

November 5, 2025

The Gates Town Board held Three (3) Public Hearings and its Regular Town Board meeting on Wednesday, November 5, 2025 at the Town Hall Meeting Room starting at 7:00PM. Those attending the meeting were as follows:

Cosmo A. Giunta	Supervisor
Christopher B. DiPonzio	Councilman
Lee A. Cordero	Councilman
Andrew M. Loughlin	Councilman
Steve Tucciarello	Councilman
John DiCaro	Town Attorney
Sarah L. Lobene	Town Clerk

7:00 P.M. PUBLIC HEARING

The Town Attorney, John DiCaro verified that the Legal Notice was properly published as required by law.

TO CONSIDER A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR ALTAHAM M. SAEED TO OPERATE YALLAH SIP & SWEETS AT 2358 LYELL AVE. IN A GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT

Supervisor Giunta asked if the applicant was present to speak on this?

Sarah Mohammed and husband Altahami Saeed, 101 Burning Brush Dr., 14606. They are planning on opening a café / bakery style place selling coffee, tea and Eastern Style and American pastries.

Supervisor Giunta asked if the baked goods will be baked In-house and also asked if they have done this type of business before or if this is the first attempt.

Mrs. Mohammed responded, Yes, they will bake everything in-house and this is their first attempt at this type of business.

Supervisor Giunta, responded that's great. He asked how many employees will they have and the hours of operation?

Mrs. Mohammed responded, it will be mainly family, herself, her husband, and brother-in-law. It's a small business and doesn't feel they will need outside employees at this time. The hours of operation will be Sun – Sat., 6:00AM-10:00PM opening to the public at 7:00AM.

Supervisor Giunta assuming there will be sitting in-house, how many tables will they have?

Mr. Saeed replied six (6) tables.

Councilman DiPonzio asked how many seats per table?

Mr. Saeed replied four-six (4-6) per table.

Councilman Tucciarello asked to clarify the hours of operation?

Mrs. Mohammed responded 7:00AM-10:PM for the public, they will start at 6:00AM.

Councilman Cordero asked about the square footage of the space?

Mr. Saeed about 1000 sq. ft.

Supervisor Giunta, re-iterated that assuming this application gets passed, any and all construction or transformations will need to go through the Building Department, for permits.

The applicants agreed.

Councilman DiPonzio asked if there are ovens already in the space?

Mrs. Mohammed, yes.

Supervisor Giunta asked if anyone from the audience wanted to speak for or against this?
Hearing none, closed the public hearing at 7:10pm.

RESOLUTION 177-25

Motion by Councilman DiPonzio who moved its adoption:

Seconded by Councilman Cordero

Resolved, that the Gates Town Board hereby approves an application for a Conditional Use Permit for Altahami Saeed to operate Yallah Sip & Sweets at 2358 Lyell Ave. in a (GB) General Business District with the following Conditions:

Hours of Operation: **Mon-Sun 6:00am-10:00pm**

VOTE: Giunta – Aye; DiPonzio – Aye; Cordero - Aye; Loughlin –Aye; Tucciarello – Aye;
Motion Carried.

Councilman Loughlin mentioned, once they are open and running, if interested in a Ribbon Cutting to contact the Gates Chili Chamber of Commerce.

ENACTMENT OF INTRODUCTORY A LOCAL LAW #4-2025 TO OVERIDE THE TAX LEVY LIMIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026

Supervisor Giunta stated the reason they are looking to override the tax cap for next year as 2% alone would be overblown just by projected increases in health insurance, pension, invoices and town insurance liability. He then invited up our Finance Director to speak.

Finance Director, Stephanie Soto went over some of the numbers to explain the reasoning for the override. Town is proposing a total tax levy of \$16,021,062 at a tax rate of \$4.55 per thousand. This levy includes our Ambulance (\$1,167,920) and Street Lighting Districts (\$14,794). Tax rate decreased by \$1.75 from last year's rate. Town is allocating \$1.6M from fund balance also. There are increases in health and town insurances, pensions (ERS and PFRS), contracts renegotiations and building / facility expenses for an aging building and without cutting any services for the residents. The town continues to review the budget each year and adjusts accordingly to the needs of the town.

Attorney DiCaro, did want to point out the Public Hearing Notice was posted as required.

Supervisor Giunta then opened it up to the audience for participation.

