLS.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 566-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, INSERTION INTO THE 2022 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$42,228.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY, JAG PROGRAM, COUNTY GANG, GUN AND NARCOTICS TASK FORCE GRANT, JAG 1-21TF-18.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 567-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, INSERTION INTO THE 2022 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF

\$20,451.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY VICTIM SERVICES PROJECT FY21 STOP VAWA, VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 568-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, INSERTION INTO THE 2022 BUDGET OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$277,296.00 FROM THE US DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY, AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 569-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, TRANSFER IN THE 2022 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 570-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY OF WARREN TO MAKE A MATCHING CONTRIBUTION OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS TO THE TOWNSHIP OF KNOWLTON FOR REVERSE-OSMOSIS FILTRATION SYSTEMS.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 571-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, SCHEDULE OF REGULAR MEETINGS FOR THE WARREN COUNTY CONSTRUCTION BOARD OF APPEALS FOR THE YEAR 2023.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 572-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION RE: ADDENDUM TO CONTRACT WC2233C FOR PROVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES PROGRAMS PROVIDED BY FAMILY GUIDANCE CENTER OF WARREN COUNTY – CHANGE OF NAME FROM FAMILY GUIDANCE CENTER OF WARREN COUNTY TO CENTER FOR FAMILY SERVICES.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 573-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR OF BOARD TO EXECUTE A COUNTY INNOVATION GRANT WITH THE NJ DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES THROUGH THE GOVERNOR’S OPIOID INITIATIVE; EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 WITH AN AWARD OF \$36,675.00 FOR ANTICIPATED STATE FUNDS; SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 574-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO RESCIND THE AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2259R WITH STRAIGHT AND NARROW, INC. FOR THE WARREN COUNTY 48 HOUR INTOXICATED DRIVER RESOURCE CENTER (IDRC) FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023 DUE TO THE PROVIDER’S NOTICE OF DISCONTINUING THIS SERVICE.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 575-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION #131-22 AND RESOLUTION #368-22 APPROVING GRANT FUNDS FOR CHPP GRANT ROUNDS 1 AND 2 DURING PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2022 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2022 TO BLAIRSTOWN HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 576-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION RENEWING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE WARREN COUNTY PARKS FOUNDATION.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 577-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE FRIENDS OF THE NEW JERSEY TRANSPORTATION HERITAGE CENTER, INC. FOR THE MORTON BUILDING AND PUMP HOUSE LOCATED ON BLOCK 5, LOT 1, IN LOPATCONG TOWNSHIP.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 578-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW JERSEY AUDUBON SOCIETY TO MANAGE BLOCK 14, LOT 10 AND BLOCK 15, LOT 1 IN GREENWICH TOWNSHIP FOR THE PERIOD OF FIVE (5) YEARS, COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2028.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 579-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION RENEWING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND STEWARDSHIP MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE NJ YOUTH CORPS FOR MOWING AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES FROM JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 580-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF A DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON THE SANTINI FARM FORMERLY KNOWN AS O'DOWD SOUTH, BLOCK 18 LOT 3, BLOCK 19 LOT 1, GREENWICH TOWNSHIP, BLOCK 41 LOT 1, BLOCK 42 LOT 1, FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 126.849 NET ACRES.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 581-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PARTICIPATION WITH THE FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAM IN THE FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR (FFY) 2022 OVERDOSE DATA TO ACTION-OPERATION HELPING HAND GRANT PROGRAM SUBGRANT AWARD FFYOHH-21-2022 AMOUNT OF AWARD IS \$50,000.00.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 582-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION APPROVING SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWNSHIP OF OXFORD FOR SERVICES CONCERNING ROAD SALT AND ICE CONTROL MATERIAL.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTIONS RECEIVING BIDS AND AWARDING CONTRACTS

RESOLUTION 583-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2297R FOR THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR WORKERS COMPENSATION INSURANCE AND MULTI-LINE INSURANCE FOR THE COUNTY OF WARREN AND THE WARREN COUNTY MOSQUITO EXTERMINATION COMMISSION FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023, TO THE NEW JERSEY INTERGOVERNMENTAL INSURANCE FUND FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,014,000.00.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 584-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION RE: APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR CONTRACT WC1859 PROVISION OF PARATRANSIT SERVICES TO EASTON COACH COMPANY, OF EASTON, PENNSYLVANIA FOR INCREASE IN THE WAGE FOR DRIVERS AN INCREASE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75,000.00 AND FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$2,011,769.00.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 585-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2294R FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, FOR THE CELLULAR DRIVE TEST DATA REPORTING AND REVIEW IN WARREN COUNTY TO COLLIERS ENGINEERING AND DESIGN OF HAMPTON, NEW JERSEY IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$25,000.00.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

Ms. Ciesla commented thank you because we have a contract here for the cellular drive test which is really going to help our constituents.

RESOLUTION 586-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2273L-3 WITH THE KNOWLTON TOWNSHIP LIONS FOR A NUTRITION SITE IN KNOWLTON ON A MONTH TO MONTH BASIS FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,623.00 PER MONTH.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 587-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF A PURCHASE ORDER TO COUNTY BUSINESS SYSTEMS, INC., TO PROVIDE COMPUTER SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023 FOR THE WARREN COUNTY INFORMATION SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$45,967.00.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 588-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT MODIFICATION #2 FOR CONTRACT #WC2080FO-2 TO VAN CLEEF ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES FOR CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION SERVICES ON AN ON-CALL BASIS FOR UTILITY PERMIT WORK ON VARIOUS COUNTY ROUTES AND STRUCTURES FOR NET INCREASE OF \$12,000.00 AND REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$28,000.00.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 589-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT MODIFICATION #2 FOR CONTRACT #WC2080FO-3 TO VAN CLEEF ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES FOR CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION SERVICES ON AN ON-CALL BASIS FOR UTILITY PERMIT WORK ON VARIOUS COUNTY ROUTES AND STRUCTURES FOR NET INCREASE OF \$4,000.00 AND REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$13,000.00.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 590-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2296R FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING AND SURVEYING SERVICES, FOR COUNTY ROUTE 659 (SPRING VALLEY ROAD), IN HARDWICK TOWNSHIP TO HAROLD E. PELLOW & ASSOCIATES, INC., OF AUGUSTA, NEW JERSEY IN THE CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$72,500.00.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 591-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION RE: RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 430-21 APPROVING CONTRACT WC2031 FOR PROVISION OF PROGRAMS THROUGH CONTEXTUAL

