

**Taylor Borough
Regular Monthly Meeting
July 14, 2021**

The Taylor Borough Council held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, July 14, 2021, at 7:00 P.M. at the Taylor Municipal Building, 122 Union Street, Taylor, Pennsylvania.

On Roll Call: Councilman Naro, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, Yes; Councilman Fallon, Yes; Councilman Tigue, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman McKeel, Yes; President Mickavicz, Yes; Mayor Praschak, Yes.

President Mickavicz chaired the meeting. The Chairman asked the public if they had any comments or concerns regarding the agenda items. There were none.

Next, President Mickavicz stated that everyone had the opportunity to read and review the June 9, 2021, Regular Meeting Minutes and asked if there were any corrections, additions, or deletions. None noted. A Motion to accept by Councilman McKeel 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.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to accept a resignation from William Dixon, DPW Director, effective July 23, 2021. A motion to accept by Councilman Fallon 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 resignation from Joseph Crosby, Taylor Borough Fire Chief, effective June 30, 2021. A motion to accept by Councilman Tigue 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 appoint Wesley I. Jones as Fire Chief to complete the term expiring on 12/31/2021 and to appoint William Nash III as Assistant Fire Chief, to complete the term expiring

12/31/2021. A motion to accept by Councilman Tigie and seconded by Councilman Digwood. A roll call was made – Councilman Naro, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, Yes; Councilman Fallon, Yes; Councilman Tigie, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman McKeel, Yes; President Mickavicz, Yes. The motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to advertise an Ordinance amending the Civil Service Ordinance by hereby adopting an amended Section 3.1 and 4.2 along with new Sections 3.6, 4.9 and 5.7 of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations for the Borough of Taylor Municipal Civil Service Commission. A motion to accept by Councilman Tigie 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 advertise an Ordinance prohibiting the feeding or providing foods to wild animals for birds so as to cause a nuisance. A motion to accept by Councilman Tigie and seconded by Councilman Fallon. A voice vote was called and all Council Members were in favor. The motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to advertise an Ordinance amending Ordinance 2 of 2014, adopting certain rules restricting smoking and penalties for Derenick Park, Noakes Park/Little League and the Taylor Community Center Grounds located within the Borough of Taylor. A motion to accept by Councilman McKeel and seconded by Councilman Tigie. A voice vote was called and all Council Members were in favor. The motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to appoint Anthony Lima as a part-time employee at an hourly rate of pay at \$10.00/Hr. to be Summer Casual help for the DPW. This appointment is part-time, with no guarantee of hours and will expire on September 30, 2021. A motion to accept by Councilman DeAngelo and seconded by Councilman McKeel. A roll call was made – Councilman Naro, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, Yes; Councilman Fallon, Yes; Councilman Tigie, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman McKeel, Yes; President Mickavicz, Yes. The motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to adopt Resolution # 5 of 2021, authorizing the Taylor Borough Council to enter into a Cooperation Agreement with the County of Lackawanna for the FFY 2021 CDBG Program Administration and to authorize the President to execute any and all documents pertaining to this agreement. A motion to accept by Councilman Tighe and seconded by Councilman DeAngelo. A roll call was made – Councilman Naro, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, Yes; Councilman Fallon, Yes; Councilman Tighe, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman McKeel, Yes; President Mickavicz, Yes. The motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to make a conditional offer of employment to _____ for an entry level Position of Full Time Probationary Police Officer, subject to compliance with PA Act of July 14, 2020, P.L. 613, No. 57 Mandated by law and subject to compliance with the Taylor Civil Service Rules and Regulations including the successful completion of a physical and psychological examination. Candidate to be selected from the Certified Eligibility List submitted by the Taylor Borough Civil Service Commission. Salary and benefits in accordance with the Taylor Police Officers Association Collective Bargaining Agreement. A motion to nominate Matthew McDonald was made by Councilman Tighe and seconded by Councilman Fallon. President Mickavicz asked the Public for any input since the name was not on the Agenda – there were none. A roll call was made – Councilman Naro, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, Yes; Councilman Fallon, Yes; Councilman Tighe, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman McKeel, Yes; President Mickavicz, Yes. The motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to adopt Resolution # 6 of 2021, authorizing the application for a Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant. Solicitor Jones and Daniel Zeleniak spoke briefly. A motion to accept by Councilman Tighe and seconded by Councilman McKeel. A roll call was made – Councilman Naro, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, Yes; Councilman Fallon, Yes; Councilman Tighe, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman McKeel, Yes; President Mickavicz, Yes. The motion passed.