Joe Rittler, 35 Normandale Dr. understands that pension costs are increasing and employee health benefits but with the levy increase by \$2.4M the board is asking for permission to exceed

the tax cap, but he feels while the costs are going up for everyone, residents, towns, everyone and feels there has to be a way to look for innovative ways such as revenue, other cuts that don't affect services, anything else, like in each department reducing in expenditures to help alleviate the burden that's on the residents. Homeowners insurance goes up due to the assessment as well as Fire and School taxes, which he feels they do a good job to not exceed the tax cap.

Supervisor Giunta disagreed and believes the school does not follow a tax cap and they also receive a lot of state aide.

Mr. Rittler agreed on the school receiving a lot of state aide, but continued to question the reasons for the increases causing the exceed in the tax cap. Residents can't keep paying more and more and also what about next year? He wants the board to look at reducing expense and possibly lobby for more state aide.

Supervisor Giunta, is always trying and looking for any type of grant funding or free money.

Mr. Rittler, appreciates the opportunity to express his thoughts and concerns and asks the board to reject the override of the tax cap.

Supervisor Giunta added the board are also Gates residents and no one wants to pay more and more in taxes. He added, we are trying to maintain the great services Gates has, which he feels are unmatched. We are out there picking up weekly brush and leaves, other towns don't weekly or month pickup for them or they need to bag their leaves. A lot of the infrastructure that need to be completed is on backlog. Roads are a big one. He appreciates the comments made by Mr. Rittler on the tax cap, but it's about costs going up. Gave examples of cost going up with inflation which is leveling off but Salt went up 5%, cost of equipment has gone up, we ordered some plow trucks two (2) years ago and are still waiting on them. The town is looking at different ways to reduce cost, even looking at benefits and looking at potential options, like higher deductible for the employees and looking at more of a cost sharing.

He does meet with the all the different town supervisors each month and they discuss what is being done across the towns and share ideas. Gates is not the only town going over the cap, others are in the same situation. Staying in the same 2% is getting more and more difficult each year for the towns, he would love to keep the town under the 2%, but doesn't know if it's feasible this year, with everything going up. Maybe at some point, they could build a reserve. He added, there were some residents present at the Budget Workshop meeting and gave back some positive feedback. They thought the town was being fiscally responsible. There are times throughout the year things come along and adjustment need to be made to the budget.

Josh Osgood, 29 Sungrove Lane, actually did his benefits enrolment at work and his healthcare premiums went up 16%, so he gets it. He appreciates the town not cutting services. He is trying to understand...sounds like there is a deficit in the budget this year, so money needs to be taken out of funds to take care of it?

Supervisor Giunta, it's not really a deficit, just choosing an allocation of those fund to alleviate the tax burden, but there are funds in a fund balance, it's like having a savings account and taking from that to help pay for some of the expenses.

Mr. Osgood asked if there is a plan to stop relying on that or could it require a tax increase.

Supervisor Giunta added in allocating funds doesn't mean it'll get uses, they try to be conservative. It really depends on what revenues come in. He continued giving examples such as sales tax revenue exceed what is expected or permit fees.

Scott Bubel, 36 Landau Dr., stated came in about four (4) years ago, pissed off about taxes. He has to cover his expenses and cover his mothers' home as well. He has spent the past four (4) years attending town meetings, school and fire district meetings learning who's taxing the residents and how much they actually care. When he went through the numbers, his taxes actually went down a little and so did his mother's. He just wanted to commend the board for looking at the budget and understands this is not an easy process especially at this time. He knows of another organization in this town has raised taxes double digits every year for eight (8) years and people are arguing about two (2) points. He is actually happy the town is not over spending or out of control taxation. He doesn't have a problem going above the tax cap at this time.

Supervisor Giunta added that some peoples will go down and others up based on the average increase of 70%. Those that didn't increase above that will see a decrease and those above will see an increase. The town is only one (1) of five (5) taxing jurisdictions that will happen on the town and county tax bill. The fire district passed their budget and are increasing eight or nine (8 or 9) percent, ambulance went up a bit, but pennies to a resident.

Cherie Stuhler, 11 Jordan Ave., thanked the board for looking at other insurance plans. She asked for a rough estimate or idea of what the majority will face as an increase in taxes?

Supervisor Giunta used his own home to calculate as an example and a couple more. Last year it was assessed at 178K vs new assessment of 258K. To him his "Town" taxes would increase under \$100. He then calculated another resident in the audience that saw a decrease.

Supervisor Giunta asked if anyone from the audience wanted to speak for or against this? Hearing none, closed the public hearing at 7:32pm.

