

**Taylor Borough  
Council Meeting Minutes  
August 13, 2025**

The Taylor Borough Council held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, August 13, 2025 at 7:00 P.M. at the Taylor Municipal Building, 122 Union Street, Taylor, Pennsylvania.

President Mickavicz chaired the meeting.

President Mickavicz opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

On Roll Call: Councilman Fox, Yes; Councilman Maldonato, Absent; Councilman McKeel, Yes; Councilman Nezlo, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, Yes; President Mickavicz, Yes; Mayor Kavulich, Yes.

Next, President Mickavicz asked if anyone from the Public had any comments or input on the agenda. There were none.

Next, President Mickavicz asked if everyone had the opportunity to read and review the Meeting minutes of July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025. If there are no corrections, deletions or additions, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to accept the minutes. A motion to accept was made by Councilman Digwood and seconded by Councilman McKeel. A voice vote was called, and all Council Members were in favor, and the minutes were accepted as presented.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to accept the resignation of Aaron Perry as a Part Time Police Officer effective July 5, 2025. A motion was made by Councilman DeAngelo and seconded by Councilman Nezlo. A voice vote was called, and all other Council Members were in favor.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to approve a donation of \$150.00 each to Stephanie Golosky, Morgan Chabala and Nicole Gillette, for helping at the 2025 Summer Kids Fun Day Event. President Mickavicz abstained from the vote due to an immediate family member being Morgan Chabala. A motion was made by Councilman DeAngelo and seconded by Councilman Fox. A voice vote was called, and all other Council Members were in favor.

Next, President Mickavicz considered a motion to immediately transfer \$60,307.13 from a dormant escrow account for more than 3 years from Zamais Account to the Pennsylvania State Treasurers Office. The original company filed for bankruptcy, and after a lengthy legal process there has been no resolution. Solicitor Jones stated that this should not be done without a court order. A lengthy discussion followed. President Mickavicz requested in writing from Solicitor Jones that we are not obligated to return this dormant account to the Pa State Treasury. Solicitor Jones agreed to provide that in writing. No motion was made, and the motion dies. President Mickavicz stated that he

truly, and firmly believes that due to this being a dormant account for over three years that the Borough is required to turn that money over to the Pa State Treasury.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to adopt Resolution No. 11 of 2025 entering into a Cooperation Agreement with the County of Lackawanna for the Community Development Block Grant Funds on the Taylor Borough Schlager Street Improvement Project. A motion was made by Councilman McKeel and seconded by Councilman Digwood. A voice vote was called, and all Council Members were in favor. The motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to accept or reject the rebid for the Taylor Municipal Skylight Project.

Bids as follows:

-D&M Construction - \$176,000

-Dunmore Roofing - \$267,000

Council discussed that there would be a finance committee meeting on August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025, and that perhaps the motion should be tabled until after the Finance Committee meeting in order to make a better-informed decision. A motion to table this was made by Councilman McKeel and seconded by Councilman Fox. A voice vote was called, and all Council Members were in favor. The motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to adopt Resolution No. 12 of 2025 approving Taylor Fire & Rescue to apply for the County of Lackawanna Community Re-Invest Grant for \$5,000 to purchase new nozzles. A motion was made by Councilman McKeel and seconded by Councilman DeAngelo. A voice vote was called, and all Council Members were in favor. The motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to adopt Resolution No. 13 of 2025 being an revision to the previous Resolution No. 10 of 2025 increasing the Monroe LSA Grant application from \$750,000 to \$900,000. A motion was made by Councilman McKeel and seconded by Councilman DeAngelo. A voice vote was called, and all Council Members were in favor. The motion passed.

July Payroll	\$169,944.51
July General Fund Open Invoices	\$137,446.94
July Paid Invoices	\$ 24,504.29
July Liquid Fuels Open	\$ 6,811.62
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$338,707.36</b>

**Treasurer's Report  
July 2025**

Local Services Tax	\$3,128.24
Earned Income Tax	\$30,336.27
RE Transfer Tax – July	\$10,998.76
RE Tax 2025	\$80,191.87

Miscellaneous	\$2,330.37
RE Tax Delinquent	\$45,608.14
Alliance Landfill – 2 <sup>nd</sup> ¼ 2025	\$438,673.06
• <u>2<sup>nd</sup> ¼ 2024 - \$530,563.72</u>	
• <u>2<sup>nd</sup> ¼ 2023 - \$519,865.41</u>	
ERSI Landfill – 2 <sup>nd</sup> ¼ 2025	\$515.08
Court Fees/Police Fines	\$679.43
TCC - Recreation	\$1,860.43
Insurance Refund	\$10,000.00
Interest	\$898.40
Pave Cuts/Inspections	\$1,223.75
UCC Permits	\$739.60
Zoning	\$95.00
Workman’s Comp Refund	\$8,525.53
Lack. County Drug Take Back Program	\$256.96

