



# Georgetown City Council Meeting Minutes for March 4, 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:

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

The Mayor declared a quorum was present.

### Public Comments:

- Jim Waterman voiced his concerns about the activity at the park. He asked the council what their ideas were. He would like to see some more organized activities, a street dance, movie night, kickball tournament. Chief Renaker mentioned that he is working with the camera company to get the issues with internet speed addressed. The majority of the activity is from 3-6 pm. The cops will be patrolling more in the area. If there are any issues, the troublemakers will be trespassed from the park for 1 year. This means they will not be able to participate in summer ball or football. Depending on the situation it would also fall back on parental responsibility. The first fine is \$100 and goes up from there. There have been multiple trespassed this year already. The chief would like to add about 10 more cameras to the north/south ends of the park. Mr. Waterman suggested getting different groups involved, Ladies Club, Men’s club, Church groups. It would be good just go have an adult present during the busy hours to help keep an eye out. He mentioned this is not a council issue this is a community issue. Can a park committee be formed – have a town hall meeting or a meeting with local organizations to see what can be done. The mayor suggested sending a letter to local organizations to see what kind of involvement we can get. The chief also mentioned we need better lighting at the North/South ends of the park.

### **1. Approval of Minutes.**

- a) Approve Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated February 20, 2024.  
Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.  
Motion / Second: Alder R. Scott / Alder Gordon,  
Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

### **2. Payment of Bills.**

Action Taken: **Authorized payment** of bills as presented in List 852. There were payments to 28 vendors for a total of \$57,150.55.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.

Motion / Second: Alder Waterman / Alder Brooks,

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

- 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. The clerk generated bills for lab work and the waste pad. The clerk issued a tobacco license to Lucky 7.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.

Motion / Second: Alder R. Scott / Alder Krabel,

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

- Streets & Alleys Report:** Did Work Orders and J.U.L.I.E.'s, worked on Bad Meter list, shut off list, and read meters, worked on putting rock in alleys, worked on installing new meters, worked at city hall building desks and chairs, burned brush pile, and jetted out sewer. **Equipment:** washed & greased trucks and backhoe. **Overtime hours:** 19 hours for February 8 - 21, 2024.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.

Motion / Second: Alder R. Scott / Alder Krabel,

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

- Water & Sewer Reports: Ed:** daily chores, CSO report, water report, sewer report, monthly samples, cleaned BPS, working with Frontier Geospatial on GIS for the town, washed and detailed truck, went to conference in Effingham 20-22<sup>nd</sup>, finalized and submitted Source Water protection plan. Will took the water test on 2/13/2024. He failed for the second time. I am looking into online courses for him. **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, cleaned all glass bowls, cleaned rake, cleaned grit wash, cleaned and scrubbed back of headworks buildings room, cleaned south finale tank, cleaned primary tank, did Homer's fecal test, read Homer's fecal results, cleaned septic dumping bunker. **Overtime hours:** 20 hours for February 8-21, 2024.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented,

Motion / Second: Alder R. Scott / Alder Krabel,

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

- Public Safety Report:** The Police had over 220 calls along with 6 in town and 10 out of town assists.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.

Motion / Second: Alder R. Scott / Alder Krabel,

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

### **Old Business:**

- Consider Food Truck Permit – Alder Davidson asked if the amount was chosen as a fee or to replace the tax they don't pay. Alder Waterman stated it was a fee. Alder Davidson would like to have an ordinance committee meeting to discuss this issue Thursday, March 7, at 5 pm.

Action Taken: **Tabled**

Motion / Second: Alder Brooks / Alder R. Scott

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

### **Committee Briefs:**

- Alder M. Scott would like to have a Streets & Alley's meeting on Thursday, March 7 at 5:30 pm to discuss the possibility of naming a street.

### **New Business:**

- Consider GYSA Park Use** – pending receiving insurance information

Action Taken: **Approved**

Motion / Second: Alder Brooks / Alder Gordon,

- Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.
2. **Consider Quote from Rahmtech** - computer backup upgrading for City Hall & Police Station  
Action Taken: **Approved**  
Motion / Second: Alder Waterman / Alder Krabel,  
Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.
  3. **Consider GRHS Yearbook ad** – White \$30 Sponsorship  
Action Taken: **Approved**  
Motion / Second: Alder Brooks / Alder Waterman,  
Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.
  4. **Consider Conxxus Fiber Optic** -  
Action Taken: **Approved**  
Motion / Second: Alder Gordon / Alder Waterman,  
Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.
  5. **Consider McDowell Quote for City garage** – motion was made to approve for the 2024-25 FY Budget  
Action Taken: **Approved**  
Motion / Second: Alder Brooks / Alder Krabel,  
Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.
  6. **Consider 120Water Renewal** – Ed and Jacki have contacted them to see where we stand with our inventory. They are not pleased with the work that has been completed so far.  
Action Taken: **Tabled**  
Motion / Second: Alder Waterman / Alder Krabel,  
Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.
  7. **Consider Aerial Photo.**  
Action Taken: **Approved**  
Motion / Second: Alder Gordon / Alder Brooks,  
Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

**Announcements:**

- The mayor visited Cabinet City to get more ideas for the Council desk. He brought back some samples of High-pressure laminate. He is waiting for a quote.
- The clerk had a website contact asking about honeybees in city limits. The mayor stated that there is no ordinance against them, just doesn't like them where curious kids could get stung.
- It was asked what the status was of the Historical Society project. They are working on the building but have not put in parking curbs or signs out.

**Adjourn Meeting:**

Motion / Second: Alder Waterman / Alder Brooks,  
Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.  
Meeting adjourned at 7:48 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 March 4, 2024.

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Jacqueline Wilson, City Clerk