Councilman Tucciarello, wanted to add that as a team directed and operated Gates Town Government to do two things and that is to be responsible to our residents and to not over tax and be efficient and the other is to provide services that you can not get in other towns. We like to provide a lot and do it efficiently. The town has been doing it and continues to do it as we talk about the tax numbers, there is a long formula and when you hear assessments can be scary. Sometimes it goes down and others up a little bit, it's all part of the programs all across the state how the formula works. As Gates resident, the board is responsive, they deliver the services residents have expressed they want and doing it very efficiently and even the first speaker commented at the Pre-Meeting, that taxes at \$700 a year were reasonable. He would like to look for more money, but thinks sometimes they look and look it seems illusive, because state and federal governments are always putting money out there as can been seen with grants on the agenda to be accepted. All the suggestions that have been made are great, but these are things the board already does. The board is very diligent and is a great team that follows through leaving no stone unturned. We deliver a lot at a very efficient rate and is one of the things he is most proud of as Town of Gates and to be a Town Councilman that has lived in this town his entire life.

Councilman DiPonzo, added, well said.

Councilman Loughlin, feels the budget is appropriate spending.

Supervisor Giunta called the next Public Hearing to Order which was:

TO CONSIDER THE 2025 TOWN OF GATES PROPOSED BUDGET

Supervisor Giunta, stated the 2025 Budget workshop was held on October 20, 2025. It was published and open to the public. In attendance was the Town Board, Town Clerk Sarah Lobene, Financial Director Stephanie Soto along with two (2) residents. Stephanie went through the

proposed budget thoroughly by each department, page by page, then the Town Clerk presented the tentative budget to the board which they motioned and adopted as a preliminary budget. Asked if Stephanie would like to comment.

Director of Finance, Stephanie Soto, the budget process starts in July each year. She meets with each department head and they go line by line to see where they can make changes for the following year to save money. The meet with the Supervisor as well. Once she has compiled all the numbers, she presents at the budget workshop and the Town Board looks at it all. Mrs. Soto thanked all the department heads, as well as town board members for asking some great questions. She added, expecting a little less PILOT revenue, our library received a grant in 2025 that they did not apply for, for 2026, the police department has an increase in wages due to fewer employees which increased the overtime as well as an increase in call volume, so in order to keep our residents safe, money needs to be spent on that.

Supervisor Giunta, added the proposed rate for 2026 is \$4.55 which is \$1.75 decrease from last year. Last year was \$6.29. He gave examples of tax calculation. Total taxable town value increased significantly causing the rate to drop. He thanked Mrs. Soto for her hard work and her diligence working with the department heads trying to save money. He also thanked the department heads.

Supervisor Giunta asked if anyone from the audience wanted to speak on this?

Val Foote, 29 Sungrove Lane, stated she was one of the residents at the budget workshop and was grateful to be allowed at. One of the big things at that meeting was the boiler room situation and looking down the road is going to be a huge expense and asked what's the plan? How is that going to be afforded especially if money is being allocated from the savings account?

Supervisor Giunta, a few months ago, they partnered up with Veregy, and ESCO company who will be assessing the town hall and our system ad determine whether the town cam retrofit or come up with an entire new plan. The current system is sixty (60) years old. It is a boiler with chillers, which back in January unknowingly went out and dumping water onto our electrical panel and we evacuated the building. This boiler has been band-aided for many years. The rooftop AC units over above the annex, courts and police departments were replaced last year with ARPA Funding which helped. This project will be a bit more expensive, but working with this company, they will find the best solution and if it's agreed upon, they will do the bidding on it for us, with local contractors, then we will need to decide, depending on price and whatever else. Veregy will look into any possible grants or any money saving that we can apply for. Once a solution is found, the town will say, yes or no and pay them for their services per the contract.

Supervisor Giunta added, this was not incorporated in the budget because we have some fund balance that if we decide, we would utilize. He believes there is enough fund balance for this cost. Meantime, our grant writer is looking for grants as well as looking at NY State for any energy rebates.

Ms. Foote asked if the town has money sitting around to be used for it and still have money left if we still need to pull money out of the savings account?

Supervisor Giunta as of today, the town does. Also, the town can always Bond it, if need be.

Councilman Tucciarello understands the concern with having funds left over. Most times this is figured into the budget, but during the course of the year we find efficiencies in savings and that money goes back in, so a lot of times we think we're going to take this much, but end up not needing too at all because we worked it out throughout the year and saved money. He doesn't want anyone nervous the town would use all monies and leave the town short.

