OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MINUTES OF MEETING

June 26, 1963

The June, 1963 Oil and Gas Conservation Commission meeting was called to order at 9 A.M. by the Chairman, R. Keith Walden.

PRESENT:

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

Others
N. A. Ludewick
John K. Petty
Sen. Marshall Simms
Mike O'Donnell, Yucca Petroleum

Absent: Robert B. Heward

Sen. Lockhart moved, with a second by Dr. Kalil, that the minutes of the last meeting, held April 1963, be approved - so ordered.

During a report on the April and May production in Arizona, Mr. Lewis suggested that we identify the source of production, either State, Federal, Indian or private lease and point out the production in terms of dollar value and release this information to the press. It was the further thought of the commission that a form could be worked out with little footnotes and said form filled out each month.

Mr. Lewis moved that the area near the Texaco-Navajo Tribe "AG" No. 1 well that Texaco desired to be named Walker Creek Field be so designated - Mr. Lockhart seconded the motion - unanimously adopted.

Since some of the operators have had wells shut down for an indefinite period of time, the commission directed the Executive Secretary to contact these operators advising them to request in writing a temporary abandonment on any well the operator may desire to re-enter at a later date and that a 90 day extension period would be granted to any operator making such a written request.

Mr. Lewis then moved that the operator of the Aztec #2 well be notified to plug and abandon said location and if no action is taken, to notify the bonding company. Mr. Lockhart seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

After Mr. Walden read a copy of the letter to Sen. Hayden from Frank Berry, Solicitor in the Dept. of the Interior, relative to the proposals submitted to the dept. directed toward the acquisition of the helium found as a result of the drilling operations under Federal oil and gas leases and that these proposals were receiving the immediate attention of their office, it was unanimously agreed that the commission through its Executive Secretary write to the people most vitally concerned to let them know that we have received this letter and to offer any assistance that this commission may give.
Since Mr. Raymond Nakai, the new Navajo Tribal Chairman, had suggested a meeting of our two groups either in June, July or August, it was finally decided that Mr. Ludewick contact Mr. Nakai to see if a meeting either in July or the first week in August would be possible.

Both Sen. Lockhart and Mr. Ludewick reported on their I.O.C.C. meeting held in New Orleans and it was thought advisable to secure the film shown at that meeting, "Oil for Today and Tomorrow" to show to various service clubs throughout the state.

Commission business concluded, Sen. Lockhart moved that the meeting adjourn - seconded by Dr. Kalil.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen M. Eremie, secretary

R. Keith Walden, Chairman

Lynn Lockhart, Vice Chairman

Charles Kalil, M.D., Member

ABSENT

Robert B. Heward, Member

Orme Lewis, Member

APPROVED July 24, 1963