**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING**

**OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE**

**CITY OF SOUR LAKE**

Mayor Robinson stated that the time was 7:00 o’clock P.M. and called to order the Public Hearing concerning the FY 2019 Budget; and the proposed Tax Rate for .443182 per $100.00 valuation for FY 2018 with no one requesting to address the City Council during the Public Hearing prior to the Mayor closing the Public Hearing at 7:00 o’clock P.M.

Following the Public Hearing, Mayor Robinson then called to order the Regular Meeting of the Sour Lake City Council for September 18, 2018 at 7:00 o’clock P.M. at the Sour Lake City Hall 625 Hwy 105 W., Sour Lake, Hardin County, Texas with the following City Officers being Present:

**NAME** **POSITION** **PRESENT** **ABSENT**

BRUCE ROBINSON - MAYOR X

G. SHANNON McDONALD ALDERMAN/MAYOR PRO TEM X

SHANE RICH - ALDERMAN X

JONATHON WILLIAMS - ALDERMAN X

ROBIN POWELL - ALDERWOMAN X

MARCUS DICKERSON - ALDERMAN X

Also present beside the above noted officers of the City were the following individuals of the City of Sour Lake: City Manager, Jack Provost; City Police Chief, Aaron Burleson; City Secretary, Debra Morgan; Joseph Keel, for the Sour Lake Public Works Department; City Attorney, Richard Y. Ferguson; Mrs. Stephanie Mathews, Director of the City Library and approximately Eleven (11) other visitors in and to the Regular City Council meeting of the City of Sour Lake with Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Coudrain joining the City Council meeting prior to Agenda Item No. 11 being considered by Council.

 The Mayor then directed the City Council’s attention to Agenda Item No. 1 for approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 21, 2018 and Special Meeting Minutes of August 28, 2018. Following a review of the Regular Meeting Minutes of August 21, 2018 and the Special Meeting Minutes of August 28, 2018 a motion was made by Alderman Williams to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of August 21, 2018 and the Special Meeting Minutes of August 28, 2108 as presented. The motion was seconded by Alderman McDonald and approved by the following vote of Council:

 FOR - 5

 AGAINST - 0

 ABSTAINING - 0

 The Mayor then directed the City Council’s attention to Agenda Item No. 2 for Discussion and Action to approve the Accounts Payable for the Month of August 2018. Following a review of Accounts Payable for the month of August 2018, a motion was made by Alderman McDonald to approve the payment of Accounts Payable as presented for the month of August 2018. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Powell and approved by the following vote of Council:

 FOR - 5

 AGAINST - 0

 ABSTAINING - 0

 The Council thereafter considered Agenda Item No. 3 for “Citizen Comments” with no one requesting to address Council during Citizen Comments. Any presentation to Council during Citizen Comments cannot be discussed nor acted on by Council. Such Comments to Council are for information purposes only.

 Mayor Robinson moved to Agenda Item No. 4 requesting the City Manager to provide the Financial Report of the City of Sour Lake ending with the Month of August 2018 to Council. Following the presentation to and discussion by Council, no action was requested of Council and none taken. The Agenda Item No. 4 was provided to Council for information purposes only.

 The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 5 for the City Manager’s Report. The City Manager reported on the following: Update on Projects.

Following the City Manager’s report, no action was requested nor taken in regard to the City Manager’s Report. The Report was provided to Council for information purposes only.

 The Mayor next directed Council’s attention to Agenda No. 6 concerning the Police Department with Chief Burleson reporting to Council on both present and proposed future activity of the Department including vehicle replacement and up-grade of radar, equipment, and computers. No action was requested of Council and none was taken in connection with the Police Department report by Chief Burleson.

 The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 7 concerning the Public Works Department with Mr. Joseph Keel reporting to Council on the status of the Public Works Department including the Drum Screen performing as represented. No action was requested or taken by Council in connection with Mr. Keel’s report. The report was provided to Council for information purposes only.

 The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 8 for the Library Report with the City Manager introducing Mrs. Matthews as the City Library Director.

The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 9 for Discussion and Action on the Public Hearing to adopt the FY2018 Tax Rate in the amount of .443182 per $100.00 valuation.

Following a presentation to Council, a motion was made by Alderman McDonald that the City Council adopt the FY2018 Tax Rate in the amount of .443182 per $100.00 valuation. The motion was seconded by Alderman Dickerson and approved by the following roll call vote of the Sour Lake City Council:

**NAME** **POSITION** **FOR** **AGAINST**

BRUCE ROBINSON MAYOR

G. SHANNON McDONALD ALDERMAN X

SHANE RICH ALDERMAN X

JONATHON WILLIAMS ALDERMAN X

ROBIN POWELL ALDERWOMAN X

MARCUS DICKERSON ALDERMAN X

The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 10 for Discussion and Action on the Public Hearing to approve and adopt the FY2019 Budget. Following a presentation to Council, a motion was made by Alderman Rich that the City Council approve and adopt the FY2019 Budget. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Powell and approved by the following roll call vote of the Sour Lake City Council:

**NAME** **POSITION** **FOR** **AGAINST**

BRUCE ROBINSON MAYOR

G. SHANNON McDONALD ALDERMAN X

SHANE RICH ALDERMAN X

JONATHON WILLIAMS ALDERMAN X

ROBIN POWELL ALDERWOMAN X

MARCUS DICKERSON ALDERMAN X

The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 11 for Discussion and Action to grant a six month variance for a Travel Trailer to be placed at 785 4th Street presented by Steven Coudrain. Following the presentation by Mr. Coudrain, a motion was made by Alderman Dickerson that the City Council approve and grant the six month variance for a Travel Trailer to be placed at 785 4th Street in Sour Lake, Texas and properly connect such Trailer to utilities provided by the City. The motion was seconded by Alderman McDonald and approved by the following l vote of the Sour Lake City Council:

 FOR - 5

 AGAINST - 0

 ABSTAINING - 0

The Mayor thereafter moved to Agenda Item No. 12 for Discussion and Action to consider abandoning street easement on 453 North Merchant Street presented by Jay Dorrell. No one, including Mr. Dorrell, appeared for the Agenda Item 12. No action was taken by Council in connection with Agenda Item No. 12.

Mayor Robinson moved to Agenda Item No. 13 for Discussion and Action to consider approving the road rehab bids. Following a presentation to Council, a motion was made by Alderman McDonald that the City Council approve and accept the bid submitted by LD Construction in the amount of $166,179.00. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Powell and approved by the following vote of the City Council:

 FOR - 5

 AGAINST - 0

 ABSTAINING - 0

 There being no additional Agenda Items to consider, a motion was made by Alderman Williams to adjourn the Sour Lake City Council meeting at approximately 7:37 P.M. on September 18, 2018. The motion was seconded by Alderman McDonald and approved by the following vote of the Sour Lake City Council:

 FOR - 5

 AGAINST - 0

 ABSTAINING - 0

 The Sour Lake City Council adjourned the September 18, 2018 Regular City Council Meeting at 7:37 P.M.

 CITY OF SOUR LAKE

ATTESTED BY: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Bruce Robinson, Mayor

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Debra Morgan, City Secretary