Ms. Foote, she really just wanted the board to speak on it, because people hear “It’s not in the budget” and not understand. Just to end a semi-crisis later.

Supervisor Giunta asked if anyone else from the audience wanted to speak for or against this? Hearing none, closed the public hearing at 7:49pm.

Supervisor Giunta asked Town Board if they wanted to act on the public hearings prior to continuing with regular town board meeting and Councilman DiPonzio made a motion

**TO ADOPT THE ENACTMENT OF LOCAL LAW #4-2025 TO
OVERIDE THE TAX LEVY LIMIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026**

RESOLUTION 178-25

Motion by Councilman DiPonzio who moved its adoption:

Seconded by Councilman Cordero

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Gates did hold and conduct a public hearing on November 5th, 2025 to consider the enactment of Introductory Local Law #4-2025 Legal Notice of which was given as required by law; and

WHEREAS, at such public hearing all interested person were heard concerning the subject matter thereof;

WHEREAS, the Town Board is desirous of adopting such Local Law; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of Local Laws is a routine Town Administration and Management Function, and as such as a Type II Action under SEQR;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Town Board of the Town of Gates, Monroe County, New York as follows:

Section I: That the Town Board of the Town of Gates finds and determines that the adoption of this Local Law is a Type II Action under SEQR and may proceed without further regards to SEQR.

Section II: That the Town Board of the Town of Gates does hereby enact Local Law #4-2025 to read and provide as follows:

Local Law No 4-2025 of the fiscal year 2026

“A local law to Override the Tax Levy Limit for Fiscal Year 2026”

Be enacted by the Town Board of the Town of Gates as follows:

Section 1. AUTHORITY:

This Local Law is enacted pursuant to the subdivision 5 of N.Y. General Municipal Law §3-c (the “Property Tax Cap Law”), which expressly authorized the Town Board to override the tax levy limit by the adoption of a local law approved by vote of sixty percent (60%) of the Town Board.

Section 2. PURPOSE:

The purpose of this local law is to permit the Town Board to override the tax levy limit on the amount of property taxes that may be levied by the Town of Gates pursuant to the Property Tax

Cap Law, and to allow the Town to adopt a budget for Fiscal Year 2026 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the “tax levy limit” as defined by the Property Tax Cap Law. Such override is necessary and in the best interests of the Town.

Section 3. TAX LEVY LIMIT OVERRIDE:

The Town Board of the Town of Gates, County of Monroe is hereby authorized to override the Tax Levy Limit established pursuant to N.Y. General Municipal Law §3-c, for the fiscal year 2026, and to adopt a budget for the Fiscal Year 2026 that may require a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise proscribed in General Municipal Law, §3-c.

Section 4. SEVERABILITY:

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or party of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance, shall be adjusted by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgement shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or party of this Local Law or in its application to the person, individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgement or order shall be rendered.

Section 5. EFFECTIVE DATE:

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State as provided in §27 of the N.Y. Municipal Home Rule.

VOTE: Giunta – Aye; DiPonzo – Aye; Cordero - Aye; Loughlin –Aye; Tucciarello – Aye;
Motion Carried.

Supervisor Giunta continued and then set in motion to move the Proposed 2026 Budget as the 2026 Town o Gates Adopted Budget.

RESOLUTION 179-25

Motion by Supervisor Giunta who moved its adoption:
Seconded by Councilman DiPonzo and Tucciarello

Resolved, that the Gates Town Board hereby Approves to adopt the Proposed 2026 Town of Gates Budget as the 2026 Town of Gates Adopted Budget

VOTE: Giunta – Aye; DiPonzo – Aye; Cordero - Aye; Loughlin –Aye; Tucciarello – Aye;
Motion Carried.

7:30PM REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

Supervisor Cosmo Giunta welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:51PM. He began with a moment of silent prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Councilman Loughlin.

He asked the board members, if they had an opportunity to review the Public Hearings and Regular Town Board Meeting minutes from the Monday, October 6, 2025.

RESOLUTION 180-25

Motion by Councilman Cordero who moved its adoption:
Seconded by: Councilman DiPonzo

Resolved, that the Minutes of the Public Hearings and Regular Town Board Meeting of Monday, October 6, 2025. There being no revisions or omissions to them, stand approved as drafted.

