

Georgetown City Council Meeting Minutes For March 3, 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:

Also Present:

Absent:

Present: Darin Readnour Mayor

Jack Morrison Alder Ward 1 Dennis Davidson Alder Ward 1 Michelle Brooks Alder Ward 2 Curt Gordon Alder Ward 2 Randy Scott Alder Ward 3 Nick Krabel Alder Ward 4 Tim Waterman Alder Ward 4 Jacqueline Wilson City Clerk Amy Cavanaugh Treasurer Mike Scott Alder Ward 3

The mayor declared a quorum was present.

Public Comments:

- Amber Pearson with GYSA asked about the key for the park buildings. The clerk said once the guys are able to get the buildings open for the season, they will be able to get the key.
- Darren Alexander asked about the clean up on April 12. If he is cleaning up a property, will he be able to bring multiple loads and will he be charged for those loads. Officer Murray said that would be allowed and we would not charge him. Mr. Alexander said they filled 4 ½ dumpsters on March 1st.

1. Approval of Minutes.

a) Approve Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated February 18, 2025.

Action Taken: Approved as presented.

Motion / Second: Alder Davidson / Alder Brooks,

Motion passed unanimously 5 - 0, with Alders Morrison and R. Scott abstaining.

b) Approve Personnel Committee Meeting Minutes dated February 26, 2025.

Action Taken: Approved as presented.

Motion / Second: Alder Waterman / Alder Krabel,

Motion passed 4 - 0, with Alders Morrison, R. Scott, and Gordon abstaining.

c) Approve Business District Committee Meeting Minutes dated February 26, 2025.

Action Taken: Approved as presented.

Motion / Second: Alder Waterman / Alder Krabel,

Motion passed 5 - 0, with Alders Morrison and R. Scott abstaining.

2. Payment of Bills.

Action Taken: Authorized payment of bills as presented in List 878. There were payments to 27

vendors for a total of \$29,992.61.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.

Motion / Second: Alder Waterman / Alder Morrison,

Motion passed unanimously 7 - 0.

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 lead line surveys received. The clerk issued a golf care permit to Jason Nose.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.

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

Motion passed unanimously 7 - 0.

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, worked on brush pile at the dam, filled potholes with asphalt, did Julie marks for Conxxus, worked on lead line survey. **Overtime hours:** 34 hours for February 6 - 19, 2025.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.

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

Motion passed unanimously 7 - 0.

5. Water & Sewer Reports: Ed: daily chores, CSO report, water report, sewer report, monthly testing, replaced both parastolic tubes in fluoride and chlorine pumps at BPS, cleaned injectors at BPS, got Will enrolled in IRWA apprenticeship program, attended Effingham IRWA conference and did labs for Homer. 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, decant, cleaned and scrubbed sewer office, cleaned sludge station. Overtime hours: 10 hours for February 6 - 19, 2025.

Action Taken: Approved as presented,

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

Motion passed unanimously 7 - 0.

6. **Public Safety Report:** The Police had over 71 calls, 58 traffic stops, and 1 ordinance violation, along with 7 in town and 23 out-of-town assists.

Overtime Hours: 32 hours, 34 Comp time for February 1 - 28, 2025.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.

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

Motion passed unanimously 7 - 0.

Old Business:

1. Consider Tractor bids – There were 5 bids received. S. Davis bid \$3.030.00, D. Ellis bid \$2,500.00, R. Plog bid \$1,511.00, B. Smith bid \$750.00, and T. Lambert bid \$2,551.00.

Action Taken: Approved S. Davis bid for \$3,030.00

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

Motion passed unanimously 7 - 0.

2. Consider 308 E. 9th St bids – 1 bid was received from D. Moody for \$800.00

Action Taken: Approved

Motion / Second: Alder Waterman / Alder Brooks,

Motion passed unanimously 7 - 0.

3. Consider Family Dollar strip mall bids - No Bids were received.

Action Taken: Tabled

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

Motion passed unanimously 7 - 0.

4. Consider Resolution for Vietnam Veterans parade

Action Taken: **Approved with corrections,** Motion / Second: Alder R. Scott / Alder Krabel

Motion passed unanimously 7 - 0.

5. Consider Revised Ordinance 2025-162 Adelia Alley Vacation

Action Taken: Approved

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

Motion passed unanimously 7 - 0.

Committee Briefs:

• Recommendations from Business District Committee – Executive Session

• Recommendations from Personnel Committee – Executive Session

New Business:

1. Consider Police Vehicle Purchase from Tolono PD – Chief Renaker went and looked at 2 vehicles – a Chevy Silverado and a Chevy Caprice. Both are fully equipped. A new fully equipped police vehicle would be around \$60,000. They are asking for \$25-30,000 for both vehicles. The chief would like to put purple and gold graphics on the truck and make it the SRO vehicle. Treasurer Cavanaugh informed the council it is in the budget and there is PNT money.

Action Taken: Approved for \$30,000

Motion / Second: Alder Gordon / Alder Davidson,

Motion passed unanimously 7 - 0.

2. **Consider fireworks contract** – We received a bid from Nostalgia fireworks who did the fireworks last year, and one from T & C Explosives. The council was very happy with last year's fireworks, and did not see a reason to change.

Action Taken: Approved for Nostalgia Pyrotechnic

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

Motion passed unanimously 7-0.

Executive Session: 5ILCS 120/2(c) (3) Real Estate, (5) Personnel, and (4) litigation Action Taken: **Passed** to enter executive session for real estate, personnel, and litigation.

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

Motion passed unanimously 7-0.

Executive session Entered at 7:25 pm.

Reconvened from Executive Session

Action Taken: Passed.

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

Motion passed unanimously 7 - 0. Exit Executive session at 7:48 pm

Adjourn Meeting:

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

Motion passed unanimously 7 - 0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55p.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 3, 2025.

Jacqueline Wilson, City Clerk