

**Taylor Borough
Council Meeting Minutes
July 9, 2025**

The Taylor Borough Council held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, July 9, 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, 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.

Next, President Mickavicz requested a motion to amend the agenda to include considering the Civil Service Commission to prepare, notify, and administer a Civil Service Test for Entry Level Full Time Police Officers. A motion was made by Councilman McKeel and seconded by Councilman Maldonato. President Mickavicz asked if the public had any input; there was none. A voice vote was called, and all Council Members were in favor. The motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz asked if everyone had the opportunity to read and review the Meeting minutes of June 11, 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 McKeel and seconded by Councilman Fox. A voice vote was called, and all Council Members were in favor and the minutes were accepted as presented.

Next, President Mickavicz asked that the minutes would reflect that Executive Session took place immediately following the Work Session on July 7, 2025.

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Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to ratify Memorandum of Agreement between Taylor Borough and the Taylor Borough Police Officer's Association regarding off-duty employment for current and future Borough Police Officers. A motion was made by Councilman Maldonato 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 approve Resolution No. 9 of 2025 to apply for an LSA grant for up to \$500,000.00 for the Taylor Police Department to purchase new radios, body cameras, vehicle cameras, and tasers. A motion was made by Councilman McKeel and seconded by Councilman Maldonato. A roll call was made by President Mickavicz: Councilman Fox, Yes; Councilman Maldonato, Yes; Councilman McKeel, Yes; Councilman Nezlo, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman DeAngelo, Yes; President Mickavicz, Yes; Having received a unanimous vote, the motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to approve Resolution No. 10 of 2025 to apply for an LSA grant for up to \$675,000.00 for Taylor Fire & Rescue to purchase a new Rescue Pumper. A motion was made by Councilman Maldonato and seconded by Councilman DeAngelo. A roll call was made by President Mickavicz: Councilman Fox, Yes; Councilman Maldonato, Yes; Councilman McKeel, Yes; Councilman Nezlo, Yes; Councilman Digwood, Yes; Councilman

DeAngelo, Yes; President Mickavicz, Yes; Having received a unanimous vote, the motion passed.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to approve Taylor Community Library request for approval on Miracle on Main Street, Santa Parade on November 28, 2025. A motion was made by Councilman McKeel and seconded by Councilman DeAngelo. A voice vote was called, and all Council Members were in favor.

Next, President Mickavicz considered a motion to authorize the Borough Manager to review and determine eligibility for an FMLA request from a borough employee for up to one year or 12 weeks and approve it if it meets requirements. A motion was made by Councilman DeAngelo and seconded by Councilman Maldonato. A voice vote was called, and all Council Members were in favor.

Next, President Mickavicz entertained a motion to increase the Borough Secretary's hourly rate to \$20.00 per hour effective July 18, 2025 concluding her 90-day probationary period. A motion 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 approve closing the small parking area at the Taylor Library on Thursday, July 31, 2025, from 9am to 11:30am for a Lackawanna County Book Mobile event. A motion 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 the replacement of the outdoor Borough building lighting with an approximate cost of \$2,500.00 from Richard Mellow Electric. A motion 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 approve the installation of cameras at the TCC and Library with an estimate by ICU Surveillance Service LLC

with a cost of \$3,312.00. 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 approve renewal of the IamResponding subscription for the Fire Department Dispatch in the amount of \$899.00 for a 1-year term. A motion was made by Councilman Maldonato and seconded by Councilman McKeel. A voice vote was called, and all Council Members were in favor. The motion passed.

June Payroll	\$172,171.21
June General Fund Open Invoices	\$ 98,719.90
June Paid Invoices	\$ 18,417.39
June Liquid Fuels Open	\$ 6,469.09
Total Expenditures	\$295,777.59

**Treasurer's Report
June 2025**

Local Services Tax	\$1,786.75
Earned Income Tax	\$16,756.49
RE Transfer Tax – May	\$3,601.01
RE Tax 2025	\$47,473.68
Tax Duplicate	\$215.00
Miscellaneous	\$2,364.57
RE Tax Delinquent	\$6,197.37
Court Fees/Police Fines	\$3,607.35
PA State Police Fines	\$937.41
Riverside/SRO	\$2,680.00
TCC	\$1,359.00
Interest	\$868.32
UCC Permits	\$2,431.00
Zoning	\$180.00
<u>Total Revenue:</u>	\$89,589.63

**Financial Report
June 30, 2025**

General Account	\$	401,291.48
Real Estate Tax Account	\$	30,006.12
Liquid Fuels Account Balance	\$	159,596.69
Veteran's Memorial Account	\$	636.89
Hero's Banner Account	\$	100.00

Open Purchase Orders (PO's)	\$	(14,713.21)
10 Year General Obligation Note	\$	(69,485.75)
Lease Obligations	\$	(365,367.71)
2025 Police Comp/OT Obligations	\$	(31,000.70)
Other Police Comp/OT Obligations	\$	(33,968.34)
Escrow Funds (Taylor Commons)	\$	60,306.64
Escrow Account (General)	\$	22,536.90
Police Pension Fund	\$	3,660,631.80
ESL, Inc. Escrow Account	\$	547,094.27
Fire Insurance Escrow	\$	30,185.43
Taylor Police K-9 Fund	\$	8,509.73
Government Money Market Fund	\$	387,274.42

**Recycling Report
June – 2025**

Pounds

Tons

Comingle	23,560	11.78
Cardboard/Paper	30,020	15.01
Grass/Brush	99,140	49.57
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Totaling	152,720	76.36
Year Total	598,240	299.12
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The Chair will make a motion to approve the bills, Councilman Digwood 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.

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.

Next, President Mickavicz asked if anyone on Council had anything to add. Councilman Digwood touched on the progress of the paving project and the positive outcomes for the residents. Next, Councilman DeAngelo briefly spoke on the Noakes Park Project and the excellent job being done by DPW installing the new equipment. Lastly, Councilman Deangelo touched on the Honor’s Banners explaining that after several years, some are getting worn out. The Borough will announce that the families affected will have the opportunity to have them redone for next year.

Mayor’s Report

During the month of June 2025, the Police Department responded to 851 incidents. There were 23 traffic crashes investigated; 309 Traffic Stops were made; and 114 traffic citations were also issued 5 non-traffic citations. Officers made 15 criminal arrests. Arrest Report’s — Officer Roche – 1 arrest; Officer Moran – 1 arrest; Officer Naughton – 1 arrest; Officer Baizan – 1 arrest; Officer Strenkoski – 1 arrest; Sergeant Snyder – 3 arrests; Officer McDonald – 3 arrests; Officer Graham – 4 arrests.

Revenues received for the month of June 2025: Judicial Fines - \$313.16; Magistrate Fines - \$3,129.19; Police Reports - \$165.00; PSP Fines - \$937.41; SRO - \$2,680.00; Total Revenue \$7,224.76.

Next, President Mickavicz asked that the Mayor's Report for the months of June 2025 be placed on file.

Next, President Mickavicz added that PA – DEP is in the process of setting the date for the public hearing regarding the ERSI modification application.

Next, President Mickavicz asked if there was anything from the public. Jeannie Sluck requested information on the LSA grant programs and if the library would be eligible to which President Mickavicz replied that the Library would be eligible. A brief discussion followed.

Lastly, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned.

Kenneth F. Mickavicz, President

Margaret Miles, Borough Secretary