

**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN**  
**TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
**April 20, 2023 7:00 PM**

Clerk Reese read the following statement:

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting was provided on January 12, 2023; publication in the Echoes Sentinel, sending written notices to the Courier News and Star Ledger and posting on the Bulletin Board in the Municipal Building and filing with the Township Clerk.

This meeting is broadcasted live on the Township's website and our Facebook page. It is also broadcasted live on the Access Channel and will be taped for rebroadcast. Everyone is required to comply with the policies and procedures governing access programming for the Access Channel. No mention of political affiliation or political advertising shall take place at this meeting or it will be deleted from any rebroadcast of the meeting.

Public comments at the public hearings for ordinances and resolutions as well as agenda items, are limited to 3 minutes per person, unless extended discussion is permitted by the Mayor.

Mayor DiNardo called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM

**ROLL CALL:** Committeeman Croson, Committeewoman Lontai, Committeeman Sordillo, Deputy Mayor Lazo and Mayor DiNardo were all present.

All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PRESENTATION:** WHRHS 2023-2024 Budget Presentation by Business Administrator Tim Styes and Superintendent Elizabeth Jewett. Tax increase to residents for the average home in 2023 (\$824,594) is \$38.47 per home.

Committeeman Sordillo made a motion to approve the Township Committee Minutes for the Regular & Executive Minutes of the March 16, 2023 Meeting. Seconded by Committeeman Croson. Voice Vote: All in favor.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

Committeewoman Lontai read the following ordinance by title for final adoption:

**ORDINANCE NO. 23-05** (Public Hearing / Adoption)

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$125,000.00, TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR REVISIONS TO THE MASTER PLAN

Mayor DiNardo Opened the Public Hearing. Shelly Molnar of Stoningham Drive requested information on the procedure for the Master Plan which both Attorney Lehrer and Deputy Mayor Lazo addressed.

As there were no additional comments, he closed the public hearing and asked for a motion to adopt. Committeewoman Lontai made a Motion to adopt. Seconded by Committeeman Sordillo. Roll call: Committeeman Croson, yes; Committeewoman Lontai, yes; Committeeman Sordillo, yes; Deputy Mayor Lazo, yes and Mayor DiNardo, yes

Committeeman Croson read the following ordinance by title for final adoption:

**ORDINANCE NO. 23-06** (Public Hearing / Adoption)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WARREN, SOMERSET COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, CREATING NEW SECTION 2-14.6A ENTITLED "SEWER USE FEES" OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WARREN

Mayor DiNardo opened the public hearing and as there were no comments, closed the public hearing and called for a motion to adopt. Committeeman Croson made a motion to adopt. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Lazo. Roll call: Committeeman Croson, yes; Committeewoman Lontai, yes; Committeeman Sordillo, yes; Deputy Mayor Lazo, yes and Mayor DiNardo, yes.

Committeeman Sordillo read the following ordinance by title for final adoption:

**ORDINANCE NO. [23-07](#)** (Public Hearing / Adoption)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WARREN, COUNTY OF SOMERSET, STATE OF NEW JERSEY REPEALING SECTION 15-10A OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WARREN TITLED " FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION"; TO ADOPT A NEW SECTION 15-10A TITLED "FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT"; TO ADOPT FLOOD HAZARD MAPS; TO DESIGNATE A FLOODPLAIN ADMINISTRATOR; AND TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor DiNardo opened the public hearing. Joe Faro of Sage Drive had questions about the ordinance, which Attorney Lehrer responded to and noted that this is a state mandate and that this Ordinance needed to be approved by the DEP. As there were no further comments, Mayor DiNardo closed the public hearing and asked for a motion to adopt.

Committeeman Sordillo made a Motion to adopt, seconded by Committeewoman Lontai. Roll call: Committeeman Croson, yes; Committeewoman Lontai, yes; Committeeman Sordillo, yes; Deputy Mayor Lazo, yes and Mayor DiNardo, yes.

Deputy Mayor Lazo read the following statement in full:

**PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION  
PREQUALIFICATION REGULATIONS FOR PHASE 3 INTERIOR  
RESTORATION AND SITE IMPROVEMENTS AT THE HISTORIC MOUNT  
BETHEL BAPTIST MEETING HOUSE, WARREN, NEW JERSEY**

We are opening the public hearing on the proposed regulations to prequalify contractors for the restoration of the Mount Bethel Baptist Meeting House. The procedure to prequalify contractors is found in Section 25 of the Local Public Contracts Law and is being followed.

Notice of this public hearing before the Township of Warren Township Committee was published in the Echoes-Sentinel and Courier News on March 30, 2023.

Copies of the Prequalification Regulations, Bidder's Questionnaire and Project Fact Sheet have been on file with the Township Clerk since March 30, 2023 and made available to the public or other interested parties since then at no cost and have been available at the office of Margaret Westfield, the architect for the restoration.

The Township received a grant from the New Jersey Historic Preservation Trust to complete Phase 3 of the Mount Bethel Baptist Meeting House Restoration.

In order for the Township to receive bids from contractors qualified to perform restoration work, the New Jersey Historic Preservation Trust requires that prospective contractors be prequalified to be eligible to submit a bid and, this in turn, requires that the Township adopt Prequalification Regulations which are then reviewed and approved by the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services.

On January 26, 2023, the Township Committee adopted Resolution #2023-058 authorizing the preparation of Prequalification Regulations, the scheduling of a public

hearing on those Regulations by the Township Committee and publication of a Notice of public hearing.

As stated, this is the public hearing on those Regulations by the Township Committee.

If anyone in the public wishes to make comments on those Regulations, now is the time. Please come to the podium and spell and state your name.

As there were no comments from the public, Mayor DiNardo closed the Public Hearing.

Deputy Mayor Lazo read the following Resolution by title:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-101**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WARREN, COUNTY OF SOMERSET, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROVING THE PROPOSED REGULATIONS TO PREQUALIFY CONTRACTORS FOR THE RESTORATION OF THE MOUNT BETHEL BAPTIST MEETING HOUSE AND APPROVING THAT RESTORATION

Deputy Mayor Lazo made a Motion to adopt, seconded by Committeewoman Lontai. Roll call: Committeeman Croson, yes; Committeewoman Lontai, yes; Committeeman Sordillo, yes; Deputy Mayor Lazo, yes and Mayor DiNardo, yes.

**REPORTS OF TOWNSHIP OFFICES OR OFFICIALS:**

Joseph Passaro, Recreation Director updated the Township Committee on this year's accomplishments of the Recreation Dept.

- New Pavilion should be completed by the end of May, Grand Opening will be scheduled for June
- The upgrades to the playground and basketball courts should be completed by the end of May
- Tennis Courts will be ready for summer tennis lessons
- Duderstadt Field has been replaced
- Grant was received for Greenwood Meadows for the new playground/tennis and pickle ball courts
- Summer Teen Camp is already full
- Chair Yoga at the Library
- Summer Concert Series will start in July
- Fishing Derby is May 20<sup>th</sup>

He did note that they are in need of summer counselors

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

Committeewoman Lontai

- Library Reading Challenge starts June 12 through August 19
- Dept of Health says that May is Tick and Lyme Awareness month
- Mental Health First Aid Training starts May 11, "Empower Somerset"
- Rabies Clinic is May 6
- Police Department is recognizing April as Autism Awareness Month
- There will be Styrofoam Recycling during the Mini Dump this year

Committeeman Sordillo discussed the proposed legislation #5024 which protects elected officials that is currently moving through the Assembly and Senate.

