

# Georgetown City Council Meeting

## Minutes for November 17, 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:**

<b>Present:</b>	Dennis Davidson	Alder Ward 1
	Jack Morrison	Alder Ward 1
	Curt Gordon	Alder Ward 2
	Michelle Brooks	Alder Ward 2
	Stephanie Lyons	Alder Ward 3
	Robert Weaver	Alder Ward 4
	Nick Krabel	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:**

- Rita Hutson asked about the senior center funds. They are wanting to get a \$15 gift card from Save a lot for the seniors for Christmas. Treasurer Cavanaugh explained what they had in their account and told them that was their choice.
- Rita also asked why the city wasn't charging to rent the senior center. She said it is being rented out and people are using their stuff. The clerk explained that the Lion's Club and Ladies Club are allowed to use it free of charge. The mayor wasn't aware it was being rented out for other things. He stated there shouldn't be any private parties.
- Janet Greene thanked the council for their action on her previous complaint. Multiple cars had been removed from the property.
- Christine Holycross asked if the Pinecrest parking lot was going to be discussed tonight. The mayor stated it was not on the agenda. Alder Morrison asked if the city had received the drainage plans from Mrs. Neal. Someone mentioned their concern about using TIF money, if Pinecrest is not in the TIF district. Alder Brooks explained that she went and talked to Mrs. Neal. Mrs. Neil explained that if the city gives them funds for a project at the high school that is needed, the money that was earmarked for that project would be used for the Pinecrest project.

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

- a) Approve Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated November 3, 2025.  
Action Taken: **Approved** as presented,  
Motion / Second: Alder Weaver / Alder Brooks,  
Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.
- b) Approve Finance Committee Meeting Minutes dates November 3, 2025.  
Action Taken: **Approved** as presented,  
Motion / Second: Alder Krabel / Alder Morrison,  
Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

- c) Approve Personnel Committee Meeting dated November 13, 2025.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented,

Motion / Second: Alder Brooks / Alder Krabel,

Motion passed 2 – 0, with Alders Morrison, Davidson, Lyons, Gordon, and Weaver abstaining.

**2. Payment of Bills.**

Action Taken: **Authorized payment** of bills as presented in List 897. There were 32 payments to vendors for a total of \$42,559.71.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented,

Motion / Second: Alder Brooks/ Alder Gordon,

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

- 3. Treasurer's Report:** The council asked Amy about the water. She said it is struggling, this month it is lower due to paying our yearly RMA bill which is a large bill.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented,

Motion / Second: Alder Davidson / Alder Lyons,

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 \$467.50.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.

Motion / Second: Alder Brooks / Alder Lyons,

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

- 5. Streets & Alleys Report:** cleaned up brush at dog park, put 2 loads of salt in salt building, worked on jack hammer, mowed dam and dog park, put up flags for Veteran's Day, cold patched roads for water line work, ran sewer at 403 E. 10<sup>th</sup> St, turned heaters on in park bathrooms and winterized, cleaned up garage and equipment, worked on street signs, worked on broken main at 516 Sandusky, and took down flags.

**Did work orders, read meters, shut off list, Bad meter list, and J.U.L.I.E.'s.** Overtime hours: October 30 – November 12, 2025: 9 hours.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.

Motion / Second: Alder Brooks / Alder Lyons,

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

- 6. Water & Sewer Reports: Ed** – daily chores, CSO report, water report, sewer report, monthly testing, finished winterizing plants, cleaned BPS, serviced chlorine and fluoride pumps at BPS, calibrated lab instruments, gave plant tour to Tanner, and worked on year-end files. **Will:** 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 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, winterized sewer and water plant, and cleaned head works building. **Overtime hours:** 10 hours for October 30 – November 12, 2025.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.

Motion / Second: Alder Brooks / Alder Lyons,

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

## **Old Business**

- 1. Consider Records Storage Building bids** – Jared Young from Hillside Development talked about the bids. He explained that Hillside put the specs together. Their bid included an FBI building which is what the police station is. He talked to their representative at FBI, and they said they had not been contacted by Silver Bros. He believes their bid was for a Graber Building which has a different warranty. He also explained that the council does not have to take the lowest bid. There are many reasons they can reject

any bid, including warranty, material quality, etc. Hillside is prepared to work with the city to get the pad ready. They have already done a lot of frontend work and will help the guys get the pad ready for the new building. Alder Morrison asked Jared how much Hillside would charge for the design work they did. Jared said their architect usually charges around \$10,000. FBI offers a lifetime warranty on the framing. Graber is a packaged building. Mayor Readnour said that Hillside is the company that built the police station. The city had no issues with them, if anything came up, Bob took care of it.

Action Taken: **Approved** for Hillside

Motion / Second: Alder Gordon / Alder Krabel,

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

### **Committee Briefs:**

- Recommendation from the personnel committee: moved to executive session.
- Alder Morrison asked the mayor if he had asked Rusty about the alley behind the pumphouse. He had not, the clerk made a note to ask Rusty.

### **New Business**

1. **Consider 2026 Meeting dates -**

Action Taken: **Approved**

Motion / Second: Alder Weaver / Alder Krabel,

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

2. **Consider 2026 Holidays**

Action Taken: **Approved**

Motion / Second: Alder Krabel / Alder Morrison

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

3. **Consider Resolution 2026 – Christmas Parade**

Action Taken: **Approved**

Motion / Second: Alder Morrison / Alder Brooks,

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

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

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

Motion / Second: Alder Weaver / Alder Lyons,

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

Executive session Entered at 7:34 pm.

### **Reconvened from Executive Session**

Action Taken: **Passed.**

Motion / Second: Alder Weaver / Alder Lyons,

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

Exit Executive session at 8:18 pm.

### **Recommendations from Personnel Committee: Hire Tanner Steele as Water/Sewer operator in training.**

Action Taken: **Approved,**

Motion / Second: Alder Weaver / Alder Brooks,

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

### **Announcements:**

- The Holiday parade is December 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:30.
- The City Employee Christmas lunch is December 19.
- Mike Davis would like the lists of possible rehabs/demos this week.

- Alder Morrison asked who was currently doing work on Timberline. He isn't sure if they are done, but they need to come back and clean up.
- Alder Brooks asked about the lady on Logan. She hadn't seen her in a few months, wondered if she was still alive.

**Adjourn Meeting:**

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm

Action Taken: **Approved**

Motion / Second: Alder Brooks / Alder Weaver,

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 November 17, 2025.

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Jacqueline Wilson, City Clerk