**Total Revenue:** \$636,060.89

<b>Financial Report July, 2025</b>		
General Account	\$	671,952.98
Real Estate Tax Account	\$	2,962.49
Liquid Fuels Account Balance	\$	154,516.39
Veteran’s Memorial Account	\$	636.90
Hero’s Banner Account	\$	100.00
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Open Purchase Orders (PO’s)	\$	(15,982.21)
10 Year General Obligation Note	\$	(66,650.51)
Lease Obligations	\$	(365,367.71)
2025 Police Comp/OT Obligations	\$	(31,547.11)
Other Police Comp/OT Obligations	\$	(33,968.34)
Escrow Funds (Taylor Commons)	\$	60,307.13
Escrow Account (General)	\$	21,231.90
Police Pension Fund	\$	3,676,436.41
ESL, Inc. Escrow Account	\$	550,457.59
Fire Insurance Escrow	\$	30,185.43
Taylor Police K-9 Fund	\$	8,509.73
Government Money Market Fund	\$	388,096.71
 <b>Recycling Report July – 2025</b>		
	Pounds	Tons
Comingle	36,620	18.31
Cardboard/Paper	29,800	14.90

Grass/Brush	83,060	41.53
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Totaling	149,480	74.74
Year Total	747,720	373.86

The Chair will make a motion to approve the bills, Councilman Digwood made a motion and seconded by Councilman McKeel. A voice vote was called, and all Council Members were in favor and the motion was approved.

The Chair will make a motion to approve the Treasure’s Report, Councilman McKeel made a motion and seconded by Councilman Fox. A voice vote was called, and all Council Members were in favor, and the motion was approved.

#### Mayor’s Report

During the month of July 2025, the Police Department responded to 784 incidents. There were 23 traffic crashes investigated; 225 Traffic Stops were made; and 60 traffic citations were also issued 9 non-traffic citations. Officers made 25 criminal arrests. Arrest Report’s — Officer Izak – 1 arrest; Officer Baizan – 1 arrest; Officer Strenkoski – 1 arrest; Officer Feliciano – 1 arrest; Officer Boback – 2 arrests; Officer Graham – 2 arrests; Officer Kowanick – 2 arrests; Sergeant Snyder – 3 arrests; Officer Roche – 5 arrests; Officer McDonald - 7 arrests.

Revenues received for the month of July 2025: Drug Take Back - \$256.96; Judicial Fines - \$289.43; Police Reports - \$390.00; Total Revenue \$936.39.

Next, President Mickavicz asked that the Mayor’s Report for the month of July 2025 be placed on file.

Next, President Mickavicz asked if anyone on Council had anything they wished to discuss.

Lastly, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned until August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 7 PM.

#### **Regular Council Meeting Reconvened on August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 7 PM.**

President Mickavicz chaired the meeting.

President Mickavicz opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

On Roll Call: Councilman Fox, Yes; Councilman Maldonato, Yes; Councilman McKeel, Yes; Councilman Nezlo, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, Yes; President Mickavicz, Yes; Mayor Kavulich, Yes.

Next, President Mickavicz asked if anyone from the Public had any comments or input on the agenda. There were none.

President Mickavicz requested Councilman Nezlo to discuss the results of the Finance Committee Meeting held on August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 11 AM. Councilman Nezlo stated that the Borough would have the money available to move forward with closing in the skylights, however the money would be tight. And so, the Finance Committee suggests that the Skylight Project be rebid again since the bid seemed to be high and it would allow for more time for the Council to decide.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to reject the bids for the Taylor Municipal Skylight Project. A motion was made by Councilman McKeel and seconded by Councilman DeAngelo. A voice vote was called, and all Council Members were in favor. The motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to amend the agenda so that the Taylor Municipal Skylight Project could be put out for rebid. A motion was made by Councilman Digwood and seconded by Councilman Maldonato. A voice vote was called, and all Council Members were in favor. The motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to put the Taylor Municipal Skylight Project out for rebid. A motion was made by Councilman Nezlo and seconded by Councilman McKeel. A voice vote was called, and all Council Members were in favor. The motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz asked if anyone in the audience had any objections to amending the agenda. There were none.

Next, President Mickavicz asked if Council had anything to add.

Councilman Nezlo stated that the Finance Committee discussed the purchase of the Wells Fargo building but that it would not be beneficial and questioned what we would do with our current building. Finance Committee suggested that they build a new building on the colliery with the Borough Building, Fire Department and the Police Department and that this should be considered seriously, including any grants or monies available to accomplish this. Councilman Nezlo also addressed the DCED Fire Report recommendation of a centrally located building in which the colliery fit the recommendation. President Mickavicz said at the next meeting he will form a committee to work on getting this building in place through grants and other available means.

Next, Councilman Nezlo brought up that at the finance meeting it was discussed that Councilman DeAngelo will be contacting a member of the assessment office concerning the new millage rate. President Mickavicz said that they will not have the new millage rate until November, however Councilman Nezlo wants more information prior to doing the new budget. A short discussion followed.

Lastly, the chairman adjourned the meeting.

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Kenneth F. Mickavicz, President

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Margaret Miles, Borough Secretary