

# Georgetown City Council Meeting

## Minutes for January 21, 2025

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 Gordon  
Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### Roll Call:

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

Mayor Readnour declared a quorum was present.

### Public Comments:

- Darren Alexander mentioned giving the employees a day off due to the cold weather.

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

a) Approve Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated January 6, 2025.

Action Taken: **Approved**,

Motion / Second: Alder Brooks / Alder Waterman,

Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.

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

Action Taken: **Authorized payment** of bills as presented in List 875. There were 39 payments to vendors for a total of \$114,453.29.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented,

Motion / Second: Alder Waterman / Alder Davidson,

Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.

#### 3. **Treasurer's Report.**

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented,

Motion / Second: Alder Gordon / Alder Brooks,

Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.

4. **Clerk's Report:** Besides preparing the agendas, minutes, meeting packets and typing Streets & Alley reports, the clerk answered e-mails and phone calls, and entered data from Lead line surveys received. The clerk also collected waste pad payments totaling \$637.50 and water lab payments totaling \$50.00.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.

Motion / Second: Alder Davidson / Alder Gordon,

Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.

5. **Streets & Alleys Report:** plowed streets, worked on removing snow piles, salted roads and sidewalks, worked on sewer on E. West St. **Equipment:** washed and greased trucks and backhoe. **Did work orders, read meters, shut off list, Bad meter list, and J.U.L.I.E.'s.** Overtime hours: December 27 – January 8, 2025: 44 hours  
Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.  
Motion / Second: Alder Davidson / Alder Gordon,  
Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.
6. **Water & Sewer Reports: Ed** – daily chores, CSO report, water report, sewer report, monthly testing, finished lead and copper sample site update and submitted, installed new impellers in transfer pump station pumps, installed new impellers in influent pump station pumps, worked on sludge station (cleaned) and checked all heaters for cold temps, snow removal at BPS, and fixed drain in lab. **Will** – cleaned glass bowls on all pumps at Georgetown sewer plant every two weeks, filled chemicals at Cayuga water plant, did biweekly lift station reports and inspection, cleaned trickling filter once a week, did chores in Cayuga and Georgetown daily, did test every Thursday and Friday every week, followed by reading test results every following Tuesday and Wednesday, washed lab equipment and dishes as needed, cleaned grit wash station once a week, cleaned rake system once a week, cut and collect all trash for trash pick-ups on Tuesday, cleaned septic dumping station, shoveled snow and spread salt around Georgetown sewer plant and Cayuga water plant, decanted digester X2, ordered new tires for the Ford, processed Oakwoods test, got new tires put on Ford, read Oakwoods test results, worked on water usage report for the year 2024, repaired some of our broken milk house heaters. **Overtime hours:** 13.5 hours for December 26, 2024 – January 8, 2025, 2024.  
Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.  
Motion / Second: Alder Davidson / Alder Gordon,  
Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.

### **Old Business:**

1. Discuss Water quality Report- Ed Hitt presented the water quality report. He mentioned that the employees inspect and remove accumulated sediment from the catch basins annually. The city has an aggressive program of leak detection and correction in the water distribution system. He also mentioned some small projects they have been working on including the catch basin by Pinecrest.  
Action Taken: **Approved**  
Motion / Second: Alder Waterman / Alder Brooks,  
Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.
2. Consider Library cameras – Business district will cover the cost of the cameras for the library.  
Action Taken: **Approved**  
Motion / Second: Alder Brooks / Alder Gordon,  
Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.
3. Consider Pine Crest Pick up line  
Action Taken: **Tabled**  
Motion / Second: Alder Waterman / Alder Brooks,  
Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.
4. Consider Ordinance 2025 -157 Surplus property – 308 E. 9<sup>th</sup> St.  
Action Taken: **Approved**  
Motion / Second: Alder Waterman / Alder Brooks,  
Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.
5. Consider Ordinance 2025 – 158 E. West St. Parking  
Action Taken: **Approved**  
Motion / Second: Alder Gordon / Alder Brooks,  
Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.

6. Consider Ordinance 2025 – 159 Surplus Tractor  
Action Taken: **Approved**  
Motion / Second: Alder Waterman / Alder Brooks,  
Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.
7. Consider Ordinance 2025 – 160 Surplus property Family Dollar Strip mall  
Action Taken: **Approved**  
Motion / Second: Alder Waterman / Alder Davidson,  
Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.
8. Consider Ordinance 225 – 161 Adelia Alley vacation public hearing  
Action Taken: **Approved**  
Motion / Second: Alder Brooks / Alder Waterman,  
Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.

**New Business:**

1. **Consider city hall office remodel**  
Action Taken: **Approved**  
Motion / Second: Alder M. Scott / Alder R. Scott,  
Motion passed unanimously 8 – 0.
2. **Consider American Legion request for business district funds** - the legion needs a new furnace. The estimate received was \$15,000. The motion was made to cover the cost up to \$15,000.  
Action Taken: **Approved**  
Motion / Second: Alder Waterman / Alder Gordon with Alder Davidson abstaining,  
Motion passed unanimously 4 – 0.

**Executive Session:** 5ILCS 120/2(c) (5) Personnel

Action Taken: **Passed** to enter executive session for litigation and real estate.

Motion / Second: Alder Waterman / Alder Gordon,

Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.

Executive session Entered at 7:30 pm.

**Reconvened** from Executive Session

Action Taken: **Passed.**

Motion / Second: Alder Waterman / Alder Brooks,

Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.

Exit Executive session at 7:48 pm

**Adjourn Meeting:**

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm

Action Taken: **Approved**

Motion / Second: Alder Waterman / Alder Brooks,

Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.

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 21, 2025.

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Jacqueline Wilson, City Clerk