

Georgetown City Council Meeting

Minutes for February 2, 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
	Michelle Brooks	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
	Mike Scott	Alder Ward 3

The mayor declared a quorum was present.

Public Comments:

- Benton Katz discussed the need for an electric vehicle charging station in town. He is traveling the U.S. visiting small towns. The cost would be \$1000 - \$5000 dollars for 1 station. One station can charge 2 vehicles. The city could offer it as a free resource or charge a fee. The city can put it on their property, or a private business or gas station can sponsor it.

1. **Approval of Minutes.**

- a) Approve Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated January 20, 2026.
Action Taken: **Approved as presented,**
Motion / Second: Alder Lyons / Alder Weaver,
Motion passed 6 – 0.

2. **Payment of Bills.**

Action Taken: **Authorized payment** of bills as presented in List 902. There were 29 payments to vendors for a total of \$130,790.99. Alder Gordon asked about the payment to Kirby Risk. The mayor believes it was surge protectors for the wells, but will check with Ed.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented,
Motion / Second: Alder Gordon / Alder Krabel,
Motion passed unanimously 6 – 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 48 bills emailed in January. The clerk collected waste pad payments totaling \$1912.50.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.
Motion / Second: Alder Lyons / Alder Davidson,
Motion passed unanimously 6 – 0.

4. **Streets & Alleys Report:** trimmed alleys, ran sewer mains around town, washed & greased dump trucks and backhoe, plowed now and sidewalks, removed snow from square and library, water

main break by cemetery. **Did work orders, read meters, shut off list, Bad meter list, and J.U.L.I.E.'s.** Overtime hours: January 8 -21, 2026 – 7 hours.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.

Motion / Second: Alder Lyons / Alder Davidson,

Motion passed unanimously 6 – 0.

5. **Water & Sewer Reports: Ed** – daily chores, CSO report, water report, sewer report, monthly testing, working on violation (not our fault, Pace labs coded 3 chemicals wrong which triggered a violation), snow removal, did year end water withdraw reports for both EPA (Indiana and Illinois). **Will** – cleaned glass bowls on all pumps at Georgetown sewer plant every 2 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, decanted digester, worked with Tanner on training on every day maintenance and problem solving, shoveled snow around sewer plant, fixed #1 Exes flow pump, made new parts for rake system, cleaned garage at sewer plant, covered for Ed on his sick days, rebuild insulated box for south final due to last one braking in wind storm. **Overtime hours:** 10 hours for January 8 – 21, 2026.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.

Motion / Second: Alder Lyons / Alder Davidson,

Motion passed unanimously 6 – 0.

6. **Public Safety Report:** The Police had over 94 calls along with 7 in town and 6 out of town assists, with 7 ordinance violations and 20 traffic stops.

Overtime Hours: 28 hours, 3 Comp time for December 25, 2025 – January 21, 2026.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.

Motion / Second: Alder Lyons / Alder Davidson,

Motion passed unanimously 6 – 0.

Old Business

1. **Consider 120Water renewal** – Ed does not believe we need to continue this. We have submitted the lead line inventory to EPA.

Action Taken: **Denied**

Motion / Second: Alder Weaver / Alder Krabel

Motion passed unanimously 6 – 0.

2. **Consider water quality monitoring report** – the mayor explained there was an issue with the lab during testing, 3 chemicals were coded wrong which triggered a violation. This mistake has been reported to the EPA, but we still have to post the violation.

Action taken: **Approved**

Motion / Second: Alder Krabel / Alder Weaver

Motion passed unanimously 6 – 0.

3. **Consider ordinance officer through land bank** – the council would like to have the ordinance officer as needed. They would help more with building violations. This will also help us to get grants for homeowners who need work.

Action Taken: **Approved**

Motion / Second: Alder Krabel / Alder Lyons

Motion passed unanimously 6 – 0.

Committee Briefs:

- The mayor mentioned we need to look at hiring for the street & alley department. We will need a seasonal employee for the summer and need to hire another full-time. Alder Brooks will call Rusty to discuss this.

New Business:

1. Consider officially naming the dam after Jim Chandler

Action Taken: **Approved**

Motion / Second: Alder Weaver / Alder Gordon,

Motion passed unanimously 6 – 0.

2. Consider bicentennial committee account – The bicentennial committee needs an account for fundraising and expenses. Treasurer Cavanaugh has a fund from the planning commission she believes can be used for this. She will talk to the bank.

Action Taken: **Approved**

Motion / Second: Alder Gordon / Alder Krabel

Motion passed unanimously 6 – 0.

3. Consider new money machine for water salesman– the water salesman money machine is not working correctly. The machine is at least 20 years old. Alder Weaver asked about some of the other options like the auto drain. Clerk Wilson will talk to Rusty to see if he needs these options. Treasurer Cavanaugh said this expense can come from the Special Water projects fund.

Action Taken: **Approved**

Motion / Second: Alder Krabel / Alder Lyons

Motion passed unanimously 6 – 0.

Adjourn Meeting:

Meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm

Action Taken: **Approved**

Motion / Second: Alder Gordon / 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 February 2, 2026.

Jacqueline Wilson, City Clerk