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**Minutes of the Meeting of
March 13, 2018
Board Room, Executive Plaza
Pine Street, Williamsport**

Commissioner McKernan - Present
Commissioner Mussare - Absent
Commissioner Mirabito - Present

Solicitor Smith - Present

1.0 OPERATIONS

1.1 CONVENE COMMISSIONERS MEETING. The meeting was convened at 10:36 a.m.

2.0 ACTION ITEMS

2.1 APPROVE CASH REQUIREMENTS REPORT. A motion by Mr. McKernan and seconded by Mr. Mirabito and passed (2-0), approved accounts payable cash requirement report through March 21, 2018, for payment on March 14, 2018, in the amount of \$821,111.

2.2 APPROVE NUTRIENT TRADING AGREEMENTS. A motion by Mr. McKernan and seconded by Mr. Mirabito and passed (2-0), approved Nutrient Trading Agreements with the following:

Ernie Brown	Russ & Marie Reitz
Ellen & Wayne Fogleman	Harry & Diana Rogers

6.0 COMMISSIONER COMMENT. The floor was opened to commissioner comment and the following were received:
Mr. Mirabito announced the CCAP conference this year from March 19 to March 20, 2018.

7.0 PUBLIC COMMENT. The floor was opened to public comment and the following were received:

Todd Lauer of Jersey Shore stated that since the fly season is almost upon us, if anything has been done regarding the Nippenose Valley issues with flies?

Mr. Mirabito responded that another meeting is being scheduled. A new farmer took over the operations of the chicken farm. It is still a problem, even during the warmer days lately. Coordination needs to be done with the Health Department.

Todd Lauer asked the status of the contract with GEO.

Mr. McKernan said that the Commissioners just the end of last week received GEO's version of the proposed contract. It is still not signed. The February payment to them was under the budgeted amount.

Mr. Mirabito stated he is concerned with how to measure the success of the program. He is convinced that putting more resources at the front end of the pipeline [children] is the way to go.

Mr. Lauer asked how much money has been lost since the contract has not been signed.

Mr. McKernan said that February was under budget but January was over budget. The contract will be back dated to March 1 once signed.

Larry Stout asked for 2018 planning if any outreach or evening meetings have been scheduled.

Mr. McKernan responded that consideration is being given to holding meetings out with staff remaining behind and contact being made via polycom unit (conference call).

Mr. Lauer once again stated he would like the Commissioners to hold evening meetings.

Bob Pryor of Mifflin Township asked about what type of flies in Nippenose are the issue?

Mr. Mirabito said that they are called the "lessor house fly".

Chad Riley of Cogan Station asked how many employees GEO has. Why can't the county budget the money being paid to GEO and hire a number of employees and do the program offered in-house?

Mr. Mirabito said that they do not want to hire more employees, even though this option may offer a greater flexibility.

Mr. McKernan said that they are shying away from hiring more employees. The legacy costs are a concern. The cost of electronic monitoring is included in the GEO contract as well.

Mr. Riley asked about the Children and Youth Budget as compared to the prison budget. He also suggested allocating more resources to Children and Youth.

8.0 NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING. Mr. McKernan announced the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held Thursday, March 15, 2018.

9.0 ADJOURN COMMISSIONERS' MEETING. The meeting was adjourned at 11:32 a.m.