Minutes of Meeting
January 22, 1969

Present:
Mr. Lucien B. Owens, Chairman
Mr. George T. Siler, Vice Chairman
Mr. Ralph W. Bilby, Member
Mr. Kenneth G. Bentson, Member
Mr. John Bannister, Executive Secretary
Mr. James R. Scurlock, Geologist
Mr. James A. Lambert, Administrative Assistant
Dr. Willard Pye, University of Arizona
Mr. F. C. Ryan, State Land Department

Chairman Lucien B. Owens called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Mr. F. C. Ryan, Supervisor, Water, Mineral, Oil and Gas Production Division of the State Land Department, made the following report to the Commission: The State Land Department is considering issuance of some mineral prospecting permits in Sections 2, 4 and 10 of Township 19 North, Range 26 East; Sections 26, 28, 32, 34 and 36 of Township 20 North, Range 26 East; and Section 32, Township 20 North, Range 27 East. The sections involved lie within the Unit Areas of the Pinta Dome and Navajo Springs Units. All the sections involved are currently producing helium. The State Land Department would be willing to impose conditions on permittees for these mineral permits to meet the requirements of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission.

After discussion, the Executive Secretary was given authority to advise the State Land Department that permittees of any permit which might be granted in the area must subject themselves to the authority of the Commission and possibly the Commission will require a further bond to protect the surface owner from any loss that might be occasioned by the permittees use.

Mr. Bentson moved, Mr. Siler seconded, that the minutes of meeting of December 11, 1968 be approved as written. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion held on the tax bill Senator Douglas S. Holsclaw is anxious to introduce. Chairman Owens was instructed to advise Senator Holsclaw that the Commission feels it is concerned with conservation and should not get involved in a tax problem.

The Executive Secretary's report was acknowledged. Discussion held on suggested legislation which is to be introduced in the House of Representatives by the Natural Resources Committee. It was determined no further action is necessary until the bills are introduced.
The Executive Secretary pointed out that new travel allowances of $20 per day in-State and $30 per day out-of-State are now in force. He indicated he had issued instructions that actual expenses would be paid. These would be based upon cost of motel and an allowance of $8 per day for food maximum. Allowance for meals will be paid as follows: $2 for breakfast, $2 for lunch and $4 for dinner. The Commission unanimously adopted these recommendations.

The Executive Secretary advised that Potter well has been plugged but bond will not be released until site is cleaned up. Clean-up is being delayed by weather.

Geologist's report was received.

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

APPROVED February 26, 1969

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Lucien B. Owens, Chairman