



Georgetown City Council Meeting Minutes

For April 7, 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:

Present:	Darin Readnour	Mayor
	Jack Morrison	Alder Ward 1
	Dennis Davidson	Alder Ward 1
	Michelle Brooks	Alder Ward 2
	Curt Gordon	Alder Ward 2
	Randy Scott	Alder Ward 3
	Mike Scott	Alder Ward 3
	Nick Krabel	Alder Ward 4
Also Present:	Jacqueline Wilson	City Clerk
	Kenzie Cravens	Deputy City Clerk
	Amy Cavanaugh	Treasurer
Absent:	Tim Waterman	Alder Ward 4

The mayor declared a quorum was present.

Public Comments:

- Dave Lowe, a representative of Vermilion Advantage, invited the council to a meeting on Monday, June 9th to discuss grants and code enforcement. This will be a 2-hour discussion and dinner will be provided.
- Tammy Pollitt from Birth to Five Illinois presented information about early childhood education. There are currently 5000 children in Vermilion County under 6 and only 1800 preschool spots available. Their goal is to work to meet the needs of these children. They talk to parents to find out the needs in Vermilion Co and take those needs to the state representatives. They want to come to local events to meet and talk to parents. They are currently working on putting together resources for mental and behavioral in small children.
- Dave Smith asked about the abandoned properties on his street. The mayor said we are currently working with the family of Bunny Flanders to try to get possession of the property, and have also taken steps on the Digby house.

1. Approval of Minutes.

- a) Approve Regular Council Meeting Minutes dated March 17, 2025.

Action Taken: **Approved as presented.**

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

Motion passed unanimously 4 – 0, with Alders Morrison, R. Scott, and Krabel abstaining.

2. Payment of Bills.

Action Taken: **Authorized payment** of bills as presented in List 880. There were payments to 39 vendors for a total of \$102,438.23.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.

Motion / Second: Alder Waterman / Alder Morrison,

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 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 lead line surveys received. The clerk issued a golf cart permits to Erin Hall, David Smith, Linda Clarey, Gary Jackson, Steven Mills, Steve Bell, Donnie & Tonya Hundley, Glenda Roulaine, Stephen Nale, Terry Lierman, Corey Meeks, Terri Hoskins, Judy Taylor-Thomen, Donnie Adkisson, Pamala Willis, Gregory Myers, Fred & Ruth Staub, Joe Suchaczewski, Mike Pasquale, Patricia Janesky, Sandy Chandler, Gary Sykes, Charles Cheney, Jeff Galyen, Michael Shake, Rita Hutson, Dennis Howard, Gary Holycross, Stephen Beresford, and David Myers. The clerk issued a liquor, juke box, arcade game, dance hall, and video gaming license to the American Legion. The clerk issued a liquor and tobacco license to Casey's. The clerk issued tobacco licenses to Dollar General and Family Dollar. And a disposal license to Republic Services. A building permit was issued to Marian Jacobson at 622 E .14th St. for a greenhouse. The clerk collected \$75.00 for the water lab.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.

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

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

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, did Julie marks for Conxxus, finished cleaning up the park, mowed all city locations, cleaned up storm damage, put up No parking signs in 1st block of E. West, fixed sewer at 206 E. West, fixed water leak at 311 S. Main St, washed trucks and backhoe, and fixed water line on Vermilion hit by Conxxus..

Overtime hours: 4.5 hours for March 6 – April 2, 2025.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.

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

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

5. **Water & Sewer Reports:** **Ed:** out for shoulder surgery. **Will:** Cleaned glass bowls on all pumps at Georgetown 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 pick-ups on Tuesday, cleaned septic dumping station, manage painting crew in Cayuga, manage water and sewer why Ed out for surgery, collected all reports for the month of March, started monthly water and sewer reports, worked on removing some of the dam below bridge in stream, did Homer's fecal sample test and suspended solids, worked on work orders and answering radio why garage guys dig, put back together chemical rooms in Cayuga after paint dried for a few days. **Overtime hours:** 17.5 hours for March 6 – April 2, 2025.

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented,

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

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

6. **Public Safety Report:** The Police had over 100 calls, 29 traffic stops, and 1 ordinance violation, along with 17 in town and 21 out-of-town assists.

Overtime Hours: 68 hours, 33 Comp time for February 21 – April 1, 2025

Action Taken: **Approved** as presented.

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

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

Old Business:

1. **Consider Ordinance 2025-166 Surplus Property** – This is to sell the Strip mall that was donated to the city. We will advertise for bids to be opened on May 19.

Action Taken: **Approved**

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

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

2. Consider Latoz Lot purchase agreement

Action Taken: **Approved**

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

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

3. Consider concrete approach and sidewalk at 416 S. Main. The guys are going to tear out the concrete sidewalk and approach. Eric Jordan is going to pour the new cement. The city will supply the concrete, will only need to pay for labor.

Action Taken: **Approved**

Motion / Second: Alder Gordon / Alder Brooks,

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

New Business:

1. Consider MFT – Ryan Staley – Ryan explained to the council the plans him and Rusty had discussed for the roads this year. He also explained that it included material and parts that Rusty will need throughout the year.

Action Taken: **Approved**

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

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

2. Consider Bethel Baptist Block party June 27th 4-9 pm – the church would like to close the first block of McKinley St. for their block party. They will need barricades.

Action Taken: **Approved**

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

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

3. Consider Deputy Clerk Kenzie Cravens –

Action Taken: **Approved**

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

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

4. Consider use of the library pavilion and parking lot – Ladie's club July 26 – The ladies' club has some businesses and organizations that would like to set up during the Legion's block party. They would like to use the pavilion and parking lot at the library. They will not be using any electricity.

Action Taken: **Approved**

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

Motion passed unanimously 7- 0.

Announcements:

- Alder Morrison had a resident contact him about sink holes in her yard. Darcy Quartier said she contacted the city last year about the sink holes. Someone came and looked at them and said they would have to put a game plan together. She never heard anything else. Alder Morrison would like to know what is going on with this to let the resident know. The mayor said he would ask Rusty.
- The Clerk read a Thank you card from the GRHS Yearbook staff for donating towards the yearbook.
- Alder Gordon asked where the historical society was at with completing their project. It looks like their shed is complete, but they have not put out any parking curbs or signs.
- Officer Watson mentioned there is a hole on Huffman St. left from Conxxus.
- Alder Gordon also asked for an update on Pinecrest Road.

Executive Session: 5ILCS 120/2(c) (14) Review Closed Session minutes

Action Taken: **Passed** to enter executive session for review of closed session minutes.

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

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

Executive session Entered at 7:38 pm.

Reconvened from Executive Session

Action Taken: **Passed.**

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

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

Exit Executive session at 8:00 pm

Recommendations from the full Council: Approve all executive session minutes presented.

Action Taken: Approved

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

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

Adjourn Meeting:

Motion / Second: Alder Brooks / Alder Morrison,

Motion passed unanimously 7 – 0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

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 April 7, 2025.

Jacqueline Wilson, City Clerk