

Item 7b.**Sunfish Lake Engineer's Report for April 4, 2023**

By: Jeff Sandberg, PE
City Engineer

Date: March 29, 2023

1. Engineering Activities Undertaken in the Month of March

The following Engineer's Report reflects the Engineering activities undertaken this past month.

- A. City of Sunfish Lake 2023 Map – Staff has updated the city map with 2023 GIS Data from Dakota County – SEE ATTACHMENT 1A.
- B. No Solicitation Signage – The signage has not been finalized as staff works with the City Attorney on statute language to add to the sign.
- C. Natural Shoreline Workshop – Staff worked with the LMRWMO to develop a personalized postcard for the City of Sunfish Lake that advertises a Natural Shoreline Workshop that will be presented by the LMRWMO on April 13th at 6:00 p.m. at the Mendota Heights City Hall. Staff printed 100 postcards that were sent to lakeshore property owners around Hornbeam, Horseshoe, and Sunfish Lakes. This effort will satisfy the education component of the city's MPCA NPDES permit. The associated costs were budgeted for in the 2023 Engineering budget – SEE ATTACHMENT 1C.

2. Building and Site Reviews in the Month of March

- A. Staff conducted reviews for the following properties this past month:
 - 11 Salem Lane – Staff is reviewing the latest submittal for this property for Major Site Plan. It is anticipated this application will be heard at the May Planning Commission meeting.
 - 205 Salem Church Road – Staff reviewed the latest submittal, and this application will be considered at the May Planning Commission meeting.
 - 410 Salem Church Road – Staff is reviewing the latest submittal for this property for Major Site Plan. It is anticipated this application will be heard at the May Planning Commission meeting.
 - 100 Windy Hill Road – Staff reviewed an application and plans to create a sliding hill on the property with excess fill material from the home construction. Administrative approval was given with conditions.

3. Public Works Activities Undertaken in the Month of March

- A. The City of Sunfish Lake follows MnDOT's timelines set for placing road restrictions. Road restrictions went into effect on SFL city streets on March 3rd. City staff posted the necessary street signage. It is anticipated that road restrictions will come off sometime in April or May (dictated by MnDOT).
- B. Staff worked with the city contractor on snow removal and addressing areas of concern by residents.

4. Anticipated Engineering/Public Works Activities for the Month of April

- A. The 3-year snowplowing contract will end at the end of April. State statutes mandate that the city advertise to contractors for bids. Staff will advertise for bids for 1-year and 3-year contracts and anticipates making a recommendation for snow clearing services for 2024 (and potentially for 3 years) at the May City Council meeting.
- B. Staff will work with the city's snowplowing contractor to ensure that roads remain safe for travel. If residents find areas on city streets that need additional attention, they should email the contractor at sunfishlakesnow@gmail.com and copy City Engineer Jeff Sandberg at jsandberg@wsbeng.com.

The above constitutes the Engineering Report for the City of Sunfish Lake for April 4, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,


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Natural Shoreline Workshop

You can contribute to clean, clear,
healthy lakes, provide pollinator habitat, and
beautify your yard by planting a natural shoreline.

The City of Sunfish Lake,
the Dakota County Soil & Water Conservation
District (SWCD), and the Lower Mississippi
River Watershed Management Organization
(LMRWMO) are hosting a

Natural Shoreline Workshop!

We will show you how natural shorelines
installed with native plants can protect your
shoreline, beautify your property, and provide
habitat for pollinators and aquatic animals.
We'll talk about the process to install such a
project, necessary permits, as well as technical
assistance and grants to make it a reality!

Thursday, April 13
6:00 – 7:00 p.m.
Mendota Heights City Hall



To learn more about the
workshop and register –
scan the QR code or go to
www.dakotawcd.org and
search *Landscaping for
Clean Water*

