

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes of Meeting

November 18, 1959

The regular monthly meeting of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission was called to order at 9:20 A.M., at Suite 312, 3500 North Central Avenue, by the Vice-Chairman, Dr. Charles Kalil.

Commission Members Present: Charles Kalil, M. D.  
Mr. Ernest W. Chilson  
Mr. William E. Kimble  
Mr. R. Keith Walden

Commission Member Absent: Mr. M. F. Wharton

Dr. Kalil, Vice-Chairman, presided at the meeting, in the absence of Mr. Wharton, Chairman.

It was noted that a quorum was present.

The minutes of the previous Board Meeting of the Commission, held October 28, 1959, were read by Mr. Jerome, Executive Secretary, at the request of Dr. Kalil, Vice-Chairman.

Mr. Kimble moved that the minutes of the previous meeting be approved as read.

Mr. Walden seconded the motion.

The motion carried, with one dissenting vote, by Dr. Kalil. Dr. Kalil stated that he opposed approval of the minutes, inasmuch as nothing in the minutes reflected the accomplishments, or lack of accomplishments of Mr. E. A. Polumbus, Consulting Petroleum Engineer, who visited the Commission at their last meeting.

The next order of business was the interviewing of the applicants for the Geologist-Engineer position with the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission.

The two applicants interviewed by the Commission were: Mr. Bart Pann and Mr. William F. Maule.

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Motion was made by Mr. Walden as follows:

"After the employment of a Geologist/Engineer, another automobile be purchased by the Commission; further that unless there are other transactions that appear to be a better buy, that the Commission approve the purchase of a 1960 Ford Fairlane, 500 Fordor Sedan, from Paradise Motors, Scottsdale, Arizona, in accordance with letter dated November 10, 1959, quoting price and equipment, to Mr. Jerome, and that Mr. Jerome complete arrangements for same."

Motion was seconded by Mr. Chilson.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Walden made a motion as follows:

"That Mr. Jerome, Executive Secretary, be instructed to write letters of inquiry to the references given by the two applicants interviewed by the Commission, for the position of Geologist/Engineer, inquiring as to their ability, integrity etc. and that after receiving their replies and his reviewal of same, he should hire the applicant he considered most qualified and satisfactory."

Mr. Chilson seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

The next order of business was the Progress Report given by Mr. Jerome, in connection with the general outlook and the gas pipeline.

Mr. Jerome reviewed the drilling permits issued since the last Board Meeting as follows:

Permits #100 and #101 were issued to Mike O'Donnell and G. L. O'Dell, as of October 27, 1959, for wells to be drilled in Sec. 9, T. 12 N., R. 31 E., Apache County, and Sec. 32, T. 14 N., R. 20 E., Navajo County, Arizona.

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Permit #102 was issued to Lydia Johnson, Trustee, as of November 17, 1959 for a well to be drilled in Sec. 33, T. 14 N., R. 20 E., Navajo County, Arizona.

Mr. Jerome reported that he would leave Phoenix, on November 30, 1959, for the Interstate Oil Compact Commission Annual Meeting, to be held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to represent Governor Fannin, and would return on December 7, 1959.

Mr. Walden made a motion as follows:

"That Mr. Jerome, as Executive Secretary, write to Mr. E. A. Polumbus, Consulting Petroleum Engineer, Denver, Colorado, and ask for a final report and review of his remarks made to the Commission at the meeting he attended, October 28, 1959, and that same be put on file in the Commission office."

Mr. Kimble seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jerome read a letter from Chairman Paul Jones, of the Navajo Tribal Council, Window Rock, Arizona, dated November 9, 1959, asking if the Commission members and the Council could meet in December, 1959.

After discussion, it was the consensus of opinion that the meeting be delayed until January, 1960, and that Mr. Jerome write Mr. Jones accordingly.

Mr. Jerome read two letters received from Mr. O. B. Lassen, State Land Commissioner, dated November 9, 1959, and November 13, 1959, and his reply to same.

The November 9, 1959 letter included a Memorandum, dated October 23, 1959, with reference to the "Policy regarding rights and responsibilities of grazing lessees and oil and gas lessees in multiple use of the surface."

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The November 13, 1959 letter requested the Oil and Gas Commission to notify the State Land Department of each non-Indian drilling permit, when approved, together with the location, name and address of operator and drilling contractor etc. . . . . "

After discussion, it was the consensus of opinion of the Commission, that Mr. Jerome check the Law, with reference to these requests and advise the Commission members at the next meeting.

Mr. W. L. Cook, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and Senator Robert W. Prochnow, Chairman of the Appropriations Committee of the Senate, were invited to attend the meeting and various matters, pertaining to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission and its Budget for 1959 through 1961 were discussed.

Mr. Kimble was called away from the meeting at 11:50 A. M.

There was discussion regarding the date of the next regular meeting, which would be held December 23, 1959.

Mr. Chilson made the following motion:

"The next regular meeting of the Commission be held on December 16, 1959, rather than on December 23, 1959, and be in Flagstaff, Arizona. The meeting place to be arranged by Mr. Chilson, and information then furnished to Mr. Jerome, so that the other Commissioners can be advised accordingly."

Dr. Kalil seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

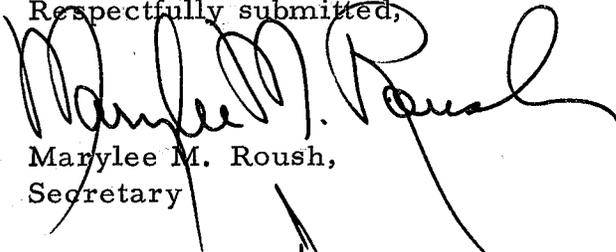
Mr. Walden moved that the meeting be adjourned, at 1:30 P. M.

Mr. Chilson seconded the motion.

The meeting was duly adjourned, by Dr. Kalil, Vice-Chairman, at 1:30 P. M.

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Respectfully submitted,



Marylee M. Roush,  
Secretary

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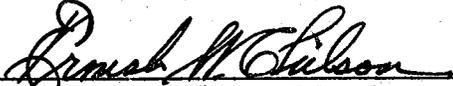
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M. F. Wharton, Chairman - Absent



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Charles Kalil, M. D., Vice-Chairman

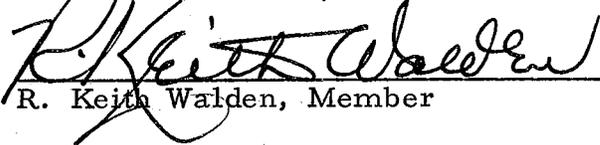


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Ernest W. Chilson, Member

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William E. Kimble, Member



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R. Keith Walden, Member