Committeeman Croson reported that Recreation Committee is sponsoring Earth Day clean up on Saturday the 22<sup>nd</sup> from 3-5PM. He met with the Senior Advisory Committee and helped them with applications for a senior discount for EZPass

Committeeman Croson gave the Girl Scouts a tour of Town Hall in order for them to receive their "Inside Government" badge.

Deputy Mayor Lazo will be starting videos for the "Get to Know Your Departments" series in June.

**COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

2 Residents requested that the Social Media Policy be placed on the website

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Committeeman Croson read the following Resolutions in full:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-097 BILL LIST A**

Committeeman Croson made a motion to approve, seconded by Committeeman Sordillo. Roll call: Committeeman Croson, yes; Committeewoman Lontai, yes; Committeeman Sordillo, yes; Deputy Mayor Lazo, yes and Mayor DiNardo, yes.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-098 BILL LIST B**

Committeeman Croson made a motion to approve, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lazo. Roll call: Committeeman Croson, yes; Committeewoman Lontai, yes; Committeeman Sordillo, abstain; Deputy Mayor Lazo, yes and Mayor DiNardo, yes.

**COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS** – There were none at this time

**OLD BUSINESS** – There was none at this time

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Deputy Mayor Lazo read the following Ordinance by title for introduction:

**ORDINANCE NO. 23-08** (Introduction / First Reading)  
ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)  
CALENDAR YEAR 2023

Deputy Mayor Lazo made a Motion to adopt, seconded by Committeeman Sordillo. Roll call: Committeeman Croson, yes; Committeewoman Lontai, yes; Committeeman Sordillo, yes; Deputy Mayor Lazo, yes and Mayor DiNardo, yes.

Committeewoman Lontai read the following Ordinance by title for introduction:

**ORDINANCE NO. 23-09** (Introduction / First Reading)  
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE AMOUNT OF \$200,000 AS AN APPROPRIATION FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE OVERLAY OF VARIOUS ROADS. SAID FUNDING TO BE IN ADDITION TO FUNDS TO BE PROVIDED IN THE 2023 BUDGET.

Committeewoman Lontai made a Motion to adopt, seconded by Committeeman Croson. Roll call: Committeeman Croson, yes; Committeewoman Lontai, yes; Committeeman Sordillo, yes; Deputy Mayor Lazo, yes and Mayor DiNardo, yes.

Committeeman Croson read the following Ordinance by title for introduction:

**ORDINANCE NO. 23-10** (Introduction / First Reading)  
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE AMOUNT OF \$20,000 AS AN APPROPRIATION FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR RENOVATION OF THE STAFF RESTROOM AT THE ROBERT LA MAIRE LIBRARY BUILDING

Committeeman Croson made a Motion to adopt, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lazo. Roll call: Committeeman Croson, yes; Committeewoman Lontai, yes; Committeeman Sordillo, yes; Deputy Mayor Lazo, yes and Mayor DiNardo, yes.

Committeeman Sordillo read the following Ordinance by title for introduction:

**ORDINANCE NO. 23-11** (Introduction / First Reading)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE AMOUNT OF \$35,000 AS AN APPROPRIATION FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF A RADIO REPEATER FOR USE BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, FIRE DEPARTMENT AND RESCUE SQUAD.

Committeeman Sordillo made a Motion to adopt, seconded by Committeewoman Lontai. Roll call: Committeeman Croson, yes; Committeewoman Lontai, yes; Committeeman Sordillo, yes; Deputy Mayor Lazo, yes and Mayor DiNardo, yes.

Committeewoman Lontai read the following Ordinance by title for introduction:

**ORDINANCE NO. 23-12** (Introduction / First Reading)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000 AS AN APPROPRIATION FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF FIXED CAMERA PLATE READERS FOR USE BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Committeewoman Lontai made a Motion to adopt, seconded by Committeeman Sordillo. Roll call: Committeeman Croson, yes; Committeewoman Lontai, yes; Committeeman Sordillo, yes; Deputy Mayor Lazo, yes and Mayor DiNardo, yes.

Public hearing for the above Ordinance Numbers 8-12, will be May 18, 2023 at 7:00 PM

Deputy Mayor Lazo read the following Resolution by title

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-099**

AMENDING 2023 TEMPORARY BUDGET

Deputy Mayor Lazo made a Motion to adopt, seconded by Committeewoman Lontai. Roll call: Committeeman Croson, yes; Committeewoman Lontai, yes; Committeeman Sordillo, yes; Deputy Mayor Lazo, yes and Mayor DiNardo, yes.

Committeeman Sordillo read the following Resolution in full:

**2023 BUDGET INTRODUCTION**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-100**

MUNICIPAL BUDGET OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WARREN, COUNTY OF SOMERSET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2023

Committeeman Sordillo made a Motion to approve, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lazo. Discussion: Administrator Krane announced that the budget will be posted on the website on April 27, 2023. The increase for the average household, based on an assessed value \$824,500.00 is \$62.00 per household.

Roll call: Committeeman Croson, yes; Committeewoman Lontai, yes; Committeeman Sordillo, yes; Deputy Mayor Lazo, yes and Mayor DiNardo, yes.

*Public Hearing is scheduled for May 18, 2023*

**CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS:**

Resolutions No. 2023-102 through No. 2023-121 were submitted to the Township Committee for review and may be adopted by one motion. These resolutions are

listed on the agenda for review and a complete copy made available in the Township Clerk's office.

- 2023-102            AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF WARREN TO ENTER INTO THE NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING ALLIANCE COOPERATIVE PRICING AGREEMENT
- 2023-103            PERSON TO PERSON TRANSFER OF PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LIQUOR LICENSE NO. 1820-36-014-006
- 2023-104            WARREN PARK AND RIDE EXTENSION AGREEMENT
- 2023-105            AUTHORIZING THE SPECIAL TAX APPEAL ATTORNEY TO ENTER INTO A STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT RELATIVE TO THE TAX APPEAL CAPTIONED CROWN REAL ESTATE HOLDINGS, INC. VS. TOWNSHIP OF WARREN, TAX COURT OF NEW JERSEY, DOCKET NO. 007622-2019.
- 2023-106            AWARD OF CONTRACT TO TREETOP PRODUCTS, INC.
- 2023-107            CANCELING TAXES FOR BLOCK 198, LOT 37
- 2023-108            GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE UNITED STATES EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION'S "Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964"
- 2023-109            AWARD OF CONTRACT TO VARIOUS VENDORS FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT TURNOUT GEAR
- 2023-110            AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CLERK TO SIGN A GENERAL RELEASE IN FAVOR OF TRICON ENTERPRISES, INC. AND TO RELEASE QBE INSURANCE CORPORATION PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BOND NUMBER BND 26711208
- 2023-111            AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF A SOCIAL MEDIA PLAN
- 2023-112            AWARD OF CONTRACT TO MORRIS BRICK & STONE CO.
- 2023-113            AWARD OF CONTRACT – MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS
- 2023-114            AUTHORIZING CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO CANCEL CERTAIN UNDELIVERABLE OUTSTANDING CHECKS IN THE CURRENT ACCOUNT
- 2023-115            CREATE "SEWER USE FEES" PAYMENT SCHEDULE
- 2023-116            AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO REFUND

- TAXES PURSUANT TO A CORRECTION OF ERRORS APPEAL, DOCKET NO. 000031-2023 AND RELIEVE THE TAX COLLECTOR FROM COLLECTING TAXES ON CERTAIN FARMLAND ASSESSED PROPERTY.
- 2023-117 AUTHORIZE SUBMISSION OF A STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE WATCHUNG HILLS REGIONAL MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024
- 2023-118 AUTHORIZING INSTALLATION OF (3) THREE NEW PUBLIC FIRE HYDRANTS SAGE DRIVE AND MOUNTAIN AVENUE AREAS
- 2023-119 APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE "IMPROVEMENTS TO KING GEORGE ROAD PHASE 3" PROJECT
- 2023-120 AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF THREE (3) 2023 CHEVROLET TAHOE PPV 4x4 FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT
- 2023-121 AUTHORIZING PROCEDURES FOR PROMOTION TO LIEUTENANT IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Committeewoman Lontai made a Motion to approve Consent Agenda Resolutions No. 2023-102 through 2023-121, seconded by Committeeman Sordillo. Roll call: Committeeman Croson, yes; Committeewoman Lontai, yes; Committeeman Sordillo, yes; Deputy Mayor Lazo, yes and Mayor DiNardo, yes.

