

Mr. C. S. Pechtel appeared, both as a private citizen and on behalf of the San Mateo County Planning Commission, to protest issuance of the permit.

Mr. Ralph H. Shaw of the San Mateo County Recreation Commission also personally presented his protest, and submitted photographs of the area in question showing the large number of persons who use it for recreational purposes.

Mr. A. B. Court, Engineer, appeared on behalf of his client, Ken Royce, Inc., and stated that the tentative proposal which had been worked out was satisfactory, including the increase in amount of bond.

Upon a question by Mr. Dean as to whether the State or the County had plans for acquiring the particular beach area in question, he was informed by Mr. Skillman that there are no such plans at present, there being only a limited amount of money available for this purpose. Mr. Dean was of the opinion that the State's interests should be protected, but that the applicant, Ken Royce, Inc., as the upland owner, also had certain rights which should be carefully considered.

There was considerable discussion, in which all three members of the Commission took part, about the possible effect in future years upon adjoining beach areas if such sand and gravel removal was permitted.

Lieutenant Governor Knight was of the opinion that further study and consideration should be given to the problem, and stated that he wanted to make a personal investigation before a definite decision was made.

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, A RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED POSTPONING ACTION ON THE APPLICATION OF KEN ROYCE, INC. FOR A PERMIT TO REMOVE SAND AND GRAVEL FROM APPROXIMATELY FIVE ACRES OF TIDE AND SUBMERGED LANDS AT ROCKAWAY BEACH, SAN MATEO COUNTY, PENDING FURTHER STUDY OF THE POSSIBILITY OF PERMANENT DAMAGE TO THE BEACHES IN THE AREA IN QUESTION.

23. (APPLICATION FOR PROSPECTING PERMIT, FRESNO COUNTY, ANDREW THICKSTUN - W.O. 1161, P.R.C. 1250.2.) An application has been received from Mr. Andrew Thickstun of Coalinga, California, for permission to prospect for minerals on Lots 7, 8, 9, 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17, in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 36, T. 18 S., R. 12 E., M.D.M., containing 227.78 acres, in Fresno County. Field reconnaissance by the Staff and review of the records of the Division of Mines has shown that the subject area cannot be classified at this time as known to contain commercially valuable deposits of minerals. Review of the official records in Fresno and San Benito Counties has shown that there are no valid mining claims on the subject Section 36. The statutory filing fee of \$5 and the permit fee of \$227.78 have been deposited by the applicant.

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, A RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO ISSUE A TWO-YEAR PROSPECTING PERMIT TO MR. ANDREW THICKSTUN FOR 227.78 ACRES OF VACANT STATE SCHOOL LAND IN THE SE $\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION 36, T. 18 S., R. 12 E., M.D.M., FRESNO COUNTY, PURSUANT TO THE PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE. THE ROYALTY PAYABLE UNDER ANY PREFERENTIAL LEASE ISSUED UPON DISCOVERY OF COMMERCIALY VALUABLE MINERAL DEPOSITS SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE:

1. FOR NONPRECIOUS METALLIC MINERALS:

$$R = 3.00 + 0.37 (C-60.00)$$

2. FOR NONMETALLIC MINERALS:

$$R = 1.00 + 0.20 (C-20.00)$$

WHERE R = ROYALTY IN DOLLARS AND CENTS PER TON OF ORE

C = WEIGHTED AVERAGE GROSS SALES PRICE PER TON DETERMINED AT THE END OF THE FIRST YEAR OF THE LEASE AND EVERY FOUR YEARS THEREAFTER.

THE MAXIMUM ROYALTY SHALL NOT EXCEED 25 PER CENT OF THE AVERAGE GROSS SALES PRICE OF THE ORE FOR ALL NONPRECIOUS METALLIC AND NONMETALLIC MINERALS.

24. (APPLICATION FOR MINERAL EXTRACTION LEASE, E $\frac{1}{2}$ OF SECTION 16, T. 25 N., R. 7 W., M.D.N., TEHAMA COUNTY, L. EHORN - W.O. 1258.) An application has been received from Mr. L. Ehorn of Red Bluff, requesting that the E $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 16, T. 25 N., R. 7 W., M.D.M., Tehama County, be offered for lease pursuant to competitive bidding for the extraction of chrome ore. The application was submitted with the statutory filing fee of \$5 and an expense deposit of \$75 in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Commission. Field inspection of the area by the Staff and review of the records of the Division of State Lands and the Division of Mines has confirmed the classification heretofore assigned to the property that it is known to contain commercially valuable deposits of minerals. Operations have been conducted sporadically in this area since 1894 with the production of chrome ore and indication of the existence of magnesite.

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, A RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO PUBLISH A NOTICE OF INTENTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE AND THE ROYALTY POLICY HERETOFORE ESTABLISHED BY THE COMMISSION, INVITING BIDS FOR A MINERAL EXTRACTION LEASE ON THE E $\frac{1}{2}$ OF SECTION 16, T. 25 N., R. 7 W., M.D.M., TEHAMA COUNTY, FOR THE EXTRACTION OF CHROME AND OTHER NONPRECIOUS METALLIC AND NONMETALLIC MINERALS.

25. (REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF PIERS, PEBBLY BEACH, WHITE'S LANDING, FISHERMAN'S COVE, SANTA CATALINA ISLAND, LOS ANGELES COUNTY, SANTA CATALINA ISLAND COMPANY - P.R.C. 185.) Lease P.R.C. 185 was issued August 29, 1950, to the Santa Catalina Island Company, and included seventeen parcels of tide and submerged lands adjacent to Santa Catalina Island at an annual rental of \$1,293.60, based on 6.6% of an independent appraisal. By terms of the lease the right to install, maintain, operate, and sublease buoys and moorings was granted without further consent of the State. The construction, reconstruction, maintenance, and operation of piers still requires approval by the State. The old wharf at Pebbly Beach, owned by the Lessee and used for the unloading of supplies and oil, has been reconstructed, the Lessee requesting approval of such reconstruction. The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Corporation has received a permit from the Santa Catalina Island Company to construct a pier 80 feet long in Fisherman's Cove, Parcel 10, under lease P.R.C. 185. The Pasadena Y.M.C.A. has also been given a permit to construct a boat