

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

October 8, 2024

The Freeborn Mower Counties Joint Ditch Board #5 in and for the Counties of Freeborn and Mower, Minnesota, met in Regular Session October 8, 2024 at 11:34 a.m. at the Government Center in Austin, Minnesota.

Members present, viz: Mike Ankeny, Chair; Jerry Reinartz, Vice-Chair; John Mueller, Polly Glynn. Members excused: Freeborn County Commissioner Dawn Kaasa. Also in attendance were Mower County District Manager Cody Fox, Mower County Auditor-Treasurer Scott Felten; and County Administrator and Board Clerk Trish Harren Gjersvik.

County Administrator/Board Clerk Trish Harren Gjersvik called for nominations for Chair of Freeborn/Mower Joint Ditch #5. Commissioner Glynn nominated Commissioner Ankeny. The Board Clerk called for further nominations two additional times. Hearing none, Commissioner Reinartz moved to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Commissioner Ankeny, as Freeborn/Mower Joint Ditch #5 Board Chair. Motion carried.

Chair Commissioner Ankeny, called for nominations for Vice-Chair. Commissioner Mueller nominated Commissioner Reinartz. The Chair called for further nominations two additional times. Hearing none Commissioner Glynn moved to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Commissioner Reinartz as Freeborn/Mower Joint Ditch #5 Vice-Chair. Motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Glynn, seconded by Commissioner Mueller, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Soil & Water Conservation District – District Manager Cody Fox recommended budget and levy amounts for joint county ditch system #5. A discussion followed.

Date: October 8, 2024

Res. #84-24

RESOLUTION

On motion of Commissioner Mueller, seconded by Commissioner Glynn, the following Resolution was passed and adopted by the Freeborn Mower Counties Joint Ditch Board of Commissioners (Ditch #5) at a meeting held October 8, 2024 at the Government Center, Austin, Minnesota.

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

WHEREAS, the Ditch Authority finds that additional funds are necessary to make said repairs.

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 2025 tax year:

Mower County \$ **20,000**

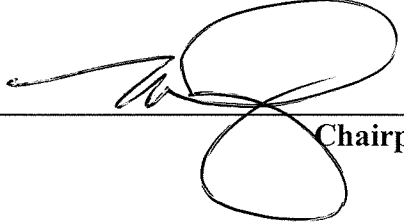
2. Set the annual 2025 budget at \$25,000 for expenditures. A full and complete copy of the budget is on file with the County Auditor/Treasurer.

Passed and approved this 8th day of October, 2024.

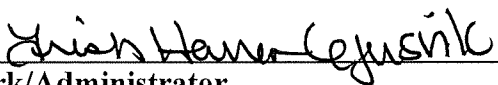
Motion made by Commissioner Mueller, seconded by Commissioner Reinartz, to approve the minutes of October 8, 2024 subject to review and approval of the chair. Motion carried.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:37 a.m. Motion carried.

THE FREEBORN MOWER COUNTIES JOINT DITCH BOARD #5

By:  _____ Chairperson

Attest:

By:  _____
Clerk/Administrator