

**Taylor Borough
Regular Monthly Meeting
February 9, 2022**

The Taylor Borough Council held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 9, 2021, at 7:00 P.M. at the Taylor Municipal Building, 122 Union Street, Taylor, Pennsylvania.

On Roll Call: Councilman Nezlo, Yes; Councilman Fallon, Yes; Councilman Naro, No; Councilman Tigue, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, Yes; President Mickavicz, Yes; Mayor Kavulich Loiselle, Yes.

President Mickavicz chaired the meeting.

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

Next, President Mickavicz stated that everyone had the opportunity to read and review the January 12, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes and the January 18, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes both 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 accept by Councilman Digwood and seconded by Councilman DeAngelo. A voice vote was called and all Council Members were in favor. The motion passed. The meeting minutes were approved as presented. President Mickavicz also stated that an Executive Session was held on February 7, 2022 to discuss Police Personnel/Medical issues.

Next, Councilman Fallon announced that he was resigning effective immediately. Solicitor Jones advised Councilman Fallon that the resignation needs to be in writing to be accepted by Council at the current meeting. Mr. Fallon submitted a written resignation.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to amend the agenda to accept the resignation of Councilman Fallon. A motion to amend the agenda to consider accepting the resignation was made by Councilman Digwood and seconded by Councilman Nezlo. President Mickavicz asked the Public if they had any input or comments. None noted. A voice vote was called to amend the agenda and all Council Members were in favor. The motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to accept Councilman Fallon's resignation effective immediately. A motion to accept by Councilman Digwood and seconded by Councilman DeAngelo. President Mickavicz asked if the Public had any comment or input. None noted. A roll call was made – Councilman Nezlo, Yes; Councilman Tigue, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, No; President Mickavicz, Yes. The motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to accept a resignation from Robert Naro from Taylor Borough Council effective immediately. Mr. Zeleniak read Councilman Naro's resignation. A motion to accept by Councilman Digwood and seconded by Councilman DeAngelo. A roll call was made – Councilman Nezlo, Yes; Councilman Tigue, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, Yes; President Mickavicz, Yes. The motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to appoint Chuck McKeel to Taylor Borough Council to complete the remainder of Robert Naro's term ending December 31, 2023. Mr. Zeleniak read Resolution No 3 of 2022 – A Resolution to Fill the Vacancy in the Office of Councilperson. A motion to accept by Councilman Tigue and seconded by Councilman DeAngelo. A roll call was made - Councilman Nezlo, Yes; Councilman Tigue, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, Yes; President Mickavicz, Yes. The motion passed.

Next, President entertained a motion for a brief recess in order for the Mayor to administer the Oath of Office to Councilman McKeel to allow him to join the Council Meeting. A motion to accept by Councilman Digwood and seconded by Councilman DeAngelo. The motion passed.

After the Recess, a roll call was made – Councilman Nezlo, Yes; Councilman Tigue, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, Yes; President Mickavicz, Yes.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to consider Resolution # 1 of 2022, entering into a Cooperation Agreement with Lackawanna County for the FFY 2021 Community Development Block Grant Program Administration (\$117,800.00) and to authorize the appropriate Borough Officials to execute the agreement. A motion to adopt by Councilman McKeel and seconded by Councilman Digwood. A roll call was made – Councilman Nezlo, Yes; Councilman McKeel Yes; Councilman Tigue, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, Yes; President Mickavicz, Yes. The motion was adopted.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to award the 2011 Ford Crown Victoria to the highest bidder, Liberty Motors in the amount of \$818.99 (2nd Bid received was from DeNaples Auto Parts in the amount of \$785.00). A motion to award by Councilman DeAngelo and seconded by Councilman Digwood. President Mickavicz abstained from the vote. A voice vote was called and all other Council Members were in favor. The motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to award the 2002 Chevrolet Trailblazer to the highest bidder, DeNaples Auto Parts in the amount of \$665.00 (No other bids received). A motion to award by Councilman Tigie and seconded by Councilman McKeel. President Mickavicz abstained from the vote. A voice vote was called and all other Council Members were in favor. The motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to consider Resolution # 2 of 2022, bestowing Civil Service Status on Brian M. Holland for the Office of Chief of Police for the Borough of Taylor. Mr. Zeleniak read Civil Service Certification of Police Chief letter from James Petrunich, Secretary. A motion to adopt by Councilman Tigie and seconded by Councilman Digwood. A roll call was made – Councilman Nezlo, Yes; Councilman McKeel Yes; Councilman Tigie, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, Yes; President Mickavicz, Yes. The motion was adopted.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to approve a request from Officer Stephen A. Derenick to be placed on Enforcement Officer Disability Benefits (Heart & Lung) effective January 17, 2022. A motion to approve 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 consider an appointment to the Taylor Borough Zoning Hearing Board Alternate to fulfill an unexpired term ending on December 31, 2022. (3 Year Term). Councilman Tigie motioned to appoint William Englehardt and was seconded by Council Digwood. President Mickavicz asked the Public if they had any comments or recommendations. None noted. A roll call was made – Councilman Nezlo, Yes; Councilman McKeel Yes; Councilman Tigie, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, Yes; President Mickavicz, Yes. The motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to make a conditional offer of employment to David Moran, as a part time Police Officer on an as needed basis with no guarantee of hours and with a starting hourly compensation rate and benefits in accordance with the budget, subject to other applicable Acts including but not limited to Act 57. A motion to accept by Councilman DeAngelo and seconded by Councilman Tigie. A roll call was made – Councilman Nezlo, Yes; Councilman McKeel Yes; Councilman Tigie, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, Yes; President Mickavicz, Yes. The motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to make a conditional offer of employment to Eugene Mentz, as a part time Police Officer on an as needed basis with no guarantee of hours and with a starting hourly compensation rate and benefits in accordance with the budget, subject to other applicable Acts including but not limited to Act 57. A motion to accept by Councilman McKeel and seconded by Councilman Digwood. A roll call was made – Councilman Nezlo, Yes; Councilman McKeel Yes; Councilman Tigie, No; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, No; President Mickavicz, Yes. The motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to make a conditional offer of employment to Thomas Kerrigan, as a part time Police Officer on an as needed basis with no guarantee of hours and with a starting hourly compensation rate and benefits in accordance with the budget, subject to other applicable Acts including but not limited to Act 57. A motion to accept by Councilman Tigie and seconded by Councilman Digwood. A roll call was made – Councilman Nezlo, Yes; Councilman McKeel Yes; Councilman Tigie, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, Yes; President Mickavicz, Yes. The motion passed.

