OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MINUTES OF MEETING

December 19, 1962

The December meeting of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission was called to order at 9:15 A.M. by the Chairman, Mr. R. Keith Walden, at 3500 N. Central Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona.

PRESENT:

COMMISSIONERS
R. Keith Walden
Lynn Lockhart
Charles Kalil, M.D.
Orme Lewis

OTHERS
John K. Petty, Petroleum Geologist
Ross Anderson, Asst. Attorney General
William Mainland, Shell Oil Co.
James Matthews, Shell Oil Co.
Bill King, Republic Reporter
Bob Webb, Arizona Journal Reporter

ABSENT:
- Robert B. Heward

Dr. Kalil moved and Mr. Lockhart seconded the motion for an approval of the minutes of the previous meeting. No objections. So ordered.

The Shell Oil Company's representatives, Mr. Mainland and Mr. Matthews, were invited to present further information on their request for assistance from this commission to back them in their desire for the contract price of 17.7 cents per M.C.F. instead of the 15 cents per M.C.F. that the Federal Power Commission is permitting them to charge. After discussion, Mr. Orme Lewis made the following motion which was seconded by Mr. Lynn Lockhart and unanimously adopted:

"It is the preliminary sense of the commission that rigorous steps should be taken to protect the interests of Arizona with respect to the sale price of gas. The Chairman is authorized, on behalf of the commission, between its meetings, to confer with the Attorney General to determine through the commission staff and the office of the Attorney General the attitude and approaches of the Navajo Tribe and of the adjoining states. If, as a result of such determinations, the Chairman concludes the Preliminary sense of the commission to require action and the Attorney General determines that, from a practical approach, representations to the Federal Power Commission can usefully be made, then the Chairman is authorized and the Attorney General is respectfully requested to make such representations and, if necessary, request a continuance to permit the proper presentation of the commission's position before the Federal Power Commission."

John Petty detailed the status of the drilling activities for the past month.

Mr. Lockhart and Dr. Kalil gave a summation of their I.O.C.C. meeting held in Miami, Florida as did Mr. Petty who had copies of several of the talks given at said meeting thermo-faxed and distributed to each commission member.
The condensation of the Highway Department's rules and regulations pertaining to loads and weights upon the State highways was presented to the commissioners and Mr. Petty was directed to have about 1,000 copies printed for distribution to oil and gas operators desiring same.

Since the selection of Mr. N. A. Ludewick as the new Executive Secretary of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission was made during an Executive Session, Mr. Walden verified this selection during this meeting and remarked that Mr. Ludewick would commence his duties January 2, 1963.

Before the commission went into executive session, Dr. Kalil moved that Bob Heward be named the new chairman of this commission for the coming year. Motion died for want of a second.

The commission went into executive session at 11 A. M. with adjournment at 11:45 A. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen M. Eremie, secretary

APPROVED January 23, 1963

A. Keith Walden, Chairman

Lynn Auckhart, Vice Chairman

Charles Kalil, M.D., Member

Orme Lewis, Member

ABSENT

Robert B. Heward, Member