OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
1645 West Jefferson Street  
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Phoenix, Arizona 85007  

Minutes of Meeting  
January 25, 1979  

Present:  
Mr. Ralph W. Bilby, Chairman  
Mr. Hal Butler, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Robert A. Gallagher, Member  
Dr. J. Dale Nations, Member  
Mr. Johnny Gregovich, Member  

The regular Commission meeting of January 25, 1979 was called to  
order by Chairman Ralph Bilby at 10:00 a.m.  

Minutes of the regular meeting and executive session of September  
15, 1979 were approved as written.  

Reports of Executive Secretary, Enforcement Section and Geology  
Section were accepted.  

Executive Secretary outlined the provisions of House Bill 2079,  
to be introduced at the present session of the Legislature. This  
bill designates that the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission en-  
force certain provisions of the Natural Gas Policy Act, enacted  
by the Federal Government in 1978, under the auspices of the  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. The Oil and Gas Conserva-  
tion Commission will not have authority on Federal or Indian  
lands, but will have jurisdiction on State and private lands.  

Executive Secretary reviewed House Bill 2080, which provides for  
the Arizona Energy Office. This bill is essentially the same as  
a bill which was introduced at the last legislative session. It  
provides for an eight-member board and an executive director, all  
of whom are appointed by the Governor. Departments to be included  
in the Arizona Energy Office are the Oil and Gas Conservation Com-  
misson, Solar Research and the Energy Programs Division (Fuel  
Allocation and Conservation) now part of the Office of Economic  
Planning and Development.  

A bill, being drafted, will be introduced by the House Natural  
Resources and Energy Committee to provide $258 thousand to the  
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission to contract with the Arizona  
Board of Regents to provide funds to the Bureau of Geology and  
Mineral Technology for preparation of an updated state geological  
map. The map now being used was prepared eighteen years ago and  
the new map will be of use to many state departments.
After discussion, it was moved and passed that the Executive Secretary request an additional $2500 allotment to the state travel account for the balance of the fiscal year. This amount will be necessary for inspections in remote parts of the state.

Executive Secretary advised that he has appeared before the Governor's Budget Committee and the Joint Legislative Budget Committee regarding the Commission's proposed budget for the 1979-80 fiscal year. Recommendations to reduce funds were made by both committees, but the final allotment will be determined by the Legislature.

After discussion, it was moved and passed that the following Resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION

That this Commission meet on the following dates during the calendar year of 1979: March 16, May 18, July 20, September 21 and November 16; that during the first meeting of each succeeding calendar year the Commission set the dates of the meetings for the remainder of that year; and that these meetings shall not be subject to change unless a majority of the Commissioners, in a regular meeting, rule to change the date of the next succeeding meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

APPROVED March 16, 1979

Ralph W. Bilby, Chairman