

**Taylor Borough
Regular Monthly Meeting
February 8, 2023**

The Taylor Borough Council held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 8, 2023, at 7:00 P.M. at the Taylor Municipal Building, 122 Union Street, Taylor, Pennsylvania.

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

President Mickavicz chaired the meeting.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to appoint Jeanie Sluck as Secretary Pro Tempore. A motion was made by Councilman Digwood and seconded by Councilman McKeel. All Council Members were in favor. The motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz asked the public if they had any comment or input regarding the agenda items. There were none.

Next, President Mickavicz stated that everyone had the opportunity to read and review the January 11, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes held at the Taylor Municipal Building at 122 Union Street, Taylor, PA. President Mickavicz asked if there were any corrections, additions, or deletions. None noted. A motion to approve by Councilman McKeel and seconded by Councilman Maldonato. A voice vote was called and all Council Members were in favor. The motion passed. The meeting minutes were approved as presented.

Next, President Mickavicz stated for the record that Council held an Executive Session on Monday, February 6, 2023, immediately following the 7:00 P.M. Work Session regarding personnel issues with the Solicitor.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to assign a Highway Occupancy Permit on Oak Street to Northeast Freight Transfer. A motion to approve was made by Councilman Tigie 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 authorize the President of Council to enter into a Maintenance Guarantee Agreement and Bond with Taylor 1, LLC. A motion to approve was made by Councilman McKeel and seconded by Councilman Tigue. A voice vote was called and all Council Members were in favor. The motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to accept a letter of resignation from Joseph Gianacopoulos as a Part Time Police Officer, effective February 14, 2023. A motion to accept was made by Councilman McKeel 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 appoint Thomas Day as a Full Time employee of the Department of Public Works. Salary and benefits in accordance with the SEIU #668 Collective Bargaining Agreement and Health Insurance to follow Federal Guidelines. A motion to accept was made by Councilman Digwood 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 appoint Thomas Luder as a Full Time employee of the Department of Public Works. Salary and benefits in accordance with the SEIU #668 Collective Bargaining Agreement and Health Insurance to follow Federal Guidelines. A motion to approve was made by Councilman Maldonato 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 appoint Richard Bachman as the Zoning, Planning and Code Enforcement Officer. A motion to approve was made by Councilman DeAngelo 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 approve an anticipated MOU from the TPOA regarding an accommodation for an early cash out of unused accrued time for Stephen A. Derenick for his upcoming retirement date. Subject to ratification by the Taylor Police Officers Association (“TPOA”). A motion to approve was made by Councilman Tigue 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 make a donation to the Moosic Police Department of the following items: 1 Code 3 LED lightbar, 1 Code 3 rear window Arrowstick LED light, 2 rear side window LED lights and 6 small LED lights. A motion to approve was made by Councilman McKeel 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 authorize the President of Council to negotiate and execute the relocation of a new sanitary sewer line in the vicinity of East Hospital Street and South Main Street crossing a parcel to be developed by Kost Tire & Auto Service; and to extinguish any existing easements, accept new easement areas free and clear of all liens and encumbrances along with the new line by appropriate instrument; subject to review by the Borough Engineer and Solicitor (PIN # 176.05-040-014). John Mandarano, Engineer representing Kost gave a brief overview. A motion to approve was made by Councilman Tigie 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 enter into an agreement with ICU Surveillance Service, LLC for the purchase & installation of security cameras and related equipment & software as specified in their proposal in the amount of \$12,120.00. A motion to approve was made by Councilman McKeel 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 approve a Memorandum of Agreement to cooperate with Lackawanna County in preparing the 2026 five year update of the Lackawanna County Hazard Mitigation Plan. A motion to approve was made by Councilman Digwood and seconded by Councilman McKeel. A voice vote was called and all Council Members were in favor. The motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to pay the January 2023 Payroll in the amount of \$135,629.79. January General Fund Open Invoices in the amount of \$172,028.37. January Paid Invoices in the amount of \$46,110.86 and January Liquid Fuels Open Invoices in the amount of \$10,464.17 - Total Expenditures \$364,233.19 when funds are available. A motion was made by Councilman Tigie and seconded by Councilman Maldonato. A voice vote was called and all Council Members were in favor. The motion passed.

