

MINUTES

MARCH 12, 2025

**These minutes were approved by the Board of County Commissions on March 26, 2025. 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 March 12, 2025 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 R. Kern, Commissioner Deputy Director Lori Ciesla and Commissioner Director Jason J. Sarnoski. Also attending were County Administrator Alex J. Lazorisak, County Counsel Joe Bell, County CFO Kim Francisco, County Director of Engineering Mike Finelli and Deputy Commissioner Clerk Tracy Matlock.

At this, time Mr. Sarnoski acknowledge the Scouts of America Troop #141 of Belvidere in attendance this evening. He asked the Scouts to lead us in the flag salute.

After the flag salute, Mr. Sarnoski confirmed with the County Administrator Alex J. Lazorisak that notice of this meeting was in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975.

Approval of Minutes

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, the minutes of Executive Session of February 26, 2025 were approved.

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT/PROCLAMATIONS

Mr. Kern was honored to read proclamation.

PROCLAMATION 138-25

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, HONORING JOSEPH FOX, SR. ON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE WARREN COUNTY FIRE ACADEMY.

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

Chief Fox was accompanied by his wife Denise and many family members, along with the Warren County Fire Academy Instructors and Board.

Mr. Kern congratulated Chief Fox on his retirement. Mr. Kern added, “The only thing I regret is that we accepted your resignation.” The number of lives impacted in Warren County, you cannot put a number on it. Joe has trained so many firefighters that have gone out into the community who then saved people’s lives. Mr. Kern continued, Chief Fox’s stamp on firefighting and public safety in this county is a legacy that he should be so proud of and not forgotten. Mr. Kern, thanked him for the service to this county and really hopes that he can stay busy with things that are not work related.

Ms. Ciesla echoed the sentiments of Mr. Kern. She thanked Chief Fox for all the dedicated years of service. She wished all the best in his retirement.

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Mr. Sarnoski agreed with his colleagues. Chief Fox will be sorely missed; he is a good friend to Warren County as well as a good friend to him. Mr. Sarnoski closed by thanking Chief Fox and wished a happy retirement.

Mr. Fox took the opportunity to say a few words. He introduced his family by name. He took this opportunity to thank his family for putting up with him over the last thirty-some years. He also thanked the instructors of the Fire Academy and the Commissioners. He thanked Dennis Riley for the last few years and making the fun. He looks forward to spending more time with his family.

Mr. Riley spoke of some of the things that he and Chief Fox had completed over the past four years, upgrades and changes to the academy. He continued, it has been a pleasure to work with him and he was an asset to the 9-1-1 center.

Chief Fox's colleagues congratulated him on his retirement.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

None.

FINANCIAL RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 139-25

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

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

RESOLUTION 140-25

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, TRANSFER IN THE 2024 BUDGET RESERVE APPROPRIATIONS

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

Mr. Francisco commented on Agenda Item D2, Transfer in the 2024 Budget Reserve Appropriations, this is transfer between the 2024 accounts only. We do this each year as needed.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 141-25

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FINANCIAL ADVISORY SUPPORT SERVICES SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE (PEQUEST RIVER) MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

RESOLUTION 142-25

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2025 MOTOR POOL VEHICLE ALLOCATION PLAN

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

RESOLUTION 143-25

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING USDA TO APPROVE CENTENARY UNIVERSITY'S LOAN APPLICATION

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

RESOLUTION 144-25

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE THE SUBCONTRACT AGREEMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 SUBREGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING WORK PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$99,740 BETWEEN THE NEW JERSEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, THE NORTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AUTHORITY, INC., AND THE COUNTY OF WARREN

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

RESOLUTION 145-25

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WARREN COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE TO APPLY AND ACCEPT FOR JAG 1-21TF-23 MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL COUNTY GANG, GUN AND NARCOTICS TASK FORCE WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAM, ADMINISTERED BY THE DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION, DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO INCORPORATE FUNDING AMOUNT OF \$36,116.00. WARREN COUNTY WILL PROVIDE A MATCH OF \$142,304.00 MAKING THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THIS PROGRAM \$178,420.00

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

Mr. Kern confirmed Agenda Item E5, resolution Authorizing Warren County Prosecutor's Office to apply and accept the mentioned grant, was in compliance with the Attorney General's liking. County Administration Lazorisak confirmed, yes this grant has been reviewed and in compliance.

Ms. Ciesla commented on Agenda Item E3, Resolution Encouraging USDA to Approve Centenary University's Loan Application, she hoping the university gets approval. This is the only university in the northwest part of New Jersey. Mr. Sarnoski added he had spoken with John Johnson, who is the Chair of the College Board, he is very grateful and mentioned this will help them out.

RESOLUTIONS APPROVING SPECIFICATIONS

RESOLUTION 146-25

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR 2023 RESURFACING & REHABILITATION OF COUNTY ROUTES #519, #625, #628, #632, #633, #638, #649 & #681 FRANKLIN, FRELINGHUYSEN, GREENWICH, HARMONY, POHATCONG, WASHINGTON & WHITE TOWNSHIPS CONTRACT #WC24120

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

RESOLUTION 147-25

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION APPROVING SPECIFICATIONS WC2518 AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE PROVISION OF TEMPORARY ENGINEERING SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE WARREN

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COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT AS PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACTS LAW 40A:11-15(1)

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

RESOLUTION 148-25

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION APPROVING SPECIFICATION WC2450A AND AUTHORIZATION TO RE-ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE WARREN COUNTY FIRE ACADEMY STORAGE BUILDING EXPANSION

