

Area Plan Commission Special Session
April 28th, 2025
Second Floor, Courthouse

The April 28th, 2025 special session of the Vermillion County Area Plan Commission was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Vice President Bob Alexander. Those members who answered roll call were Bob Alexander, Barbara Phillips, Joe Ellis, Brian Stevens, Brandon Ruth, Phil Cox and Ron Mack. Also present: Executive Director/Recording Secretary Penney Carpenter, Attorney Ron Severt along with approximately 85 members of the public.

Mrs. Carpenter spoke at the beginning of the meeting stating that the proposed Moratorium on Carbon Sequestration Projects would not affect the Pilot Project, and that anyone from the public who wished to speak would have 3 minutes to do so.

Mrs. Phillips then read the entire draft of the proposed Moratorium on Carbon Sequestration Projects including the red pen mark-ups proposed by the Area Plan Commission's Consulting attorney.

Mr. Alexander opened the public hearing with 31 members of the public speaking in favor of the proposed Moratorium on Carbon Sequestration Projects with the red pen mark-ups. Mr. Greg Zoeller also addressed the Area Plan Commission, thanking them for not including the Pilot Project in the Moratorium and stated that their project wouldn't likely start for 2 to 3 years. Mr. Ruth made the motion to close the public hearing. Mr. Mack seconded the motion. All voted in favor of closing the public hearing.

Mrs. Phillips made a motion to pass the proposed Moratorium on Carbon Sequestration Projects with the red pen mark-ups as read at the beginning of the Public Hearing and forward it on to the Vermillion County Commissioners with a favorable recommendation. Mr. Ruth seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.

With no further business before the Area Plan commission, Mr. Ruth made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:03p.m. Mr. Stevens seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion

Penney Carpenter

Penney Carpenter, Recording Secretary