

**SPECIAL SESSION OF THE FREEBORN MOWER COUNTIES
JOINT DITCH BOARD FOR JOINT DITCH NUMBER 5**

September 11, 2012

The Freeborn Mower Counties Joint Ditch Board in and for the Counties of Freeborn and Mower, Minnesota, met in Special Session September 11, 2012 at 1:03 p.m. at the Government Center in Austin, Minnesota.

Members present, viz: Raymond Tucker, Chair
 Mike Ankeny
 Tim Gabrielson
 Jerry Reinartz
 Craig Oscarson, County Coordinator

Member Absent: Dan Belshan

Also present: Cody Fox, Mower County Ditch Inspector
 Justin Hanson, Dennis Distad, Pat Martinson
 Donna Welsh

Justin Hanson, Soil and Water Conservation District, reported that a petition had been received for a Wetland Restoration project on the Ken Penkava property. The action items for the Ditch Authority's consideration are to accept the petition, assign a project engineer and setting a public hearing date on the petition.

Motion made by Commissioner Gabrielson, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz to accept the petition for a wetland restoration project on the Ken Penkava property and not require a bond. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Reinartz, seconded by Commissioner Ankeny to appoint BWSR as the engineer on the wetland restoration project on the Ken Penkava property. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson to accept the BWSR engineer's report on the wetland restoration project on the Ken Penkava property. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Gabrielson, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz to set the public hearing on the Penkava Wetland Restoration petition for October 9, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Cody Fox, Ditch Inspector, reviewed a proposed 2013 levy and budget. After the discussion, the following action took place.

Date: September 11, 2012

Res. #61-12

RESOLUTION

On motion of Commissioner Ankeny, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson, the following Resolution was passed and adopted by the Freeborn Mower Counties Joint Ditch Board of Commissioners at a meeting held September 11, 2012 at the Government Center, 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 #5 and in the following amount for estimated annual repairs to be levied as special assessment for payable 2013 tax year:

Mower County	\$20,000.00
Freeborn County	10,000.00

2. Set the annual 2013 budget at \$21,692.00 for Mower County expenditures. A full and complete copy of the budget is on file with the County Auditor/Treasurer.

Passed and approved this 11th day of September, 2012.

THE FREEBORN MOWER COUNTY JOINT DITCH BOARD

By: _____
Chairperson

By: _____
Clerk/Coordinator

Motion made by Commissioner Reinartz, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson to approve the minutes of September 11, 2012 subject to review and approval of the chair. Motion carried.

Motion by Commissioner Reinartz, seconded by Commissioner Gabrielson to adjourn the meeting at 1:47 p.m. Motion carried.

THE FREEBORN MOWER COUNTY JOINT DITCH BOARD

BY: _____
Chairperson

Attest:

By: _____
Clerk/Coordinator

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