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

RESOLUTION 149-25

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION APPROVING SPECIFICATIONS FOR WC2516 AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR PRINTING FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

RESOLUTION 150-25

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION APPROVING SPECIFICATIONS FOR WC2517 AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR RENTAL OF EQUIPMENT FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

RESOLUTIONS RECEIVING BIDS AND AWARDING CONTRACTS

RESOLUTION 151-25

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION EXTENDING CONTRACT WC2201 TO SANICO, LLC, FOR PICKUP AND DISPOSAL OF TRASH FROM COUNTY BUILDINGS FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2025 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026 FOR THE FOURTH YEAR OF A FIVE YEAR CONTRACT AS PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACTS LAW 40A:11-15(7) IN THE APPROXIMATE ANNUAL AMOUNT OF \$40,000.00

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

RESOLUTION 152-25

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION EXTENDING CONTRACT WC2304 ELEVATOR MAINTENANCE TO CHAMPION ELEVATOR CORP., FOR THE PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2025 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2026 FOR THE THIRD YEAR OF A THREE YEAR CONTRACT AS PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACTS LAW 40A:11-15(7) \$325.00, \$487.00 & \$650.00 (REGULAR, OVERTIME & HOLIDAY & SUNDAY HOURLY RATES) AN ESTIMATED TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$29,520.00 PER YEAR

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

RESOLUTION 153-25

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION EXTENDING CONTRACT WC2305 TO CHE MECHANICAL SERVICES, INC., FOR HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING MAINTENANCE AND SERVICE, FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2025 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026 FOR THE THIRD YEAR OF A THREE YEAR CONTRACT AS PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACTS LAW 40A:11-15(7) IN THE BASE AMOUNT OF \$3,950.00 WITH

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UNSCHEDULED MAINTENANCE TO BE BILLED AT FIXED LABOR CHARGES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$162.00, \$237.00 AND \$312.00 (REGULAR, OVERTIME AND HOLIDAY RATES) AND PARTS AT 20% ABOVE COST, APPROXIMATE TOTAL CONTRACT \$90,000.00

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

RESOLUTION 154-25

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO DELL COMPUTER CORP., FOR FIFTY PUBLIC COMPUTERS FOR THE FOUR WARREN COUNTY LIBRARY BRANCHES UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #M0483/24-TELE-71883, FOR THE WARREN COUNTY INFORMATION SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$52,763.00

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

RESOLUTION 155-25

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION AWARDDING CONTRACT WC2505 FOR LABORATORY TESTS FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING OFFICE OF THE WARREN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO LABORATORY CORPORATION OF AMERICAN HOLDINGS, FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2025 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026 IN THE APPROXIMATE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$7,399.23

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

RESOLUTION 156-25

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO CIOCCA FORD OF FLEMINGTON, FOR TWO 2024 FORD EXPEDITION XL 4X4'S UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #T2007 FOR THE WARREN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY IN THE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$106,150.10

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

RESOLUTION 157-25

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION AWARDDING CONTRACT WC2504 OFFICE SUPPLIES & ASSOCIATED PRODUCTS TO W.B. MASON COMPANY INC., FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2025 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026 WITH THE RIGHT TO EXTEND FOR ONE ADDITIONAL ONE YEAR PERIOD AS PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACTS LAW 40A:11-15 AT THE DISCOUNT RATE OF 45% FURNITURE & ACCESSORIES, 42% ELECTRONIC & COMPUTER SUPPLIES, 63% GENERAL SUPPLIES, 72% PAPER PRODUCTS & 33% MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS, AN ESTIMATED TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$250,000.00

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

RESIGNATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

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

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

RESOLUTION 158-25

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE POLLUTION CONTROL FINANCING AUTHORITY OF WARREN COUNTY

G. ERIC LOHMAN - TERM TO EXPIRE: 02/01/27

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 159-25

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN AND THE COMMUNICATIONS WORKERS OF AMERICA, AFL-CIO LOCAL 1032, WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES, FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2024 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2026

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

RESOLUTION 160-25

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION APPOINTING JILL ELLIS BUTCHER AS WARREN COUNTY LIBRARY DIRECTOR, CLASSIFIED, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE WARREN COUNTY LIBRARY COMMISSION

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

RESOLUTION 161-25

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION CREATING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF CONFIDENTIAL ASSISTANT, UNCLASSIFIED, WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, AND ABOLISHING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF CONFIDENTIAL ASSISTANT/OFFICE MANAGER, UNCLASSIFIED, WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, DIVISION OF ROADS

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

RESOLUTION 162-25

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, RESOLUTION CREATING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF ASSISTANT PLANNER, CLASSIFIED, AND ABOLISHING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF PRINCIPAL PLANNER, CLASSIFIED, WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

Mr. Kern thanked Mr. Lazorisak for getting the contract complete. As well as thanked Mr. Sarnoski for the appointment to the Library Director of Jill Butcher. The Board looks forward to working with her. Mr. Sarnoski added, he and Library Board Chair Liza Thomas and commission member Debbie Pasquarelli had been a part of the interviews. Ms. Butcher is a very qualified candidate, strong praise from the general public as well. Mr. Sarnoski thanked Ms. Butcher for taking the position and looks forward to working with her.

REPORTS AND COMMENTS

County Counsel Joe Bell had three items regards to litigation that falls outside of the Open Public Meetings Act for Executive Session this evening.

Director of Engineering Mike Finelli had a couple of items to report on this evening. He updated the Board on County Route #659, Spring Valley Road, Hardwick Township; project is on schedule and moving forward.