**DEFERRED BUSINESS** – There was none at this time

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

Members of the public, wishing to address the governing body on any matter, are limited to three (3) minutes, unless there are unusual circumstances.

Committeewoman Lontai was asked if there were any further discussions on continuing Zoom. She noted that there was, but there will no longer be a Zoom format for future meetings.

Administrator Krane was asked when the User Friendly budget would be posted on the website, he responded that in NJ the township is not required to post the NJ online mandated budget form on their website. However a copy of the budget would be posted on April 27.

Mr. Faro of Sage Drive, asked when the Mountain Avenue Bridge replacement was going to start. Administrator Krane responded that the project is on hold due to the "fish spawning cycle". The project should start in August and take about 2 weeks to complete.

Numerous neighbors on Strawberry Lane and Raspberry Trail were upset about the Municipal Court's decision to return a dangerous dog to its owner in their neighborhood. Attorney Lehrer while sympathizing with the residents, noted that this was a municipal court decision and the Township Committee could not comment, as there is an appeal pending on the case.

At 8:35 PM, Committeeman Sordillo made a MOTION TO ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lazo. Voice Vote: All in favor

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-122**

- Contract Negotiations-Lt. Herbert Hentschel
- Litigation - Vetter vs Warren Township and Bergen County United Way

The Township Committee returned to OPEN Session at 8:51 PM

Committeeman Croson read the following Resolution by title:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-123**

APPROVING SEPARATION AGREEMENT AND RELEASE WITH LIEUTENANT HERBERT HENTSCHEL, JR.

Committeewoman Sordillo made a Motion to approve Resolution 2023, seconded by Committeeman Croson. Roll call: Committeeman Croson, yes; Committeewoman Lontai, yes; Committeeman Sordillo, yes; Deputy Mayor Lazo, yes and Mayor DiNardo, yes.

As there was no further business to discuss, Committeeman Sordillo made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lazo. Voice Vote: All in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 8:53 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk

Approved by: MAY 18, 2023



**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-097**

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Warren, County of Somerset, New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer be and hereby is authorized to pay current bills in the amount of **\$13,246,485.61** and made a part hereof, consisting of payments as follows:

Warren Township BOE	\$3,509,623.00
WHRHS	\$1,595,238.00
Somerset County	\$4,564,019.04
Sewer Utility	\$ 277,196.79
Township Expenses	\$3,300,408.78

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
X		CROSON	X			
		LONTAI	X			
	X	SORDILLO	X			
		LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

CERTIFICATION

I, Cathy Reese, Township Clerk of the Township of Warren, in the County of Somerset, New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the Township Committee held on April 20, 2023.

Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-098**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Warren, County of Somerset, New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer be and hereby is authorized to pay current bills in the amount of **\$27,802.00** per the attached list.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
X		CROSON	X			
		LONTAI	X			
		SORDILLO			X	
	X	LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

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**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-099**

**AMENDING 2023 TEMPORARY BUDGET**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Warren, County of Somerset and State of New Jersey in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-19 that the following appropriations shall constitute the amendments to the temporary budget that was authorized by Resolution No. 2023-009 and Resolution No. 2023-80.

3-01-20-100-5001	Administration S&W	\$25,000
3-01-20-100-6001	Administration OE	\$15,000
3-01-20-101-6001	Cable Committee OE	\$1,000
3-01-20-110-6001	Township Committee OE	\$2,500
3-01-20-120-6001	Township Clerk OE	\$1,000
3-01-20-145-5001	Tax Collector S&W	\$5,000
3-01-20-145-6001	Tax Collector OE	\$3,000
3-01-20-150-5001	Tax Assessor S&W	\$3,000
3-01-20-155-6001	Legal OE	\$30,000
3-01-20-180-6001	Planning OE	\$5,000
3-01-21-185-5001	Zoning S&W	\$1,500
3-01-22-195-5001	Construction S&W	\$50,000
3-01-23-210-6001	Other Insurance OE	\$100,000
3-01-23-220-6001	Group Insurance OE	\$500,000
3-01-25-240-5001	Police S&W	\$400,000
3-01-25-240-6001	Police OE	\$50,000
3-01-25-266-5001	Fire Prevention S&W	\$2,000
3-01-26-290-5001	Roads S&W	\$10,000
3-01-26-310-6001	Buildings & Grounds OE	\$15,000
3-01-26-311-6001	Wagner Farm OE	\$2,000
3-01-26-315-5001	Vehicles S&W	\$15,000
3-01-26-315-6001	Vehicles OE	\$15,000
3-01-27-330-6001	Health OE	\$5,000
3-01-28-372-6001	Senior Bus OE	\$4,000

3-01-31-440-6001	Telephone OE	\$15,000
3-01-31-446-6001	Natural Gas OE	\$10,000
3-01-31-460-6001	Gasoline OE	\$35,000
3-01-36-472-6001	FICA OE	\$70,000
3-01-36-473-6001	Employer Share DCRP OE	\$1,000
	TOTAL	\$1,391,000

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Warren, County of Somerset, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-19 that the following appropriations shall constitute the amendments to the temporary budget for Sewer Utility Fund for the year 2023 that was authorized by Resolution No. 2023-009.

3-05-55-502-6101	Professional Fees OE	\$25,000
3-05-55-502-6207	Plant Operation OE	\$600,000
	TOTAL	\$625,000

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		CROSON	X			
X		LONTAI	X			
	X	SORDILLO	X			
		LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

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Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-100**

**MUNICIPAL BUDGET OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WARREN, COUNTY OF SOMERSET  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2023**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the following statements of revenue and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget Current Fund for year 2023:

- Total Appropriations - \$22,718,885.85
- Amount to be Raised by Taxes - \$14,710,748.31

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Utility Budget for year 2023 of revenue and appropriations shall be: \$4,568,500.00

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that said Budget be published in the Echoes Sentinel in the issue of April 27, 2023 and that a copy of the 2023 Budget is on file for public review in the Township Clerk's Office and the Township website Finance Department page.

The Governing Body of the Township of Warren does hereby approve the following as the Municipal and Utility Budget for the year 2023:

**MOTION TO APPROVE:** Sordillo

**SECONDED:** Lazo

**RECORDED VOTE**

**AYES:**

Croson  
Lontai  
Sordillo  
Lazo  
DiNardo

**NAYES:** 0

**ABSTAINED:** 0

**ABSENT:** 0

A Hearing on the Budget and Tax Resolution will be held at the in the Susie B. Boyce Meeting Room, Municipal Complex, 44 Mountain Boulevard, Warren, N.J., on May 18, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. at which time and place objections to said budget and Tax Resolution for the year 2023 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.