Next, Mr. Zeleniak read the Approval of Bills for Payment for June 2021. Attached are the list of paid invoices and open invoices.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to pay the June 2021 Payroll in the amount of \$107,828.90. June General Fund Open Invoices in the amount of \$78,794.34. June Paid Invoices in the amount of \$36,920.97 and June Liquid Fuels Open Invoices in the amount of \$6,557.25 - Total Expenditures \$230,101.46 when funds are available. A motion was made by Councilman Tighe and seconded by Councilman Digwood. A voice vote was called and all Council Members were in favor. The motion passed.

June Payroll	\$107,828.90
June General Fund Open Invoices	\$ 78,794.34
June Paid Invoices	\$ 36,920.97
June Liquid Fuels Open Invoices	\$ 6,557.25
Total Expenditures	\$230,101.46

Next, Mr. Zeleniak read the Treasurer's Report for June 2021. The Treasurer's Report was placed on file.

Treasurer's Report June 2021

Local Services Tax	\$10,894.01
RE: Tax Delinquent 2020	\$2,013.28
RE: Tax Delinquent 2019	\$1,496.56
RE: Tax Delinquent 2018	\$114.85
RE Transfer Tax	\$10,379.06
Tax Duplicates	\$115.00
Earned Income Tax	\$16,680.83
UCC Building Permits	\$11,428.00
Court Fees/Police Fines	\$2,294.94
TCC	\$1,359.00

Derenick Park	\$5.00
Zoning	\$165.00
Intergovernmental Revenue	\$1,689.99
Other Income	\$287.00
Interest	\$56.54
Total Revenue	\$58,979.06

Next, Mr. Zeleniak read the Financial Report for June 30, 2021. The Financial Report was placed on file.

**Financial Report
June 30, 2021**

General Account Balance	\$1,178,154.25
Real Estate Tax Account	\$139,271.50
Liquid Fuels Account Balance	\$429,681.18
Splash Park Account	\$30,757.97
Veteran's Memorial Account	\$1,006.03
Hero's Banner Account	\$6,416.94
Open Purchase Orders (PO's)	(\$10,504.28)
10 Year General Obligation Note	(\$194,409.09)
Lease Obligations	(156,861.99)
Escrow Funds (Taylor Commons)	\$60,259.86
Escrow Account (General)	\$5,020.90
Police Pension Fund	\$4,125,550.99
ESL, Inc. Escrow Account	\$472,263.03
Fire Insurance Escrow	\$10.00

Next, President Mickavicz asked that the Recycling Report for June 2021 be placed on file.

Recycling Report June 2021

	Pounds	Tons
Commingle	26,980	13.49
Cardboard/Paper	36,580	18.29
Brush	66,660	33.33
Totaling	130,220	65.11

Next, President Mickavicz asked that the Mayor's Report for the month of June 2021 be placed on file. There were 502 incident numbers generated. Police conducted 41 traffic stops. 23 traffic citations were issued. There were 18 motor vehicle crashes investigated. 6 criminal complaints were filed. There were 2 non-traffic citations issued. 7 parking tickets issued.

Revenues received for the month of June 2021: Police Reports, \$255.00; Magisterial District Court Fines, \$1,172.57; Judicial Fines, \$767.37; Quality of Life Violation, \$100.00; - Totaling \$2,294.94.

Next, the Chairman asked if anyone had any other comments or concerns. Mr. Zeleniak asked if Solicitor Jones could attend the PA Municipal Legal Update Session to be held via teleconference on August 4 & 5, 2021. Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to approve Solicitor Jones to attend the PA Municipal Legal Update Session Teleconference. A motion to accept by Councilman Digwood and seconded by Councilman Tigue. A voice vote was called and all Council Members were in agreement. The motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz announced the Borough received \$309,454.53 from ARPA Funding which is one half of our total allotment. The money was put into a new separate account that will be strictly used for this funding program and to help with the auditing and tracking of the money.

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 A. Evans, Borough Secretary