Secondly, Mr. Finelli provided an update regarding the 2022 resurfacing project. Preconstruction meeting will be taking place next week or the following week. Project will be moving forward soon after.

County Planner Dave Dech reminded the Board of the Complete Streets joint meeting with North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority and the county at the Warren County Library, Southwest Branch on Thursday, March 13 from 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

County Public Works Director Emily Hammer had no formal report this evening.

County CFO Kim Francisco announced he submitted the 2025 budget to the state for review. He is awaiting response.

At this time Mr. Francisco added, there was an article on WFMZ regarding the six (6) resolutions in regards to introducing the budget. One resolution in particular, Exceeding the Tax Levy, Mr. Kern wanted to go on record to clarify this resolution is done as a procedural resolution done each year. The state allows the counties to go up 2.5% but we can go up to 3.5% by resolution and bank any unused CAP space. We do this for the CAP space. The article led everyone to believe we are going to exceed the levy by \$629,000.00. He continued our budget is not going up one cent; the tax levy is not going up one cent. We did this resolution for banking provision. This is not money kept in our bank, it is number on a ledger kept in Trenton that will allow us to do this next year if we need it. If we don't need it, it lapses and goes away with no harm. Mr. Francisco reiterated, he does not want people to think they are raising taxes by \$629,000.00 more dollars than they could, this is not the case at all. Every town and county builds into their budget every year. This allows flexibility in case you need it for the future.

Mr. Sarnoski thanked Mr. Francisco for the explanation. We will discuss this again at budget adoption. This is procedural only.

Mr. Kern added, the state needs to include this in layman's terms for all to better understand.

Further discussion continued. Mr. Sarnoski added the media was contacted to have the article corrected.

County Administrator Alex Lazorisak had a couple of items for this evening. First item is the vacancy report, nothing out of the ordinary, slowly filling open positions. Secondly, he reminded the Board the upcoming meeting with the Vo-Tech Board of School Estimate Meeting, Wednesday, March 26, 2025 at 5:00 p.m., prior to next Commissioner meeting.

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Mr. Lazorisak and Mr. Francisco spoke to the Vo-Tech Superintendent about the roof project and bids. The additional monies will be held by the county and will be released accordingly.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Mr. Kern commented on Hackettstown has a sister city in Ireland. For the 200th Anniversary Mr. Kern would like to establish a relationship with the sister county in Ireland. He will provide more information after he reaches out.

Ms. Ciesla had a few items to discuss. First item, the Hackettstown St. Patrick's Day Parade and dinner, she thanked Hackettstown for doing a great job in bringing the people to the businesses.

Next, she announced she participated in Read Across America Day. Ms. Ciesla had visited Lopatcong and Pohatcong schools.

She reminded everyone of the Health and Wellness Field Day, will be held Friday, April 4, 2025 at the Warren County Vo-Tech School.

Lastly, she reminded everyone of the upcoming Bicentennial Community Day Event, will be held Saturday, June 28 with a rain date of Sunday, June 29, at the college campus in Washington with fireworks, all are welcome to attend.

Mr. Sarnoski only had one item to comment on, he participated in the Hackettstown St. Patrick's Parade, well-attended, great weather and over all a good job.

Lastly, Mr. Sarnoski reported on the correspondence received from Congressman Kean's office in support of the Explore Act, the resolution was passed at last Commissioner's meeting.

CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dennis Riley came before the Board to thank them for their support to the Fire Academy. The success of the Fire Academy would not be what it is without the Board's support. He continued this Board is a testament of what happens, with the budgets and ability to keep the academy rolling.

In closing Mr. Riley, thanked the Board for recognizing Chief Fox with a memorable event.

Mr. Sarnoski turned to Scout Troop #141, asking if any scouts had questions regarding the meeting. He thanked them all for being here this evening. Hearing no questions, he moved forward with the agenda.

PRESS COMMENTS & QUESTIONS

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLUTION 163-25

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 JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 at 6:29 p.m.

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

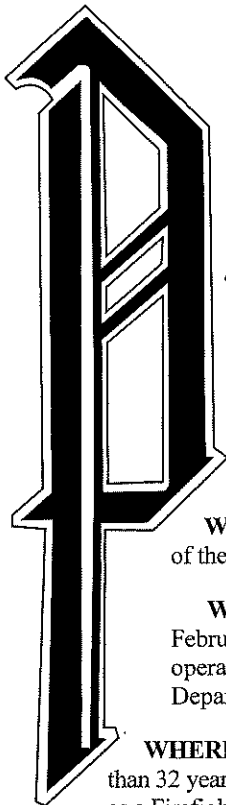
On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, the board adjourned Executive Session and returned to Open Session at 7:11 p.m.

Recorded vote: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason Sarnoski: yes

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, and there being no further business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

County of Warren
Board of County Commissioners



Proclamation

HONORING JOSEPH FOX, SR. ON HIS RETIREMENT
FROM THE WARREN COUNTY FIRE ACADEMY
MARCH 12, 2025

WHEREAS, the Warren County Fire Academy is a Division under the auspices of the Warren County Department of Public Safety; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Fox, Sr. retired as Fire Academy Training Coordinator on February 28, 2025, a position he held since 2006, overseeing all Academy operations and acting as chief liaison between the Fire Academy, the Public Safety Department, and Warren County Community College; and

WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of Warren County, Joseph Fox, Sr. has dedicated more than 32 years of service to public safety, having joined the Washington Fire Department as a Firefighter in 1992, and serving in the role of Chief from 2004-2005; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Fox, Sr. inspired a rich family legacy in the firefighting community, with his son, Joe Fox, Jr. (past Chief); nephew, Ronald Hartrum (current Fire Chief); and nieces, Destinee Hartrum (WCFA Instructor); and Stephanie Hartrum all following in his footsteps by serving in the Washington Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Fox, Sr. began his career at the Fire Academy in 1994 as a part-time instructor and subsequently presided over the graduation of 28 Firefighter 1 classes and five Firefighter 2 classes; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Fox, Sr. served as Washington Borough's Office of Emergency Management (OEM) Coordinator from 2014-2020, and as Deputy OEM Coordinator from March-December 2024; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, Joseph Fox, Sr. has exemplified the highest standards of public service, performing his duties with efficiency and professionalism; and

WHEREAS, as he embarks on his retirement, Joseph Fox, Sr. looks forward to spending more time with his wife, Denise, and the rest of his family - especially his five grandchildren.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren honors Joseph Fox, Sr. for his years of distinguished service, congratulates him on his retirement, and wishes him many happy years enjoying the next chapter of his life.

Jason J. Sarnoski, Director
Board of County Commissioners

Lori Ciesla, Deputy Director
Board of County Commissioners

James R. Kern III, Commissioner
Board of County Commissioners



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

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RESOLUTION 139-25

On motion by **James Kern III**, seconded by **Lori Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held March 12, 2025.

Be and it is hereby resolved that Master Voucher Certificate **For Certification / Ratification for Payments No. 2025-9 and 2025-10, dated March 12, 2025**, in the amount of **\$5,782,704.58** including payrolls, allowances, bills and investments, is approved subject to the review of the vouchers by the Board of County Commissioners.

2025-9	3/5/2025	\$1,407,472.98	
2025-10	3/12/2025	<u>982,620.36</u>	
TOTAL			\$2,390,093.34
Horizon (Prescription, Claims, Admin)	2/28/2025	\$1,173,247.15	
Aetna	2/28/2025	232,144.75	
Sun Life Financial	2/28/2025	69,020.23	
Synchrony Rx	2/28/2025	369,600.95	
Home Depot	3/7/2025	<u>6,112.77</u>	
TOTAL-OTHER			1,850,125.85
Payroll	3/6/2025	\$1,542,485.39	
TOTAL WAGES, FRINGE, MEALS			<u>1,542,485.39</u>
GRAND TOTAL			<u>\$5,782,704.58</u>

RECORDED VOTE: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, 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 140-25

On motion by **James Kern III**, seconded by **Lori Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held March 12, 2025.

TRANSFER IN THE 2024 BUDGET RESERVE APPROPRIATIONS

TO:	VARIOUS- OE	<u>\$ 517,000.00</u>
FROM:	VARIOUS- OE	\$ 127,000.00
	VARIOUS- S&W	<u>\$ 390,000.00</u>
		<u>\$ 517,000.00</u>

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-59 states that transfers can be made during the first 3 months of the year and

WHEREAS, by unforeseen demand there has arisen the necessity for expenditures to fulfill the purposes of the appropriations as stated in the 2024 Budget and Tax Levy in the following accounts:

VARIOUS - OE	<u>\$ 517,000.00</u>
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and there being an excess in appropriations heretofore made as follows:

VARIOUS- OE	\$ 127,000.00
VARIOUS- S&W	<u>\$ 390,000.00</u>
	<u>\$ 517,000.00</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 2024 Budget Reserve Appropriations be made:

TO:	011250 R5029	ELECTION BOARD OE	\$ 50,000.00
	011400 R5029	INFO SYSTEMS OE	\$ 190,000.00
	011700 R5029	PUBLIC INFO OE	\$ 5,000.00
	011751 R5029	CULTURAL & HERITAGE OE	\$ 200,000.00
	012750 R5029	PROSECUTORS OE	\$ 15,000.00
	013100 R5100	BUILDINGS & GROUNDS OE	\$ 30,000.00
	014450 R5072	WATER	\$ 12,000.00
	014470 R5070	FUEL OIL	<u>\$ 15,000.00</u>
		TOTAL OE	<u>\$ 517,000.00</u>
		TOTAL TO	<u>\$ 517,000.00</u>

FROM:	011400 R5011	INFO SYSTEMS S&W	\$ 60,000.00
	012750 R5011	PROSECUTOR S&W	\$ 15,000.00
	012950 R5011	BRIDGE S&W	\$ 130,000.00
	013100 R5011	BUILDING & GROUNDS S&W	\$ 160,000.00

014250 R5011	PROVISIONAL SALARY ADJUST, S&W	\$ 25,000.00
	TOTAL S&W	<u>\$ 390,000.00</u>
FROM:		
012770 R5029	JUVENILE DETENTION OE	\$ 100,000.00
014550 R5078	SEWERAGE CHARGES	<u>\$ 27,000.00</u>
	TOTAL OE	<u>\$ 127,000.00</u>
	TOTAL FROM	<u>\$517,000.00</u>

RECORDED VOTE: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason 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 141-25

On a motion by **James Kern III**, seconded by **Lori Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held March 12, 2025.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FINANCIAL ADVISORY SUPPORT
SERVICES SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE (PEQUEST
RIVER) MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY**

WHEREAS, the Warren County Pequest River Municipal Utilities Authority has a need for a Chief Financial Officer to provide financial advisory support, and the County has the ability to make the services of its Chief Financial Officer and additional support staff available to provide such services in consideration of payment therefor on an hourly basis at the hourly rate approved by the County for these County employees.