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**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-101**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WARREN, COUNTY OF  
SOMERSET, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROVING THE PROPOSED  
REGULATIONS TO PREQUALIFY CONTRACTORS FOR THE RESTORATION  
OF THE MOUNT BETHEL BAPTIST MEETING HOUSE AND APPROVING  
THAT RESTORATION

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Warren received a grant from the New Jersey Historic Preservation Trust (“Trust”) to complete Phase 3 of the Mount Bethel Baptist Meeting House Restoration (“Restoration”); and

**WHEREAS**, in order for the Township to receive bids from contractors qualified to perform the Restoration, the Trust requires that prospective contractors be prequalified before being able to a bid thereby requiring the Township to adopt Prequalification Regulations (“Regulations” as defined below) for the Restoration pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-25 of the Local Public Contracts Law; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 26, 2023, the Township Committee of the Township of Warren adopted Resolution #2023-058 authorizing the preparation of Regulations, the scheduling of a public hearing on those Regulations by the Township Committee and the publication of notice of the public hearing on those Regulations by the Township Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, “Qualification Regulations for Phase 3 Interim Restoration & Site Improvements at the Mount Bethel Baptist Meeting House Warren Township” (“Regulations”) were prepared; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 15, 2023, the Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services, conducted an informal review of the Regulations and authorized the Township to proceed to a public hearing on the Regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 30, 2023, notice of the public hearing by the Township Committee on the Regulations was published in the Echoes-Sentinel and Courier News; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 20, 2023, the Township Committee held a public hearing to be detailed in the “Standard Certification to Accompany Prequalification Regulations Submitted to Director, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs” (“Certification”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee, having held a public hearing on the Regulations on April 20, 2023, hereby adopts those Regulations for submission to the Director of Local Government Services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee also desires to approve of the Restoration.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Warren, County of Somerset and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That the Regulations are hereby approved and adopted.
2. That the Clerk shall forward the Regulations as well as the Certification to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.
3. That the Restoration is hereby approved.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		CROSON	X			
	X	LONTAI	X			
		SORDILLO	X			
X		LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

CERTIFICATION

I, Cathy Reese, Township Clerk of the Township of Warren, in the County of Somerset, New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the Township Committee held on April 20, 2023.

Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk

(Revised by AEC on March 28, 2023)

**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NUMBER 2023-102  
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
TO ENTER INTO THE NEW JERSEY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING ALLIANCE  
COOPERATIVE PRICING AGREEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5) authorizes contracting units to establish a Cooperative Pricing System and to enter into Cooperative Pricing Agreements for its administration; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Bergen, hereinafter referred to as the "Lead Agency " has offered voluntary participation in the New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance # CK04- a Cooperative Pricing System for the purchase of goods and services;

**WHEREAS**, on April 20, 2023 the governing body of the Township of Warren, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey duly considered participation in a Cooperative Pricing System for the provision and performance of goods and services;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** as follows:

**TITLE**

This RESOLUTION shall be known and may be cited as the Cooperative Pricing Resolution of the TOWNSHIP OF WARREN

**AUTHORITY**

Pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-11(5)*, the TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WARREN is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Pricing Agreement with the Lead Agency.

**CONTRACTING UNIT**

The Lead Agency shall be responsible for complying with the provisions of the *Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.)* and all other provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey.

**EFFECTIVE DATE**

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		CROSON	X			
X		LONTAI	X			
	X	SORDILLO	X			
		LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Cathy Reese, Township Clerk of the Township of Warren, in the County of Somerset, New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the Township Committee held on April 20, 2023.

Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk



**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-103**

**PERSON TO PERSON TRANSFER OF PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION  
LIQUOR LICENSE NO. 1820-36-014-006**

**WHEREAS**, an application has been filed by 200 Liberty V6 JV, LLC for a person to person transfer of a Plenary Retail Consumption Liquor License [Hotel/Motel Exception] #1820-36-014-006 from: Valor Hospitality Partners, LLC  
t/a Somerset Hills Hotel  
200 Liberty Corner Road  
Warren, NJ 07059

and

**WHEREAS**, the submitted application is complete in all respects, the transfer fees have been paid, the license has been properly renewed for the current license term and the required police investigations have been satisfactorily completed.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Warren, that Plenary Retail Distribution Liquor License #1820-36-014-006 is hereby transferred to 200 Liberty V6 JV, LLC effective \_\_\_\_\_, and the Township Clerk is hereby authorized to endorse the license accordingly; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the said license number shall become #1820-36-014-007; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Township Clerk is hereby authorized to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Director of the New Jersey Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		CROSON	X			
X		LONTAI	X			
	X	SORDILLO	X			
		LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

**CERTIFICATION**

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Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-104  
WARREN PARK AND RIDE EXTENSION AGREEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, Warren CC Acquisitions LLC is the owner of property located at Block 37, Lot 13.03 as shown on the Tax Map of the Township of Warren, commonly known as 300 Warren Corporate Center Drive (the "Property"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Warren executed a Parking License Agreement (the "License Agreement") dated August 9, 2018 with Warren CC Acquisitions LLC thereby permitting the Township to utilize a portion of the Property for use as a park and ride; and

**WHEREAS**, the License Agreement provided for a term of six (6) months beginning on September 4, 2018 and terminating on March 31, 2019 unless extended by the parties in writing; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township and Warren CC Acquisitions LLC extended the License Agreement for an additional six (6) month term beginning on April 1, 2019 and terminating on August 31, 2019, and then again on September 1, 2019 terminating February 29, 2020, and then again on March 1, 2020 terminating August 31, 2020, and then again September 1, 2020 terminating on February 28, 2021, and then again on March 1, 2021 terminating on August 31, 2021, and then again on September 1, 2021 terminating on April 30, 2022, then again on May 1, 2022 terminating on October 31, 2022, and November 1, 2022 terminating April 30, 2023, unless further extended by the parties in writing; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township and Warren CC Acquisitions LLC now desire to extend the License Agreement for yet another additional six (6) month term beginning on May 1, 2023 and terminating on October 31, 2023 unless further extended by the parties in writing; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Attorney has prepared a Parking License Agreement Extension, a copy of which is annexed hereto.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township of Warren, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the Parking License Agreement Extension extending the term of the License Agreement for an additional six (6) months.
2. A certified copy of this Resolution, together with two (2) copies of the executed Parking License Agreement Extension, shall be forwarded to Charles Applebaum, Esq., 280 Raritan Center Parkway, Edison, New Jersey 08837.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		CROSON	X			
X		LONTAI	X			
	X	SORDILLO	X			
		LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

**CERTIFICATION**

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Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-105**

**THIS RESOLUTION AUTHORIZES THE SPECIAL TAX APPEAL ATTORNEY TO ENTER INTO A STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT RELATIVE TO THE TAX APPEAL CAPTIONED CROWN REAL ESTATE HOLDINGS, INC. VS. TOWNSHIP OF WARREN, TAX COURT OF NEW JERSEY, DOCKET NO. 007622-2019.**

**WHEREAS**, Crown Real Estate Holdings, Inc., the owner of 11 and 13 Harmony Road, Block 71, Lots 66 and 66.01 on the Warren Township Tax Assessment Maps (the "Property"), during the 2019 tax year, filed an appeal of their 2019 tax assessments in the Tax Court of New Jersey, Docket No.: 007622-2019; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee of the Township of Warren met and considered the aforesaid tax appeals and the recommendations of its Tax Assessor and Attorney; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Tax Assessor inspected the Property and reviewed its market value; and

