

## MINNESOTA OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

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December 10, 2012

Ruth and Lyndon Johnson 11564 State Highway 30 East Blooming Prairie, MN 55917 Thomas and Michael Franke 70244 150<sup>th</sup> Ave Hayfield, MN 55940

Re: D-504 Blooming Prairie/Westfield Township (Johnson & Franke Petition; 35 acres)

Dear Ruth Johnson, Lyndon Johnson, Thomas Franke, and Michael Franke:

The Office of Administrative Hearings - Municipal Boundary Adjustment Unit acknowledges receipt of the petition for detachment. Please refer to the above docket number in future communications regarding this proposed boundary adjustment.

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 414.06 Subd. 2:

- If a city resolution supporting the detachment petition is received and no resolution of opposition is received from the township, no hearing is necessary and the Chief Administrative Law Judge shall grant the petition.
- If both the city and the township submit resolutions opposing the detachment petition, a hearing must not be held and the Chief Administrative Law Judge shall deny the petition.
- In any other case, the Chief Administrative Law Judge shall designate a time and place for a hearing pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 414.09.

If you have any questions, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

Starlene J. Holman

State Program Administrator, Senior Municipal Boundary Adjustment Unit

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c: Michael Jones, Blooming Prairie City Administrator Julie Peterson, Westfield Township Clerk



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Michael Jones, City Administrator Blooming Prairie City Hall P.O. Box 68 Blooming Prairie, MN 55917-0068 Julie Peterson, Township Clerk Westfield Township Board P.O. Box 3067 Blooming Prairie, MN 55917

Re: D-504 Blooming Prairie/Westfield Township (Johnson & Franke Petition; 35 acres)

Dear Michael Jones and Julie Peterson:

The Office of Administrative Hearings - Municipal Boundary Adjustment Unit acknowledges receipt of the above-referenced petition for detachment. Please refer to the above docket number in future communications regarding this proposed boundary adjustment.

Because there is considerable paperwork and expense with a hearing, the MBAU would appreciate hearing from the city and township as to their positions on the detachment petition by January 2, 2013.

## Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 414.06 Subd. 2:

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## Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 414.06 Subd. 1a:

The Township may submit a resolution to the Chief Administrative Law Judge stating that the Town Board supports, opposes or is neutral to the petition. The failure to submit a resolution must be deemed a position of neutrality. If the town submits a resolution of support for a petition opposed by the municipality from which the land is proposed to be detached, or a resolution in opposition to a petition supported by a resolution of the municipality, the town becomes a party to the hearing required under this section and is subject to the distribution of costs as provided in subdivision 7.

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