FAMILY SERVICES, FAMILY PROMISE OF WARREN COUNTY, INC., AND SAFE HARBOR EASTON FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2022 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2022.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 592-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION RE: RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 430-21 APPROVING CONTRACT WC2031 FOR PROVISION OF SUBSTANCE USE PROGRAMS THROUGH FREEDOM HOUSE, INC. AND NEW HOPE INTEGRATED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2022 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2022.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 593-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2295R FOR PROFESSIONAL PLANNING AND ENGINEERING SERVICES, FOR WARREN COUNTY TRAFFIC ENGINEERING SERVICES TO N/V/5, OF PARSIPPANY, NEW JERSEY IN THE ESTIMATED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$17,000.00.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 594-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP., FOR TENANT ASSESSMENT, TEAMS IMPLEMENTATION, DOMAIN MIGRATION AND O365, UNDER NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING ALLIANCE CK04 COVERING OFFICE AND TECHNOLOGY ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY INFORMATION SYSTEMS OFFICE IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$20,869.56.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 595-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP., FOR PSG BUSINESS PARTNER ONSITE/REMOTE SUPPORT SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR THE PERIOD OF DECEMBER 1, 2022 THROUGH MAY 31, 2023, UNDER NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING ALLIANCE CK04 COVERING OFFICE AND TECHNOLOGY ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY INFORMATION

SYSTEMS OFFICE IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$50,684.40.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESIGNATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF NANCY MILLER FROM THE WARREN COUNTY BICENTENNIAL CULTURAL AND HERITAGE ADVISORY BOARD.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF CHRISTINE BEEGLE FROM THE WARREN COUNTY AGING SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2023.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 596-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE WARREN COUNTY AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD.

JOEL SCHNETZER – TERM TO EXPIRE: 12/31/26

MELISSA WATTERS - TERM TO EXPIRE: 12/31/26

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 597-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE WARREN COUNTY LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE.

RANDI HENGST – TERM TO EXPIRE: 12/31/24

CHARLES RAFFAELE – TERM TO EXPIRE: 12/31/24

SHEILA THEODOROU – TERM TO EXPIRE: 12/31/24

LORETTA BRICKMAN – TERM TO EXPIRE: 12/31/24

SAMANTHA VOLK – TERM TO EXPIRE: 12/31/24

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 598-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE WARREN COUNTY MORRIS CANAL COMMITTEE.

PAUL TARLOWE, NO TERM EXPIRATION

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 599-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING MEMBER TO THE WARREN COUNTY VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL BOARD.

TIMOTHY C. MCDONOUGH – TERM TO EXPIRE: 10/31/26

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 600-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE WARREN COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.

EVE AZAR – TERM TO EXPIRE: 12/31/25

JOHN KRUK – TERM TO EXPIRE: 12/31/25

LINDA STETTLER – TERM TO EXPIRE: 12/31/25

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

Mr. Sarnoski said he would like to thank everyone on here for their continual support and volunteerism.

PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 601-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING FRANK WHEATLEY AS WARREN COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 602-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION CREATING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF CONFIDENTIAL AIDE, UNCLASSIFIED, WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OFFICE.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

REPORTS AND COMMENTS

County Counsel Joe Bell has two matters for Executive Session to discuss this evening.

County Engineer Bill Gleba did not have anything to report this evening.

County Planner Dave Dech wanted to call the attention to a grant opportunity, made available through the Highlands Council, for grants that help municipalities look at their existing zoning; industrial zoning, in particular, to see if it's appropriate for industrial development, warehousing. They are looking at the counties to potentially coordinate that effort. It's something he thinks the County should explore. We can contact the municipalities to see if they are interested and see if we can put together a scope of work to apply for this grant. If that's okay with you. Ms. Ciesla asked if it was guaranteed that each town would get the grant funds? Mr. Dech responded yes, it's not a competitive grant.

County Public Works Director Emily Hammer clarified the drive test will be starting imminently, with your approval, and will help to define the underserved or not served at all areas of cell service in Warren County, which we all know is very spotty. This is so that we can quantitatively, with professionals, augment the data that we receive from citizens, wherever the various needs are that we can look forward to what our infrastructure development needs of cellular are going to be so that we can look to outside vendors to meet them. In relation to, but on a separate track, the broadband infrastructure initiative. It's federally funded and Commissioner Ciesla will update you on, in a few moments, but I would let you know internally is that our County Engineer and I have already begun to process a meeting with the providers and are looking to us to begin their infrastructure development before they do all of the drops to the individual homes. So we are right on the cusp now of knowing where all of the development is going to happen. The County Engineer and I are working on a plan so that we can move through that process upon submission.

County CFO Kim Francisco has one item to report. Today we received one of the budget numbers for next year. One of the big items in our budget is payment for Warren County residents in State psychiatric hospitals. That number that came in today at \$1.1 million, which is \$450,000 less than 2022. It will almost make up for the increase in the pension that they passed along.

County Administrator Alex Lazorisak discussed the current vacancy report, nothing out of the ordinary. Just two backfill positions.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Mr. Kern would like to speak on one thing tonight. "I generally don't like to respond to media reports or comments, especially anonymous comments that are published in media reports, but I think it's very important that we continue to set the

record straight about what this County has done in respect to the warehouse topic. One of the comments I read was to the effect of someone needs to be looking out for the whole county, holistically. Then I read a comment of a council woman that she tried to tell the County to be on the lookout for certain issues. I'm flabbergasted. I don't know how much more we can do. I looked at some old newspaper articles over the past four years and some of them read, for example, from 2020, "Freeholders – Silent thinking enables warehouse development." From 2022, "Warren County can't stop warehouses alone, need help from State." Another one of my favorites is, "If warehouses are Warren County's future, the roads won't survive, study says." These are all articles from years ago that generate from discussions, dialogues and studies that have come from this meeting. When I took office in 2019, we had a meeting in this very room, before the pandemic, with our Planning Director, 14 of the 22 towns were in the room, the Highlands' Council was in the room saying you need to look at your zoning. The same thing that they said in this letter they just sent out. The Highlands said we will give you money to do this. They said it in that meeting. You don't even have to opt in and we'll give you money. You just have to look at our master plan and study. A year later, we released the traffic study from the industrial site, saying that our County roads will not survive if this development happens. We sent this to all the towns; we mailed them the copies and sent them emails. There were articles all over the place. I had written several editorials. I have spoken at several conferences. We tried to have regional meetings with the towns and we cancelled the meetings because we couldn't get a quorum of local leaders to show up. So quite frankly, at this point, the County has done everything within our ability to do so. We're not an appellate board. We can't override local towns. Again, there isn't a lot of public here tonight, so I am speaking into the abyss about this issue. I'm sure there is no media covering this. It will be in the meeting minutes, which I'm sure they are not going to look up. I want to be on the record that this governing body has done everything that we possibly can on this issue. I listened to WRNJ this morning and the comment they said was, "quietly but insistently," that we are telling towns to be aware of their zoning. I'm not being quiet, it's just that no one is covering it because there is no more media. It's very frustrating but I think if people want to make change, be impactful, go to your meetings and talk about it there." Happy Hanukkah, Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays.

Mr. Sarnoski commented it's not only what we have done but also what we are doing, as Dave pointed out. We are going to offer that great opportunity to towns and try to have a meeting. We continue to work but it falls on deaf ears. I appreciate the history lesson.

