

OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
1645 West Jefferson Street  
Suite 420  
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Minutes of Meeting  
May 16, 1980

Present:

Mr. Ralph W. Bilby, Chairman  
Mr. Hal Butler, Vice Chairman  
Dr. J. Dale Nations, Member  
Mr. Johnny Gregovich, Member  
Mr. L. A. Palmer, Member

The regular Commission meeting of May 16, 1980 was called to order by Chairman Ralph Bilby at 10:00 a.m.

Chairman Bilby expressed the Commission's appreciation for the reappointment of Mr. Hal Butler as a member of the Commission and said that actually Mr. Butler had never left because, according to law, he was still a member until a replacement was named.

Minutes of the meeting of March 21, 1980 were approved as written.

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

The Executive Secretary advised that the Interstate Oil Compact Commission has requested a contribution of \$2,000 from Arizona for the 1980-81 fiscal year. This is an increase of \$500. Since the Commission budget for the fiscal year did not include the increased amount, it will be impossible to pay more. After discussion, the motion passed that the amount of \$2,000 be included in the 1981-1982 budget request to cover Arizona's contribution for that fiscal year.

The Executive Secretary advised that House Bill 2186 and Senate Bill 1138 failed to pass the recent session of the Legislature. These bills would give the Commission statutory authority to make natural gas pricing determinations, as mandated by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. The Executive Secretary suggested that a hearing be called to consider adoption of rules to comply with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission guidelines, the hearing to be concurrent with a future regular Commission meeting. The suggestion was approved.

The Executive Secretary advised that with the passage of Senate

Bill 1205, the Commission can now use a tape recorder in lieu of a court reporter at hearings. After discussion, it was agreed to use a tape recorder at hearings called on motion of the Commission.

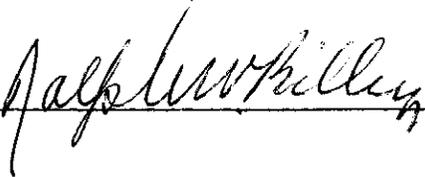
The Chairman requested that the Executive Secretary respond to a request he had received concerning updating the 1959 "Form for an Oil and Gas Conservation Statute".

The Executive Secretary advised that due to increased costs for state travel, it may be necessary to hold fewer Commission meetings in the 1980-81 fiscal year. In discussing the budget for both in-state and out-of-state travel, the Chairman expressed the thought that a staff member should be the person attending the Interstate Oil Compact Commission meetings.

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

APPROVED

September 19, 1980

  
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