

Georgetown City Council Meeting

Minutes for July 1, 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 Scott

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call:

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

The mayor declared a quorum was present.

Public Comments:

- Roger Sherman mentioned his mother lives on Vermilion. There is someone a couple of houses down from her riding dirt bikes and four wheelers driving around the neighborhood. The noise is an issue. The council was also told they are doing donuts in the road and throwing rocks into the neighbors' yards. They have called the cops before, and cops say it is his right. Mr. Sherman brought 2 ordinances that they were violating, disorderly conduct and the noise ordinance. The mayor said he would talk to the chief about this.
- The alderman also discussed the e-bike and scooters. They are becoming an issue. There have been too many close calls with them not stopping and riding in front of cars.
- Lisa Cramer came in to update the council about the splash park. She talked to someone at the Paris Park District. They used gopher pools in Paris. They said it was installed 15 -25 years ago. They did fundraise for it. They were going to see if they could find out how much it was. Catlin's was installed over 10 years ago. It was designed by the city engineer. The city did fundraise and matched the funds.
- Alder Morrison asked if there was any update on the cat issue. The mayor had not heard anything. The county shelter does have a new director.

1. Approval of Minutes.

- a) Approve Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated June 16, 2025.

Action Taken: **Approved**,

Motion / Second: Alder Morrison/ Alder Weaver,

Motion passed 6 – 0, with Alders Brooks and Krabel abstaining.

2. Payment of Bills.

Action Taken: **Authorized payment** of bills as presented in List 888. There were 36 payments to vendors for a total of \$207,176.56.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented,

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

Motion passed unanimously 8 – 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. The clerk issued golf cart permits to Peggy Wolpert and Clint Hodge. The clerk also collected water lab payments totaling \$75.00 and waste pad payments totaling \$297.50.
Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.
Motion / Second: Alder Krabel / Alder Gordon,
Motion passed unanimously 8 – 0.
4. **Streets & Alleys Report:** took down flags from flag day, dirt, straw, & seed excavation on Whitter, sprayed weeds along curbs, painted curbs, installed meter for HS football field, put chip on roads where needed, cleaned up storm damage, put up flags for fireworks, July 4th and the fair. **Did work orders, read meters, shut off list, Bad meter list, and J.U.L.I.E.'s.** Overtime hours: June 12-25, 2025 – 1 hours.
Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.
Motion / Second: Alder Krabel / Alder Gordon,
Motion passed unanimously 8 – 0.
5. **Water & Sewer Reports: Ed** – daily chores, CSO report, water report, sewer report, monthly testing, water and sewer chores, cleaned injectors at BPS, air conditioning is out at BPS, called in Ames heating and air (quote will be sent to repair) compressor is bad, decanted digester, cleaned trickling filter, bio-sulfate pump burnt up (it is a very old pump) new one on order, did lab work, handed out the bottles for lead and copper testing, and submitted CCR to both EPA's. **Overtime hours:** 32 hours for June 12 - 25, 2025.
Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.
Motion / Second: Alder Krabel / Alder Gordon,
Motion passed unanimously 8 – 0.
6. **Public Safety Report:** The Police had over 170 calls and 3 ordinance violations, along with 7 in town and 11 out of town assists.
Overtime Hours: 41 hours, 14 Comp time for May 29 – June 25, 2025.
Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.
Motion / Second: Alder Krabel / Alder Gordon,
Motion passed unanimously 8 – 0.

Old Business

1. **Consider Resolution 2025 – 171 Family Dollar Strip Mall**
Action Taken: **Approved**
Motion / Second: Alder Gordon / Alder Krabel
Motion passed unanimously 8 – 0.

Committee Briefs

- Personnel Committee recommendations
- An alderman asked if we found out how much fluoride was being put in the water. Clerk Wilson said it is 0.7 ppm.
- A complaint was received about an officer. Chief Renaker tried to contact the complainant with no response.
- The mayor asked the clerk to call Westville to find out about their response to Comcast. The council is concerned about the cost and lack of personnel for more Julie marks.

New Business

1. **Consider Communications for wells** – an upgrade was done on the radios at the wells in Cayuga. It did not work. They did end up getting one radio working. The new radios and antennas will cost around \$11,000. We have the sim cards ready just waiting on the radios and antennas.

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

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

Motion / Second: Alder Morrison / Alder Gordon,

Motion passed unanimously 8 – 0.

Executive session Entered at 7:29 pm.

Reconvened from Executive Session

Action Taken: **Passed.**

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

Motion passed unanimously 8 – 0.

Exit Executive session at 7:56 pm

Adjourn Meeting:

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm

Action Taken: **Approved**

Motion / Second: Alder Krabel / Alder Brooks,

Motion passed unanimously 8 – 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 July 1, 2025.

Jacqueline Wilson, City Clerk