**WHEREAS**, 11 Harmony Road (Block 71, Lot 66) sold for \$2,448,888 on or about September 30, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2019 tax assessment of 11 Harmony Road (Block 71, Lot 66) was \$2,900,000; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2019 tax assessment of 13 Harmony Road (Block 71, Lot 66) was \$377,900; and

**WHEREAS**, an acceptable settlement of the aforesaid tax appeals have been negotiated which results in a reduction in the assessment of 11 Harmony Road (Block 71, Lot 66) from a total tax assessment of \$2,900,000 to a reduced total tax assessment of \$2,600,000 on the Property for the 2019 tax year in exchange for the Taxpayer affirming the assessment of 13 Harmony Road (Block 71, Lot 66.01); and

**WHEREAS**, the resulting refund from the settlement is nominal when compared with the continued costs of this tax appeal litigation; and

**WHEREAS**, the said reduction in assessment results in a total tax refund of \$6,114.00; and

**WHEREAS**, statutory interest is waived and the refund resulting from the settlement shall be paid to "Ventura, Miesowitz, & Keough, P.C. Trust Account" and mailed to Daniel G. Keough, Esq., Ventura, Miesowitz, & Keough, P.C., 783 Springfield Avenue, Summit, NJ 07901; and

**WHEREAS**, the Freeze Act shall not apply to the Judgments to be entered by the Tax Court pursuant to the Stipulation of Settlement as a result of the Township's district wide reassessment for 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee leaves the allocation between land and improvements of the aforesaid tax assessment reduction to the Tax Assessor's discretion with the direction that the same be set so as to be most beneficial to the Township; and

**WHEREAS**, the aforesaid reductions have no general application to other properties within the Township of Warren as a result of the aforesaid specific facts situation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee will make this settlement with Crown Real Estate Holdings, Inc. without prejudice to its dealings with any other Warren Township’s taxpayers’ request for tax assessment reduction;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Warren, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Warren Township Tax Assessor is hereby directed to establish the allocation between land and improvements of a \$300,000 total tax assessment reduction for the 2019 tax year for Block 71, Lot 66 that is most beneficial to the Township of Warren and advise the Township Special Tax Appeal Attorney of that allocation.
2. The Township Special Tax Appeal Attorney is hereby authorized to execute a Stipulation of Settlement relative to the tax appeal of Crown Real Estate Holdings, Inc., Docket Nos. 007622-2019, which reduces the total tax assessment on Block 71, Lot 66 from \$2,900,000 to a reduced total tax assessment of \$2,600,000 for the 2019 tax year and affirms the tax assessment on Block 71, Lot 66.01 for the 2019 tax year; all at allocations between land and improvements as established by the Tax Assessor; which further provides that the taxpayer waives the payment of interest and the refund resulting from the settlement shall be paid to “Ventura, Miesowitz, & Keough, P.C. Trust Account” and mailed to Daniel G. Keough, Esq., Ventura, Miesowitz, & Keough, P.C., 783 Springfield Avenue, Summit, NJ 07901.
3. The form of Stipulation of Settlement is annexed hereto, having been reviewed by Township Committee of the Township of Warren.
4. The settlement outlined above shall be without prejudice to the Township's dealings with any other Township taxpayers' request for tax assessment reductions.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		CROSON	X			
X		LONTAI	X			
	X	SORDILLO	X			
		LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

CERTIFICATION

I, Cathy Reese, Township Clerk of the Township of Warren, in the County of Somerset, New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the Township Committee held on April 20, 2023.

Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-106**

**AWARD OF CONTRACT TO TREETOP PRODUCTS, INC.**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Warren has a need to purchase picnic tables for the new pavilion located at the Municipal Complex, 46 Mountain Boulevard, Warren, New Jersey as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5; and; and

**WHEREAS**, the Qualified Purchasing Agent received four quotes and has determined that the value of the contact will exceed the pay to play threshold of \$17,500 and therefore requires action by the Township Committee which is hereby authorized; and

**WHEREAS**, the Recreation Director and Township Administrator are recommending that Treetop Products, Inc., 222 State Street, Batavia, IL 60510 be awarded this contract which shall not exceed \$40,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the Qualified Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to purchase picnic tables from Treetop Products, Inc., 222 State Street, Batavia, IL 60510; and

**WHEREAS**, a certificate showing the availability of funds is hereby provided by the Chief Financial Officer, and is made a part hereof, indicating that the maximum appropriation is not to exceed \$40,000.00 and is charged to account number x-04-55-904-6001.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Treetop Products has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification certifying that Treetop Products has not made any reportable contributions to a political candidate or committee in Warren Township in the previous one year and is prohibited from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that, during the calendar year of 2023, the Qualified Purchasing Agent is authorized to purchase from Treetop Products, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the appropriate Township officials are authorized to execute the necessary contracts and purchase orders.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		CROSON	X			
X		LONTAI	X			
	X	SORDILLO	X			
		LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

CERTIFICATION

I, Cathy Reese, Township Clerk of the Township of Warren, in the County of Somerset, New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the Township Committee held on April 20, 2023.

Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER'S CERTIFICATION

I, Karen DeNave, Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Warren, hereby certify that adequate funds are available for the above referenced purchase. Monies are available in account number x-04-55-904-6001.

Dated: April 21, 2023

Karen DeNave  
Chief Financial Officer

**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-107**

**CANCELING TAXES FOR BLOCK 198, LOT 37**

**WHEREAS**, the property, listed in the tax duplicate as Block 198 Lot 37, Tax Collector has researched the property to determine that the property is owned by Somerset County, as of December 8, 2022.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the taxes for the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2023, totaling \$3,594.49, should be canceled and the Tax Assessor should cancel this property (Block 198, Lot 37) on the books;

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		CROSON	X			
X		LONTAI	X			
	X	SORDILLO	X			
		LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

CERTIFICATION

I, Cathy Reese, Township Clerk of the Township of Warren, in the County of Somerset, New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the Township Committee held on April 20, 2023.

Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-108**

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

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

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

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

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		CROSON	X			
X		LONTAI	X			
	X	SORDILLO	X			
		LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Cathy Reese, Township Clerk of the Township of Warren, in the County of Somerset, New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the Township Committee held on April 20, 2023.

Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk



**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-109  
AWARD OF CONTRACT TO VARIOUS VENDORS  
FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT TURNOUT GEAR**

**WHEREAS**, the following contracts are awarded for the purchase of Turnout Gear for the Warren Township Fire Department; and

**WHEREAS**, the Qualified Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to purchase Turnout Gear from the following vendors pursuant to NJ State Contract numbers listed below, not to exceed \$100,000.00 combined between all vendors:

- Firefighter One, 34 Wilson Drive, Sparta, NJ 07871  
NJ State Contract #17-FLEET-00807
- All Hands Fire Equipment, PO Box 1245, Wall, NJ 07719  
NJ State Contract #17-FLEET-00812
- Skylands Area Fire Equipment & Training LLC, 23 Hamburg Tpke, Riverdale, NJ 07457  
NJ State Contract #17-FLEET-00810; and

**WHEREAS**, a certificate showing the availability of funds for the contract authorized hereby shall be provided by the Chief Financial Officer and made a part hereof, indicating that the appropriation for the within expenditure is charged to the following accounts # 3-01-25-265-6304 and # X-04-55-895-6004.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the appropriate Township officials are authorized to execute the necessary contracts and purchase orders.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		CROSON	X			
X		LONTAI	X			
	X	SORDILLO	X			
		LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

CERTIFICATION

I, Cathy Reese, Township Clerk of the Township of Warren, in the County of Somerset, New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the Township Committee held on April 20, 2023.

Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER'S CERTIFICATION

I, Karen DeNave, Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Warren, hereby certify that adequate funds are available for the above referenced purchase. Monies are available in account number 3-01-25-265-6304.

Dated: April 21, 2023

Karen DeNave  
Chief Financial Officer

**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-110**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WARREN, COUNTY OF SOMERSET,  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CLERK TO SIGN  
A GENERAL RELEASE IN FAVOR OF TRICON ENTERPRISES, INC. AND TO  
RELEASE QBE INSURANCE CORPORATION PERFORMANCE AND  
PAYMENT BOND NUMBER BND 26711208**

**WHEREAS**, on August 13, 2020, the Township of Warren (“Township”), following public bidding, and Tricon Enterprises, Inc. (“Tricon”) entered a Contract (“Contract”) for the Dealaman Pond Dredging Project (“Project”); and

**WHEREAS**, on August 27, 2020, Tricon posted a Performance and Payment Bond, Bond Number 26711208, issued by QBE Insurance Corporation; and

**WHEREAS**, on or about February 16, 2022, a dispute arose between the Township and Tricon regarding whether the Project was fully complete; and

**WHEREAS**, as of February 16, 2022, the Township was holding \$6,345.00 in retainage, and \$21,100.00 as the balance to finish the following: Perimeter Construction Fencing; Stone Construction Access; and Material Disposal Costs (“Project Balance”) for a total of \$27,445.00; and

**WHEREAS**, because the Project was nearing completion, the Township and Tricon agreed that the work represented by the Project Balance was no longer necessary and that the Project Balance would remain unused in the Contract; and

**WHEREAS**, after February 16, 2022, Tricon informally asserted a Change Order against the Township for the removal of additional dredged materials from the Dealaman Pond in the approximate sum of \$18,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, since February 16, 2022, the Township and Tricon negotiated in good faith to resolve the dispute to avoid the expense and uncertainty of litigation and agreed to the following terms:

1. The Township and Tricon will exchange Releases.
2. Tricon will release to the Township the retainage in the sum of \$6,345.00, and the Contract Balance in the sum of \$21,100.00.
3. Tricon will release the Township from any past, present, or future claim for Change Orders arising from the Project.
4. Upon the adoption of this Resolution, Tricon authorizes the release of a \$15,000.00 payment to the Township being held in escrow by the Township Attorney.
5. The Township will release Tricon from any claim arising from Tricon’s performance of the Project.
6. The Township Clerk is authorized to mail the Township’s originally signed General Release to Tricon at:

Tricon Enterprises, Inc.  
322 Beers Street  
Keyport, New Jersey 07735,

by certified mail, return receipt requested.

7. The Township releases Performance and Payment Bond Number BND 26711208 and

authorizes the Township Clerk to return the original Bond to:

QBE Insurance Corporation  
55 Water Street, 20<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, New York 10041,

by certified mail, return receipt requested.

8. The Township will not require Tricon to post a Maintenance Bond for the Project.
9. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		CROSON	X			
X		LONTAI	X			
	X	SORDILLO	X			
		LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

CERTIFICATION

I, Cathy Reese, Township Clerk of the Township of Warren, in the County of Somerset, New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the Township Committee held on April 20, 2023.

Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk

(Revised by AEC on March 29, 2023)

**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-111**

**AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF A SOCIAL MEDIA PLAN**

**WHEREAS**, on October 15, 202 the Township Committee adopted a Public Information Policy;  
and

**WHEREAS**, the use of social media, including Twitter, Facebook, Instagram and/or similar  
technology was incorporated into that policy;

**WHEREAS**, on October 3, 2022, the Township Committee appointed a Social Media  
Coordinator; and

**WHEREAS**, Amanda Frech, the appointed Social media Coordinator presented to the Township  
Committee a new Social Media Plan for their review.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Committee of the Township of Warren approves of the  
new Social Media Plan and its immediate implementation.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		CROSON	X			
X		LONTAI	X			
	X	SORDILLO	X			
		LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Cathy Reese, Township Clerk of the Township of Warren, in the County of Somerset, New  
Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a  
meeting of the Township Committee held on April 20, 2023.

Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-112**

**AWARD OF CONTRACT TO MORRIS BRICK & STONE CO.**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Warren has a need to purchase pavers for the new pavilion located at the Municipal Complex, 46 Mountain Boulevard, Warren, New Jersey as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5; and; and

**WHEREAS**, the Qualified Purchasing Agent received three quotes and has determined that the value of the contact will exceed the pay to play threshold of \$17,500 and therefore requires action by the Township Committee which is hereby authorized; and

**WHEREAS**, the Recreation Director and Township Administrator are recommending that Morris Brick & Stone Co. be awarded this contract which shall not exceed \$20,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the Qualified Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to purchase pavers from Morris Brick & Stone Co., 108 Ridgedale Avenue, Building 6, Morristown, NJ 07962; and

**WHEREAS**, a certificate showing the availability of funds is hereby provided by the Chief Financial Officer, and is made a part hereof, indicating that the maximum appropriation is not to exceed \$20,000.00 and is charged to account number x-04-55-904-6001.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Morris Brick & Stone Co. has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification certifying that Morris Brick & Stone Co. has not made any reportable contributions to a political candidate or committee in Warren Township in the previous one year and is prohibited from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that, during the calendar year of 2023, the Qualified Purchasing Agent is authorized to purchase from Morris Brick & Stone Co., Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the appropriate Township officials are authorized to execute the necessary contracts and purchase orders.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		CROSON	X			
X		LONTAI	X			
	X	SORDILLO	X			
		LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

**CERTIFICATION**

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Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER'S CERTIFICATION

I, Karen DeNave, Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Warren, hereby certify that adequate funds are available for the above referenced purchase. Monies are available in account number x-04-55-904-6001.

Dated: April 21, 2023

Karen DeNave  
Chief Financial Officer

**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-113  
AWARD OF CONTRACT – MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS**

**WHEREAS**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Warren, that the following Contract is awarded for a Radios for the Police and Fire Departments; and

**WHEREAS**, Warren Township Department Police and Fire Departments are in need of this equipment; and

**WHEREAS**, the Qualified Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to purchase Radios pursuant to NJ State Contract # 83909 from Motorola Solutions in the amount not to exceed \$75,000.00; and

**WHEREAS** a certificate showing the availability of funds for the contract authorized hereby shall be provided by the Chief Financial Officer and made a part hereof, indicating that the indicating that the maximum dollar value for the within expenditure is charged to the following account numbers x-04-55-906-6001, 3-01-25-265-6518 and 3-01-25-240-6401.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the appropriate Township officials are authorized to execute the necessary purchase order.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		CROSON	X			
X		LONTAI	X			
	X	SORDILLO	X			
		LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

CERTIFICATION

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Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER'S CERTIFICATION

I, Karen DeNave, Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Warren, hereby certify that adequate funds are available for the above referenced purchase. Monies are available in account numbers x-04-55-906-6001, 3-01-25-265-6518 and 3-01-25-240-6401.

Dated: April 21, 2023

Karen DeNave  
Chief Financial Officer

**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-114**

**AUTHORIZING CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO  
CANCEL CERTAIN UNDELIVERABLE OUTSTANDING  
CHECKS IN THE CURRENT ACCOUNT**

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer, by memo dated April 3, 2023, has advised that certain checks have been identified in the Current Account as outstanding and older than one year; and

**WHEREAS**, it is normal financial practice to review the bank accounts for old outstanding items for cancellation.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Warren, that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to cancel the following outstanding checks and the funds shall be realized in the current fund as miscellaneous revenue.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CHECK #</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Francine Gargano	16746	9/23/2021	\$58.59
L & J Hillcrest Corp	16781	9/23/2021	\$324.18
PSE&G	16823	9/23/2021	\$1,140.00

<u>INTRODUCED</u>	<u>SECONDED</u>	<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
		CROSON	X			
X		LONTAI	X			
	X	SORDILLO	X			
		LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Cathy Reese, Township Clerk of the Township of Warren, in the County of Somerset, New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the Township Committee held on April 20, 2023.

Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk



**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-115**

**CREATE “SEWER USE FEES” PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

**WHEREAS**, as a result of an Ordinance of the Township of Warren, Somerset County, New Jersey creating new section 2-14.6A entitled “Sewer Use Fees” of the code of the Township of Warren was introduced on March 16, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, a properly noticed public hearing concerning the said rate was held on April 20, 2023, at which time all members of the public were afforded the opportunity to be heard thereon; and said ordinance having been adopted.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Warren, as follows:

1. The due date for the sewer payments to the Township of Warren for sewer service fees will be May 1, 2023 and November 1, 2023.
2. The grace period for the first half sewer payment is hereby fixed to be from May 1, 2023 through May 19, 2023 consistent with P.L. 1994 and the relevant ordinances and resolutions of the Township of Warren until the date of the actual payment.
3. The grace period for the second half sewer payment is hereby fixed to be from November 1, 2023 – November 10, 2023.
4. The late payment of sewer use fees shall be applicable to the above extended date in accordance with Resolutions 2023-012 and 2023-014 subject only to the modification set forth herein.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		CROSON	X			
X		LONTAI	X			
	X	SORDILLO	X			
		LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

CERTIFICATION

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Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-116**

**AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO REFUND TAXES PURSUANT TO A CORRECTION  
OF ERRORS APPEAL, DOCKET NO. 000031-2023 AND RELIEVE THE TAX COLLECTOR  
FROM COLLECTING TAXES ON CERTAIN FARMLAND ASSESSED PROPERTY.**

**WHEREAS**, the subject property of 219 King George Road, Block 52, Lot 12.02; 7 (the “subject property”) has held a farmland assessment prior to 2022, subject to the Farmland Assessment Act, N.J.S.A. 54:4-23.2, et seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, a separate block and lot in common ownership with the subject property was taken out of the farmland assessment program, which erroneously resulted in the subject property also being removed from the farmland assessment program; and

**WHEREAS**, the subject property should have remained as farmland assessed for the 2022 tax year; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Assessor of Warren Township, during the course of his work, discovered an error which resulted in the billing of taxes for a portion of the 2022 tax year, and preliminary 2023 taxes on the said property in contravention and contradiction of the Farmland Assessment Act, N.J.S.A. 54:4-23.2; and

**WHEREAS**, the Special Tax Appeal Attorney, with consultation from the Tax Assessor, has filed a Correction of Errors Appeal to correct this error, under Docket No. 000031-2023 in the Tax Court of New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Court has entered Judgment correcting the assessment and restoring the property to the farmland assessment program; and

**WHEREAS**, the said line item, Block 52, Lot 12.02, erroneously assessed the property as Class 1 in the amount of \$472,600, resulting in total 2022 taxes in the amount of \$9,390.56, and preliminary 2023 taxes in the amount of \$4,695.28, when the property should have been assessed as Class 3B property in the amount of \$200 for the 2022 tax year and \$700 for the 2023 tax year, resulting in total 2022 taxes in the amount of \$3.98 for 2022, and \$1.99 for preliminary 2023 taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee of the Township of Warren met and considered the aforesaid corrections and the recommendations of its Tax Assessor and Special Tax Appeal Attorney; and

**WHEREAS**, the aforesaid corrections have no general application to other properties within the Township of Warren as a result of the aforesaid specific facts situation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee will make these corrections without prejudice to its dealings with any other Warren Township’s taxpayers’ request for tax assessment reduction;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Warren, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Warren Township Tax Collector and Tax Assessor are hereby authorized to correct the line item known as Block52, Lot 12.02 in accordance with the Tax Court’s Order and Final Judgment, a copy of which are attached hereto.
2. The Warren Township Tax Collector is authorized to refund excess 2022 property taxes paid in the amount of \$9,386.58.

3. The Warren Township Tax Collector is authorized to cancel any excess 2023 preliminary taxes billed, including cancelling and forgiving any taxes billed but not yet paid for the second quarter of 2023 and refund excess taxes paid in the amount of \$2,345.65 for the first quarter of 2023.
4. The correction outlined above shall be without prejudice to the Township's dealings with any other Township taxpayers' request for tax assessment reductions or exemptions.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		CROSON	X			
X		LONTAI	X			
	X	SORDILLO	X			
		LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

CERTIFICATION

I, Cathy Reese, Township Clerk of the Township of Warren, in the County of Somerset, New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the Township Committee held on April 20, 2023.

Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk

FOR COUNTY USE ONLY
Approved: _____ YES _____ NO
Date: _____

**FORM 1A**

**STRATEGIC PLAN FOR FUNDING MUNICIPAL ALLIANCES**

Grant Year: 2023-2024      Alliance Tier   1  

APPLICANT MUNICIPALITY/IES: Warren Township, Green Brook Township, Watchung Borough	COUNTY: Somerset
ALLIANCE NAME: Watchung Hills Regional Municipal Alliance	ALLIANCE WEBSITE: www.watchungnj.gov/Municipal_Alliance_main
ALLIANCE STREET ADDRESS: 46 Mountain Blvd, Fl. 2 TOWN: Warren      STATE: NJ      ZIP: 07059	
TELEPHONE: 908-753-8000 Ext. 294	FAX: N/A
ALLIANCE CHAIRPERSON: Iris Alston  STREET ADDRESS: 1012 Robin Court TOWN: Green Brook      STATE: NJ      ZIP: 08812  EMAIL: irisa783@gmail.com	ALLIANCE COORDINATOR: Alicia Carman  STREET ADDRESS: 201 Bexley Lane TOWN: Piscataway      STATE: NJ      ZIP: 08854  EMAIL: whrma@warrennj.org
DATE OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE STRATEGIC PLAN (MM/DD/YYYY):    /    /	

A) Alliance DEDR Allocation	\$ 8,066.10
B) Cash Match (must be 25% of DEDR Allocation)	\$ 2,016.52
C) In-Kind Match (must be 75% of the DEDR Allocation)	\$ 6,049.58
<b>TOTAL ALLIANCE BUDGET (add A+ B+C)</b>	<b>\$ 16,132.20</b>

*Warren Township	Gary P. DiNardo MAYOR	SIGNATURE
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*MUNICIPALITY	NAME/TITLE OF GOVERNING BODY REPRESENTATIVE	SIGNATURE
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*MUNICIPALITY	NAME/TITLE OF GOVERNING BODY REPRESENTATIVE	SIGNATURE
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Iris Alston

ALLIANCE CHAIRPERSON	SIGNATURE	DATE
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**\* If a municipality is part of a consortium, a signature and resolution is required from all participating municipalities entering into the agreement. Signatures hereby accept all components of this grant including membership terms, Statement of Assurances and Fiscal Requirements.**

**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-117  
FORM 1B**

**AUTHORIZE SUBMISSION OF A STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE WATCHUNG HILLS  
REGIONAL MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024**

**WHEREAS**, the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey.

**WHEREAS**, The Township Committee of the Township of Warren, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Somerset;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township of Warren, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Township Committee does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the Watchung Hills Regional Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2024 in the amount of:

DEDR	\$ 8,066.10
Cash Match	\$ 2,016.52
In-Kind	\$ 6,049.58
2. The Township Committee acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.
3. The Township Committee accepts subsequent award of this grant.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Gary P. DiNardo, Mayor*

Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse  
Fiscal Grant Cycle October 2020-June 2025

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		CROSON	X			
X		LONTAI	X			
	X	SORDILLO	X			
		LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

**CERTIFICATION**

I, (name), Municipal Clerk of the Township of Warren, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a resolution duly authorized by the Township Committee on this 20th day of April, 2023 .