January Payroll	\$135,629.79
January General Fund Open Invoices	\$172,028.37
January Paid Invoices	\$ 46,110.86
January Liquid Fuels Open Invoices	\$ 10,464.17
Total Expenditures	\$364,233.19

Next, Jeanie Sluck read the Treasurer's Report for January 2023. The Treasurer's Report was placed on file.

Treasurer's Report January 2023

Local Services Tax	\$164.93
RE Transfer Tax – January 2023	\$1,704.02
Tax Duplicates	\$180.00
Earned Income Tax	\$26,574.09
UCC Building Permits	\$900.73
Court Fees/Police Fines	\$2,631.34
TCC	\$2,718.00
Real Estate Tax Delinquent 2017	\$89.29
Real Estate Tax Delinquent 2018	\$92.23
Real Estate Tax Delinquent 2019	\$86.53
Real Estate Tax Delinquent 2020	\$329.61
Real Estate Tax Delinquent 2021	\$1,883.88
Waste Management 4 th Quarter 2022	\$378,623.89
Waste Management to Fire Dept	\$25,000.00
Waste Management to Colliery	\$19,156.17
Other Income	\$3,445.60
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$3,103.29
Planning Escrow	\$1,360.00
Interest	\$749.01

Total Revenue	\$468,792.61
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Next, Mr. Tigie read the Financial Report for January 31, 2023. The Financial Report was placed on file.

**Financial Report
January 31, 2023**

General Account Balance	\$1,931,832.53
Real Estate Tax Account	\$14,506.30
Liquid Fuels Account Balance	\$96,917.75
Splash Park Account	\$30,767.74
Veteran's Memorial Account	\$1,306.41
Hero's Banner Account	\$7,125.94
ARPA Account	\$622,783.80
ESL, Inc. Escrow Account	\$493,768.22
Fire Insurance Escrow	\$10.00
Escrow Account (General)	\$10,364.40
Escrow Funds (Taylor Commons)	\$60,273.47
Police Pension Fund	\$3,449,299.40
Open Purchase Orders (PO's)	(\$12,325.85)
10 Year General Obligation Note	(\$147,476.50)
Lease Obligations	(\$325,366.11)
2023 Police Comp/OT Obligations	(\$7,890.59)
Other Police Comp/OT Obligations	(\$30,513.20)
Taylor Police K-9 Fund	\$8,387.02

Next, President Mickavicz asked that the Recycling Report for January 2023 be placed on file.

**Recycling Report
January 2023**

	Pounds	Tons
Comingle	30,460	15.23
Cardboard/Paper	29,840	14.92
Grass/Brush	5,345	2.6725
Totaling	65,645	32.8225

Next, President Mickavicz asked that the Mayor's Report for the month of January 2023 be placed on file.

During the month of January 2023, the Police Department responded to 619 incidents. There were 22 traffic crashes investigated; 30 citations issued which included 26 traffic citations and 4 non-traffic citations. Officers made 24 criminal arrests. (Arrest Report – Officer Kowanick – 4 arrests; Officer Gianacopoulos – 1 arrest; Officer Moran – 2 arrests; Officer Palonis – 1 arrest; Sergeant Snyder – 3 arrests; Officer Surrige – 2 arrests; Officer McDonald – 6 arrests; Officer Graham – 1 arrest; Officer Zuby – 1 arrest; Officer Kerrigan – 2 arrests; Officer McGovern – 1.

Revenues received for the month of January 2023: Police Reports \$360.00, Parking Tickets \$50.00, Magistrate Fines \$1,938.91, Judicial Fines \$282.43, Totaling \$2,631.34.

Next, President Mickavicz asked the Public if they had any comments or questions.

The meeting was adjourned.

Kenneth F. Mickavicz, President

Jeanie Sluck, Secretary Pro Tempore

