

Taylor Borough
Reorganization Meeting
Tuesday January 2, 2024
7:00 P.M.

The Taylor Borough Council held a Re-Organization Meeting on the evening of Tuesday, January 2, 2024 at 7:00 P.M. at the Taylor Borough Municipal Building, 122 Union Street, Taylor, Pennsylvania.

Mayor Loni Kavulich Loiselle welcomed everyone and introduced the Honorable Judge Terrence R. Nealon, who would administer the Oath of Office to Council Person Francis DeAngelo, Council Person Leonard Maldonato and Council Person Charles McKeel.

Judge Nealon proceeded to swear in all the newly elected officials.

Mayor Loni Kavulich Loiselle called the meeting to order by virtue of the power vested in her by several Acts of the General Assembly, for the purpose of organizing the Taylor Borough Council. The Mayor proceeded with the Pledge of Allegiance and asked for Roll Call.

On Roll Call: Councilman Nezlo, yes; Councilman Maldonato, yes; Councilman McKeel, yes; Councilman Tigue, yes; Councilman Digwood, yes; Councilman DeAngelo, yes; Councilman Mickavicz, yes; Mayor Kavulich Loiselle, yes.

Mayor Kavulich Loiselle announced that, "You are all now qualified members of the Taylor Borough Council, and we will now proceed with its organization."

The first item of business is the nomination of a Secretary Pro Tempore. Mayor Kavulich Loiselle opened the nominations for Secretary Pro Tempore. A nomination for Kristi Englehardt as Secretary Pro Tempore was made by Councilman Tigue and seconded by Councilman Digwood. The following votes were cast and recorded; Councilman Nezlo, no; Councilman Maldonato, no; Councilman McKeel, no; Councilman Tigue, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, No, Councilman Mickavicz, Abstain. The Mayor asked if there were any other nominations. Councilman Maldonato made a nomination for Cynthia Bellucci and seconded by Councilman DeAngelo. The following votes were recorded: Councilman Nezlo, yes: Councilman Maldonato, yes: Councilman McKeel, yes: Councilman Tigue, no: Councilman Digwood, abstain Councilman DeAngelo, yes: Councilman Mickavicz, Yes: the motion carried and Ms. Cynthia Bellucci was elected Secretary Pro Tempore.

Councilman Tigue interrupts proceedings announcing that effective immediately he resigns from Taylor Council

The next item of business is the election of the President of Council. The Mayor opened the floor for nominations. A motion to nominate Kenneth F. Mickavicz for President of Council was made by Councilman DeAngelo. There being no additional nominations, the following votes were cast and recorded. Councilman Nezlo, Yes; Councilman Maldonato, Yes; Councilman McKeel, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, Yes; Councilman Mickavicz, Abstain. There being a majority in favor of the motion, the Mayor declared the motion carried and Councilman Kenneth F. Mickavicz was elected to President of Council. At this time, the Mayor congratulated Mr. Mickavicz and turned the meeting over to him.

Next, a motion to nominate Mr. DeAngelo for Vice-President of Council was made by Councilman Nezlo. There being no additional nominations, the following votes were cast and recorded. Councilman Nezlo, Yes; Councilman Maldonato, Yes; Councilman McKeel, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, Abstain; President Mickavicz, Yes. There being a majority in favor of the motion, President Mickavicz declared Councilman DeAngelo as Vice-President of Council.

Next, a motion to nominate Mr. Daniel P. Zeleniak as the Treasurer of the Borough of Taylor at an annual salary of \$7,725.00 and who shall before entering upon the duty of office give bond for the faithful performance of their duties in the amount of \$200,000.00, the Borough to pay the premium thereon was made by Councilman McKeel and seconded by Councilman Maldonato. There being no additional nominations, the following votes were cast and recorded. Councilman Nezlo, Yes; Councilman Maldonato, Yes; Councilman McKeel, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; President Mickavicz, Yes. There being a majority vote in favor President Mickavicz declared Mr. Daniel Zeleniak as the Treasurer for the Borough of Taylor.

