

ILLINOIS OIL AND GAS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 16, 2017

Board Members in Attendance: Bryan Dicus, Stephanie Storckman, Kyle Kingston, Casey Lampley, Steve Persinger, Larry Miller

Non-Voting Board Members in Attendance: DNR Director Mike Mankowski, Sam Barbee, Craig Hedin, Jarred Tynes

DNR Representatives in Attendance: Doug Shutt

Meeting called to order at 10:00am by Mr. Dicus.

Mr. Persinger motioned to approve last meeting's minutes, seconded by Ms. Storckman. The board unanimously approved the minutes, except for Mr. Miller who was absent during the vote.

Officer Elections

Chairperson – Bryan Dicus (nominated by Mr. Persinger, seconded by Mr. Miller)

Vice Chairperson – Kyle Kingston (nominated by Mr. Persinger, seconded by Mr. Lampley)

Secretary – Casey Lampley (nominated by Ms. Storckman, seconded by Mr. Persinger)

Round Table Discussion

A. Amendments to Section 240.460 Modified Drilling Units

Director Mankowski indicated the DNR's interpretation of the language is that a hearing is required no matter the circumstance, and he recommended modifying language to expedite the hearing process. He mentioned the possibility of telephone and video conferencing hearings. Also, Director Mankowski spoke about holding hearings in convenient location where DRN staff could travel to permittee. Mr. Dicus had the opinion that the suggestions were palatable to non-industry entities, where you still have hearings, but make the hearings an easier process. Director Mankowski made suggestions to adjust the language for consistency with existing laws and regulations, such as changing "days" to "business days.", and edits for readability. Mr. Hedin thanked Director Mankowski for working with the industry on this. Mr. Hedin and Mr. Tynes reviewed the language and said it was okay, but suggested some changes and rewording to simplify the language, such as shorter paragraphs that were more to the point, rather than bunching a lot of items into a single paragraph. Director Mankowski said he would make the discussed changes, provide the board with copies of the new language, and submit the new language to JCAR once complete. Mr. Persinger motioned to accept the language as presented to the board today with the proposed changes made at this meeting, seconded by Mr. Kingston. The board unanimously approved the motion.

B. Amendments to Section 240.465 Special Drilling Units

Section 240.465 Special Drilling Units is to read similarly to Section 240.460 Modified Drilling Unit, incorporating proposed changes that were discussed and voted on in Round Table Discussion item A above. Mr. Persinger motioned to accept the language as presented to the board along with the proposed changes made at this meeting, Kyle seconded. The board unanimously approved the motion.

C. Changes to Subpart N Transfers

Director Mankowski went over concerns regarding responsibility of transferees and transferrers due to timing of transfers, compliance, well fees, etc. Mr. Shutt stated that the DNR views transfers as a personal transaction and wants to remove a certain amount of DNR oversight of transfers. This should speed up transfers on DNR books by using Certified Statements, similar to the DNR's recent use of Certified Statements in the well permitting process. Director Mankowski and Mr. Hedin discussed appropriate language changes. Also, Mr. Hedin suggested and language was adjusted to require only one OG-26. Mr. Persinger motioned to accept the language as presented to the board today with the proposed changes made at this meeting, seconded by Mr. Kingston. The board unanimously approved the motion.

D. Horizontal Coal Bed Methane Well Spacing

Mr. Hedin indicated that the I.O.G.A. is okay with the language as presented to the board. Mr. Shutt spoke about stacking 10 acre units. Ms. Storckman motioned to accept the language as presented to the board at this meeting, seconded by Mr. Kingston. The board unanimously approved the motion.

No new business.

No public participation.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 11, 2017 @ 10:00am at the I.O.G.A. office boardroom.

Larry Miller motioned to adjourn, seconded by Casey Lampley. Meeting adjourned at 12:00pm.