



Georgetown City Council Meeting Minutes for January 2, 2024

The Georgetown City Council met in regular session at the hour of 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on the above written day.

Invocation delivered by Alderman M. Scott
Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call:

Present:	Dennis Davidson	Alder Ward 1
	Curt Gordon	Alder Ward 2
	Michelle Brooks	Alder Ward 2
	Mike Scott	Alder Ward 3
	Tim Waterman	Alder Ward 4
	Nick Krabel	Alder Ward 4
Also Present:	Darin Readnour	Mayor
	Jacqueline Wilson	City Clerk
Absent:	Jack Morrison	Alder Ward 1
	Randy Scott	Alder Ward 3

The Mayor declared a quorum was present.

Public Comments:

- No public was present.

1. Approval of Minutes.

- a) Approve Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated December 18, 2023.
Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.
Motion / Second: Alder R. Waterman / Alder Krabel,
Motion passed 5 – 0, with Alder Gordon abstaining.

2. Payment of Bills.

Action Taken: **Authorized payment** of bills as presented in List 848. There were payments to 28 vendors for a total of \$31,787.76.
Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.
Motion / Second: Alder Waterman / Alder Brooks,
Motion passed 5 – 0, with Alder Gordon abstaining.

3. Clerk’s Report: Besides preparing the agendas, minutes, meeting packets and typing Streets & Alley reports, the clerk answered e-mails, phone calls, and FOIA Requests, and entered data from surveys received. Building permits were issued to William Englert of 112 E. 14th St. & Lawrance Andrews of 208 E. 11th St. Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.

Motion / Second: Alder Davidson / Alder Brooks,
Motion passed 5 – 0, with Alder Gordon abstaining.

4. Streets & Alleys Report: Did Work Orders and J.U.L.I.E.’s, worked on Bad Meter list, shut off list, and read meters, trimmed alleys, fixed water leak on Mill St, fixed sewer at 402 S. Main St. **Overtime hours:** 7.5 hours for December 14 - 27, 2023.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.
Motion / Second: Alder Davidson / Alder Brooks,

Motion passed 5 – 0, with Alder Gordon abstaining.

5. **Water & Sewer Reports: Will:** chores at both sewer and water buildings every day, weekly test and sampling every Thursday/Friday, read test results every following Tuesday/Wednesday, Biweekly lift station reports, stream samples, replaced parts on distilled water maker at sewer plant, greased all pumps and everything with a grease insert, Homer’s fecal test, serviced PBR, cleaned basement after first septic dump into the new bunker. **Overtime hours:** 24 hours for December 14 - 27, 2023.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented,

Motion / Second: Alder Davidson / Alder Brooks,

Motion passed 5 – 0, with Alder Gordon abstaining.

6. **Public Safety Report:** The Police had over 107 calls along with 2 in town and 13 out of town assists.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.

Motion / Second: Alder Davidson / Alder Brooks,

Motion passed 5 – 0, with Alder Gordon abstaining.

Old Business:

1. **Consider Beardsley Rate increase** – The previous rate was \$170. This rate is in line with other attorneys.

Action Taken: **Approved**

Motion / Second: Alder M. Scott / Alder Davidson,

Motion passed unanimously 6 – 0.

2. **Consider Ordinance 2023-137 – Food truck permit** – The council would like a line added saying the permit is per food truck/trailer, not business.

Action Taken: **Approve with pending changes.**

Motion / Second: Alder Waterman / Alder Krabel,

Motion passed unanimously 6 – 0.

3. **Consider New Ordinance officer** – Mr. Charles Stahl will take the place of Mr. David Biggerstaff, who retired at the end of the year.

Action Taken: **Approved**

Motion / Second: Alder M. Scott / Alder Gordon.

Motion passed unanimously 6 – 0.

Committee Briefs:

- The Latoz Lot will not work for the guy that was interested. He is still in discussions with Mr. Gallez.
- Alder Brooks mentioned the drain on Logan at the North exit of the football field. She is concerned about someone going off the edge of the road and hitting it, it could cause some damage to a vehicle.

New Business:

1. **Consider 401 W. 14th St.** – a neighbor is interested in buying the property and cleaning it up. The property was bought by the land bank before the tax sale and will be cleaned up by the grant the land bank received. The motion was made to leave the property with the land bank, the neighbor can buy the property after it is cleaned up. The council was concerned if we sell it to them now, it may not get cleaned up.

Action Taken: **Approved**

Motion / Second Alder Waterman / Alder Davidson

Motion passed unanimously 6 – 0.

Announcements:

- There has been a request for a streetlight to be added at the south end of town. A resident is concerned that an accident could happen there.

Executive Session: 5ILCS 120/2(c) (4) Legal matters

Action Taken: **Passed** to enter executive session for legal matters.

Motion / Second: Alder Waterman / Alder M. Scott,

Motion passed unanimously 6 – 0.

Entered Executive session at 7:30 pm.

Reconvened from Executive Session

Action Taken: **Passed.**

Motion / Second: Alder Waterman / Alder Krabel,

Motion passed unanimously 6 – 0.

Exit Executive session at 7:43 pm

Adjourn Meeting:

Motion / Second: Alder Waterman / Alder Gordon,

Motion passed unanimously 6 – 0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

I, Jacqueline Wilson, Clerk for the City of Georgetown, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting which was held January 2, 2024.

Jacqueline Wilson, City Clerk