WHEREAS, the County is authorized, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq. to enter into a Shared Services Agreement with the Warren County Pequest River Municipal Utilities Authority to contract for said services.

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

The County shall make available to the Warren County PRMUA the services of its Chief Financial Officer, and additional support staff, as needed, in accordance with the terms of the Financial Advisory Support Services Shared Services Agreement attached as Exhibit A hereto.

Said Agreement is amended as to Article VI: Term of Agreement to be in effect February 1, 2025 and terminating on February 1, 2030.

RECORDED VOTE: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason 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
(E1)

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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RESOLUTION 142-25

On a motion by **James Kern III**, seconded by **Lori Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held March 12, 2025.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2025 MOTOR POOL VEHICLE
ALLOCATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, on October 1, 1992 The Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders adopted The Warren County Motor Vehicle Policy; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of such policy is to clearly communicate the assignment and utilization of vehicles owned, leased or contracted in Warren County; and

WHEREAS, a Vehicle Allocation Plan within the Warren County Motor Vehicle Policy is to set forth the number of vehicles that will comprise the county's vehicle fleet by department; and

WHEREAS, each year the County Administrator will review, update and make recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners for adoption.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of the County Warren that the 2025 Motor Pool Vehicle Allocation Plan dated February 26, 2025 be approved.

RECORDED VOTE: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason 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

(E2)

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RESOLUTION 143-25

On a motion by **James Kern III**, seconded by **Lori Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held March 12, 2025.

**RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING USDA TO APPROVE CENTENARY
UNIVERSITY'S LOAN APPLICATION**

WHEREAS, Centenary University, the only university in Northwest New Jersey, has evolved from a preparatory school to a women's college for girls into a comprehensive, coeducational liberal arts university; and

WHEREAS, since 1867 Centenary University has been located in Hackettstown, New Jersey, and employs more than 400 people, educates 1,400 students and has more than 10,000 alumni who live and work in New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Centenary University is an economic driver for the Warren County region with an economic impact totaling more than \$236.2 million annually which includes \$157.4 million direct and \$78.9 million indirect economic benefits to the local community and the region; and

WHEREAS, Centenary University offers 42 undergraduate and graduate degree programs, numerous certificates and professional development opportunities and prioritizes innovative educational practices and academic excellence across its programs; and

WHEREAS, Centenary University is adding tangible benefits to Hackettstown by operating the Centenary Institute of Entrepreneurship through which students provide free consulting, education and networking support for the local businesses in the Business Improvement District (BID); and

WHEREAS, Centenary University seeks a 12-million-dollar loan from the USDA and has demonstrated its ability to support such loan in order to future proof the 157-year old University and maintain a strong partnership with its local communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that do to Centenary University's importance to Warren County and the State of New Jersey that the Warren County Board of County Commissioners encourage the USDA to approve Centenary's loan application.

RECORDED VOTE: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason 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
(E3)

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RESOLUTION 144-25

On a motion by **James Kern III**, seconded by **Lori Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held March 12, 2025.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE THE SUBCONTRACT AGREEMENT FOR
FISCAL YEAR 2025 SUBREGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING
WORK PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$99,740 BETWEEN THE NEW
JERSEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, THE NORTH JERSEY
TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AUTHORITY, INC., AND THE COUNTY
OF WARREN**

WHEREAS, in order to improve Subregional or county transportation planning, the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority has initiated programs to pass Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration funds through to individual counties to supplement existing state and regional planning efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Subregional Transportation Planning (STP) efforts are aimed at developing staff capability and improving institutional systems in the Warren County Planning Department; and

WHEREAS, these Programs are jointly administered by the New Jersey Institute of Technology and the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority, Inc., (NJIT/NJTPA), and have been undertaken in Warren County by the Warren County Planning Department; and

WHEREAS, Warren County's proposed STP for Fiscal Year 2025 follow a specific program designed jointly by the Warren County Planning Department, New Jersey Institute of Technology, and the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Warren County's proposed STP and SS Programs for Fiscal Year 2025 have been approved by the NJIT/NJTPA; and

WHEREAS, the NJIT/NJTPA allocated \$99,740.00 for the STP Program as outlined in Chapter II of the FY 2025 Unified Work Program for Warren County; and

WHEREAS, under the subcontract, Warren County is authorized to incur costs, starting July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025 to a maximum of \$99,740; and

WHEREAS, the 100% of the STP amount consists of Federal Highway Administration planning funds; and

WHEREAS, the funding level and the contract agreement are subject to adjustment based on the availability of federal funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The agreement for the Subregional Transportation Planning and Supplemental Support

programs for FY 2025 between the County of Warren, the New Jersey Institute of Technology, and the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority, Inc., is approved subject to adjustment based on the availability of federal funds.

2. The Commissioner Director is hereby directed to execute said agreement.
3. Costs incurred under the Subregional Transportation Planning Program shall not exceed \$99,740.

RECORDED VOTE: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason 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
(E4)

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RESOLUTION 145-25

On a motion by **James Kern III**, seconded by **Lori Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held March 12, 2025.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WARREN COUNTY
PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE TO APPLY AND ACCEPT FOR JAG 1-21TF-23
MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL COUNTY GANG, GUN AND NARCOTICS
TASK FORCE WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY FEDERAL GRANT
PROGRAM, ADMINISTERED BY THE DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION,
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO INCORPORATE
FUNDING AMOUNT OF \$36,116.00. WARREN COUNTY WILL PROVIDE
A MATCH OF \$142,304.00 MAKING THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THIS
PROGRAM \$178,420.00**

WHEREAS, Warren County wishes to apply and accept funding of \$36,116.00. The award period is July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

WHEREAS, the Warren County Administration Department has reviewed the accompanying application and has approved said request from the Warren County Prosecutor's Office; and

WHEREAS, the project is a joint effort between the Office of the Attorney General, 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.
3. The Office of the Attorney General Department of Law and Public Safety shall be responsible for the receipt, review and approvals of the applications for said funds.
4. The Office of the Attorney General Department of Law and Public Safety shall initiate allocations to each applicant as authorized.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners agrees to provide in-kind matching funds up to \$142,304.00. Pursuant to the match requirements for the grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED The Board of County Commissioners authorizes the Acting Prosecutor and the County Administrator to execute the application authorization.

