



TAYLOR TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Thursday Sept 4, 2025 @ 7:00 pm

Town Hall

425 Papermill Road

Taylor, Arizona

Mayor

Shawn Palmer

Vice-Mayor

Bill Baldwin

Council Members

Jason Brubaker

Sherry Cospier Duke

Kris Neff

Lynn DeWitt

April Williams

- Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431-02, notice to hereby given to Taylor Town Council and to the general public that a Public meeting will be held at the Taylor Town Hall on the date listed above.
- The Town Council may adjourn into executive session, which will not be open to the public, to discuss certain matters in accordance with A.R.S. 38-431-03; A.3 consultation for legal advice with the Town Attorney; A.4 consultation with the Town Attorney regarding possible litigation.
- Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the Town of Taylor endeavors to make its meetings accessible to persons with disabilities. Please advise the Town Clerk's office at (928) 536-7366 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting for accommodation.
- Town meetings notices and agendas are posted in the Taylor Post Office, 25 S. Main Street; the Taylor Town Hall, and the Town of Taylor website www.tayloraz.org

CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, INVOCATION

CALL ORDER: Vice Mayor Shawn Palmer called the meeting to order @ 7:03 PM

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Shawn Palmer, Vice Mayor Bill Baldwin, Council Members Kriss Neff, April Williams, Jason Brubaker

STAFF PRESENT: Town Manager Gus Lundberg, Town Clerk Marcie Pawlik, Roads Supervisor Richard Troutman, Police Chief Bobby Martin, Airport Manager Ray Webber,

VISITORS: See List

COUNCIL ABSENT: Lynn Dewitt, Sherry Duke Cospier

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Vice Mayor Bill Baldwin

INVOCATION: Airport Manager Ray Webber

CALL TO THE PUBLIC: Public may comment on matters within Town jurisdiction but not on the agenda, subject to reasonable time and decorum. Council will take no action on matters presented. Council may respond to criticism, ask staff to review a matter or direct staff to include the matter on a future agenda. (A.R.S. 38-431.01H)

Jack Babb states the fair will begin in six days, with the small stock show starting Wednesday and the large stock show (pigs, goats, sheep, and steers) on Thursday. The auction is scheduled for Friday at 1 p.m. Interested buyers are encouraged to attend and support local youth exhibitors. The town's past support was acknowledged, and continued involvement is encouraged. Proclamations from government entities are being collected. More information is available at www.taylor.com.

Bill Plants with the Senior Center States the center provides Meals on Wheels, congregate lunches, and Head Start programs, serving about 100 meals daily, five days a week. The thrift store and food bank are staffed entirely by volunteers. The thrift store operates six days a week, and the food bank is open five days a week. In July, over 20,000 pounds of food were collected from six or seven stores (from Pinetop to Taylor), and 1,300 boxes of food were distributed from a 500-square-foot area. United Food Bank sponsors three monthly food distribution events, also staffed by volunteers. There is an urgent need for three to four part-time volunteers to help with food rescue and distribution, ideally for four to eight hours per week in two to four-hour shifts. The need for volunteers is due to key long-term volunteers retiring or facing health issues, including Loretta Wittenlovel (retired August due to heart attack), Dave (retired March due to cancer treatment), and Diane Shelton (retired April to care for Dave).

CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed below are considered routine and uncontroversial. Consent agenda is considered a single item and may be approved by a single motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Any single item removed from the Consent Agenda at the request of the Council, may be considered as a separate item.

- A. Approve meeting minutes of Aug 7, 2025
- B. Approve Aug 2025 Check Register
- C. Authorize Manager Gus Lundberg Execute Airport Grant Agreement
- D. Approve Resolution R2025-09 Opioid Settlement Authority

Motion made by Council Member Kriss Neff to approve the consent agenda A, B, & C.

Second by Council Member April Williams

Motion passed; Unanimous

ACTION ITEMS

1. Consideration and Action Regarding Bid Award for Cottonwood Wash Trail Pavement.

Manager Gus Lundberg States five competitive bids were received from local contractors; Perkins Cinders was the low bidder at \$267,903. The project will pave a one-and-a-half-mile section (indicated by a yellow area on a diagram), continuing an existing trail from Snowflake (7th South) and connecting it to Paper Mill Road with an eight-foot-wide walking trail. \$100,000 in funding is provided by Navajo County from COVID relief funds, with the remainder from the town's general fund. Easement issues with Aztec Land and Cattle and Navajo County have been resolved, and groundwork has begun, saving money on prep work. The Brophy family has agreed to designate an acre for a bathroom near the trail, though the parking area will not be paved.

Motion made by Council Member Jason Brubaker to award the job to Perkins Cinder's

Second by Council Member Bill Baldwin

Motion passed; Unanimous

2. Consideration and Action Regarding Bid Award for Airport Fuel Access Pavement.

Manager Gus Lundberg States there was only one bid received for this project; Hatch Industries submitted a bid of \$102,092.72. The project includes a six-inch concrete area and an asphalt section consisting of six inches of base with three inches of asphalt on top. The new fuel tank has a capacity of 12,000 gallons, compared to the current 5,000-gallon tank, allowing for full semi-load deliveries and significant cost savings. The airport is fueled approximately four to five times a year, with the new tank expected to go through two to three full loads annually, requiring fuel to be added every six months to keep it fresh. The project is funded entirely by the general fund, with no FAA grants, but is still more cost-effective than other federal-funded projects. Maintenance issues with the older tank and reel were noted; the current tank is estimated to be 30-40 years old. The new tank also features a longer hose.

Motion made by Council Member Kriss Neff to award the Bid to Hatch Industries

Second by Council Member April Williams

Motion passed; Unanimous

3. Summary of Current Events:

Mayor Shawn Palmer-

- Thanked everyone for going to the League of Town and Cities. Classes were amazing time and money well spent.
- Park looks good.
- People are excited about the walking path
- Thank You to everyone that has been involved in the park
- Thanked the call of the public speakers Jack Babb and Bill Plant

Vice Mayor Bill Baldwin

- Thanked Gus and Staff for putting everything together for the League of Town and Cities

Town Council Members

Kriss Neff

- Sweet Corn Festival was outstanding, Great turnout, Parade was good and loved that there was live music.

April Williams

- Enjoyed Sweet Corn Festival a lot of different vendors this year.
- Enjoyed going to the League of Town and Cities

Jason Brubaker

- Being recognized at the League of Town and Cities 12 years of service
- Attended a class through rural funding in Winslow yesterday took a lot of notes one that stood out is USDA has money there is 70 Loans for low income or challenge individuals' loans for roofs. Infrastructures USDA is trying to work at getting packagers to help people with loans. Improvements to homes. New homes and first buyers

Town Manager

Gus Lundberg

- This Saturday Sept 6th movie night at Pioneer Park
- Nov 1st Truck or Treat Rodeo Grounds
- Night Glow Run Sat Oct 4th Will be held at Freeman Park.

4. There being no further business Mayor Shawn Palmer adjourned the meeting at 7:43PM

Certification of Minutes:

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the Taylor Town Council meeting held on the 4th day of September 2025. I further certify that the meeting was duly called to order and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 4th day of September 2025

Marcie Pawlik -Town Clerk