

# **Georgetown City Council Meeting Minutes For December 2, 2024**

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 M. Scott

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Roll Call:** 

**Also Present:** 

**Present:** Darin Readnour Mayor

Jack Morrison Alder Ward 1 Alder Ward 1 Dennis Davidson Curt Gordon Alder Ward 2 Michelle Brooks Alder Ward 2 Mike Scott Alder Ward 3 Randy Scott Alder Ward 3 Nick Krabel Alder Ward 4 Tim Waterman Alder Ward 4 Jacqueline Wilson City Clerk Amy Cavanaugh Treasurer

The mayor declared a quorum was present.

### **Public Comments:**

• Rusty Berry spoke representing the Georgetown Fire Department. Mr. Berry gave each council member a letter thanking them for the funds to complete much needed repairs to the sidewalks and approach. He also extended a Thank you to Aaron Snider and Eric Jordan for the donation of materials and labor for additional work that was needed.

#### 1. Approval of Minutes.

a) Approve Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated November 18, 2024.

Action Taken: Approved as presented.

Motion / Second: Alder Davidson / Alder Gordon,

Motion passed unanimously 5-0 with Alders R. Scott, M. Scott, and Waterman abstaining.

# 2. Payment of Bills.

Action Taken: **Authorized payment** of bills as presented in List 872. There were payments to 25 vendors for a total of \$57,109.60. Alder Morrison asked about the payment to Southwestern Illinois College. This is for police training.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.

Motion / Second: Alder Gordon / Alder Morrison,

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, phone calls, and FOIA Requests, and entered data from surveys received. The clerk issued a golf cart permit to Mike McCrone. The clerk issued a building permit to Ron Miller at 627 S. Main St.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.

Motion / Second: Alder R. Scott / Alder Krabel,

Motion passed unanimously 8 - 0.

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4. **Streets & Alleys Report:** Did Work Orders and J.U.L.I.E.'s, worked on Bad Meter list, shut off list, and read meters, cut tree limbs over streets and sidewalks from Stone to Garfield, finished running preventative maintenance on sewer mains from E. 10<sup>th</sup> to E. 14<sup>th</sup> St, worked on replacing meter lids, trimmed tree limbs on S. West corner of town, cleaned curbs in front of 213 McKinley per Mayor, took down pickle ball net from park and put away, turned on heaters in all park bathrooms, cold patched and tamped around intake lid on E. 12<sup>th</sup>, moved a semi load of salt into salt building, trimmed tree limbs on the N. East Side of town starting on E. 15<sup>th</sup>, ran sewer at 105 E. 12<sup>th</sup> St. **Equipment:** load salt into truck and tested on school routes, unloaded salt from truck and washed, fabricated and repaired vactor unit, painted vactor. **Overtime hours:** 8.5 hours for November 14 - 27, 2024.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.

Motion / Second: Alder R. Scott / Alder Krabel.

Motion passed unanimously 8 - 0.

5. Water & Sewer Reports: Ed: daily chores, CSO report, water report, sewer report, cleaned basement of headworks, replaced parastolic tubs in both chlorine and fluoride pumps at BPS, cleaned both injectors at BPS, cleaned up lab, registered for French Lick conference, I will be there Dec. 3, 4, 5. On December 10<sup>th</sup>, IRWA will be visiting site, we have been nominated for facility of the year award, they will visit us and a few more sites to determine winner, (we have been cleaning and organizing). Will is taking his water test on December 10<sup>th</sup>. Will: cleaned glass bowls on all pumps at sewer plant every two weeks, filled chemicals at Cayuga water 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, cleaned grit wash station once a week, cleaned rake system once a week, cut and collect all trash for trash pickups on Tuesday, cleaned septic dumping station, drove around town and selected houses for lead and copper samples, cleaned up front garage to store pressure washer for winter, cleaned headworks building, made sure everything was good and clean for the 4 day weekend.

Overtime hours: 8 hours for November 14 - 27, 2024.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented,

Motion / Second: Alder R. Scott / Alder Krabel,

Motion passed unanimously 8 - 0.

6. **Public Safety Report:** The Police had over 115 calls, along with 12 in town and 35 out-of-town assists. **Overtime Hours:** 44.5 hours, 21 Comp time for October 31 – November 27, 2024.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.

Motion / Second: Alder R. Scott / Alder Krabel,

Motion passed unanimously 8 - 0.

#### **Committee briefs:**

- Alder Morrison asked about the demo of the house at 308 E. 9<sup>th</sup> St. The clerk informed the council it should be torn down this week. They were waiting for utilities to be disconnected.
- Recommendations from Streets & Alleys Committee The committee would like to see more police present near the 4 way stop at E. West and Seminary. They would like to add a stop sign on Penn St. heading west and at the south end of Park. They would also like to make the first block of E. West Street no parking, with a loading/unloading zone for delivery drivers. The committee would also like to request Dr. Neal be present at the next council meeting to discuss the Pine Crest pick-up line.

Action taken: **Approved** 

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

Motion passed unanimously 8 - 0.

### **New Business:**

1. **Consider storage containers for city garage** – The mayor and Rusty have been discussing ideas for storage at the city garage. They can get a 40-foot storage container used for \$3500.00. They would like to get 2 for the city garage. Ed would also like to get a 20-foot container for storage at the sewer plant. They have shelves they can put in them to keep them organized. There are water pipes, hydrants, etc. that need to get stored. They can use building maintenance or homeland security to pay for it. Rusty has scrap they will be taking in that could also go towards it.

Action Taken: Approved estimate from Snider Trucking

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

Motion passed unanimously 7 - 1.

## **Announcements:**

Alder Brooks asked about the livestock ordinance for the school. A school board member had asked her
if it had been changed. She was informed it was changed to allow a tax supported education system to
have livestock in city limits for educational purposes.

# **Adjourn Meeting:**

Jacqueline Wilson, City Clerk

Motion / Second: Alder Waterman / Alder Morrison, Motion passed unanimously 8-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

I, Jacqueline Wilson, Clerk for the City of Georgetown, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurat
copy of the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting which was held December 2, 2024.