

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL 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, 25 2025, 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 Pro-Tem Hendrix 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	X
MICHAEL HENDRIX	-MAYOR PRO-TEM	X	
RYAN ELMORE	-ALDERMAN	X	
JODIE BUTLER	- ALDERWOMAN	X	
KEVIN CUDD	-ALDERMAN	X	
MARCUS DICKERSON	-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	-	Present
for Sour Lake		
Public Works Department (Joey Keel)	-	Absent
Jeff Leavens with LEAD Eng.	-	Absent
MaryAnn Boyd, Library Director	-	Absent
Heather Isom with the Chamber of Commerce		
And four visitors		

Mayor Pro-Tem Hendrix then directed the City Council's attention to Agenda Item No. 1 for approval of Special Meeting Minutes of January 27, 2025. Following a review of the Special Meeting Minutes of January 27, 2025, a motion was made by Alderman Cudd to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of January 27, 2025, as presented. The motion was seconded by Alderman Elmore and approved by the following vote of Council:

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AGAINST	-	0

Mayor Pro-Tem Hendrix 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 2025. Following a review of Accounts Payable for the month of February 2025, a motion was made by Alderman Elmore to approve the payment of Accounts Payable as presented for the month of February 2025. The motion was seconded by Alderman Cudd and approved by the following vote of Council:

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The council thereafter considered Agenda Item No. 3 for "Citizen Comments. Citizens Comments, items presented for citizens comments cannot be discussed or acted upon; however, such comments by any citizen or individual are considered for information purposes only.

Mayor Pro-Tem Hendrix 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 February 2025 to the Council. Following the presentation too and discussion by the Council, no action was requested of Council, and none taken. Agenda Item No. 4 was provided to the Council for information purposes only. (Aldерwoman Butler joined the meeting at this time)

Mayor Pro-Tem Hendrix moved to Agenda No. 5 for the City Manager's Report; City Manager informed the Council of the new elevated tower to begin, 90% completion on painting of the Hwy 105 tower and setting cement form for Lion Statue at the Park.

Mayor Pro-Tem Hendrix next directed the Council's attention to Agenda Item No. 6, Police Department report. Chief Burleson informed the Council of the hiring of a new officer and all positions are filled at this time. He is working with the County to sign a debris and monitoring contract for future disasters. A report was in the packet for monthly information.

Mayor Pro-Tem Hendrix moved to Agenda No. 7 concerning the Public Works Department. Mr. Keel was not present at this meeting. This was for information purposes only.

Mayor Pro-Tem Hendrix moved to Agenda Item No. 8, Jeff Leavins with LEAD Engineering was not present at this meeting. The report was provided to Council for information purposes only.

Mayor Pro-Tem Hendrix moved to Agenda Item No. 9 for the Library Report. Librarian Mary Boyd. The librarian was not present at this meeting.

Mayor Pro-Tem Hendrix moved to Agenda Item No. 10 Chamber of Commerce Report. Heather Isom reported that April 4 date is set for Touch-a-Truck, and they will be holding another mingle in April at Liberty Tree Coffee Shop.

Mayor Pro-Tem Hendrix moved to Agenda Item No. 11, Discussion and possible action to place No Parking Signs on Old Beaumont Road. Mr. Cohrs discussed with the Board of his safety concerns on Old Beaumont Road when the Elementary holds events and parents or parking on both sides of the road. After discussion with the Board the City Manager is going to reach out to the Superintendent to see if they can come up with a solution. No action taken at this time.

Mayor Pro-Tem Hendrix moved to Agenda Item No. 12, Discussion and possible action to authorize the Sour Lake Police Department to enter into a multiple-use agreement with Texas Department of Transportation. A motion was made by Alderman Dickerson to authorize the Sour Lake Police Department to enter into a multi-use agreement with Texas Department of Transportation. The motion was seconded by Alderman Elmore and approved by the following vote of the Council:

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Mayor Pro-Tem Hendrix moved to Agenda Item No. 13, Discussion and possible action to approve a sign for First Security Bank in the amount of \$58,564.00 presented by SLED. After discussion and question from a citizen a motion was made by Alderman Dickerson to approve the purchase of a sign for First Security Bank in the amount of \$58,564.00. The motion was seconded by Alderman Elmore and approved by the following vote of the Council:

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Mayor Pro-Tem Hendrix moved to Agenda Item No. 14, Discussion and possible action to approve the purchase of Flags and poles for the Sour Lake Lions Club in the amount of \$3000.00 presented by SLED. A motion was made by Alderman Cudd to approve the purchase of flags and flag poles for the Sour Lake Lions Club in the amount of \$3000.00. The motion was seconded by Alderman Dickerson and approved by the following vote of the Board:

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Mayor Pro-Tem Hendrix moved to final Agenda Item No. 15, Discussion of any other item not on the agenda without taking action. The Board discussed the closing of Dairy Queen and Chief informed of a business wanting to bring in gaming machines.

There being no additional Agenda Items to consider, a motion was made by Alderman Elmore to adjourn the Sour Lake City Council meeting at approximately 7:14 P.M. on February 25, 2025. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Hendrix and approved by the following vote of the Council:

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CITY OF SOUR LAKE

Bruce Robinson, Mayor
Michael Hendrix, Mayor Pro-Tem

ATTEST:

Debra Morgan, City Secretary