

Georgetown City Council Meeting

Minutes for April 6, 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 Alder Gordon

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call:

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

The mayor declared a quorum was present.

Public Comment:

- Phil Miller asked about the Digby house on Church St. The mayor explained that the city is in the process of obtaining ownership of the house. The city has possession of the lot with the pole barn, but not the house yet. Mr. Miller asked that the city do something with the metal roof. On windy nights, it keeps the neighbors awake from all the noise. He is also concerned about kids in the neighborhood. There is trash blowing around and the metal pieces could come lose and hit someone.
- David Smith agreed that we are on the right track for the Church St. house, but it takes time. He also mentioned the neighbor's dog. If the dog is outside, it is constantly barking. Mr. Kelley has tried to talk to the owner, but she just said it's annoying isn't it. There were multiple neighbors present for the same complaint. Mr. Smith had called the police about the barking and was told there was nothing they could do because it was not after 10 pm. There is an excessive barking ordinance. The mayor said this is a nuisance issue. He will talk to the chief and get the situation addressed.
- Joe Tamalunis said that the house he owns at 206 N Seminary is on Septic. He had already talked to Rusty and Nick who told him he had to show that he was not connected. Mr. Tamalunis said you can see the leach field in the yard. He says his tenant is being charged for sewer. Mr. Tamalunis said there is not a sewer line that runs down Seminary. He claims all the neighbors are on septic. He wants his tenant's water bill changed and possible compensation. The mayor told him they will look into it, but need evidence before they can decide.

1. Approval of Minutes.

- a) Approve Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated March 16, 2026.
Action Taken: **Approved as presented,**
Motion / Second: Alder Krabel / Alder Gordon,
Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.
- b) Approve Public Properties Committee Meeting Minutes dated March 19, 2026.

Action Taken: **Approved as presented**,
Motion / Second: Alder Weaver / Alder Davidson,
Motion passed 5 – 0.

2. Payment of Bills.

Action Taken: **Authorized payment** of bills as presented in List 906. There were 45 payments to vendors for a total of \$94,291.66.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented,
Motion / Second: Alder Gordon / Alder Weaver,
Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.

- 3. Clerk's Report:** Besides preparing the agendas, minutes, meeting packets and typing Streets & Alley reports, the clerk answered e-mails and phone calls. There were 58 bills emailed in March. The clerk collected waste pad payments totaling \$2932.50 and water lab payments totaling \$90.00. The clerk issued a special event liquor license to the American Legion for the Mission K9 Fundraiser. She also issued a juke box and arcade game license for the American Legion's license renewal, and a liquor and cigarette license to Casey's for the license renewal. The clerk issued a building permit for solar panels to Melinda Hinote at 603 S. Church St, a building permit to Save-a-lot for a propane tank, and Greg Culbreth at 406 N. Church for a wheelchair ramp.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.
Motion / Second: Alder Gordon / Alder Lyons,
Motion passed unanimously 4 – 0, with Alder Weaver Abstaining.

- 4. Streets & Alleys Report:** worked on sewer at 418 Logan, new sewer tap and moved water meter pit at Fisher Bank, cleaned up park, worked on sewer on Oak St., worked on sewer on W. 11th St, washed dump truck and backhoe, installed 30 meters and 5 new shut offs, started locating for Comcast. **Did work orders, read meters, shut off list, Bad meter list, and J.U.L.I.E.'s.**
Overtime hours: March 5 – April 1, 2026 – 31.5 hours.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.
Motion / Second: Alder Gordon / Alder Lyons,
Motion passed unanimously 4 – 0, with Alder Weaver abstaining.

- 5. Water & Sewer Report:** 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, mowed and trimmed all of sewer plant and sprayed all weeds and around all structures, did bi-weekly 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 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, started to clean up creek side behind plant, worked on getting together safety data sheets for Cayuga water plant, cleaned basement, did extra test and samples for overflow 002 and 003, flagger training at garage, cleaned up and fixed clogged rake system in headworks from septic dump. **Overtime hours:** 17 hours for March 5 – April 1, 2026.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.
Motion / Second: Alder Gordon / Alder Lyons,
Motion passed unanimously 4 – 0, with Alder Weaver abstaining.

- 6. Public Safety Report:** The Police had over 105 calls along with 9 in town and 12 out of town assists, with 4 ordinance violations and 13 traffic stops.

Overtime Hours: 19 hours, 33 Comp time for February 20 – April 1, 2026.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.
Motion / Second: Alder Gordon / Alder Lyons,
Motion passed unanimously 4 – 0, with Alder Weaver abstaining.

Old Business

1. **Consider bids for 218 E. Oak St.** – the city received one bid from Shane Berck in the amount of \$5,110.00.
Action Taken: **Approved**
Motion / Second: Alder Weaver / Alder Krabel,
Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.
2. **Consider committees -**
Action taken: **Tabled**
Motion / Second: Alder Krabel / Alder Lyons,
Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.

Committee Briefs:

- A Street & Alley committee meeting needs to be scheduled to discuss the Legion's request on E. West St. The meeting will be Thursday, April 9 at 5 pm.
- We need to have a Finance committee meeting to discuss the new budget. The meeting will be at 5:30 on Monday, April 13.
- Consider Public Properties Committee Meeting recommendations – The public properties committee met to discuss the plan for the old city hall. They recommend putting the building up for bid.
 - Ordinance 2026-182 –
Action Taken: **Approved**
Motion / Second: Alder Gordon / Alder Weaver,
Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.

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

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

Motion / Second: Alder Weaver / Alder Lyons,

Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.

Executive session Entered at 7:37 pm.

Reconvened from Executive Session

Action Taken: **Passed.**

Motion / Second: Alder Weaver / Alder Lyons,

Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.

Exit Executive session at 7:50 pm

Recommendations from Executive Session: Approve amount to be offered.

Action Taken: **Approved,**

Motion / Second: Alder Krabel / Alder Weaver,

Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.

Adjourn Meeting:

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm

Action Taken: **Approved**

Motion / Second: Alder Gordon / Alder Krabel,

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 April 6, 2026.

Jacqueline Wilson, City Clerk