Ms. Ciesla thanks Commissioner Kern for that history lesson. It's very aggravating because I think everybody knows, especially our professionals that we are

doing everything we can to help with this. As Jim said, we are not an appellate board. If we were, it would be a different story. I think one of the things, we're at the point do we have an educational class to explain to people, including some of the people in the towns, about how this government works, ours, theirs, together? We are constantly pushing forward and try to keep this County in the best shape it possibly can be.

Ms. Ciesla commented about the cellular topic. I am so excited to do the drive test. It's going to be awesome. That and information we've gotten from people, is going to help us reach out to providers and see where we need to increase some towers, better service, whatever they need to do to get better service here because it is very spotty. We have been on a lot of calls with New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJ BPU). I don't understand the timing of this, but it's the federal government. We have to do most of our challenges by the middle of January. Now they are asking us to do a bulk challenge of the FCC maps in conjunction with the data that New Jersey has gathered for us. They want us to continue doing this survey and they are also encouraging towns to do a town challenge and individuals to go challenge what is on this map. We're going to get some wording together and get that on our website so we can show you how you can go challenge it yourself. So if you go in there and it says you have the ability to get a fiber internet to your house and you really don't and you only have DSL you can click and do that. The State is telling us we need to do it on all levels. We'll keep at it because this is going to help the State of New Jersey get federal dollars it needs, so they can get us the broadband we deserve in every corner of the State. Happy Hanukkah, Merry Christmas, Happy New Year. Thank you to Jason too, for everything you have done this year.

Mr. Sarnoski reported the truck traffic meeting has been rescheduled from the 19th due to the swearing in of our newest Senator being at the same time. Unfortunately, we will have to reschedule that in the New Year.

Second, our reorganization meeting is set for January 1, at Noon at the County Courthouse. There are no more meetings this year. I want to thank everyone for a very good year. I look forward to continuing to work with the Board and everyone in the County. I want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENTS

Tara Mezzanotte, Knowlton Township commented that Knowlton Township took advantage of such advice and has passed resolutions and ordinances and we are in order in terms of industrial development.

Ms. Mezzanotte gave an update on rock fall mitigation and S-curve issues. Has the DOT notified you that the rock fall project, the soonest it can start now is 2026? Mr. Sarnoski replied, no. Ms. Mezzanotte, noted they don't tell us anything. It is on the project website now. The scrutiny we have put upon them has pushed the project out. The good news is it was originally going to be 2019, the scrutiny pushed it out to 2022, 2024 and now it's out to 2026. Since they are not talking to you, and telling you that that's happening, I guess they haven't told us why. I can only speculate. Let's hope it's the environmental impact statement we've been pushing.

The bad news is there was a major rock fall event on Route 611, Pennsylvania in the Delaware Water Gap. I need to say this again, it is a crisis with that closed indefinitely. They are going to do some sort of rock fall mitigation. I would think that by the time they are done, at least two months out. Emergency services, in Warren County, if there's a backup on I-80, they cannot get to the nearest emergency room or trauma center because our detour route is closed. It's a real issue. Knowlton Township is asking our fire chief to send a letter regarding concerns about emergency services and I think that's going to filter up to you to ask if the County can do something with it.

Ms. Mezzanotte also reported on the retaining wall. She confirmed with the Board no updates have been provided to the county. Ms. Mezzanotte is reviewing the contracts at this time. Why can't they have notified the jurisdictional stakeholders, Knowlton, Hardwick and you of what's going on? There is real concern that it's a time bomb. They are assessing the retaining wall and they haven't even answered questions that the County has asked, such as what is the load rating for that wall. Right now, it is not certified by an engineer to have a rating to say that it can handle X number of tonnage. It's concerning and in the contract it literally mentions they are not doing a load rating. Ms. Mezzanotte is highlighting that as a major concern and may submit her concerns to the Board to address at the higher level.

PRESS COMMENTS & QUESTIONS

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLUTION 603-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, 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

MINUTES

DECEMBER 14, 2022

JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 at 6:41 p.m..

Recorded Vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, the board adjourned Executive Session and returned to Open Session at 7:38 p.m.

Recorded Vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

RESOLUTION 604-22

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION APPOINTING JAMES TIPTON TO THE POSITION OF EMPLOYEE, BOARD OF ELECTIONS, UNCLASSIFIED, WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT.

Recorded vote: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Mr. Sarnoski, and there being no further business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

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RESOLUTION 565-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

Be and it is hereby resolved that Master Voucher Certificate **For Certification / Ratification for Payments No. 2022-48, 2022-49, and 2022-50, dated December 14, 2022,** in the amount of **\$5,585,118.00** including payrolls, allowances, bills and investments, is approved subject to the review of the vouchers by the Board of County Commissioners.

2022-48	11/30/2022	\$347,571.83	
2022-49	12/7/2022	377,109.09	
2022-50	12/14/2022	<u>739,143.81</u>	
TOTAL			\$1,463,824.73
Horizon (Prescription, Claims, Admin)	11/29/2022	\$985,351.00	
Aetna	11/29/2022	178,293.03	
Sun Life Financial	11/29/2022	65,504.57	
Delta Dental	11/15/2022	35,284.25	
Home Depot	12/6/2022	7,722.27	
PNC Bank Commercial Card	12/8/2022	<u>5,088.99</u>	
TOTAL-OTHER			1,277,244.11
Payroll	11/17/2022	\$1,348,530.77	
Payroll	12/1/2022	1,354,525.17	
Payroll -Pollworkers	12/8/2022	<u>140,993.22</u>	
TOTAL WAGES, FRINGE, MEALS			<u>2,844,049.16</u>
GRAND TOTAL			<u>\$5,585,118.00</u>

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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 566-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

**INSERTION INTO THE 2022 BUDGET OF THE
COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$42,228.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY, JAG
PROGRAM, COUNTY GANG, GUN AND NARCOTICS
TASK FORCE GRANT, JAG 1-21TF-18**

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 2022 in the sum of \$ 42,228.00, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law & Public Safety, JAG Program, County Gang, Gun and Narcotics Task Force Grant, JAG 1-21TF-18

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Grant Match of \$ 17,563.00 is included in the 2022 County Budget, Sheet 13C - Group Insurance Plan for Employees

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$ 42,228.00 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 Program, County Gang, Gun and Narcotics Task Force Grant, JAG 1-21TF-18 (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

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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 567-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

**INSERTION INTO THE 2022 BUDGET OF THE
COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$20,451.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
VICTIM SERVICES PROJECT FY21 STOP VAWA,
VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN 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 2022 in the sum of \$ 20,451.00, which item is now available from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law & Public Safety, Victim Services Project FY21 STOP VAWA, Violence Against Women Act

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County's Match of \$22,083.00 is included in the 2022 County Budget Sheet 13E - Prosecutor's Salary & Wages

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$20,451.00 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 Services Project FY21 STOP VAWA, Violence Against Women Act (Administered by the Prosecutor's Office)

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

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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.

