**Minutes of the Regular Meeting-7:30pm Tuesday July12, 2018**

**Mendota VFW 1323 Sibley Memorial Hwy, Mendota Minnesota**

1. Call to order: Mayor Mielke called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Tom Loonan introduced himself as our new attorney.

4. Present: Mayor, Brian Mielke, Council members Joan Perron, Steve Golias, Melody Rasmussen and Kathy Krotter. City Attorney, Tom Loonan, City Clerk Kathy Krotter, Police Chief Kelly McCarthy and Building official Mike Andrejka.

5. Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda by Council Member Golias, Seconded by Council Member Rasmussen. Motion passed 5-0

6. Approval of June 15, 2018 City Council Meeting Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes by Council member Golias and seconded by Council member Perron. Changes: Flag passed the jail, should be past. Perron page 3. We would be able that we could buy the property should be you. Brian said that we should use names the same throughout the minutes. Motion passed 5-0.

7. Treasurer’s Report: Motion to pay the bills. So moved by Council Member Golias, Seconded by Council Member Perron. One check was added for the hole repair by the Sibley House for $850.00. Motion passed 5-0

8. Building Official-Mike Andrejka: Mike issued one permit in June. Mike had a couple issues. One was that he is going to keep after the builder there at Windy Ridge 2 about the access road and that the builder keeps the Fire Marshall happy. The radius and the drive up has to be right in every aspect. Mr. Ray Miller has started a new building this week. No certificate of occupancy can be issued if the tree plan and storm water plan have not been done. Mike can talk to Lucas if he has any problems about what needs to be completed.

9. Chris Janson from MSA about comp plan: The Surveys were sent out and 28 have been returned. There will be a public hearing in September. Chris went through his power point presentation and talked about the chapters that have to be in the comp plan and what the city needs to go through. A few subjects talked about were, retail and commercial for main street. Growing cities have an annex and with that a growth in the tax base. This will help improve streets, upgrade playground equipment and resolve storm water problems. There is a lot of good traffic out here and we want to keep people coming here. But we want to keep it stable to continue as a city, without upsetting our character. Chris said that at the same time maintaining the city the same would be the best. Chris said he would be available to talk about the surveys and any questions people may have about the comp plan. Chris also suggested he would send a copy of the power point in a pdf to have put on the website. Chris will be back in September and he will do an open house of the draft plan.

10. Molly from MNDOT: Molly handed out information on TH13 traffic calming study and submitted three different options. First option was walking, parking, lane and shared lane. Second option was walking, parking, bike lane, and lane and shared lane. Third option was walking, parking, lane and median. She also submitted a plan for moving the Second Street entrance over closer to the bike trail. Also Council Member Golias commented about the lines not being painted after they fixed the road. Molly said she would check and get the crosswalks by Lucky’s and the bike path repainted and the yellow lines back on the street. Mayor Mielke suggested having the open house on September 11, 2018 for the comp plan and MNDOT could be there also.

11. Bob Schmidt new development: Mr. Schmidt owns the land next to the jail and his proposal is a low density, two small buildings, a 27 unit building and a 21 unit building. Mr. Schmidt has some drawings and really needs to have approval from the council. Mr. Schmidt needs the approval of the 20 foot set back from the DNR. Mr. Loonan suggested that we need in writing from the DNR that they are okay with the 20 foot set back. The first building would be a three story building with 9 units on each floor. His concept was something like a 55 plus building with no children. Mr. Schmidt would also like to vacate the street so they would have more land. But the first step the city has to do is to have the okay from DNR for the twenty foot set back then the city could approve the setback for the new project.

12. Public comments: 8:52pm Mary Reynolds asked what the next step would be for Mr. Schmidt’s proposal. Mayor Mielke said that Mr. Schmidt is asking for the 40 foot set back from the bluff be changed to 20 feet. There is a road that Mr. Schmidt wants vacated, and Mr. Schmidt stated that Mr. Lehmann said it had already been vacated. The city will need to check on that and if everything is approved, Mr. Schmidt could go forward with his project. Carl had no comments.

13. Council Comments: 8:55pm Council member Rasmussen, please support Mendota Days, the parade starts at noon. Council member Golias, nothing. Mayor Mielke said he had no mail. Council Member Perron, asked about the slide. Council Member Krotter, nothing. Council comment closed at 8:57pm.

 14. Staff Comments: 8:57 pm Chief stated that there will be a Scott Patrick memorial at noon on Monday July 30th at the plaza. Ceremony at noon with a moment of silence at 12:20pm. Then Tuesday August 8th is National Night Out. Police department has applications on line for residents to fill out if they are having a block party and the Police and Fire Department will stop by. Mayor Mielke suggested we get them to come for our Mendota Picnic. Mayor Mielke welcomed Tom Loonan. Mr. Loonan stated he was happy to be here and is here for the long run. The reason he did not connect with Mr. Burns before he got to the meeting was that Mr. Burns car broke down. Mr. Burns has a declaration for the city. Mr. Loonan says he prefers phone calls to e-mails and will be e-mailing the council his information. City Clerk Krotter stated that she is working on getting rid of the tree in the park and will be looking at someone to do the new sign. Closed Staff comments at 9:03 pm

15. Adjourn: 9:04 pm Motion to adjourn the meeting by Council Member Golias, seconded by Council Member Rasmussen. Motioned passed 5-0