MEETING MINUTES
OIL AND GAS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

PLACE: Virtual

DATE: December 4, 2024

TIME: 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Meeting began at 1:01 p.m. with roll call.

ROLL CALL

COMMITTEE MEMBERS
Robert Long – present
Ben Brower – present
William Harrison – present
Brian Dorr – present
Joel Myler – present
Scott Lampert – present
Tim Baker – present
Nathan Maas – present

EGLE STAFF MEMBERS
Adam Wygant – present
Jim Armbruster – present
Mark Snow – present
Kevin Carey – present
Eric Kimber – present
Trisha Hagerman – present

OTHER ATTENDEES
Kevin Spence, MPSC-LARA
Matt Fry, DNR
Jacob Martus, MPSC-LARA
Jason Geer, MOGA President and CEO

DISPOSITION OF MINUTES

Meeting Minutes from January 23, 2024 – Scott moved motion Joel 2nd – File as approved.

GRMD Welcome, New Member Introduction, and Updates – Adam Wygant wanted to take time out to thank Craig Tester for his 12 years on the committee and Amy Trotter for her 1 ½ years on the committee. Which lead to two vacancies and would like to welcome Tim Baker with West Bay Exploration and Nathan Maas with Farm Bureau. Adam gave update on the changed name from OGMD to GRMD. GRMD took the lead of the Groundwater and Geological Services Section which consist of two units.

- Joel Myler asked about the effect to the GRMD budget having the new section
- Adam Wygant stated they came over fully funded with fund that came from WRD, not enough FTE's
- Joel Myler asked if the new section came over fully staffed

Adam also presented that the Underground Injection Control (UIC) Unit has elevated to become the Underground Injection, Storage, Carbon Management Section (UISCMS) that handles methane, CCUS, and methane emission reduction.

The division went from having 3 section managers to now adding 2 more for a total of 5. Mark Snow, Kathy Tetzlaff, Jim Armbruster, Eric Kimber, and Lena Pappas.

Treasury Letter – Surveillance – proposing to go back up to 1% max
-projection last year 4.5 BBL fallen back
-natural gas $2.80
-Crude is all over the place but is calmy down
-projection this year, produce the same as last year

Policy – Adam Wygant stated that the Lame Duck Session is in for the next two and half weeks. 150 bills that Legislature will be moving. The big one GRMD is matching is the CCUS. 2025 looks to be a very busy year $1.9 grant will be received from the EPA. We have 1 year to submit an application for Class VI primacy adopting federal program which we hope to have by 2027.

Technologically Enhanced Naturally Occurring Radioactive Material (TENORM) – Part 111 & Part 115 displayed band in Michigan. Changes to Part 625 as it defines Class I, III, and IIII but bands Class I.

SB938 assist a 4-cent tax on hazardous waste wells.

Pit Plot Records – Some frustration on Pit Plots Records creating problems for us to move a well from PLC to PLA. We should be getting Pit Plot Records shortly after a well is drilled. Well transfer we are not getting these.

Active Well Management – Industry has responded to Active Well Management methane emissions

Orphan Well – Jim Armbruster gave a presentation of the Orphan Well Dashboard and the different parts of the dashboard. He also explained that the Orphan Well Program receives $5M per year for the next 4 years in grant money. Parsons being hired to evaluate methane.

Hearings – Kevin Carey presented the hearings report, 16 petitions, 5 orders from 2023 (09-2023, 14-2023, 12-2023,13-2023,15-2023). 13 Orders issued in 2024 (01-2024, 02-2024, 03-2024, 06-2024, 07-2024, 04-2024, 15-2024, 05-2024, 09,10,11,12,13-2024), Pending Causes (08-2024, 14,2024, 16-2024).

Permitting Stats – Kevin Carey reported that from October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024 - 67 applications, - 47 permits issued, Average time to approve - Class II 122 days. Kalamazoo and Cadillac Districts issued the most wells.

Underground Injection Control (UIC) Topics – (SAPT Guidance, Remediation Site Guidance Document, Commercial Class II Well Guidance Document) – Eric Kimber talked about the 3 guidance updates in UIC.

Committee Questions and Comments –

Bob Long – commented on how pleased he was with today's meeting.

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1. Old Business – none.
2. New Business – none.
3. Public Comment – none.
4. Other Comments – none.

FUTURE MEETINGS

June 2025

ADJOURNMENT

3:20 p.m.