RECORDED VOTE: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason 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
(E5)

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RESOLUTION 146-25

On a motion by **James Kern III**, seconded by **Lori Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held March 12, 2025.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND
AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR 2023
RESURFACING & REHABILITATION OF COUNTY ROUTES #519, #625,
#628, #632, #633, #638, #649 & #681 FRANKLIN, FRELINGHUYSEN,
GREENWICH, HARMONY, POHATCONG, WASHINGTON & WHITE
TOWNSHIPS CONTRACT #WC24120**

BE IT RESOLVED that the plans and specifications for Contract #WC24120 for the 2023 Resurfacing & Rehabilitation of County Routes #519, #625, #628, #632, #633, #638, #649 & #681 Franklin, Frelinghuysen, Greenwich, Harmony, Pohatcong, Washington & White Townships are hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Engineer is hereby directed to advertise for proposals for the above project at least 10 days prior to the receipt of bids in

THE STAR-LEDGER

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

ADVERTISING DATE – To Be Determined, once approved by NJDOT

BIDS TO BE RECEIVED - To Be Determined, once approved by NJDOT

AWARD DATE - To Be Determined, once approved by NJDOT

RECORDED VOTE: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason 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

(F1)

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RESOLUTION 147-25

On a motion by **James Kern III**, seconded by **Lori Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held March 12, 2025.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING SPECIFICATIONS WC2518 AND
AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE PROVISION OF
TEMPORARY ENGINEERING SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE WARREN
COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT AS PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL
PUBLIC CONTRACTS LAW 40A:11-15(1)**

BE IT RESOLVED, that specification WC2518 for the provision of temporary Engineering support services for the Warren County Planning Department is hereby approved.

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

Funding for this contract will be provided in budget account 011650/5029

RECORDED VOTE: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason 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
(F2)

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RESOLUTION 148-25

On a motion by **James Kern III**, seconded by **Lori Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held March 12, 2025.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING SPECIFICATION WC2450A AND
AUTHORIZATION TO RE-ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE WARREN
COUNTY FIRE ACADEMY STORAGE BUILDING EXPANSION**

BE IT RESOLVED, that specification WC2450A for the Warren County Fire Academy storage building expansion is hereby approved

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

Funds for this contract will be provided in capital account 0424A506/5062

RECORDED VOTE: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason 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

(F3)

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RESOLUTION 149-25

On a motion by **James Kern III**, seconded by **Lori Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held March 12, 2025.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING SPECIFICATIONS FOR WC2516 AND
AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR PRINTING FOR THE
PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026**

BE IT RESOLVED, that specification WC2516 for printing is hereby approved.

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

Funds for this contract will be provided in individual department budget accounts.

RECORDED VOTE: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason 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 150-25

On a motion by **James Kern III**, seconded by **Lori Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held March 12, 2025.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING SPECIFICATIONS FOR WC2517 AND
AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR RENTAL OF
EQUIPMENT FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS
DEPARTMENT FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30,
2026**

BE IT RESOLVED, that specification WC2517 for rental of equipment is hereby approved.

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

Funds for this contract will be provided in budget account 012900/5084 – Roads Equipment Rental

RECORDED VOTE: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason 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
(F5)

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RESOLUTION 151-25

On a motion by **James Kern III**, seconded by **Lori Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held March 12, 2025.

**RESOLUTION EXTENDING CONTRACT WC2201 TO SANICO, LLC, FOR
PICKUP AND DISPOSAL OF TRASH FROM COUNTY BUILDINGS FOR
THE PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2025 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026 FOR THE
FOURTH YEAR OF A FIVE YEAR CONTRACT AS PROVIDED BY THE
LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACTS LAW 40A:11-15(7) IN THE
APPROXIMATE ANNUAL AMOUNT OF \$40,000.00**

BE IT RESOLVED, that Warren County Contract WC2201 for pick up and disposal of trash is extended for the fourth year as provided by the Local Public Contracts Law 40A:11-15(7) said contract is hereby extended for the period of May 1, 2025 through April 30, 2026

to . . . Sanico, LLC, Delaware, New Jersey

In the approximate amount of . . . \$40,000.00

as per their bid submitted . . . March 16, 2022

Funding for this contract has been provided in budget accounts 013100/5029-Buildings & Grounds Contracted Services, 012900/5029- Road Maintenance Contracted Services, 153901/5029-Library Administration Contracted Services

RECORDED VOTE: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason 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
(H1)

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RESOLUTION 152-25

On a motion by **James Kern III**, seconded by **Lori Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held March 12, 2025.