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Cathy Reese, Municipal Clerk*

**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-118**

**AUTHORIZING INSTALLATION OF (3) THREE NEW PUBLIC FIRE HYDRANTS  
SAGE DRIVE AND MOUNTAIN AVENUE AREAS**

**WHEREAS** the Warren Township Fire Marshal per his memo dated April 4, 2023, has approved the locations of three (3) new fire hydrants in the Sage Drive and Mountain Avenue areas, due to New Jersey American Water Company's expansion and upgrade of their water system, as shown on the attached maps; and

**WHEREAS** the installation cost will be the responsibility of New Jersey American Water Company for the three (3) hydrants with the Township of Warren assuming the ongoing costs for public hydrant maintenance fees.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Warren in the County of Somerset, New Jersey that authorization be given to New Jersey American Water Company for the installation of three (3) new fire hydrants in the Sage Drive and Mountain Avenue areas as shown on the attached maps.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** New Jersey American Water Company should provide certification indicating adequate residual minimum pressure of 20 psi be maintained as well as an acceptable flow test to be run prior to placing these systems in operation.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		CROSON	X			
X		LONTAI	X			
	X	SORDILLO	X			
		LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Cathy Reese, Township Clerk of the Township of Warren, in the County of Somerset, New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the Township Committee held on April 20, 2023.

Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-119**

**APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT  
WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE  
“IMPROVEMENTS TO KING GEORGE ROAD PHASE 3” PROJECT**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Committee of the Township of Warren formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Warren Township Committee and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as LAIF-2023 King\_George\_Road\_Phase 3-00049 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Township of Warren.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Township of Warren and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and condition of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		CROSON	X			
X		LONTAI	X			
	X	SORDILLO	X			
		LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

CERTIFICATION

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Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk

My signature and the Clerk’s seal serve to acknowledge the above resolution and constitute acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approve the execution of the grant agreement as authorized by the resolution above.

ATTEST AND AFFIX SEAL \_\_\_\_\_  
Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk

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Gary P. DiNardo, Mayor



**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-120**

**AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF THREE (3) 2023 CHEVROLET TAHOE PPV 4x4 FOR THE  
POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**WHEREAS**, Warren Township has a need to acquire (3) three 2023 Chevrolet Tahoe PPV 4x4 vehicles for the Police Department; and

**WHEREAS**, The Township Administrator is hereby authorized to purchase the following pursuant to State Contract #T-2776 (21-Fleet-01485); and

**WHEREAS**, a certificate showing the availability of funds is hereby provided by the Chief Financial Officer, and is made a part hereof indicating that the appropriation is not to exceed \$137,997.00 and is charged to account numbers 2-01-25-240-6407 for \$91,998.00 for two of the vehicles and 3-01-25-240-6407 for \$45,999.00 for one of the vehicles; and

**WHEREAS**, that the Township Administrator is hereby authorized to purchase from Gentilini Motors, 2703 Fire Road, Egg Harbor Township, NJ 08234.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		CROSON	X			
X		LONTAI	X			
	X	SORDILLO	X			
		LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

**CERTIFICATION**

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Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk

**CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER'S CERTIFICATION**

I, Karen DeNave, Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Warren, hereby certify that adequate funds are available for the above referenced purchase. Monies are available in account number 2-01-25-240-6407 and 3-01-25-240-6407.

Dated: April 21, 2023

Karen DeNave  
Chief Financial Officer

**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-121**

**AUTHORIZING PROCEDURES FOR PROMOTION TO LIEUTENANT  
IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee has agreed to promote Sergeants of the Warren Township Police Department to the rank of Lieutenant.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Warren, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows:

- 1) After consultation with representatives of P.B.A. Local 235 by the Township Administrator and the Chief of Police, pursuant to Article XI, Sections 1 through 4 of the contract with P.B.A. Local 235, the requirements for promotion to Lieutenant shall be as follows:
  - a. Police Sergeant shall have a minimum of two (2) years of full time service in such rank in the Warren Township Police Department.
  - b. Satisfactory completion of an oral examination by the Township Committee.
  - c. The last four (4) performance evaluations.
  - d. The input from the Chief of Police.
  - e. Sixty (60) college credits which are needed to acquire a degree.
- 2) All interested officers shall file a notice of intent with the Township Administrator by no later than May 5, 2023 in order to take part in the promotional process.
- 3) Testing weights: The weights of each portion of the testing process shall be as follows:

• Last four performance evaluations	40%
• Township Committee Oral Interview	35%
• Chief of Police Input	<u>25%</u>
	100%
- 4) The Township Committee shall interview and submit a score for each candidate. The Township Committee scores will be reviewed and averaged. The Chief of Police will participate in the discussions with the Township Committee regarding each candidate; however, the Chief will not have a vote.
- 5) Applicants shall have a minimum of forty (40) points in the evaluations and the Chief of Police's input portion of the process in order to proceed to the Township Committee interview.
- 6) Applicant must present a resume of his/her background in Law Enforcement by no later than end of business on May 25, 2023; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that if the scores from the testing process result in a tie, the candidate with the most seniority in the Warren Township Police department (service in other law enforcement agencies will not be counted for this purpose), consistent with NJSA 40A:14-129, shall receive the promotion to Lieutenant; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Lieutenant’s Promotional List to be developed based upon the testing process set forth above shall be effective until December 31, 2024.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
		CROSON	X			
X		LONTAI	X			
	X	SORDILLO	X			
		LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

CERTIFICATION

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Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-122  
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**WHEREAS**, the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L.1975 Chapter 231 permits the exclusion of the public from meeting in certain circumstances; and

**WHEREAS**, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body wishes to discuss the following;

- Contract Negotiations-Lt. Herbert Hentschel
- Litigation - Vetter vs Warren Township and Bergen County United Way

**WHEREAS**, when and if the matters discussed become public record, they will be made known to the public at that time.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Warren, that the public be excluded from this meeting.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
	X	CROSON	X			
		LONTAI	X			
X		SORDILLO	X			
		LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

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Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-123**

**APPROVING SEPARATION AGREEMENT AND RELEASE WITH  
LIEUTENANT HERBERT HENTSCHEL, JR.**

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee of the Township of Warren desires to memorialize the resolution of all issues with Lt. Herbert Hentschel, Jr. through the signing of a Separation Agreement and Release; and

**WHEREAS**, the attached Separation Agreement and Release has been negotiated with Lt. Hentschel’s counsel, the Chief of Police and the Township Attorney.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Township Committee of the Township of Warren, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Separation Agreement and Release with Lt. Herbert Hentschel, Jr.
  
2. The Township Clerk is directed to forward to the Township Attorney’s Office (2) two fully executed copies of the attached Separation Agreement and Release and a certified copy of this Resolution, and to retain a fully executed copy of the Separation Agreement and Releases for the Township’s records.

INTRODUCED	SECONDED	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
X		CROSON	X			
	X	LONTAI	X			
		SORDILLO	X			
		LAZO	X			
		DINARDO	X			

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Cathy Reese, RMC  
Township Clerk