

**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 March 19, 2024, 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		X
CONNIE MURPHY	- MAYOR PRO-TEM	X	
REBECCA GARDINER	- ALDERWOMAN	X	
KEVIN CUDD	-ALDERMAN	X	
MICHAEL HENDRIX	-ALDERMAN	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
Chief, Aaron Burleson	-	Present
City Attorney, Alex Stelly for Sour Lake	-	Present
Public Works Department (Joey Keel)	-	Present
Jeff Leavens with LEAD Eng.	-	Present
MaryAnn Boyd, Library Director	-	Present
Danny Oliver with Examiner, Sgt Timer and four visitors		

The Mayor Pro-Tem then directed the City Council's attention to Agenda Item No. 1 for approval of Regular Minutes of February 19, 2024. Following a review of the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 19, 2024, a motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Murphy to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 19, 2024, as presented. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Gardiner and approved by the following vote of Council:

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AGAINST	-	0

The Mayor Pro-Tem 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 March 2024. Following a review of Accounts Payable for the month of March 2024, a motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Murphy to approve the payment of Accounts Payable as presented for the month of March 2024. The motion was seconded by Alderman Cudd and approved by the following vote of Council:

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AGAINST	-	0

The council thereafter considered Agenda Item No. 3 for "Citizen Comments. Any citizens comments to the Council could not be discussed or acted upon; however, such comments by any citizen or individual are considered for information purposes only.

The Mayor Pro-Tem moved to Agenda Item No. 4 requesting the City Manager to provide the Financial Report of the City of Sour Lake for the Month of March 2024 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 Pro-Tem moved to Agenda Item No. 5 for the City Manager's Report, the City Manager reported on the Water and Sewer Generators. This was for information purposes only.

The Mayor Pro-Tem next directed the Council's attention to Agenda Item No. 6 concerning the Police Department report. Chief Burlison reported to the Council his Monthly Updates on the Department and his monthly report. He also reported on the new security system being 90% complete, CJIS Audit, and normal activities for the month. 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 Pro-Tem moved to Agenda Item No. 7 concerning the Public Works Department with Mr. Joseph Keel reported that they had repaired large leak in Jackson Creek last month and could see a difference in water usage, 8 new services and repairs on Water Well #3. This was for information purposes only.

The Mayor Pro-Tem moved to Agenda Item No. 8, Engineering Projects. Mr. Jeff Levins with LEAD Engineering informed the Mayor and Council that Fannin St Rehab was complete and moving to Shady Lane, working on bids packs for Elevated Storage Tank, and a TxDot Meeting on March 21, 2024. The report was provided to Council for information purposes only.

The Mayor Pro-Tem moved to Agenda Item No. 9 for the Library Report. The librarian reported business as usual, the puppet show was a success and is working on the Summer Reading Program. The report was provided to Council for information purpose only.

The Mayor Pro-Tem moved to Agenda Item No. 10 Chamber of Commerce Report. Alderwoman Gardiner informed the Mayor and Council that the Chamber was working on the Annual Banquet.

The Mayor Pro-Tem moved to Agenda Item No. 11, Discussion and Action to Proclaim April 2024 as Child Abuse Prevention Month. A motion was made by Alderwoman Gardiner to proclaim April 2024 as Child Prevention Month. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Murphy and approve by the following vote of the Council:

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The Mayor Pro-Tem moved to Agenda Item No. 12, Discussion on a presentation from Acadian Waste Services. Gus Dugas with AWS presented the Mayor and Council with a check for \$24,000 to build a shade structure at the park in memory of Sharon McBee.

The Mayor moved to Agenda Item No. 13, Discussion and Action to approve the surplus of the Old City Hall Generator to the HCESD #5 and surplus the other two generators to be auctioned. A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Murphy to surplus the City Hall generator to HCESD #5 and surplus the other two to be auctioned. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Gardiner and approved by the following vote of the Board:

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The Mayor moved to the Final Agenda Item No. 14, Discussion and Action to approve a Maintenance Agreement along with a Resolution between the State of Texas (TxDot) and the City of Sour Lake for the Maintenance, control, supervision, and regular of certain state highways/and or portions of state highway within the city limits of Sour Lake. A motion was made my Alderman Hendrix to approve the maintenance agreement and resolution with TxDot. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Murphy and approved by the following vote of the Council:

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AGAINST	0

There being no additional Agenda Items to consider, a motion was made by Alderwoman Gardiner to adjourn the Sour Lake City Council meeting at approximately 6:23 P.M. on March 19, 2024. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hendrix and approved by the following vote of the Sour Lake City Council:

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The Sour Lake City Council adjourned the March 14, 2024, Regular City Council Meeting at 6:32 P.M.

CITY OF SOUR LAKE

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Bruce Robinson, Mayor  
Connie Murphy, Mayor Pro-Tem

ATTEST:

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Debra Morgan, City Secretary