

3rd Osage Minerals Council Meeting July 11, 2014

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The first regularly scheduled meeting of the 3rd Minerals Council was opened at 10:00 AM today by Chairman Everett Waller. Chairman Waller welcomed everyone to the meeting. The prayer and reading of recently deceased Osages was done by Councilman Talee Red Corn.

Osage Agency Deputy Superintendent Jeannine Hale was representing Supt. Robin Phillips today. Several of the Council had questions for her. She told us that the former BIA budget for the Osage Agency of \$1.5 million dollars had increased to a current amount of approximately \$4 million. Filling former open positions as well as hiring for many new positions recently created is underway. She said that there are currently 11 field men, including the supervisor, and that 4 of them are Osages.

BIA Supervisory Petroleum Engineer Charles Hurlburt gave a report and fielded several questions from the Council. When asked by Councilman Talee Redcorn, he gave a brief explanation of the lease access rules. He also told us that the Burbank field production had been reported to be up about 10% from the approximately 1200 barrels per day it had been producing when CO₂ injection began. Hurlburt also said that Sullivan & Company was still drilling, but he hadn't spoken with them in about 6 months.

Producer Charles Wickstrom announced that he had become involved with a new Company, Iron Hawk Energy, and introduced one of his associates, Mr. Sid L. Anderson.

The Council then went into executive session. The executive agenda included:

Iron Hawk Energy—Charles Wickstrom, Sid L. Anderson

Cathey S. Mays Vaughn—Vaughn Lawsuit Update

Wind Farm Litigation Updates—Ian Chavez, Gene Dennison, John Moody

Clear Mountain Resources—Burt Williams

No votes were taken today on executive session issues.

Old Business:

A report was given by 2014 Election Supervisor Faren Anderson detailing the activity of the Minerals Council Election Board. Total expense for the Minerals Council election was \$50,515.85. The report included several recommendations for improvements to our election policy, as well as listing many positive things about the existing procedure. The report was accepted by the Council with applause.

The Council agreed that a resolution should be introduced and voted on next week to continue to fund the scholarship program.

Councilman Andrew Yates suggested that the Council should consider setting up a booth at the Pipeline and Energy Expo in Tulsa in August to advertise the September Osage Oil & Gas Summit and to promote the production potential of the Osage Mineral Estate. This was taken under advisement by the Council. Councilman Yates and Summit Steering Committee Member Mary Johnson passed out the final version of the brochure promoting the Oil & Gas Summit which included the complete 2 day agenda and a pre-registration form.

Producer Barry L. Sparks requested help for a problem he was having concerning purchasing several low producing leases, and his intention to produce them with only one tank battery. The Council advised him where they thought he should start to resolve this rather complicated issue.

Councilwoman Cynthia Boone introduced her personal attorney, Mr. Jack Elsey, who told the Council why he didn't think the Council should sanction Ms. Boone for alleged abusive harassment of employees of the Council. Ms. Boone then said that she would be introducing a resolution next Wednesday to rescind the resolution sanctioning her from office privileges.

Councilwoman Boone then requested that the Council consider approval of an expense report she had turned in last spring that was deemed incorrect. No action was taken today.

The meeting adjourned about 2:10 PM.

In my opinion:

When the meeting opened, it seemed that only one person in the room knew what was about to happen. That would have been Council Chairman Everett Waller.

By the time the meeting was over, not a single person attending had any doubt who was in charge. Chairman Waller picked up the reins, cleared his throat, and proceeded to conduct his first meeting of this Council like the true professional that he really is. Our Minerals Council has had 5 or 6 different Councilpersons to serve as Chairman since July, 2006, and as far as I know, all did a fine job, but this guy really has a knack for it. He exudes confidence and enthusiasm like few I have seen before. I think he will hold this Council together and they will accomplish many good things for us.

I was happy to see Producer Charles Wickstrom back today, doing business with the Council. When he comes out of an executive session with the MC, you can usually bet we have, or are about to, make some money. He won't talk about it publically yet, so for now, I'll just have to smile about the rumors I'm hearing.

The report Farin Anderson gave on the operations of the Minerals Council Election Board was very well done. She included a list of things that need to be addressed and possibly added to the election policy and procedures. The Council did discuss a few things today that the new policy and procedures committee will be looking into. Good Job, Farin.

The Osage Oil & Gas Summit Steering Committee has a great show planned for us this year. Check out their web site at: <http://www.osagesummit.com/>

It's looking like the Osage Nation I.T. Department may be finally getting the Minerals Council website filled in a little. Although there is still a sizeable gap, they now have many of the audio recordings of meetings and they should be available within 2 or 3 days of the event. You can find this at: <http://www.osagenation-nsn.gov/who-we-are/minerals-council/meeting-information> If you don't find what you're looking for, keep checking back. If that don't work, call them. I hope to see the new media and communications committee working diligently with I.T. They have a huge job ahead of them to get the web site populated with the material and information currently available.

Ray McClain, Osage Mineral Estate Beneficiary