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RESOLUTION 568-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

**INSERTION INTO THE 2022 BUDGET OF THE
COUNTY OF WARREN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$277,296.00
FROM THE US DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY,
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A-:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the adjustment 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 adjustment 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 the insertion of an item of revenue in the year 2022 in the sum of \$277,296.00, which item is now available from the US Department of Treasury, American Rescue Plan, this is a portion of the funding received

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the revised sum of \$ 277,296.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under caption:

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

US Department of Treasury, American Rescue Plan (administered by the Finance Dept.)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this funding will be used to assist Knowlton Township with a reverse osmosis water filtration system

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of the approval by the US Department of Treasury

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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 569-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

TRANSFER IN THE 2022 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

TO: Various - OE	\$ 10,000.00
Various - S&W	<u>\$ 5,000.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$ 15,000.00</u>

FROM:	
Various - OE	\$ 0.00
Various - S&W	<u>\$ 15,000.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$ 15,000.00</u>

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

WHEREAS, by unforeseen demand there has arisen the necessity for expenditures to fulfill the purposes of the appropriations as stated in the 2022 Budget and Tax Levy in the following accounts:

TO: Various - OE	\$ 10,000.00
Various - S&W	<u>\$ 5,000.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$ 15,000.00</u>

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

FROM:	
Various - OE	\$ 0.00
Various - S&W	<u>\$ 15,000.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$ 15,000.00</u>

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren that by a Majority Vote of this Board that the following transfer in the 2022 Budget Appropriations be made:

TO:

013350	5029	ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH	\$ 10,000.00
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		TOTAL OE	\$ 10,000.00
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011000	5011	COMMISSIONERS S&W	\$ 5,000.00
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		TOTAL S&W	\$ 5,000.00
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		TOTAL TO	<u>\$ 15,000.00</u>
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FROM:

014250	5011	PROVISIONAL SALARY ADJUSTMENTS S&W	<u>\$ 15,000.00</u>
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		TOTAL S&W	\$ 15,000.00
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		TOTAL FROM	<u>\$ 15,000.00</u>
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RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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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RESOLUTION 570-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY OF WARREN TO MAKE A MATCHING CONTRIBUTION OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS TO THE TOWNSHIP OF KNOWLTON FOR REVERSE-OSMOSIS FILTRATION SYSTEMS

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, Joe Biden, the President of the United States of America signed into law the American Rescue Plan Act (“ARPA”) which provides financial assistance to assist in the continued relief from the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, approximately \$350 billion of The ARPA funding was allotted to assist the United States’ state, local, tribal, and territory governments in responding to the coronavirus pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Sections 602(b) and 603(b) of the Social Security Act as added by section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act, Pub. L No. 117-2 (March 11, 2021) authorized the Department of the Treasury to make payments to certain recipients from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund and the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund, and

WHEREAS, current regulations allow for funds to be utilized toward support for public health expenditures, addressing negative economic impacts related to COVID-19, replacing lost public sector revenue, providing premium pay for essential workers, and investing in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Knowlton (the “Township”) appropriated ARPA funding toward a project dedicated to the purchase and installation of Reverse-Osmosis Filtration Systems in the homes of Knowlton residents that have been affected by well contamination due to excessive sodium and/or chloride levels (“Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Township expressly conditioned the appropriation of said funds on the approval by and contribution of matching funds from the County; and

WHEREAS, the Township solicited bids for the provision and installation of the Reverse-Osmosis Filtration System and awarded a contract for the project in the total amount of \$554,592.00; and

WHEREAS, the Township has agreed to contribute to \$277,296.00 to fund the Project from its ARPA funds and has requested that the Warren County Board of County Commissioners authorize the County share equally in the total cost of the Project by also dedicating \$277,296.00 from its available ARPA funds; and

WHEREAS, the Township has provided the County with copies of the bid specifications and contract documents evidencing the commitment to the completion of the Project at the cost of \$554,592.00 and agreed to provide the County with an executed Waiver and Hold Harmless Agreement, in the form previously provided and incorporated herein by reference, from each affected homeowner as a condition of acceptance of the Reverse-Osmosis System; and

WHEREAS, Special Counsel for the County has reviewed this matter and determined that the Project is authorized and otherwise meets the criteria for funding under the ARPA as an investment in the water infrastructure of the County; and

WHEREAS, County finds and declares this to be a matter of significant local concern and believes it is in the public interest to assist the Township in the funding of this Project due to the significant impact on County residents; and

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

1. The County hereby acknowledges the receipt and availability of ARPA funds in the amount of \$277,296.00 and the use of such funds for the purpose herein described.
2. The County is hereby authorized and directed to disburse matching funds to the Township in the amount of \$277,296.00, representing one half (1/2) of the total cost of the above-described Project, toward the performance and completion of the Project.
3. That the contribution of matching funding by the County be and hereby is expressly conditioned on the performance and completion of the Project in accordance with the terms and conditions of the specifications and contract documents, the provision to the County of an executed Hold Harmless and Release Agreement for each homeowner as a condition of acceptance of the Reverse-Osmosis System and the funding of the remaining portion of the total Project cost by the Township.
4. That the contribution of matching funding by the County shall be further conditioned the availability and sufficiency of the ARPA funds for the Project and allowability of contribution of such funding for such purposes.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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 571-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

**SCHEDULE OF REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE WARREN COUNTY
CONSTRUCTION BOARD OF APPEALS FOR THE YEAR 2023**

TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:4-18, the Open Public Meetings Act, the following is a Schedule of Regular Meetings of the Warren County Construction Board of Appeals for year 2023. All regular meetings shall be held in the Commissioner Meeting Room, Wayne Dumont, Jr. Administration Building, 165 County Route 519 South, Belvidere, New Jersey on:

Tuesday	January 17, 2023	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday	February 14, 2023	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday	March 14, 2023	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday	April 11, 2023	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday	May 9, 2023	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday	June 13, 2023	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday	July 11, 2023	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday	August 8, 2023	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday	September 12, 2023	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday	October 10, 2023	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday,	November 14, 2023	6:00 p.m.
Tuesday	December 12, 2023	6:00 p.m.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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 572-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

RESOLUTION RE: ADDENDUM TO CONTRACT WC2233C FOR PROVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES PROGRAMS PROVIDED BY FAMILY GUIDANCE CENTER OF WARREN COUNTY – CHANGE OF NAME FROM FAMILY GUIDANCE CENTER OF WARREN COUNTY TO CENTER FOR FAMILY SERVICES.

WHEREAS, Warren County awarded a contract per Resolution 471-22 to Family Guidance Center of Warren County on October 26, 2022 for the period of January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023 and;

WHEREAS, Family Guidance Center of Warren County has legally merged with the Center for Family Services and will be providing services as the Center for Family Services, and;

WHEREAS, the Center for Family Services has agreed to ratify and assume these program services under Contract WC2233C and to fulfill all obligations and be bound by the terms.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners approves continuance of the contract for these services reflecting the change of the name of the vendor to Center for Family Services.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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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RESOLUTION 573-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioner of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR OF BOARD TO EXECUTE A COUNTY INNOVATION GRANT WITH THE NJ DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES THROUGH THE GOVERNOR'S OPIOID INITIATIVE; EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2022 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 WITH AN AWARD OF \$36,675.00 FOR ANTICIPATED STATE FUNDS; SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

WHEREAS, the NJ Department of Human Services, Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services, has notified the Warren County Board of County Commissioners of an available amount of \$36,675.00 for the period of October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023.

