

Item 7b.

Sunfish Lake Engineer's Report for April 1, 2014

By: Don Sterna, PE, City Engineer

Date: March 27, 2014

1. Engineering Activities Undertaken in the Month of March.

The following engineer's report reflects the activities undertaken this past month, along with the anticipated engineering activity for the month of February.

- A. 2014 Street Reconstruction Project** – The project has been advertised and the bids will be opened on April 16th at 2:00 PM at WSB's offices. Once the bids are received, we will tabulate the results and forward them onto the City Council for consideration at the May 6th City Council meeting. The following is a brief project schedule for Council information:
- May 6, 2014, Award Construction Contract
 - June 2014, Construction Begins
 - July 2014, Construction is Completed
 - August 5, 2014, Council Calls for Public Assessment Hearing
 - September 2, 2014, Public Assessment Hearing
 - October 2014, Certify Assessments to County
- B. SWPPP Yearly Public Hearing** – At the April Council Meeting, Jesse Carlson from WSB, will be conducting the required annual Public Hearing to review and discuss the Cities Storm Water Pollution Prevention (SWPPP) Plan. Jesse will ask for input and comments from the residents regarding storm water runoff and water quality issues and concerns that will be included in his annual report to the MPCA as required per the NPDES permit. Jesse will also touch on ways that both the City and Residents can help improve, not only Sunfish Lake's water quality but the other City lakes as well.
- C. Spring Load Limit Posting** – I have posted the springtime load limits on the City Streets effective March 24. I anticipate that the limits will remain in place through the entire month of April and in to early May before they are lifted. All of the City streets are posted at a 5-ton limit with the exception of Charlton Road that is posted at 4-Tons.

- D. **MCES 2014 CAMP Program** – The following is the list of CAMP volunteers for the 2014 lake monitoring that were sent the MPCA for your information. I appreciate the assistance of the volunteers to help the city to continue to monitor the lakes.

Sunfish Lake- Jim Stowell, 389 Salem Church Road 55118

Hornbeam Lake- Scott Spaeth, 2582 Delaware Avenue 55118

Horseshoe Lake- Jim Naves, 5900 Zehnder Road 55077

- E. **Street Sweeping** – We have request up to 3 quotes for the annual spring street sweeping which I will bring to the City Council meeting for consideration. Last year's contract was awarded to Mike McPhillips for \$1,050. I am assuming we will be less than \$1,200 for this year's street sweeping activities.

- F. **Pieper Road Turn Back from MnDOT** – MnDOT is requesting a letter from the City requesting MnDOT to proceed with releasing the excess Right-of-Way when I-494 was constructed. Attached to this report is a draft release letter for the City Council consideration and exhibit showing the right-of-way that MnDOT proposes to turn back to both the City of Sunfish Lake and Inver Grove Heights. At this time all MnDOT is requesting is a letter to proceed from the city and they will begin preparing the necessary documents or agreements that the City Council will need to approve to formalize the right-of-way turn back.

- G. **Snowplowing Activity for March** – This past month I did not receive any phone calls from residents. The cost for February snow removal was \$4,663.50 which was lower compared to other months this year. Cost incurred to date through February 28, 2014 has been \$16,962.5, out of a budget amount of \$30,000. Based on the snow fall amounts in March, I anticipate we will be under or estimated budget for this winter's snow and ice removal budget. We could still incur costs next winter before the year end budget is closed but we are looking good at this time.

2. Public Works' Activities Undertaken in the Month of March

No public works activists were under taken during the month of March.

3. Anticipated Engineering and Public Work Activities for the Month of April:

- A. **Street Sweeping** – We anticipate the streets will be swept towards the end of April.

- B. **2014 Street Improvement Project** – Bid Opening on April 16th at 2:00 PM.

At this time, there are no other planned City engineering activities for the month of April.

The above constitutes the Engineering Report for the City of Sunfish Lake for April 1, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Ms. Kauppi:

The City of Sunfish Lake requests that Mn/DOT proceed with the release of frontage roadway for portion of Pieper Road and Acorn Drive road segments along I-494 as discussed in your email dated February 26, 2014.

Please confirm the segments to be released and provide an estimate of the process schedule.

Sincerely,
Don Sterna

City of Sunfish Lake City Engineer

Don Sterna

From: Kline, Molly (DOT) <molly.kline@state.mn.us>
Sent: Wednesday, February 26, 2014 8:18 AM
To: Don Sterna
Cc: Solberg, Jon P (DOT)
Subject: Sunfish Lake Roadway release proposal
Attachments: 179-9Cautho.pdf

Good morning Mr. Sterna-

We are working with the City of Inver Grove Heights on a city-wide turn back of property and roadways currently within MnDOT right-of-way. During our investigation, we've noticed that a portion of Pieper Road/Acorn Drive is located partially in Sunfish Lake and partially in Inver Grove Heights. It is our belief that this roadway was taken into MnDOT right-of-way to construct the overpass over 494, and should have been released to the City(s) following the project.

The attached drawing shows our proposal: the portion of the roadway in each City would be released/turned back to the respective City.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns, or would like to meet to discuss further.

Thank you,
Molly

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