

**TOWN OF GEORGETOWN
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting Date: Monday, April 13, 2026
Location: 39 The Circle, Georgetown, DE 19947

Live Stream Can be Found at the Following Link:
Website: <https://www.georgetowndel.com/live-stream.htm>

Zoom.us/join
Zoom Meeting ID: 876 0769 6325

Time: 7:00 PM Regular Meeting

TOWN COUNCIL PRESENT:

Bill West, Mayor
Christina Diaz-Malone, Ward One
Tony Neal, Ward Two
Eric Evans, Ward Three
Penuel Barrett, Ward Four

STAFF PRESENT:

Stephani Ballard, Town Solicitor
Ralph Holm, Chief of Police
Diana Ramirez, Administration

ABSENT:

Eugene Dvornick, Town Manager

7:00 PM REGULAR MEETING

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor West led the pledge of allegiance.

2. INVOCATION

Councilman Neal led the invocation.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilman Barrett, seconded by Councilman Evans to adopt the agenda as presented. **Motion Carried (unanimous)**

4. APPROVAL OF MARCH 23, 2026 TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

Motion by Councilwoman Diaz-Malone, seconded by Councilman Neal to approve the March 23, 2026 Town Council Minutes as presented. **Motion Carried (unanimous)**

5. COUNCILMEMBERS COMMENTS

Councilman Barrett, Ward 4

- Great to see everyone tonight

Councilwoman Diaz-Malone, Ward 1

- Great to see everyone tonight

Councilman Neal, Ward 2

- Great to see everyone tonight

Councilman Evans, Ward 3

- Great to see everyone tonight

6. BOARD OF ELECTIONS APPOINTMENTS

Mayor West read the names of everyone who submitted a letter of interest to serve on the Board of Elections. Letters were received from Rose-Ann Wanczyk-Karp, Frances Hayes, Lisa Rohlfing, Cathi Moore Lind, Shirley Hitchens, Mary Lou Barmby, Ruth Ann Spicer, and Aubrey Spicer.

Board Members Nominated

- Shirley Hitchens
Motion by Mayor West, seconded by Councilman Neal to appoint Shirley Hitchens to the Board of Elections. **Motion Carried (unanimous)**
- Frances Hayes
Motion by Councilman Barrett, seconded by Councilwoman Diaz-Malone to appoint Frances Hayes to the Board of Elections. **Motion Carried (unanimous)**
- Lisa Rohlfing
Motion by Councilman Evans, seconded by Councilwoman Diaz-Malone to appoint Lisa Rohlfing to the Board of Elections. **Motion Carried (unanimous)**

Alternates Nominated

- Rose-Ann Wanczyk-Karp
Nomination by Councilwoman Diaz-Malone
- Cathi Moore Lind
Motion by Councilman Barrett, seconded by Councilman Neal to appoint Cathi Moore Lind as an alternate for the Board of Elections.
Motion Carried (unanimous)
- Ruth Ann Spicer
Motion by Councilman Evans, seconded by Councilman Barrett to appoint Ruth Ann Spicer as an alternate for the Board of Elections.
Motion Carried (unanimous)

Motion by Councilman Barrett, seconded by Councilman Evans to approve the Board of Elections and Alternates as presented. **Motion Carried (unanimous)**

7. 2ND READING & ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE

A. ORDINANCE #2026-02 ZONING AMENDMENT FROM UR2 TO UB3 LOCATED AT 212 WEST MARKET STREET SC TAX PARCEL 135-19.08-104.00

Motion by Councilman Barrett, seconded by Councilman Evans to adopt Ordinance 2026-02 as presented. **Motion Carried (unanimous)**

8. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

A. TOWN MANAGER – GENE DVORNICK

Project Updates

- Police and Public Works Facility
 - Site grading continues
 - Stormwater structures delivered
- Parson Lane Trailhead & Parking Area
 - Change Order 1
 - Geo-grid fabric: + \$3,662.69
 - Per SCD
 - Change Order 2
 - Fabric and stone: - \$2,500.00
 - Per SCD
 - Change Order 3
 - Tree Removal: + \$2,760.00
 - Per Town
 - Total is \$3,922.69

2026 Municipal Election

- Notice of Solicitation of Candidates for Mayor, Ward 3, and Ward 4 are available
- Candidate Filing Deadline is Friday, April 17, 2026
- Municipal Election – Saturday, May 9, 2026, polls open 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM

General Items

- Upcoming Events
 - Sussex County Association of Towns – Legislative Breakfast: Friday, April 17, 9:00 AM, Evans Community Center, Millville
 - Certification of Candidates: Friday, April 17, 5:05 PM, Town Hall
 - FY 2027 Budget Workshop: Monday, April 20, 5:00 PM, Town Hall
 - Special Planning Commission Meeting: Wednesday, April 22, 6:00 PM, Town Hall
 - Delaware League of Local Governments: Thursday, April 23, 5:30 PM, Cheswold
- Legislative Update
 - Spring Recess: March 31 – April 16

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

Suraj Gyani, 22512 Springfield Lane

- Commented on bringing a park to Georgetown
- Workforce housing

Jon Peterson, 304 North Bedford Street

- Commented on the Georgetown Historical Society and the antique fire truck from Georgetown Fire Company

Adam Buczkowski, 200 South Bedford Street

- Commented on zoning/code violations

Clayton Townsend, 20293 Ennis Road

- Commented on the success of the Easter Egg hunt event at the Georgetown Historical Society

Lisa Rohlfing, 2 Sweetgum Court

- Commented on comments made on the placement of the fire company's antique fire truck
- Commented on the confederate flag

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Town Council met in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters in which the names, competency and abilities of individual employees or students are discussed, unless the employee or student requests that such a meeting be open. 29 Del C. §10002. 29 Del C. §10004(b)(9)

Entered Executive Session at 7:20pm

Adjourned executive session at 7:47pm

11. POTENTIAL ACTION ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

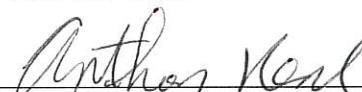
Motion by Councilman Barrett, seconded by Councilwoman Diaz-Malone to approve extending Chiefs employment contract as discussed in Executive Session.

Motion Carried (unanimous)

12. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilman Barrett, seconded by Councilwoman Diaz-Malone to adjourn at 7:47pm. **Motion Carried (unanimous)**

APPROVED:



Anthony Neal, Secretary

ATTEST:



Eugene S. Dvornick Jr., Town Manager

These minutes are a summary of the meeting. Complete audio and visual recordings are available upon request