



April 25, 2023

Heidi Honey  
City Administrator  
City of the Village of Minnetonka Beach  
2945 Westwood Road  
PO Box 146  
Minnetonka Beach, MN 55361

**Re: Conditional Approval of City of the Village of Minnetonka Beach's Shoreland Ordinance Amendments**

Dear Ms. Honey:

Thank you for sending your proposed shoreland ordinance amendment to the DNR for conditional approval review. I am pleased to inform you that the proposed amendments are substantially compliant with the statewide rules and hereby approved, provided all the conditions of approval in this letter are met.

**Ordinance Evaluation**

We have reviewed the attached proposed amendments received on 4/25/23 for compliance with state shoreland rules (MR 6120.2500 – 6120.3900). Our conditional approval only applies to the specific sections included in the attached amendments.

**Conditions of Approval**

The following conditions must be met before the DNR will issue final approval:

1. Return the attached "Ordinance Processing Checklist" and documents identified on the checklist.

**Next Steps**

Following are the steps for completing and receiving final DNR approval for your amendment:

1. Present and review the amendments at the May 15 public hearing.
2. The city council adopts the amendment.
3. Email the completed Ordinance Processing Checklist (attached) and the documents identified on the checklist within 10 days of city council adoption to:
  - a. Wes Saunders-Pearce at [wes.saunders-pearce@state.mn.us](mailto:wes.saunders-pearce@state.mn.us)
  - b. [Ordinance.review.dnr@state.mn.us](mailto:Ordinance.review.dnr@state.mn.us)
4. We will review the amendment adopted by the city council for consistency with the above conditionally approved amendments.

5. If the adopted amendments are consistent with that conditionally approved, I will send you a "final approval" letter. State rules require DNR final approval of shoreland ordinances and amendments for those ordinances to be effective.

A shoreland ordinance is an important land use regulation that helps to protect surface water quality, near shore habitat, and shoreland aesthetics of Minnesota's public waters. We appreciate your efforts to protect these resources for all present and future Minnesotans. Wes Saunders-Pearce is available to assist with ordinance technical guidance and to consult with you on other land and water-related projects.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Megan JC Moore".

Megan Moore  
EWR Central Region District Manager

Attachments:

Proposed Ordinance  
Ordinance Processing Checklist

c: Wes Sanders-Pearce, DNR Area Hydrologist  
[Ordinance.review.dnr@state.mn.us](mailto:Ordinance.review.dnr@state.mn.us)