



## MINNESOTA OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

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**VIA E-MAIL**  
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Re: A-7871 Detroit Lakes/Lakeview Township  
(Ordinance No. 372; Larson Property; 7.51 acres)

Dear Larry Remmen:

The Office of Administrative Hearings acknowledges receipt of the above-referenced ordinance for annexation to the City of Detroit Lakes. Please refer to the above-referenced docket number in future communications regarding this proposed annexation.

As discussed in the e-mail dated December 18, 2013, from Ms. Lin of this office, it is the responsibility of the initiating party to meet all necessary requirements before the annexation ordinance can be accepted for filing.

Concerning the reimbursement statement in Ordinance No. 372, Minn. Stat. Sec. 414.036 requires all proposed annexations provide reimbursement from municipalities to townships for lost property taxes following annexation, and for special assessments or debt attributable to the annexed property. Ordinance No. 372 states that the reimbursement amount is "0" (100% in 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018). Therefore, does the proposed annexation area generate taxes or is it tax exempt? Please provide our office with written confirmation.

The legal description refers to "Ridgewood Estates" plat and "Book 35 of Miscellaneous, Page 227." The referenced materials need to be submitted to this office to correctly map the proposed annexation.

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If you have any questions, please contact Katie Lin, State Program Administrator, at 651-361-7911 or [katie.lin@state.mn.us](mailto:katie.lin@state.mn.us).

Sincerely,



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