Next, a motion to nominate a permanent Borough Secretary. The Chairman opened the floor for nominations. A motion to appoint Ms. Kristi Evans as Secretary for the Borough of Taylor was made by Councilman Digwood and was not seconded. Motion to Nominate Luann Krenitsky was made by Councilman Maldonato and seconded by Councilman Nezlo. The following votes were cast and recorded. Councilman Nezlo, Yes; Councilman Maldonato, Yes; Councilman McKeel, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Abstain; Councilman DeAngelo, Yes; President Mickavicz, Yes. There being a majority vote in favor President Mickavicz declared Ms. Luann Krenitsky as the Secretary for the Borough of Taylor.

Next, a motion to nominate the Law Firm of William T. Jones and Howard C. Terreri to be Solicitor for the Borough of Taylor at an annual retainer of \$33,664.00 was made by Councilman DeAngelo and seconded by Councilman Maldonato. There being no additional nominations, the following votes were cast and recorded. Councilman Nezlo, Yes; Councilman Maldonato, Yes; Councilman McKeel, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, Yes; President Mickavicz, Yes. There being a majority vote in

favor President Mickavicz declared the Law Firm of William T. Jones and Howard C. Terreri are appointed for the Solicitor for the Borough of Taylor.

Next, a motion to nominate PennEastern Engineers, LLC to be the Engineer for the Borough of Taylor was made by Councilman DeAngelo and seconded by Councilman Nezlo. There being no additional nominations, the following votes were cast and recorded. Councilman Nezlo, Yes; Councilman Maldonato, Yes; Councilman McKeel, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, Yes; President Mickavicz, Yes. There being a majority vote in favor President Mickavicz declared PennEastern Engineers, LLC to be the Engineers for the Borough of Taylor.

Next, a motion to appoint Mr. Jeffery Thomas as Vacancy Board Chairman for the Borough of Taylor for a term of 1 year, subject to the receipt of an Affidavit of Residency. Motion was made by Councilman Nezlo and seconded by Councilman McKeel. There being no additional nominations, the following votes were cast and recorded. Councilman Nezlo, Yes; Councilman Maldonato, Yes; Councilman McKeel, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, Yes; President Mickavicz, Yes. There being a majority vote in favor President Mickavicz declared Mr. Jeffery Thomas as Vacancy Board Chairman for the Borough of Taylor for a term of 1 year, subject to the receipt of an Affidavit of Residency.

Next, a motion to nominate NBT Bank, PNC Bank, Wells Fargo Bank, FNCB and Citizens Savings Bank be appointed depositories for Borough funds upon condition that the depository furnish security to the Borough as provided by law was made by Councilman DeAngelo and seconded by Councilman Nezlo. There being no additional nominations, the following votes were cast and recorded. Councilman Nezlo, Yes; Councilman Maldonato, Yes; Councilman McKeel, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, Yes; President Mickavicz, Yes. There being a majority vote in favor President Mickavicz declared NBT Bank, PNC Bank, Wells Fargo Bank, FNCB and Citizens Savings Bank to be the depositories for Borough Funds.

Next, a motion to have to Amend the Agenda to show the Regular Monthly Meetings of the Taylor Borough Council will be on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Taylor Borough Building, 122 Union Street, Taylor, Pennsylvania 18517 was made by Councilman Maldonato and seconded by Councilman Nezlo. All Councilmen responded Yes, and the motion was passed.

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Next a motion to amend the agenda to accept the resignation of Councilman Tigie was made by Councilman McKeel and seconded by Councilman Deangelo. All Councilman responded Yes, and the motion passed.

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Next Councilman Digwood congratulated the sworn in councilmen. He then explained that he only abstained three times in 35 years. He felt the candidate that he made the motion for was with the borough for a number of years and did a wonderful job. He felt the others by all means are qualified but felt a loyalty to someone who served for years.

Next Mr. Fortuna from the audience said he was disappointed in council and was concerned about the qualifications of the people running the borough. President Mickavicz then addressed the current borough employees and spoke of their qualifications and experience. He said the borough has a lot of experience and will carry on.

Next, President Mickavicz congratulated everyone sworn in and thanked everyone for electing him as Chairman. Members of Council also thanked the Honorable Judge Terrance Nealon. Councilman Maldonato, Councilman McKeel, and Councilman DeAngelo thanked everyone for electing and appointing them to their positions.

Next, being no further business come before this Council, President Mickavicz declared the meeting adjourned.

Kenneth F. Mickavicz
Council President

Cynthia Bellucci
Acting Borough Secretary