

**SPECIAL SESSION OF THE FREEBORN MOWER COUNTIES
JOINT DITCH BOARD FOR JOINT DITCH #26**

November 25, 2008

The Freeborn Mower Counties Joint Ditch Board in and for the Counties of Freeborn and Mower, Minnesota, met in Special Session November 25, 2008 at 1:20 p.m. at the Courthouse in Austin, Minnesota.

All members present, viz: Raymond Tucker, Chair
 Dan Belshan
 Dave Tollefson
 Richard Cummings
 David Hillier
 Craig Oscarson, County Coordinator

Also present: Rick Morrison, Mower County Ditch Inspector
 Dennis Distad, Freeborn County Auditor/Treasurer
 Donna Welsh, Mower County Finance Director
 Ken Penkava

The proposed budget and levy was reviewed by Rick Morrison. Rick is recommending spraying and tree removal which may be more difficult due to the proximity of the bike trail. The City of Austin was informed that if and when the ditch was repaired and damaged occurred to the trail, it would be the City's expenses to repair the trail due to the fact that the trail was built within the 16' ditch easement. Rick is to verify this matter with Kurt Deter, Rinke Noonan.

Date: November 25, 2008

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RESOLUTION

On motion of Commissioner Cummings, seconded by Commissioner Hillier, the following Resolution was passed and adopted by the Freeborn Mower Counties Joint Ditch Board at a meeting held November 25, 2008 at the Courthouse, Austin, Minnesota.

WHEREAS, the ditch inspector for Mower County has reported that repairs are necessary, or may be necessary, on certain ditches, and

WHEREAS, the Ditch Authority for Mower County finds there are sufficient funds to the credit of such drainage systems.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED that

1. The cost of said repairs or levy be apportioned and assessed pro rata upon all lands, corporations and/or municipalities which have participated in the total

drainage benefits are therefore determined on the joint ditch #26 and in the following amount for estimated annual repairs to be levied as special assessment for payable 2009 tax year:

Mower County	\$20,000.00
Freeborn County	0.00

2. Set the annual 2009 budget at \$14,067.00 for Mower County expenditures. A full and complete copy of the budget is on file with the County Auditor/Treasurer.

Passed and approved this 25th day of November, 2008.

THE FREEBORN MOWER COUNTY JOINT DITCH BOARD

By: _____
Chairperson

By: _____
Clerk/Coordinator

Motion made by Commissioner Hillier, seconded by Commissioner Tollefson to approve the minutes of November 25, 2008 subject to review and approval of the chair. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Hillier, seconded by Commissioner Cummings to adjourn the meeting at 1:27 p.m. Motion carried.

THE FREEBORN MOWER COUNTY JOINT DITCH BOARD

BY: _____
Chairperson

Attest:

By: _____
Clerk/Coordinator

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