Illinois Oil and Gas Advisory Board

December 9/16, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Board members in attendance: Casey Lampley, Ross Basnett, Stephanie Storckman, Malcolm Booth, Brandi Stennett, and Kenton Thomas.

Non-voting members in attendance: Dan Brennan (DNR)


DNR – OOGRM in attendance: Kendra Brokamp, Hernando Albarracin, Kyle Fitzpatrick, Ron Hutmacher, Vanasa Brittin

Guests: Seth Whitehead, Destiny Marsh, Mike Payne, Brad Richards, Matt Davis

1) Vice Chairman Mr. Casey Lampley called the meeting to order at 10:32 AM via teleconference. There were discrepancies on what call in information to use making it difficult for some to join in on the call. Given the confusion, the meeting was called to order and immediately suspended. A motion by Kent Thomas was made to reconvene on Thursday 12/16/2021 at 10:00 AM and seconded by Ms. Brandi Stennett. Motion passed.

1b) Meeting suspended due to information confusion was called back to order at 10:10 AM on 12/16/2021.

Roll call and introductions. Board Member, Mr. Larry Miller, was replaced by Mr. Kenton Thomas and Board Member Steve Persinger stepped down from the Advisory Board. His seat remains vacant.

2) Meeting Minutes Submission

Minutes from the September 9, 2021 meeting were approved. Motion was made by Ms. Stephanie Storckman and seconded Ms. Brandi Stennett was carried unanimously.

3) Round Table Discussion

A) Completion of State-required Trainings

Mr. Brennan gave a reminder that board members were to have their required trainings completed by 12/31/21.

B) Implementation of forms OG-3, OG-4, OG-5, OG-9 (page 2 formation/reservoir), OG-10, OG-14, OG-18

OG-10 may include language from ILSTRAT or Bulletin 95. DNR will go forward with amending the forms.
C) Proposed Revisions to the Regulations

i. 240.870/875 Leaking Unpermitted Drill Hole/Leaking Previously Plugged Well
DNR is seeking to expand the radius to shut down injection wells if a leaking well or new breakout exists.

ii. 240.945 Lease Road Oiling Permits
Add the language “no application under perjury”. Permit can be revoked. Some members wanted to be able to think more about this so it was tabled until it can be clarified. Mr. Casey Lampley made the motion to table it and Mr. Ross Basnett seconded the motion.

iii. 240.1130/1132 Plugging and Temporary Abandonment of Inactive Wells
Ms. Brandi Stennett asked if 240.1132 was just a wording change. Mr. Casey Lampley asked why are TA’d wells now an issue. Mr. Craig Hedin stated the wording in the revisions only benefits the DNR and not the operator if the integrity of the well is in good standing. He said there needs to be identifiable criteria to be met by operators with an appeal process. There were lots of concerns about why wells are TA’d vs why the DNR thinks they are TA’d. Mr. Nelson Wood suggested putting together a task force of industry professionals/operators/DNR officials to come up with a solution to the TA process. Mr. Casey Lampley moved to table 3 C iii for the next meeting and Mr. Ross Basnett seconded. Motion passed

iv. 240.1420/1460 Subpart N: Issuance or Transfer of Permit to Operate
Current Permittee is responsible until the DNR authorizes the transfer. Mr. Nelson Wood asked if it was a reoccurring issue or just seldom happens. Mr. Dan Brennan said it happens enough to be a concern to the state of IL. Mr. Casey Lampley moved to table the issue for the next meeting and Ms. Stephanie Storckman seconded. Motion passed.

v. 240.1700 Fee Liability (Subpart Q: Annual Well Fees)
Ok with the board

The board agrees for the DNR to proceed with 3B, 3Ci, and 3Cv. All others are tabled for the next meeting.

4) New Business
   A. Revisions to forms OG-10, OG-26NP and OG-26A
Ms Kendra Brockamp spoke on the OG-10 changes that were mostly clerical. No other discussion or objection from the board. OG-26NP and OG-26A were reviewed and the board was in favor of the proposed changes.

  Added New Business: As stated during the Roll Call, Mr. Steve Persinger stepped down from the board. The IOGA Executive Committee will have a special meeting with a recommendation.

5) Public Participation
   No public participation
6) **Next Meeting**
   - Thursday, February 10, 2022 at 10:00 AM
   - Other dates and times were set for:
     - May 12, 2022 at 10:00 AM
     - September 8, 2022 at 10:00 AM
     - December 8, 2022 at 10:00 AM

   Mr. Casey Lampley made the motion to adjourn seconded by Ms. Stephanie Storckman at 12:05 PM.
   Meeting adjourned.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Ross Basnett - Secretary IOGA Advisory Board