Next, Councilman Tigie read the Approval of Bills for Payment for January 2022. Attached are the list of paid invoices and open invoices.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to pay the January 2022 Payroll in the amount of \$127,337.93. January General Fund Open Invoices in the amount of \$185,374.42. January Paid Invoices in the amount of \$74,973.09 and January Liquid Fuels Open Invoices in the amount of \$18,681.10 - Total Expenditures \$406,366.54 when funds are available. A motion was made by Councilman Tigie and seconded by Councilman McKeel. A voice vote was called and all Council Members were in favor. The motion passed.

January Payroll	\$127,337.93
January General Fund Open Invoices	\$185,374.42
January Paid Invoices	\$ 74,973.09
January Liquid Fuels Open Invoices	\$ 18,681.10
Total Expenditures	\$406,366.54

Next, Mr. Zeleniak read the Treasurer's Report for January 2022. The Treasurer's Report was placed on file.

**Treasurer's Report
January 2022**

Local Services Tax	\$53.84
RE: Tax Delinquent 2020	\$400.21
RE Transfer Tax	\$7,468.34
Earned Income Tax	\$24,159.56
UCC Building Permits	\$2,603.12
Court Fees/Police Fines	\$2,015.69
TCC	\$1,359.00
Zoning	\$90.00
Waste Management 4 th Quarter 2021	\$378,590.35
Waste Management to Fire Departments 2021	\$25,000.00
Waste Management to Colliery 2021	\$29,882.86
Other Income	\$491.58
Interest	\$27.55
Total Revenue	\$496,301.66

Next, Mr. Zeleniak read the Financial Report for January 31, 2022. The Financial Report was placed on file.

**Financial Report
January 31, 2022**

General Account Balance	\$846,948.22
Real Estate Tax Account	\$15,010.17
Liquid Fuels Account Balance	\$51,392.78
Splash Park Account	\$30,761.59
Veteran's Memorial Account	\$1,206.17
Hero's Banner Account	\$6,706.94
ARPA Account	\$309,541.01
ESL, Inc. Escrow Account	\$479,822.15
Fire Insurance Escrow	\$24,083.00
Escrow Account (General)	\$2,045.90
Escrow Funds (Taylor Commons)	\$60,263.41
Police Pension Fund	\$3,742,337.63
Open Purchase Orders (PO's)	(\$18,834.09)
10 Year General Obligation Note	(\$177,494.27)
Lease Obligations	(\$213,583.11)

Next, President Mickavicz asked that the Recycling Report for January 2022 be placed on file.

Recycling Report January 2022

	Pounds	Tons
Comingle	24,760	12.38
Cardboard/Paper	29,840	14.92
Christmas Trees	7,380	3.69
Totaling	61,980	30.99

Next, President Mickavicz asked that the Mayor's Report for the month of January 2022 be placed on file. There were 351 incident numbers

generated. Officers investigated 16 traffic crashes. There were 10 traffic stops conducted. Officers issued a total of 8 citations (3 traffic and 5 non-traffic). Police filed 11 criminal complaints. (Officer Surridge – 5 arrests; Officer Palonis – 2 arrests; Officer McDonald – 3 arrests; Officer Strenkoski – 1 arrest).

Revenues received for the month of January 2022: Police Reports, \$120.00; Magisterial District Court Fines, \$1,086.87; Judicial Fines, \$175.30; Aggressive Driving, \$588.52; Parking Tickets, \$45.00 - Totaling \$2,015.69.

Next, President Mickavicz asked the Public if they had any comments or questions. There were none.

The meeting was adjourned.

Kenneth F. Mickavicz, President

Kristi Englehardt, Borough Secretary