WHEREAS, the Warren County Department of Human Services, Division of Administration has prepared an application for use of these additional funds.

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 the County Innovation Grant for the award of \$36,675.00 from the NJ Department of Human Services; subject to availability of funds.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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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RESOLUTION 574-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO RESCIND THE AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2259R WITH STRAIGHT AND NARROW, INC. FOR THE WARREN COUNTY 48 HOUR INTOXICATED DRIVER RESOURCE CENTER (IDRC) FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023 DUE TO THE PROVIDER'S NOTICE OF DISCONTINUING THIS SERVICE

WHEREAS, Straight and Narrow, Inc. was awarded the Contract WC2259R by Resolution 391-22 on September 14, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Human Services received notice from Straight and Narrow, Inc. on November 22, 2022 regarding the termination of the IDRC program; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 391-22 for award of Contract WC2259R is to be rescinded; and

WHEREAS, the operating costs under the contract were supported by client generated fees and no county funds were required for this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren do hereby rescind the award for Contract WC2259R with Straight and Narrow, Inc. for the Warren County Intoxicated Driver Resource Center.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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 575-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

**RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION #131-22 AND RESOLUTION #368-22
APPROVING GRANT FUNDS FOR CHPP GRANT ROUNDS 1 AND 2 DURING PERIOD
JANUARY 1, 2022 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2022
TO BLAIRSTOWN HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2022, the Board of County Commissioners approved Resolution 131-22, awarding grant funding to Blairstown Historic Preservation Committee for the amount of \$2,500.00. On September 14, 2022, the Board of County Commissioners approved Resolution 368-22, awarding grant funding to Blairstown Historic Preservation Committee for the amount of \$2,264.60; and

WHEREAS, Blairstown Historic Preservation Committee cannot spend the funds, and therefore grant funding (\$4,764.60) will be returned to the County of Warren; and

WHEREAS, these funds, \$183.77, will be reallocated to the Musconetcong Watershed Association and \$4,580.83 will be reallocated to Rutherford Hall Foundation; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the contract allocations for Blairstown Historic Preservation Committee, Musconetcong Watershed Association and Rutherford Hall Foundation are revised for the period January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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

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RESOLUTION 576-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

**RESOLUTION RENEWING AN AGREEMENT
WITH THE WARREN COUNTY PARKS FOUNDATION**

WHEREAS, the County of Warren owns numerous historic sites and over 2,300 acres of parkland for preservation and recreation purposes; and

WHEREAS, the County has long enjoyed mutually beneficial partnerships with various nonprofits who assist in maintaining and improving these sites; and

WHEREAS, The Warren County Parks Foundation is a nonprofit organization established for the specific purpose in assisting the County of Warren with further maintaining and improving these sites; and

WHEREAS, the Foundation and the County will mutually benefit by assisting each other with maintenance and improvement projects, including but not limited to the Foundation seeking or raising additional funding for County projects, recruiting and coordinating volunteers for trail work and other maintenance, and the County providing the Foundation with meeting space and other staff assistance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of County Commissioners has reviewed the Agreement with the Foundation and hereby authorize the Commissioner Director to execute said Agreement for the year 2023.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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 577-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF A LEASE AGREEMENT
WITH THE FRIENDS OF THE NEW JERSEY TRANSPORTATION
HERITAGE CENTER, INC. FOR THE MORTON BUILDING AND
PUMP HOUSE LOCATED ON BLOCK 5, LOT 1, IN LOPATCONG TOWNSHIP**

WHEREAS, the County of Warren purchased Block 5, Lot 1, in Lopatcong Township as part of the County's Open Space Acquisition Program; and

WHEREAS, said property contains a Morton Building and Pump House; and

WHEREAS, The Friends of the New Jersey Transportation Heritage Center, Inc. ("Friends") have a need to store vehicles and equipment related to the Museum there; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of County Commissioners have reviewed the Agreement with the Friends and hereby authorize the Commissioner Director to execute said Agreement upon return of the signed Agreement from the Friends, commencing upon the execution of this agreement and concluding on December 31, 2023.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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.

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RESOLUTION #578-22

On a motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW JERSEY AUDUBON SOCIETY TO MANAGE BLOCK 14, LOT 10 AND BLOCK 15, LOT 1 IN GREENWICH TOWNSHIP FOR THE PERIOD OF FIVE (5) YEARS, COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2023 AND TERMINATING ON DECEMBER 31, 2028

WHEREAS, the County of Warren purchased Block 14, Lot 10 and Block 15, Lot 1 in Greenwich Township (the Property) as part of the County's Open Space Acquisition Program with funds from a United States Environmental Protection Agency approved Supplemental Environmental Project Agreement (Project Agreement); and

WHEREAS, the Property was targeted for acquisition in the Morris Canal 25-Year Action Plan, provides a connection for the Morris Canal Greenway Trail into nearby county parkland, and consists of predominantly field crops with some wetlands areas; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Project Agreement, which requires that the crop fields be maintained as native meadows, the County engaged the New Jersey Audubon Society to complete the work with the assistance of a local farmer; and

WHEREAS, Audubon has further agreed to maintain and manage these native meadows in accordance with requirements of the Project Agreement by providing in-kind services in exchange for a five-year lease agreement, commencing January 1, 2023 and terminating on December 31, 2028.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of County Commissioners has reviewed the agreement with the New Jersey Audubon Society and hereby authorizes the Commissioner Director to execute said agreement.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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.

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, Clerk

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RESOLUTION 579-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

**RESOLUTION RENEWING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
AND STEWARDSHIP MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE NJ YOUTH CORPS
FOR MOWING AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES
FROM JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023**

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

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

WHEREAS, these arrangements will continue to provide CORPS members with the opportunity for growth experiences while providing needed services for the County Parkland; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren wish to continue the agreement with the NJ Youth Corps for expanded services and therefore authorize the Commissioner Director to execute a Memorandum of Understanding to effectuate this arrangement. Be it further resolved that adequate funds in the amount of \$150,000.00 in account 03892 5100 have been certified by the CFO.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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 580-22

On a motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

**RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF A
DEVELOPMENT EASEMENT ON THE SANTINI FARM
FORMERLY KNOWN AS O'DOWD SOUTH,
BLOCK 18 LOT 3, BLOCK 19 LOT 1, GREENWICH TOWNSHIP,
BLOCK 41 LOT 1, BLOCK 42 LOT 1, FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP
CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 126.849 NET ACRES**