**RESOLUTION EXTENDING CONTRACT WC2304 ELEVATOR
MAINTENANCE TO CHAMPION ELEVATOR CORP., FOR THE PERIOD
OF APRIL 1, 2025 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2026 FOR THE THIRD YEAR
OF A THREE YEAR CONTRACT AS PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL
PUBLIC CONTRACTS LAW 40A:11-15(7) \$325.00, \$487.00 & \$650.00
(REGULAR, OVERTIME & HOLIDAY & SUNDAY HOURLY RATES) AN
ESTIMATED TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$29,520.00 PER YEAR**

BE IT RESOLVED, that Warren County Contract WC2304 for elevator maintenance is hereby extended for the third year of a three year contract as provided by the Local Public Contracts Law 40A:11-15(7) said contract is hereby extended for the period of April 1, 2025 through March 31, 2026

to . . . Champion Elevator Corp., New York, NY

In the estimated amount of . . . \$29,520.00

as per their bid submitted . . . February 22, 2023

Funding for this contract has been provided in budget accounts 013100/5029 – Buildings & Grounds Contracted Services, 013112/5029 – Buildings & Grounds Annex Contracted Services

RECORDED VOTE: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason 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
(H2)

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RESOLUTION 153-25

On a motion by **James Kern III**, seconded by **Lori Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held March 12, 2025.

RESOLUTION EXTENDING CONTRACT WC2305 TO CHE MECHANICAL SERVICES, INC., FOR HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING MAINTENANCE AND SERVICE, FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2025 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026 FOR THE THIRD YEAR OF A THREE YEAR CONTRACT AS PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACTS LAW 40A:11-15(7) IN THE BASE AMOUNT OF \$3,950.00 WITH UNSCHEDULED MAINTENANCE TO BE BILLED AT FIXED LABOR CHARGES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$162.00, \$237.00 AND \$312.00 (REGULAR, OVERTIME AND HOLIDAY RATES) AND PARTS AT 20% ABOVE COST, APPROXIMATE TOTAL CONTRACT \$90,000.00

BE IT RESOLVED, that Warren County Contract WC2305 for heating and air conditioning maintenance and service for the second year of a three year contract as provided by the Local Public Contracts Law 40A:11-15(7) said contract is hereby extended for the period of May 1, 2025 through April 30, 2026

to . . . Che Mechanical Services, Inc., Easton, Pennsylvania

In the approximate amount of . . . \$90,000.00

as per their bid submitted . . . March 28, 2023

Funding for this contract has been provided in budget account 013100/5024 – Buildings & Grounds Maintenance Facility – Maintenance Repair and Cleaning

RECORDED VOTE: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason 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
(H3)

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RESOLUTION 154-25

On a motion by **James Kern III**, seconded by **Lori Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held March 12, 2025.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO
DELL COMPUTER CORP., FOR FIFTY PUBLIC COMPUTERS FOR THE
FOUR WARREN COUNTY LIBRARY BRANCHES UNDER NEW JERSEY
STATE CONTRACT #M0483/24-TELE-71883, FOR THE WARREN
COUNTY INFORMATION SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT IN THE TOTAL
CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$52,763.00**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase for fifty public computers for the four Warren County Library Branches for the Warren County Information System Department and is hereby awarded

to . . . Dell Computer Corp., Austin, Texas

in the amount of . . . \$52,763.00

at the prices established under New Jersey State Contract #M0483/24-Tele-71883

Funding for this contract is provided in account 153901/5059

RECORDED VOTE: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason 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
(H4)

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RESOLUTION 155-25

On a motion by **James Kern III**, seconded by **Lori Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held March 12, 2025.

**RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT WC2505 FOR LABORATORY
TESTS FOR THE WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING
OFFICE OF THE WARREN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO
LABORATORY CORPORATION OF AMERICAN HOLDINGS, FOR THE
PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2025 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026 IN THE
APPROXIMATE CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$7,399.23**

BE IT RESOLVED, that contract WC2505 for laboratory tests for the Warren County Public Health Nursing Office of the Warren County Health Department is hereby awarded

to . . . Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings, Raritan, New Jersey

in the approximate amount of . . . \$7,399.23

as per their bid submitted . . . February 19, 2025

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

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

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

RECORDED VOTE: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason 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
(H5)

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RESOLUTION 156-25

On a motion by **James Kern III**, seconded by **Lori Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held March 12, 2025.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO
CIOCCA FORD OF FLEMINGTON, FOR TWO 2024 FORD EXPEDITION
XL 4X4'S UNDER NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT #T2007 FOR THE
WARREN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND THE WARREN
COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY IN THE CONTRACT
AMOUNT OF \$106,150.10**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the purchasing department is authorized to issue a purchase order for two Ford Expeditions XL 4X4's for the Warren County Health Department and the Warren County Department of Public Safety, and is hereby awarded

to . . . Ciocca Ford of Flemington, Flemington, New Jersey

in the amount of . . . \$106,150.10

at the prices established under New Jersey State Contract#T2007

Funding for this contract has been provided in account/s 0417A607/5050-0418A611/5050-0420A602/5050-0420A616/5050

RECORDED VOTE: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason 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

(H6)

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RESOLUTION 157-25

On a motion by **James Kern III**, seconded by **Lori Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held March 12, 2025.

RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT WC2504 OFFICE SUPPLIES & ASSOCIATED PRODUCTS TO W.B. MASON COMPANY INC., FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2025 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2026 WITH THE RIGHT TO EXTEND FOR ONE ADDITIONAL ONE YEAR PERIOD AS PROVIDED BY THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACTS LAW 40A:11-15 AT THE DISCOUNT RATE OF 45% FURNITURE & ACCESSORIES, 42% ELECTRONIC & COMPUTER SUPPLIES, 63% GENERAL SUPPLIES, 72% PAPER PRODUCTS & 33% MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS, AN ESTIMATED TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$250,000.00

BE IT RESOLVED, that contract WC2504 for office supplies for County Departments is hereby awarded

to . . . W. B. Mason Company, Inc., Brockton, Massachusetts

in the approximate amount of . . . \$250,000.00

as per their bid submitted . . . February 19, 2025

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

Funding for this contract will be provided in individual department budget accounts

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

RECORDED VOTE: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason 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 158-25

On motion by **James Kern III**, seconded by **Lori Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held March 12, 2025.

