

Illinois Oil and Gas Advisory Board

December 8, 2022, Meeting Minutes

Board members in attendance: Casey Lampley, Ross Basnett, Stephanie Storckman, Matt Davis, Brandi Stennett, Malcolm Booth (phone). Kenton Thomas was absent.

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

IOGA Representatives: J. Nelson Wood (phone), Jim Elder, Matthew McCarthy, Jarred Tynes

DNR – OOGRM in attendance: Kendra Brokamp (phone), Hernando Albarracin, Ernie Kierbach, Ron Hutmacher (phone), Vanassa Britton (phone)

Guests: Seth Whitehead

- 1) Chairman Mr. Casey Lampley called the meeting to order at 10:12 AM.
Roll call and introductions
- 2) Meeting Minutes Submission
Minutes from the September 15, 2022, meeting were approved. Motion was made by Ms. Stephanie Storckman with a second from Ms. Brandi Stennett and carried unanimously.
- 3) Round Table Discussion
 - A) Update on the Proposed Revisions to the Oil and Gas Regulations
Mr. Dan Brennan said one other publishing by the Secretary of State and then they should be effective January 1, 2023.
 - B) 62.Ill Adm. Code 240.1130 of the regulations as to methods, information, and procedures used by DNR when granting or denying T/A requests
Mr. Brennan said process of granting or denying will not change. OG-15C is a yearly certification and payment for each TA. There were discussions over ways to pay and not have to write a check for each TA'd well. Payment can be lumped with other TA fees for wells if the OG-15C is also attached. OG-15C goes into effect January 1, 2023. Mr. Jim Elder is going to send out an email blast to IOGA membership with the new forms attached. Ms. Storckman and Ms. Stennett had clarification questions with the form. Mr. Brennan noted that Item 1 should start on January 1 through the date of the yearly commencement of each TA'd well. OG-15C does not cover UIC wells. No other discussion was made on this topic.
 - C) Update on Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Grant
Mr. Brennan said the DNR has plugged 59 wells so far with 48 being funded through the Infrastructure Grant. Illinois was the first state to plug a well through this grant. No update was given on the Formula Grant which is a separate \$9 million per year funding grant over 5 years.

D) Use of another mail delivery service besides United States registered mail (U.S.P.S.) to comply with 62 I11. Adm. Code 240.1305(a) and (b)

A combination of language from the DNR and Mr. Craig Hedin was presented to the board for review/changes prior to sending it to DNR Legal for their review. Further discussion was tabled until the January meeting to allow time to review the changes.

4) New Business

A. Revisions to forms OG-02, OG-03, OG-04, OG-10, OG-26A and OG-26NP

OG-02 now has a #10 for fee. Motion to approve the changes was made by Ms. Stephanie Storckman and a second by Mr. Matt Davis.

OG-03 line 16 changed to have the fee change. Motion to approve the change was made by Ms. Stephanie Storckman with a second from Mr. Ross Basnett.

OG-04 line 12 changed to have the fee change. Motion to approve the change was made by Ms. Stephanie Storckman with a second from Mr. Casey Lampley.

OG-10 line 37 changed to have the fee change. Motion to approve the change was made by Ms. Stephanie Storckman with a second from Mr. Matt Davis.

OG-26A changed line 10 to have to fee change. Motion to approve the change was made by Ms. Stephanie Storckman with a second from Mr. Matt Davis.

OG-26NP changed line 9 to have to fee change. Motion to approve the change was made by Ms. Stephanie Storckman with a second from Mr. Matt Davis.

OG-26CP no changes were made but the form is now fillable.

OG-22B is a DNR internal form that is now being made public for operator awareness.

B. Memo from IOGA regarding possible amendments to 62 I11. Adm. Code 240.150

Mr. Casey Lampley/Mr. Jarrod Tynes spoke about operators would like to be notified prior to getting an NOV/Directors Decision (DD). Discussions from several were had about why it would be beneficial to the operator to have a formal notice. The DNR argues that in serious instances the operator is made aware of and should know the condition of their wells. Mr. Casey Lampley asked, based on the language of the rule, when is the operator able to present their case to dispute the DD? Mr. Dan Brennan said sometimes it may be after the DD is issued. Ms. Stephanie Storckman said she didn't understand why the DNR is reluctant to send notice prior to the DD process. When NOV's were used, they were sent to the operator. She also asked about an email notice of when the inspector sends notice to the Springfield office. Discussions about potentially adding an email to the OG-01 so such emails could be sent. The DNR did not think an email was necessary because in serious instances the operator is notified anyway. Mr. Casey Lampley asked for the internal DD

form to be made public for operators to review and asked for this topic to be added to the topics for the next meeting.

Mr. Ross Basnett spoke about workover rig availability given the shortage in the workforce and several rigs now being used to plug wells for the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. He wanted the DNR to understand the shortage and long lists for operators to be on to get a rig so they can understand why extensions may be needed to keep from getting DDs and fines.

5) Public Participation

No public participation

6) Next Meeting

Next Advisory Board Meeting set for Wednesday January 11, 2023, at 10:00 AM

Ms. Stephanie Storckman made the motion to adjourn seconded by Mr. Matt Davis at 12:31 PM.
Meeting adjourned.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Ross Basnett - Secretary IOGA Advisory Board