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of County Commissioners has determined that the property known as the Santini Farm (formerly known as O'Dowd South farm), owned by Robert A. Santini and Sharon A. Santini, located on Block 18 Lot 3, Block 19 Lot 1, Greenwich Township, Block 41 Lot 1, Block 42 Lot 1, Franklin Township, consisting of approximately 126.849 net acres has available for purchase a development easement in accordance with the requirements of the farmland preservation program; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Agricultural Development Board has given approval for the purchase of development rights on this farm; 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, this farm was previously in application as the O'Dowd South farm and owned by O'Dowd Associates; and

WHEREAS, the property was purchased by Robert A. Santini and Sharon A. Santini on August 28, 2020, whom decided to continue with the farmland preservation application as submitted with no changes; and

WHEREAS, previous appraisals were updated with new applicant information and adjusted accordingly; and

WHEREAS, the Highlands Dual Evaluation Provision Zoning of 1/01/04 is not applicable since the property sold subsequent to this date and therefore, does not qualify for dual evaluation; and

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

WHEREAS, the tract would encourage the survivability of production agriculture in Franklin and Greenwich Townships, and said tract falls within a predetermined County Agricultural Development Area and is in the County's South East Project Area Target List and the Highlands Planning Area; and

WHEREAS, the County Agriculture Development Board approved \$6,200 per acre for the development easement based on the updated appraisals at current zoning evaluation; and

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2022, the Franklin Township Committee voted to cost-share on the net township acreage of 37.327 acres on Block 41 Lot 1 and Block 42 Lot 1 for \$300 per acre for the preservation easement; and

WHEREAS, on September 20, 2022, the Greenwich Township Committee voted to cost-share on the net township acreage of 87.522 acres on Block 18 L 3 and Block 19 Lot 1 of \$300 per acre for the preservation easement; and

WHEREAS, the contribution by Franklin and Greenwich Township offer for cost-share of an additional \$300 per acre has made the development easement offer of \$6,500 per acre; and

WHEREAS, the Owners accepted the offer of \$6,500 per acre for the farmland preservation easement; and

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

WHEREAS, the estimated cost share breakdown including for final surveyed acres is as follows:

Cost share based on 124.849 acres at \$6,500 acre:

	<u>Total</u>	
Warren County	\$774,063.80	(\$6,200/acre on 124.849 acres)
Franklin Township	\$ 11,198.10	(\$300/acre on 37.327 acres)
Greenwich Township	\$ 26,256.60	(\$300/acre on 87.522 acres)
Total Easement Purchase	\$811,518.50	(\$6,500/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 the negotiated purchase price of \$6,500 per acre. Cost share as follows: Warren County \$6,200 per acre; Franklin Township \$300 per acre for acreage in Franklin Township; Greenwich Township \$300 per acre for acreage in Greenwich Township.
2. This approval includes the following conditions:
 - a. No existing structures on premises
 - b. No existing agriculture labor housing on premises
 - c. Exception
 - 1) One acre non-severable exception area for future single family residence and for future flexibility restricted to one single family residence
 - d. No Residual Dwelling Site Opportunities (RDSO's)
 - e. No preexisting non-agricultural uses on premises
 - f. Access easements to be determined by title search
 - g. No proposed trails
3. The County's share in regard to the purchase of said easement is estimated at \$774,063.80. The Commissioner Director or Administrator of Warren County is authorized to sign the Deed of

Easement and any and all documents necessary for the acquisition of the development easement on the above property in the Townships of Franklin and Greenwich, County of Warren, State of New Jersey under the terms outlined above.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of County Commissioners hereby grants permission for the cost-share purchase price of \$774,063.80 for the development easement on the Santini Farm (formerly known as O'Dowd South), owned by Robert A. Santini and Sharon A. Santini, located on Block 18 Lot 3, Block 19 Lot 1, Greenwich Township, Block 41 Lot 1, Block 42 Lot 1, Franklin Township; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that adequate funds for the purchase price funding depending upon final surveyed acres in the amount of \$774,063.80 in account #03895-5067-8952206-5067 have been certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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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RESOLUTION 581-22

On a motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PARTICIPATION WITH THE FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAM IN THE FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR (FFY) 2022 OVERDOSE DATA TO ACTION-OPERATION HELPING HAND GRANT PROGRAM SUBGRANT AWARD
FFYOHH-21-2022 AMOUNT OF THE AWARD IS \$50,000.00**

WHEREAS, Warren County wishes to apply and accept funding of \$50,000.00. The award period is September 1, 2022 to August 31, 2023.

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

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

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

- 1) As a matter of public policy the Warren County Prosecutor's Office wishes to participate to the fullest extent possible with the Federal Grant Program and the Office of the Attorney General Department of Law and Public Safety.
- 2) The Office of the Attorney General Department of Law and Public Safety has allocated funds dedicated for the purpose.

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

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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 582-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE
TOWNSHIP OF OXFORD FOR SERVICES CONCERNING ROAD SALT
AND ICE CONTROL MATERIAL**

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq., the County of Warren has negotiated an agreement for services concerning road salt and ice control material with the Township of Oxford, which agreement is incorporated herein by reference.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Warren County Board of County Commissioners does hereby approve the Shared Services Agreement with the Township of Oxford for services concerning road salt and ice control material, authorizes the Commissioner Director to execute same and acknowledges the beginning effect date of this agreement to be that date of adoption of companion authorizing resolution by the municipality.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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.

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RESOLUTION 583-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2297R FOR THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR WORKERS COMPENSATION INSURANCE AND MULTI –LINE INSURANCE FOR THE COUNTY OF WARREN AND THE WARREN COUNTY MOSQUITO EXTERMINATION COMMISSION FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023, TO THE NEW JERSEY INTERGOVERNMENTAL INSURANCE FUND FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,014,000.00

WHEREAS, it has been recommended that the county issue a contract for Workers Compensation Insurance and Multi-Line Insurance Services as outlined in the proposal; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) et. seq.) requires a resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Extraordinary, Unspecifiable Services" without competitive bids and the contract itself must be available for public inspection; an

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, by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren as follows:

1. The Director of Purchasing is hereby authorized and directed to issue a contract to New Jersey Intergovernmental Insurance Fund for services for the above project, at a cost not to exceed \$2,014,000.00 per letter of agreement which is on file in the Office of the Director of Purchasing and is made a part hereof by reference.
2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as an "Extraordinary, Unspecifiable Service" in accordance with N.J.S.A.40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the services defined cannot reasonably be described by written specifications to assure that the qualitative and quantitative assessment of the problems involved, which require expertise, extensive training and proven reputation in the field of endeavor are obtained.
3. A notice of this action shall be published in The Star-Ledger.