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE
POLLUTION CONTROL FINANCING AUTHORITY
OF WARREN COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the resolution of the County of Warren, entitled "Resolution Creating the Pollution Control Financing Authority of Warren", adopted August 14, 1974, has become and is fully effective and the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners has filed a certified copy thereof in the Office of the Secretary of State of New Jersey as provided in Section 4 (e) of the New Jersey Industrial Pollution Control Financing Law, and there has been duly created and there is validly existing the Pollution Control Financing Authority of Warren County, a body corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey, pursuant to said New Jersey Industrial Pollution Control Financing Law; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of County Commissioners must file with the Secretary of State of the State of New Jersey a resolution appointing or replacing members of the Authority; and

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

Section 1. The following person is appointed as a member of the Pollution Control Financing Authority of Warren County to serve for a term expiring on the first day of February of the year set opposite his name:

G. Eric Lohman Term to expire: February 1, 2027

Section 2. A copy of this resolution, duly certified by the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren shall forthwith be filed by said Clerk in the Office of the Secretary of State of the State of New Jersey.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect February 2, 2023.

RECORDED VOTE: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason 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
(12)

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

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RESOLUTION 159-25

On a motion by **James Kern III**, seconded by **Lori Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held March 12, 2025.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD TO
EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN AND THE
COMMUNICATIONS WORKERS OF AMERICA, AFL-CIO LOCAL 1032,
WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES, FOR THE PERIOD OF
JANUARY 1, 2024 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2026**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren and the Communications Workers of America, AFL-CIO Local 1032, Warren County Public Health Nurses, have completed labor negotiations and have agreed to the terms and conditions of employment;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren, that the Director of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement between the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren and the Communications Workers of America, AFL-CIO Local 1032, Warren County Public Health Nurses, for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2026.

RECORDED VOTE: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason 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
(J1)

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RESOLUTION 160-25

On a motion by **James Kern III**, seconded by **Lori Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held March 12, 2025.

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING JILL ELLIS BUTCHER AS WARREN
COUNTY LIBRARY DIRECTOR, CLASSIFIED, AS RECOMMENDED BY
THE WARREN COUNTY LIBRARY COMMISSION**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of County Commissioners that Jill Ellis Butcher be appointed to the position of Warren County Library Director, Classified, effective March 13, 2025, at an annual salary of \$100,500 as recommended by the Warren County Library Commission and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:33-8.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Jill Ellis Butcher will maintain her accrued sick and vacation time and Retirement Health Insurance/Medical Benefits in accordance with meeting previously established guidelines as outlined in the Warren County Personnel Policies.

RECORDED VOTE: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason 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
(J2)

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RESOLUTION 161-25

On a motion by **James Kern III**, seconded by **Lori Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held March 12, 2025.

RESOLUTION CREATING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF CONFIDENTIAL ASSISTANT, UNCLASSIFIED, WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, AND ABOLISHING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF CONFIDENTIAL ASSISTANT/OFFICE MANAGER, UNCLASSIFIED, WITHIN THE WARREN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, DIVISION OF ROADS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren, that a full-time position of *Confidential Assistant*, unclassified, is created within the Warren County Department of Public Works, as set forth under N.J.S.A. 11:A3-5(m), and that Jason Abelman is hereby appointed to the position to enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of operations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of County Commissioners that Jason Abelman will maintain his current salary and benefits including personal, vacation, and sick leave allowances, in accordance with the previously established policy of the County of Warren; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of County Commissioners that the full-time position of *Confidential Assistant/Office Manager*, unclassified, within the Warren County Department of Public Works, Division of Roads is hereby abolished.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of County Commissioners that the full-time position of *Confidential Assistant*, unclassified, within the Warren County Department of Public Works and the appointment of Jason Abelman are made effective March 13, 2025.

RECORDED VOTE: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason 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
(J3)

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RESOLUTION 162-25

On a motion by **James Kern III**, seconded by **Lori Ciesla**, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held March 12, 2025.

**RESOLUTION CREATING A FULL-TIME POSITION OF ASSISTANT
PLANNER, CLASSIFIED, AND ABOLISHING A FULL-TIME POSITION
OF PRINCIPAL PLANNER, CLASSIFIED, WITHIN THE WARREN
COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of County Commissioners that a full-time position of *Assistant Planner*, classified, is created within the Warren County Planning Department 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 *Principal Planner*, classified, is hereby abolished.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Warren County Board of County Commissioners that a full-time position of *Assistant Planner*, classified, is created and established on AFSCME Local 3287, Range 1440, and made effective March 13, 2025.

RECORDED VOTE: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason 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
(J4)

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RESOLUTION 163-25

On motion by **James Kern III**, seconded by **Lori Ciesla**, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held on March 12, 2025.

**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: Liaci Litigation, Bullock Litigation and Boyce Litigation.
- (2) *Matters Relating to the Purchase, Lease or Acquisition of Real Property*: Covanta Site, Bastedo Property and Block 105 Lots 2 and 46.

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: James Kern III, Lori Ciesla, Jason 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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