

# Georgetown City Council Meeting

## Minutes for March 16, 2026

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 Mayor Readnour  
Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### Roll Call:

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

The mayor declared a quorum was present.

### Public Comments:

- Mike Mullins read a letter to the council about the old city hall. The mayor explained that the plan had been to tear the building down. It has a lot of issues. The city is still currently using it for storage. William Schlunaker from the GRF Men's club asked the mayor if he knew any buildings around town that could be used for headquarters. The mayor told them they could take a look at it and see if they would be interested in it. They are interested in the building, but nothing has been decided yet. The men's club is in the process of becoming a 501c (3). The city can donate the building to a non-profit. The mayor explained they will have to have a public properties committee meeting to discuss what the council wants to do with the building.

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

- a) Approve Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated March 2, 2026.  
Action Taken: **Approved** as presented,  
Motion / Second: Alder Davidson / Alder Lyons,  
Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.
- b) Approve Personnel Committee Meeting Minutes dated March 11, 2026  
Action Taken: **Approved** as presented,  
Motion / Second: Alder Weaver / Alder Krabel,  
Motion passed 3 – 0, with Alders Morrison, Davidson, Lyons, and Gordon abstaining.

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

Action Taken: **Authorized payment** of bills as presented in List 905. There were 36 payments to vendors for a total of \$46,020.78.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented,  
Motion / Second: Alder Lyons / Alder Brooks,  
Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

3. **Treasurer's Report:**

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented,  
Motion / Second: Alder Weaver / Alder Morrison,  
Motion passed unanimously 7 – 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. The clerk also collected waste pad payments totaling \$3595.50. The clerk issued a fence permit to William Schlunaker at 305 Whittier St.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.  
Motion / Second: Alder Lyons / Alder Weaver,  
Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

5. **Streets & Alleys Report:** took dump trucks for inspection, cleaned off storm drains, fixed sewer problem at 419 Garfield, fixed sewer problem at 417 Logan, did a water tap on Mill Rd, washed and greased dump trucks, cleaned shop, and installed stop signs on E. 14<sup>th</sup> St. **Did work orders, read meters, shut off list, Bad meter list, and J.U.L.I.E.'s.** Overtime hours: February 19 – March 4, 2026: 4.5 hours.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.  
Motion / Second: Alder Lyons / Alder Weaver,  
Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

6. **Water & Sewer Reports:** CSO report, water reports, sewer reports, monthly test, cleaned glass bowls on all pumps at Georgetown sewer plant every two weeks, filled chemicals at Cayuga water plant and Georgetown sewer plant, did bi-weekly lift station reports and inspections, 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 after every test and sample, 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 bed, decanted digester, fluoride inspection in Cayuga, started to work on lockout tagout information, cleaned basement, cleaned CL-17 machine in Cayuga, cleaned and prepared chemical tanks and stenner pumps in Georgetown, worked on 002 sampling from overflow of lagoons, worked on 003 sampling from extra over flow of lagoons. **Overtime hours:** 13 hours for February 19 – March 4, 2026.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.  
Motion / Second: Alder Lyons / Alder Weaver,  
Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

**Old Business:**

1. **Consider American Legion – E. West St. parking -** Cory Meeks from the American Legion stated that they had originally supported the decision to not allow parking in the first block of E. West St due to safety concerns. But they do believe it is hurting their business. They said people do not know they are open because there are no cars parked in front of the Legion. They are asking the city to allow parking after normal business hours, from 4:30 to close. They will support whatever decision the council makes. There are 3 parking spots in front of the legion and 3 on the north side of the road. The council discussed different options including making the 1<sup>st</sup> block of Walnut St going south 1 way. They also discussed taking away a parking spot to try to help visibility. The street & alley committee will meet to discuss this.

Action Taken: **Send to the Street & Alley committee**  
Motion / Second: Alder Brooks / Alder Gordon  
Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

2. **Consider Ordinance 2026-179 Water rates amended** – the first ordinance did not include the out-of-town rates.

Action Taken: **Approved**  
Motion / Second: Alder Gordon / Alder Krabel,  
Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

3. **Consider Ordinance 2026-181 – 218 E. Oak St.** – the mayor has someone who is interested in rehabbing 218 E. Oak St. We will have to put the property up for sealed bid.

Action Taken: **Approved**

Motion / Second: Alder Weaver / Alder Krabel,

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

### **Committee Briefs:**

- Recommendation from the personnel committee – the committee has found 2 part-time seasonal workers, Darrell Lee and John Barnes. They also offered a full-time job to Mike Becker.

Action Taken: **Approved**,

Motion / Second: Alder Weaver / Alder Krabel,

Motion passed 7 – 0.

- Alder Krabel has been contacted by Joe Tamalunis. He is claiming his property on Seminary has a septic tank. He wants the sewer charges refunded from the account. He has been told he would have to prove the property is not hooked up to city sewer. There are many properties that had septic tanks and are now hooked up to city sewer, many did not remove the septic tank.
- The Public Properties committee will have a meeting on Thursday, March 19 at 5:30 to discuss plans for the old city hall.

### **New Business**

1. **Consider storage shed for library** – the library board is wanting to use memorial funds to purchase a shed for extra storage. They are asking permission to put it on the property and for the city to level a spot for the shed.

Action Taken: **Approved**

Motion / Second: Alder Brooks / Alder Weaver,

Motion passed unanimously 6 – 0, with Alder Morrison abstaining.

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

Action Taken: **Passed** to enter executive session for personnel.

Motion / Second: Alder Lyons / Alder Brooks,

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

Executive session Entered at 7:39 pm.

**Reconvened** from Executive Session

Action Taken: **Passed.**

Motion / Second: Alder Weaver / Alder Brooks,

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

Exit Executive session at 7:50 pm

**Recommendations from Executive Session:** Approve raise for W. Boettner starting May 1.

Action Taken: **Approved**,

Motion / Second: Alder Brooks / Alder Lyons,

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

### **Adjourn Meeting:**

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm

Action Taken: **Approved**

Motion / Second: Alder Krabel / Alder Gordon,

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 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 March 16, 2026.

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Jacqueline Wilson, City Clerk