Funding for this service has been provided in budget accounts 012100/5090 Property and Casualty Insurance and 012150/5090 – County Insurance Workers Comp, and certified by the County Chief Financial Officer.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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 584-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

**RESOLUTION RE: APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR CONTRACT WC1859
PROVISION OF PARATRANSIT SERVICES TO EASTON
COACH COMPANY, OF EASTON, PENNSYLVANIA FOR
INCREASE IN WAGE FOR DRIVERS AN INCREASE IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$75,000.00 AND FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF
\$2,011,769.00**

WHEREAS, Easton Coach Company was awarded a contract for provision of paratransit services in the contract amount of \$1,936,769; and

WHEREAS, there was a need for an increase in wage for drivers; and

WHEREAS, this change in award will result in a net increase of \$75,000.00 and a final contract amount of \$2,011,769.00

WHEREAS, adequate funds have been established in account S33555304/5614

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren do hereby approve Change Order #1 for the above contract for a net increase of \$75,000.00 and a final Contract in the amount of \$2,011,769.00

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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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RESOLUTION 585-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2294R FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, FOR THE CELLULAR DRIVE TEST DATA REPORTING AND REVIEW IN WARREN COUNTY TO COLLIERS ENGINEERING AND DESIGN OF HAMPTON, NEW JERSEY IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$25,000.00

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the professional services of an engineer to provide professional services, for the cellular drive test data reporting and review in Warren County; 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 grant account F21305346-5029

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 Colliers Engineering and Design Consulting, of Hampton, New Jersey, for professional services for the above project, in the contract amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 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.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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 586-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2273L-3 WITH THE KNOWLTON TOWNSHIP LIONS FOR A NUTRITION SITE IN KNOWLTON ON A MONTH TO MONTH BASIS FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,623.00 PER MONTH

BE IT RESOLVED, that this contract is awarded to the Knowlton Township Lions to provide a nutrition site in Knowlton, New Jersey

The contract is to be on a month to month basis at a monthly rental of \$1,623.00 per month January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of the Board of County Commissioners be authorized and directed to execute the necessary contract.

Funding for this contract is provided in account 017000/5303 – Area Plan Grant Nutrition Space Rental

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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 587-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

**RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF A PURCHASE ORDER TO COUNTY BUSINESS
SYSTEMS, INC., TO PROVIDE COMPUTER SOFTWARE
MAINTENANCE FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2023
THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023 FOR THE WARREN COUNTY
INFORMATION SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT IN THE
TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$45,967.00**

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 County Business Systems, Inc., of Newtown, Pennsylvania for providing computer software maintenance on licensed products for the Warren County Information Systems Department

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

1. The Director of Purchasing is hereby authorized and directed to issue a purchase order to County Business Systems, Inc., Newtown, Pennsylvania
2. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as an "Exception" in accordance with 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 011400/5026 – Information Systems – Contracted Services

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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 588-22

On a motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT MODIFICATION #2 FOR
CONTRACT #WC2080FO-2 TO VAN CLEEF ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES
FOR CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION SERVICES ON AN ON-CALL BASIS FOR UTILITY
PERMIT WORK ON VARIOUS COUNTY ROUTES AND STRUCTURES FOR NET INCREASE
OF \$12,000.00 AND REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$28,000.00**

WHEREAS, the County requested proposals to be received on Thursday, January 21, 2021 for Contract #WC2080FO for Construction Phase Engineering/Inspection Services; and

WHEREAS, inspection services are needed for Elizabethtown Gas Company utility related permit construction work; and

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

WHEREAS, additional inspection hours are needed to complete the project for a net increase of \$12,000.00; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available in account 40165 5100 ETWN 4834 and certified by the County Chief Financial Officer.

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. Hereby approving Contract Modification #1 with Van Cleef Engineering Associates of Phillipsburg, NJ for the above project for a net increase of \$12,000.00 and a revised contract amount of \$28,000.00.
2. The Director is hereby authorized to execute said letter of agreement by signing same.
3. A notice of this action shall be published in The Star-Ledger.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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
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RESOLUTION 589-22

On a motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT MODIFICATION #2 FOR CONTRACT #WC2080FO-3 TO VAN CLEEF ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES FOR CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION SERVICES ON AN ON-CALL BASIS FOR UTILITY PERMIT WORK ON VARIOUS COUNTY ROUTES AND STRUCTURES FOR NET INCREASE OF \$4,000.00 AND REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$13,000.00

WHEREAS, the County requested proposals to be received on Thursday, January 21, 2021 for Contract #WC2080FO for Construction Phase Engineering/Inspection Services; and

WHEREAS, inspection services are needed for water company related permit work; and

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

WHEREAS, additional inspection hours are needed to complete the project for a net increase of \$4,000.00; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available in account 40165 5100 NJAW 4834 and certified by the County Chief Financial Officer.

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. Hereby approving Contract Modification #1 with Van Cleef Engineering Associates of Phillipsburg, NJ for the above project for a net increase of \$4,000.00 and a revised contract amount of \$13,000.00.
2. The Director is hereby authorized to execute said letter of agreement by signing same.
3. A notice of this action shall be published in The Star Ledger.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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 590-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2296R FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING AND SURVEYING SERVICES, FOR COUNTY ROUTE 659 (SPRING VALLEY ROAD), IN HARDWICK TOWNSHIP TO HAROLD E. PELLOW & ASSOCIATES, INC, OF AUGUSTA, NEW JERSEY IN THE CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$72,500.00

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the professional services of an Engineer and Surveyor to provide final design services on the above mentioned roadway in Hardwick Township; 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 capital accounts 0420A209/5063 –Route 659 Preliminary Design and 0421A207/5063 Route 659 Drainage Design

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 Harold E. Pellow & Associates, Inc., of Augusta, New Jersey, for professional services for the above project, in the contract amount not to exceed \$72,500.00 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.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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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RESOLUTION 591-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

**RESOLUTION RE: RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 430-21 APPROVING
CONTRACT WC2031 FOR PROVISION OF PROGRAMS
THROUGH CONTEXTUAL FAMILY SERVICES, FAMILY
PROMISE OF WARREN COUNTY, INC., AND SAFE HARBOR
EASTON FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2022 THROUGH
DECEMBER 31, 2022**

WHEREAS, on September 22, 2021 the Board of County Commissioners approved Resolution 430-21 for funding to Contextual Family Services, Family Promise of Warren County, Inc., and Safe Harbor Easton contracts contingent upon receipt of funds and the 2022 Warren County budget and anticipated state grants; and

WHEREAS, Contextual Family Services, Intensive In-Home Services program will be reduced to \$23,280.00 from \$26,280.00 and Safe Harbor Easton, ARISE Sheltering program will decrease to \$2,603.19 from \$10,000.00, and Family Promise of Warren County, Inc., Rapid Resolution Homeless Assistance program will increase to \$28,066.81 from \$17,670.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the contract allocations for Contextual Family Services, Family Promise of Warren County, Inc., and Safe Harbor Easton are revised for the period January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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 592-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

**RESOLUTION RE: RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 430-21
APPROVING CONTRACT WC2031 FOR PROVISION OF
SUBSTANCE USE PROGRAMS THROUGH FREEDOM
HOUSE, INC. AND NEW HOPE INTEGRATED BEHAVIORAL
HEALTH CARE FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2022
THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2022**

WHEREAS, on September 22, 2021 the Board of County Commissioners approved Resolution 430-21 for funding to Freedom House, Inc. and New Hope Integrated Behavioral Health Care contracts contingent upon receipt of funds and the 2022 Warren County budget and anticipated state grants; and

