Georgetown City Council Meeting
Minutes for August 17, 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 Brooks.
Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call:

Present:	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
	Robert Weaver	Alder Ward 4
Also Present:	Darin Readnour	Mayor
	Amy Cavanaugh	Treasurer
	Jacqueline Wilson	City Clerk
Absent:	Nick Krabel	Alder Ward 4
	Mike Scott	Alder Ward 3

The mayor declared a quorum was present.

Public Comment:

- John Butler and Charlie Lambert were present to Thank the city for the help with the drainage project on the northwest end of town. It was a big help.
- Charlotte Humrichous asked about the chip and seal on Woodland. She said there is still cracks with grass growing and loose gravel. Alder Weaver explained that we need a few hot days to help with the loose gravel. They were not sure about the cracks but will have Rusty take a look.
- Fran Ellis mentioned a house on S. Seminary that has 6 cars sitting in driveway and a fridge on the front porch for the last 3 years. Mayor Readnour said he will have the police investigate this.

1. **Approval of Minutes**.
   a) Approve Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated August 3, 2026.
   Action Taken: **Approved** as presented,
   Motion / Second: Alder Morrison / Alder Brooks,
   Motion passed 6 – 0.
   b) Approve Water/Sewer Committee Meeting Minutes dated August 3, 2026
   Action Taken: **Approved** as presented,
   Motion / Second: Alder Weaver / Alder Lyons,
   Motion passed 6 – 0.
   c) Approve Ordinance Committee Meeting Minutes dated August 11, 2026
   Action Taken: **Approved** as presented,
   Motion / Second: Alder Davidson / Alder Morrison,
   Motion passed 5 – 0, with Alder Gordon abstaining.
2. **Payment of Bills.**
   Action Taken: **Authorized payment** of bills as presented in List 916. There were 30 payments to vendors for a total of $114,157.46. Alder Lyons asked about the dumpster for Heather Ruble.
   The mayor explained that this property has been an ongoing issue. The back and side yards were full of trash and starting to stink. He requested a dumpster, and she cleaned out what she could. Alder Lyons asked if she has been fined for this and the mayor said yest. She was receiving a fine. Someone asked if Mr. Michaels house at 300 S. Main sold at the auction, it did not. It is going back to the bank.

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

3. **Treasurer's Report:** Alder Davidson asked how the water account was looking. Treasurer Cavanaugh explained that the water account was slowly going up. Alder Morrison asked if the $3000 donated to the Bi-Centennial committee was a one-time thing. The treasurer explained yes that it was money leftover in the Planning Commission account. Alder Morrison asked what the next step was for the 3 houses demolished. The 2 houses the city owns will be put up for bid. The one the land bank owns will be sold by them.
   Action Taken: **Approved** as presented,
   Motion / Second: Alder Morrison / Alder Krabel,
   Motion passed unanimously 6 – 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 $1904.00 and water lab payments totaling $25.00. The clerk issued a building permit to Elizabeth Barzis at 308 Pine for a deck and Tom Marrow 116 E. 10th for a shed. The clerk issued demo permits to Richards Keys for 900 Adelia and Debra Hepburn at 125 Apache for a shed. The clerk issued a golf cart permit to Doug Wolpert.
   Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.
   Motion / Second: Alder Davidson / Alder Morrison,
   Motion passed unanimously 6 – 0.
5. **Streets & Alleys Report**: weed eat at park and all ditches around town, mowed park, put out bleachers for football, washed trucks and backhoe, greased skidster and backhoe, cleaned off storm drains. **Did work orders, read meters, shut off list, Bad meter list, and J.U.L.I.E.'s**.
   Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.
   Motion / Second: Alder Davidson / Alder Morrison,
   Motion passed unanimously 6 – 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, mowed and trimmed all of sewer 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 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, cleaned all final tanks and the primary tank, worked on a few water turn On's / off as needed, did 002 overflow samples due to rain, did fecal samples for Homer, our 001, our over flow 002, samples on 003, handle all the power bumps and resetting pumps and alarms. **Overtime hours:** 8 hours for July 23 – August 5, 2026.
   Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.
   Motion / Second: Alder Davidson / Alder Morrison,
   Motion passed unanimously 6 – 0.

Committee Briefs:

- Ordinance Committee Recommendations
  - The ordinance committee would like to add e-bike and e-scooters to the ordinance. They would like to follow the state statutes, this way if they change, we do not have to change anything in our ordinances. They would also like to change the fee from $250-750 to $50-250.
    Action Taken: **Approved,**
    Motion / Second: Alder Weaver / Alder Lyons,
    Motion passed unanimously 6 – 0.

New Business

1. **Discuss public input for a possible grant for Splash Park –** Lisa Cramer explained that the Lion's club is working on a grant for the splash park, with support from the city. The splash park will be on city property. As part of the OSLAD grant they have to have public input. The Lion's club received a grant for an all-inclusive park. Lisa noted from the Facebook post that some were interested in getting a swimming pool, some were concerned about what happened to the money already raised by the Lion's club, and a few wanted something for older kids. Lisa notices at other splash parks that she has visited they have individual/businesses that have donated. Lisa looked at some plans for a splash park and played around with a farming theme, as this is a farming community. The price of a splash park will cost at least $200,000. At least half of that is for construction/installation. The grant is a matching grant unless your community is considered a financially distressed community, then it is 100%. Lisa is looking into this, as she believes Georgetown should fall into the financially distressed category.
   Lisa asked about the location for the splash park, the council had discussed putting it on the north end of the park, there are water lines close that could be used. The location will need bathrooms.
2. **Consider Ordinance 2026-189 Amended Budget**.
   Action Taken: **Approved**
   Motion / Second: Alder Morrison / Alder Gordon,
   Motion passed unanimously 6 – 0.

Announcements:

- Alder Weaver stated GRFC youth football has started painting the announcers stand. It looks good.

Adjourn Meeting:

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 pm
Action Taken: **Approved**
Motion / Second: Alder Brooks / Alder Weaver,
Motion passed unanimously 6 – 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 August 17, 2026.

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Jacqueline Wilson, City Clerk