TOWN OF SPRINGFIELD ORDINANCE ORDINANCE #2023-001 DAMAGE TO TOWN ROADS

STATE OF WISCONSIN Town of Springfield St. Croix County

Damage to Town Highway

WHEREAS, Section 66.0627 of the Wisconsin Statutes permits the Town Board to impose a special charge in accordance with the terms of such Section against real property for current services rendered by allocating all or part of the cost of the service to the property served; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined that it is appropriate to charge back property owners for costs and expenses incurred by the Town to repair damage to town roads that arise out of or are related to private construction, construction of driveways, construction of new homes and demolition projects. This also includes heavy equipment damage due to road travel to and from equipment trailers and field roads;

NOW, THEREFORE, The Town Board of the Town of Springfield, St. Croix County, Wisconsin, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I: AUTHORITY/PURPOSE. This Ordinance is based upon authority granted by Wis. Stats. Sections 60.22, 82.03, 86.01, 86.02, and 86.021. The purpose of this ordinance is to establish responsibility for and impose penalties upon those who damage Town roads in the Town of Springfield.

SECTION II: DAMAGE TO ROADS. The following ordinance effective upon all Town roads in the Town of Springfield is hereby adopted:

- A. No person or entity shall act in any manner so as to cause any damage to any Town Road in the Town of Springfield.
- B. Any person or entity who causes damage to a Town Road in the Town of Springfield shall be subject to a forfeiture of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 for each offense.
- C. Any person or entity who causes damage to a Town Road in the Town of Springfield, shall be liable to the Town of Springfield for costs of damages, in addition to reimbursement of the Town for costs and actual attorney fees expended in prosecution of this ordinance.

SECTION III: If any provision of this Ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of this Ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are severable.

SECTION IV: EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall take effect on the day following its publication.

Adopted this 12th day of June 2023.

TOWN BOARD:

Dean Fayerweather Town Chairman

Sheri Erickson, Town Clerk/Treasurer

Publication Date: June 21, 2023