

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

A SPECIAL Meeting of the City Council of the City of Sour Lake, Hardin County, Texas noticed for February 28, 2023, 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 Burlison	-	Present	
City Attorney, Alex Stelly	-	Present	
for Sour Lake			
Public Works Department (Joey Keel)		Present	
Jeff Leavens with Whitley Eng.	-		Absent
MaryAnn Boyd, Library Director	-	Present	
And two visitors			

The Mayor then directed the City Council's attention to Agenda Item No. 1 for approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 17, 2023. Following a review of the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 17, 2023, a motion was made by Alderman Williams to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 17, 2023, as presented. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Powell 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 February 2023. Following a review of Accounts Payable for the month of February 2023, a motion was made by Alderwoman Powell to approve the payment of Accounts Payable as presented for the month of February 2023. 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. 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 February 2023 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, City Manager informed the Council that he had sent out letters on condemning 4 properties in order to have a Public Hearing. This was 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. Chief Burleson informed the council That Sgt. Hoffman was no longer with the Department, and \$7000.00 received from Motiva Grant 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. Mr. Keel updated progress on Sewer Grant Project and testing water for new site for Water Tower. The report was provided to Council for information purposes only.

The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 8, Engineering Projects. Mr. Jeff Levins with LEAD Engineering was not present at this meeting. 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. 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 reported on 2023 Events, That there will be 22 trucks for the Touch a Truck event and reported on their visit for the Hardin County Day at the Capitol.

The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 11 for Discussion and Action on the Annual Ordinance authorizing the hiring of Lawyers and rate experts. Presented by Lawton Law Firm. After discussion a motion was made by Alderwoman Gardiner to adopt the Annual Ordinance with Lawton Law Firm. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Murphy and approved by the following vote of the Board:

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The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 12, Discussion/Action to approve the closing of 6th Street for a Fund Raiser Bar BQ Coo-off presented by Lisa Shaw. After discussion the Mayor and Council did not act on this item.

The Mayor moved to Agenda Item # 13, Discussion/Action on Police Patrols Assignments. After discussion by the Board no action was taken.

There being no additional Agenda Items to consider, a motion was made by Alderwoman Powell to adjourn the Sour Lake City Council meeting at approximately 6:36 P.M. on February 28, 2023. The motion was seconded by Alderman Williams and approved by the following vote of the Sour Lake City Council:

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The Sour Lake City Council adjourned the February 28, 2023, Regular City Council Meeting at 6:36 P.M.

CITY OF SOUR LAKE

Bruce Robinson, Mayor
Shannon McDonald, Mayor Pro-Tem

ATTEST:

Debra Morgan, City Secretary