

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF SOUR LAKE**

A Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Sour Lake, Hardin County, Texas, noticed for August 16, 2022, at 6:00 o'clock P.M. at Sour Lake City Hall Annex 615 Hwy 105 W., Sour Lake, Hardin County, Texas was called to order at 6:00 o'clock P.M. by Mayor Bruce Robinson pursuant to notice duly posted according to law with the following members present or absent as so indicated:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u> <u>ABSENT</u>
BRUCE ROBINSON	- MAYOR	X
G. SHANNON MCDONALD	- ALDERMAN/MAYOR PRO TEM	X
JONATHON WILLIAMS	- ALDERMAN	X
ROBIN POWELL	- ALDERWOMAN	X
CONNIE MURPHY	- ALDERWOMAN	X
REBECCA GARDINER	- ALDERWOMAN	X

Also present or absent were the following officers and individuals of the City of Sour Lake:

The City Manager, Jack Provost	-	Present
The City Secretary, Debra Morgan	-	Present
The Police Chief Aaron Burleson	-	Present
City Attorney, Alex Stelly	-	Present
Joey Keel, for Sour Lake Public Works Department	-	Present
Jeff Leavens with Whitley Eng.	-	Present
MaryAnn Boyd, Library Director	-	Present
Keri Michutka, Auditor	-	Present
And one visitor		

The Mayor then directed the City Council's attention to Agenda Item No. 1 for approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 19, 2022, Minutes. Following a review of the Regular Meeting Minutes of July 19, 2022, a motion was made by Alderwoman Powell to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of July 19, 2022, as presented. The motion was seconded by Alderman McDonald and approved by the following vote of Council:

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AGAINST	-	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 July 2022. Following a review of Accounts Payable for the month of July 2022, a motion was made by Alderman McDonald to approve the payment of Accounts Payable as presented for the month of July 2022. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Murphy and approved by the following majority vote of Council:

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AGAINST	-	0

The Council thereafter considered Agenda Item No. 3 for "Citizen Comments. There was no citizen's sign up for comments. Any citizen comments to Council could not be discussed or acted upon; however, such comments by any citizen or individual are considered for information purposes only.

The Mayor 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 July 2022 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 with a bid meeting for the American Rescue Grant for generators. Informed Mayor and Council of the Tax Seminar that was attended. No action was requested nor taken by Council with the Report provided to Council for information purposes only.

The Mayor next directed Council's attention to Agenda Item No. 6 concerning the Police Department report with Chief Burleson providing Council his Monthly Updates on the Department and his monthly report. He also informed the council about HJISD Emergency Operations Plan, contracts for debris and monitoring all up to date and a new vehicle for the PD. Following the Chiefs report no action was requested nor taken by the council with the report being provided to Council for information purposes only.

The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 7 concerning the Public Works Department with Mr. Joseph Keel. Informed the Board on 17 new Grinders for Holly Trails, and update on Sewer Project. The report was provided to Council for information purposes only.

The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 8, Engineering Projects. Mr. Jeff Levins with Whiteley-Oliver Engineering informed Board of Test Well bids coming in at a higher

price than projected with a possible re-bid for the test well. The report was provided to Council for information purposes only.

The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 9 for the Library Report. Librarian Mary Ann Boyd reported on normal business. Informed the Mayor and Council of the success of the Summer Reading Program was completed and that it was a success. The report was provided to Council for information purposes only. No action required.

The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 10 Chamber of Commerce Report. Alderwoman Gardiner informed the Board they had two new members, Bike Hike, Truck R treat and Christmas Parade. No action required.

The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 11 for Discussion and Action on FY2021 Audit presented by Keri Michutka. Auditor presented the Mayor and Council with a clean audit for FY2021. A motion was made by Alderwoman Powell to approve the FY2021 Audit for the City of Sour Lake as presented by the Auditor. The motion was seconded by Alderman McDonald and approved by the following vote of the Board:

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AGAINST	0

The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 12, Discussion on the FY2023 Budget. City Manger presented the Mayor and Council with a copy of the proposed Budget. There was no action required or taken by Council at this time.

The Mayor moved to the next Agenda Item No. 13, Discussion on 2022-23 Tax Rate. City Manger presented the Mayor and Council with the proposed Tax Rate for 2022 and that if would be adopted at a Public Hearing at the next City Council Meeting. No actin required or taken at this time.

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 6:29 P.M. on July 16, 2022. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Murphy and approved by the following vote of the Sour Lake City Council:

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The Sour Lake City Council adjourned the August 16, 2022 Regular City Council Meeting at 6:29 P.M.

CITY OF SOUR LAKE

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Bruce Robinson, Mayor  
Shannon McDonald, Mayor Pro-Tem

ATTEST:

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Debra Morgan, City Secretary