

## MINNESOTA OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

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Sandra Hennen, City Clerk/Treasurer Echo City Hall P.O. Box 215 Echo, MN 56237 (cityechoclerk@redred.com) Lynn Kuehn, Township Clerk Echo Town Board 5988 110<sup>th</sup> Ave Echo, MN 56237

Re: D-505 Echo/Echo Township

(Diane Schwerin Trust Petition; City Resolution Dated 1-8-13; 158.08 acres)

Dear Sandra Hennen and Lynn Kuehn:

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

As Ms. Hennen discussed with Ms. Lin of this office, the petitioners will be submitting the following:

- Please send a map showing the area proposed for detachment in relationship to the entire
  city. Please highlight the area and make sure the city limits are clearly marked. If platted
  land is included, please include copies of plats which are necessary to support and
  identify the land description. Also, indicate the boundary of any other abutting
  municipality or township.
- A filing fee of \$600.00.

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 414.06 Subd. 2, in part:

 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. D-505 Echo/Echo Township January 16, 2013 Page Two

Because there is considerable paperwork and expense with a hearing, the MBAU would appreciate hearing from the township as to their position on the detachment petitions by January 30, 2013.

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.

If you have any questions, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

Starlene J. Holman

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