

Item 7b.

Sunfish Lake Engineer's Report for May 6, 2014

By: *Don Sterna, PE, City Engineer*

Date: *May 1, 2014*

1. Engineering Activities Undertaken in the Month of April.

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

- A. 2014 Street Reconstruction Project** – The bids were opened and the bids on April 16th at 2:00 PM at WSB's offices. Attached to the Engineers Report is the letter of recommendation and bid tabulations for Danner, Inc. in the amount of \$235,540. The following is a brief project schedule for Council information:
- 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. Spring Load Limit Posting** – Spring load limits are still in effect on the City Streets as of March 24. I anticipate that the limits will be lifted by Mid-May. All of the City streets are posted at a 5-ton limit with the exception of Charlton Road that is posted at 4-Tons.
- C. Street Sweeping** – Mike McPhillips is scheduled to be in the city within the next 2 to 3 weeks sweeping the city streets.
- D. Pieper Road Turn Back from MnDOT** – A letter was sent requesting MnDOT to proceed with releasing the excess Right-of-Way when I-494 was constructed. I will keep the Council informed as we move through the process.
- E. Snowplowing Activity for March** – This past month I did not receive any phone calls from residents. The cost for March and first part of April snow removal was \$1,783.50 which should be the final costs for this winter season. Cost incurred to date through April 4, 2014 has been \$18,746 out of a budget amount of \$30,000. Based on the snow fall amounts in since April 4th, 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 very good at this time based on tough winter.

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

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

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

- A. 2015-2019 CIP Update** – I will be preparing a draft of the 2015-2019 CIP for the Council review at the June Council meeting. As discussed in previous years, this document will outline what infrastructure and maintenance projects we are looking to do in 2015 and plan for over the next 4 to 5 years. The goal is to approve the yearly CIP update by the August Council meeting when the City not to exceed budget is discussed.
- B. Charlton Road Grading** – I have Pine Bend Paving on line to grade and repair the winter damage to Charlton Road as early as next week. I will monitor the dust issue and most likely at the June Council meeting I will be requesting a dust treatment to the roadway which has become more of an annual maintenance activity. The 2014 budget allocated up to \$7,600 for grading and \$1,750 for dust control.
- C. City Street Pavement Patching & Salem Church Rd. Shoulder Maintenance** - Pine Bend Paving in the past years has made spring surface and shoulder repairs to the city streets. I have requested them to review the paved city streets and provide a recommendation for repairs. The repairs areas recommended are outside of the 2014 Street Repair project areas. Pine Bend review identified 115 square feet of patching. I have also requested Pine Bend Paving to touch up the aggregate shoulder on the east end of Salem Church Road while they are in the city grading Charlton Road. I know the shoulder has taken some abuse from the heavy spring rains. The estimate cost for this work is \$6,600. I will be requesting the City Council to authorize up to \$7,000 in surface and shoulder maintenance repairs to the city streets. The 2014 budget allocated \$5,500 for pavement repairs and \$950 for shoulder repairs for a total of \$6,450.
- D. Stop Sign Repair at Windy Hill Road and Sunnyside Lane** – Pine Bend will be repairing the stop sign at Windy Hill Road and Sunny Side Lane when they are in town performing other city roadway maintenance work. This work will be performed on an hourly plus cost basis. The work is minor and should be less than \$150.

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

The above constitutes the Engineering Report for the City of Sunfish Lake for May 6, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

WSB & Associates, Inc.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Donald W. Sterna", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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