

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
1624 West Adams - Suite 202
Phoenix, Arizona

Minutes of Meeting
November 15, 1967

Present:

Mr. Lynn Lockhart, Chairman
Mr. Lucien B. Owens, Vice Chairman
Mr. George T. Siler, Member
Mr. Kenneth G. Bentson, Member
Mr. Ralph W. Bilby, Member
Mr. John Bannister, Executive Secretary
Mr. J.R. Scurlock, Geologist
Dr. Willard Pye, University of Arizona
Mr. R.E. Dunlap
Mr. Ewell N. Walsh

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Vice-chairman Lucien B. Owens. Chairman Lockhart moved, Mr. Bentson seconded, that the minutes of the meeting of October 18, 1967 be approved as submitted. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Lockhart stated that he had been Chairman of the Commission for about three years, but because he had been handicapped by surgery he asked the Commission to accept his resignation as Chairman and nominated Mr. Lucien Owens for Chairman, and asked that he be nominated by acclamation; and he also nominated Mr. George Siler for Vice Chairman.

Mr. Bilby moved that we accept Mr. Lockhart's resignation as Chairman, but with a vote of thanks for those things he had done under adverse circumstances. Mr. Bentson seconded. Mr. Owens added that he knew Mr. Lockhart had acted when he shouldn't have for his own good. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Siler asked that the record show that Mr. Lockhart was still "the Daddy of the Commission".

Mr. Bentson opined that he did not particularly subscribe to the philosophy that the chairmanship was an honorary position but that the man most capable should take the position and he re-nominated Mr. Owens for Chairman because of his experience and the way he demonstrated as substitute during the last few sessions. Mr. Siler seconded. Mr. Bilby moved that it be made unanimous. Mr. Bentson seconded that motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Bentson then seconded Mr. Lockhart's nomination of Mr. Siler for Vice Chairman. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Lockhart thanked all the Commission for their help to him and for their taking time from their businesses to attend to Commission functions.

Mr. Owens added that it was his observation that where the Commission would miss Mr. Lockhart most was the many connections he had on the outside that brought increased activity to the State. He suggested that if Mr. Lockhart's health permitted, that he be the Commission's delegate to the upcoming Interstate Oil Compact Commission meeting in December in New Orleans. Mr. Lockhart responded, saying that health permitting he would be pleased to attend the meeting and that he always boosted Arizona.

Mr. Lockhart moved that the Executive Secretary's report be accepted for filing.

Because there followed considerable discussion of this above report, the meeting was recessed to go into the hearing of Case 28, scheduled for 10:00 a.m.

The meeting re-convened at 12:15 p.m. with further discussion of the Executive Secretary's report.

The Executive Secretary was instructed to have suggestions for proposed legislation available for the Commission meeting in December.

Due to possible conflicts with the Interstate Oil Compact Commission meeting and the Christmas season, it was agreed that the next Commission meeting would be Friday, December 15, 1967, at 9:30 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

APPROVED JANUARY 17, 1968.


Lucien B. Owens
Chairman