

Illinois Oil and Gas Advisory Board
Minutes of September 12, 2019 Meeting
IOGA Office, Mt. Vernon, IL

Refer to attached Attendance Record for list of attendees

1. Chairman Dicus called the meeting to order @ 10:00 AM. All attendees introduced themselves and stated their business affiliation.
2. Chairman Dicus asked if all had received the minutes of the May 2, 2019 meeting. A motion was made by S. Storckman and seconded by R. Bassnett to approve the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.
3. A. OGRM Director Brennan reported that they had decided not to recommend any further rules changes pertaining to production of coal bed methane (CBM) and the use of vacuum in the production in CBM at this time. He also reported that all of the last set of rules changes had been adopted on September 6, 2019 and would go into effect October 1, 2019.

At this point in the meeting Chairman Dicus skipped to Agenda item 5A to allow Keyrock Energy, LLC representative Morgan Pate to present a memo from Keyrock regarding CBM regulations that it had sent to the Board.

B. Director Brennan reported that Ernie Kierback had been moved to Field Manager. Ron Hutmache had been made Supervisor of Enforcement and 2 new field inspectors had been hired. He also stated that there were many more changes coming.

There was considerable discussion regarding a change in the handling of Notices of Violation (NOV). Starting immediately, Operators will no longer receive a Notice of Violation (OG-21) form. The NOV will be transmitted directly to OGRM. The violation will be reviewed and a Director's Decision (DD) issued to the Operator who can accept the DD or appeal it. OGRM anticipates that this procedure will eliminate the long delays in getting DDs issued.

C. Board Member Storckman presented several comments regarding the use of ISGS Bulletin 95, a 45 year old publication, by drilling permit reviewers in OGRM to determine formation names. Several board members and guests commented that considerable time is being wasted in the issuance of drilling permits due to applications being rejected because permit reviewers now refuse to recognize locally named zones as formations even though permits

have been issued for these zones for many years. Considerable discussion ensued about how this change affects well spacing. Director Brennan commented that he felt a solution to the problem was to have 10 acre spacing for all formations.

4. There was no new business.
5. A. See Section 3A.
6. Next meeting – November 7, 2019.
7. Motion was made by S. Persinger and seconded by C. Lampley to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously Meeting adjourned @ 11:45 AM.

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