WHEREAS, Freedom House, Inc., Recovery Support Housing program will be reduced to \$54,821.00 from \$58,821.00 and New Hope Integrated Behavioral Health Care, Short Term Residential program will increase to \$11,000 from \$8,000.00 and New Hope Integrated Behavioral Health Care, Sub-Acute Detoxification program will increase to \$8,000.00 from \$7,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the contract allocations for Freedom House, Inc. and New Hope Integrated Behavioral Health Care are revised for the period January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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 593-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

**RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF CONTRACT WC2295R FOR PROFESSIONAL
PLANNING AND ENGINEERING SERVICES, FOR
WARREN COUNTY TRAFFIC ENGINEERING SERVICES
TO N/V/5, OF PARSIPPANY, NEW JERSEY
IN THE ESTIMATED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$17,000.00**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the professional services of an Engineer and Planner to provide consulting Engineering and Planning services on Warren County Roadways; 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 capital account 0420A511/5062

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 N/V/5, of Parsippany, New Jersey for professional services for the above project, in the contract amount not to exceed \$17,000.00 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.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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
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RESOLUTION 594-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP., FOR TENANT ASSESSMENT, TEAMS IMPLEMENTATION, DOMAIN MIGRATION AND O365, UNDER NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING ALLIANCE CK04 COVERING OFFICE AND TECHNOLOGY ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY INFORMATION SYSTEMS OFFICE IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$20,869.56

BE IT RESOLVED, that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for tenant assessment, teams implementation, domain migration and O365 for the Warren County Information Systems Office and this purchase is hereby awarded

to . . . SHI International Corp., Somerset, New Jersey

in the amount of . . . \$20,869.56

at the prices established under New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance CK04

Funding for this contract has been provided in budget account 011400/5028

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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 595-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP., FOR PSG BUSINESS PARTNER ONSITE/ REMOTE SUPPORT SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR THE PERIOD OF DECEMBER 1, 2022 THROUGH MAY 31, 2023, UNDER NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING ALLIANCE CK04 COVERING OFFICE AND TECHNOLOGY ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES FOR THE WARREN COUNTY INFORMATION SYSTEMS OFFICE IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$50,684.40

BE IT RESOLVED, that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for PSG Partner Onsite/ Remote Support Services Agreement for the Warren County Information Systems Office and this purchase is hereby awarded

to . . . SHI International Corp., Somerset, New Jersey

in the amount of . . . \$50,684.40

at the prices established under New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance CK04

Funding for this contract has been provided in budget account 011400 5026

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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
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RESOLUTION 596-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

**RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE WARREN COUNTY
AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren hereby reappoints the following individuals to the Warren County Agriculture Development Board:

Joel Schnetzer
240 Cemetery Hill Road
Asbury, NJ 08802
Farmer Member

Term to expire: 12/31/26

Melissa Watters
212 Watters Road
Port Murray, NJ 07865
General Public/At-Large Member

Term to expire: 12/31/26

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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 597-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

**RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE WARREN COUNTY
LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren hereby appoints the following individuals to the Warren County Local Advisory Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse.

Reappoint:

Randi Hengst
DCP & P
415 E. Washington Avenue
Washington, NJ 07882
Public Organization
Term to expire: 12/31/24

Charles Raffaele
443 Russell Avenue
Phillipsburg, NJ 08865
Citizen Member
Term to expire: 12/31/24

Sheila Theodorou
507 Grand Avenue
Hackettstown, NJ 07840
Citizen Member
Term to expire: 12/31/24

Loretta Brickman
206 Stonehenge Drive
Phillipsburg, NJ 08865
Citizen Member
Term to expire: 12/31/24

Samantha Volk
203 Water Street
Belvidere, NJ 07823
Citizen Member
Term to expire: 12/31/24

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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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RESOLUTION 598-22

On a motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE
WARREN COUNTY MORRIS CANAL COMMITTEE**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren that the following individual be appointed to the Warren County Morris Canal Committee as a Special Interest Representative with no term limit:

Paul Tarlowe
40 Brookside Avenue
Hackettstown, NJ 07840

Special Interest

No Term Limit

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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 599-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren hereby reappoint the following individual to the Warren County Vocational Technical School Board:

Timothy C. McDonough
PO Box 333
Hope, NJ 07844
(Independent)

Term to expire: 10/31/26

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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 600-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

**RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE
WARREN COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren hereby reappoints the following individuals to the Warren County Economic Development Committee:

REAPPOINT:

Eve Azar
Phillipsburg Education Center
445 Marshall Street
Phillipsburg, NJ 08865

Term to expire: 12/31/25

John Kruk
PO Box 450
Hope, NJ 07844

Term to expire: 12/31/25

Linda Stettler
190 Market Street
Belvidere, NJ 07823

Term to expire: 12/31/25

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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 601-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

**RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING FRANK WHEATLEY AS WARREN COUNTY
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of County Commissioners that in accordance with N.J.S.A. App. A:9-42.1, Frank Wheatley is reappointed to the position of Warren County Emergency Management Coordinator for a three year term effective January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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 602-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

**RESOLUTION CREATING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF CONFIDENTIAL AIDE,
UNCLASSIFIED, WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OFFICE**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of County Commissioners that a full-time position of *Confidential Aide*, unclassified, is created, as set forth under N.J.S.A. 11A: 3-5(q) within the Warren County Commissioners Office to enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of operations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of County Commissioners that a full-time position of *Confidential Aide*, unclassified, is hereby created on Salary Guide 11 at 40 hours per week and made effective December 15, 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of County Commissioners that Christopher E. Infinito is appointed to the position of Confidential Aide at a salary of \$24.00 per hour effective December 22, 2022.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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 603-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held on December 14, 2022.

**A MOTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION 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 Relating to Litigation, Negotiations and Attorney-Client Privilege*: Items to be discussed include: Status of various litigation: Status of W.M./C.C./R.M. Litigation, Jeffress Litigation, Selective Litigation, Russo's Litigation, Estate of Flad Litigation and Bastedo.
- (2) *Matters Relating to Collective Bargaining*: Items to be discussed include: Status of labor negotiations with FOP 170 - Superior Corrections Office, CWA 1032 – Prosecutor's Clerical and PBA 280 – Sheriff Officers.
- (3) *Matters Relating to the Employment Relationship*: Items to be discussed include: Employment of James Tipton, Warren County Board of Elections.

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.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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

RESOLUTION 604-22

On motion by **Mr. Kern**, seconded by **Ms. Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held December 14, 2022.

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING JAMES TIPTON TO THE POSITION OF
EMPLOYEE, BOARD OF ELECTIONS, UNCLASSIFIED,
WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY
BOARD OF ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of County Commissioners that James Tipton is hereby appointed to the position of *Employee, Board of Elections*, unclassified, as set forth under N.J.S.A. 19:32-27; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of County Commissioners that James Tipton is appointed *Employee, Board of Elections* at an annual salary of \$60,000.00 and made effective December 22, 2022.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

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