


STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Regular Meeting
October 9, 2024
Meeting Minutes

The Oil Conservation Commission meeting was a hybrid meeting with both in person and virtual participation options. The meeting was held in the Pecos Hall Hearing Room at the Wendell Chino Building, First Floor, 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Gerasimos Razatos	Acting Chair, Oil Conservation Division	
William Ampomah	Designee, Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department [remote appearance]	
Greg Bloom	Designee, New Mexico State Land Office Commissioner [remote appearance]	

OTHERS PRESENT:

Daniel Rubin	Commission Counsel
Sheila Apodaca	Commission Clerk

The meeting was called to order by Acting Chair Razatos at 9:02 a.m.

Item 1. Roll Call.

Action: Roll was taken; a quorum was present.

Item 2. Approval of the Agenda.

Action: Commissioner Bloom moved to approve the Agenda. Commissioner Ampomah seconded the motion. Roll call was taken and the motion was unanimously approved.

Item 3. Approval of the September 23, 2024 Meeting Minutes.

Action: Commissioner Bloom motioned for approval of the September 23, 2024 Meeting Minutes, Commissioner Ampomah seconded the motion. Roll call was taken and the motion was approved unanimously.

Item 4. Pending cases:

Action: **Case Nos. 24813**

Michael Feldewert appeared on behalf of Applicant Permian Resources Operating, Deanna Bennett appeared on behalf of Avant Operating, LLC.

The applicant previously filed a Notice of Dismissal of the de novo appeal. There was no objection to the dismissal. Commissioner Bloom moved to approve the dismissal. Commissioner seconded the motion. Roll call and the dismissal was approved. An Order of Dismissal will be entered and the Division's order will take precedent.

Case Nos. 24814

Michael Feldewert appeared on behalf of Applicant Permian Resources Operating, Sophia Graham appeared on behalf of Avant Operating, LLC.

The applicant previously filed a Notice of Dismissal of the de novo appeal. There was no objection to the dismissal. Commissioner Bloom moved to approve the dismissal. Commissioner seconded the motion. Roll call and the dismissal was approved. Dana Hard appeared on behalf of COG Operating and Concho Oil & Gas.

Case No. 24816

Deanna Bennett appeared on behalf of Avant Operating, LLC. Michael Feldewert appeared on behalf of PBEX, LLC and EGL Resources.

Action: Deanna Bennett provided background as to how Case No. 24816 is related to OCC Case No. 24878 which is set for status conference on the December docket, and both cases should be consolidated. She will file a Motion for Consolidation.

Michael Feldewert discussed competing applications set on the OCD docket for October 31, 2024. Mr. Feldewert suggests the OCC matters be stayed pending resolution of the OCD matters, citing rule R-21454.

Commissioners want to hear how these cases are interconnected with each other to help make a decision.

Case No. 24816 and 24878 will be set for a status conference on November 12, 2024 to start prior to the rulemaking hearing.

Case No. 24683

Application for rulemaking hearing filed by Western Environmental Law Center, et al.

Action: Michael Feldewert appeared on behalf of OXY, USA. Christy Trevino appeared on behalf of the Oil Conservation Division. Jackie McLean appeared on behalf of IPANM. Applicant did not appear.

Commissioner Bloom motioned to appoint Felicia Orth as hearing officer for the rulemaking hearing. Commissioner Ampomah seconded the motion. Roll call was taken and all approved. Felicia Orth was appointed as hearing officer for this matter.

Item 5. Pending Litigation

Action: There are no updates to report.

Item 5. Other business

Action: There was no other business to discuss.

Item 7. Next meeting

The next OCC meeting will be held on November 12-15, 2024.

Item 8. **Adjournment**

Acting Chair Razatos adjourned the meeting at 9:38 a.m.

Gerasimos Razatos
Acting Chair