VOTE: Giunta – Aye; DiPonzo – Aye; Cordero -Aye’ Loughlin – Aye; Tucciarello – Aye;
Motion Carried.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Supervisor Giunta asked if anyone from the audience wanted to speak?

Laurie Clocksin, 69 Coldwater Rd. asked for clarification from something a clerk told her, if the tax cap is overridden, that a rebate check that was normally given to the residents won’t be?

Supervisor Giunta believes it’s normally just taken out of the bill, but not an actual check, that was several years ago.

Mrs. Clocksin asked, on all the work done on the infrastructure around town and continuing to be done, which she was told the unsightliness was to be temporary, but in any case, asked if that does not affect the energy cost going up to the residents? She used Amazon as an example.

Supervisor Giunta is not aware of any negotiations Amazon may have, he believes they do have solar panels on their roof.

Mrs. Clocksin is sure they use a lot of internet, but isn’t sure about how many jobs are with AI or robotics, but heard they received \$150-million in tax breaks. Her energy bill went up last winter and into the summer, and realizes rates went up and will continue to go up, but wants to know as far as Amazon, have we reached a point as it not being an asset to the community, but it’s costing the residents and if the decisions the board is making is contributing to the cost to her living in her home and knowing about assessments and even if they go up may not necessarily increase the taxes on the home which in her case has gone up twice in the past few years, which she contested, but came to an agreeable decision, except for this year. She continued, wanting to be reassured things will get better and not worse, but if they do not get better will seriously wish she can see a new fresh face in front of her and where every single vote has no surprises, no decent, no healthy debate, she wants to be respectful and knows the supervisor has been kind, courteous and generally speaking the community respects him and doesn’t want to deviate from that, but just want to say she will not be able to afford to continue living in Gates.

Supervisor Giunta, doesn’t think anyone can guarantee that and as far as energy costs. As far as energy expenses that’s RG&E who merged with another company. It was on the news. He doesn’t know how Amazon affects that, they pay into that with the rate increases. He knows Tech Park pays into it as well. It’s affecting everyone. They can try to advocate in asking to possibly bring rates down and they are doing a lot of infrastructure work and replacing transmission lines to help prevent power outages and make things more efficient. The internet companies such as Greenlight and Frontier, that’s technology trying to makes things faster and more efficient.

Mrs. Clocksin understands some of those services are good, but she doesn’t need them, she’s a cash in the pocket type of person and they continued onto the sustainability agreement grant with Gov. Kathy Hochul and asked if it had been spent already?

Supervisor Giunta, the Bronze level, he doesn’t believe so.

Mrs. Clocksin wants to appeal for bus riders and pedestrians. Knowing a sidewalk was put in on Elmgrove Rd., but it pains her to see people waiting for the bus on Buffalo Rd. at Elmgrove as well as in front of Tops Market that maybe they could have a nice bus stop shelter.

Supervisor Giunta pointed out, Buffalo Rd is a state road, Elmgrove Rd. is a county road, they are who installed the sidewalks. There are quite a few state and county roads throughout the town, we maintain snow plowing for them only, but have no authority to put in sidewalks or fix a pothole. Good News he received, Governor Hochul approved milling and paving Spencerport Rd from Howard Rd to Manitou Rd. next year, which is desperately needed as well as part of Buffalo Rd. He will go back to RTS about installing bus stop shelters.

Mrs. Clocksin continued, with the Police Facebook page and the need to have a FB account to have the ability to access and doesn't think it's always been that way and doesn't know why it is? She wants to be informed, without FB

Supervisor Giunta there are other platforms for information, the Cornerstone, Facebook, Instagram, and the Website. We are open for suggestions.

Supervisor Giunta asked if anyone else from the audience wanted to speak?
Hearing none, closed the Audience Participation.

OLD BUSINESS

LOCAL LAW #3-2025 AMENDING SECTIONS CHAPTER 131 PARKING, CHAPTER 133 PROPERTY MAINTENANCE AND CHAPTER 190 ZONING

Supervisor Giunta, this will continue to be TABLED for further information.

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDER RENEWALS OF THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS FOR THE FOLLOWING: LOVING TOUCH CHILD CARE, 395 SPENCERPORT RD.; LUTHERINE CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR, 2415 CHILI AVE.; MARKS PIZZA, 2103 BUFFALO RD.; & PURA VIDA VILLE, 2115 BUFFALO RD

Supervisor Giunta stated that he has reviewed the files and there are no violations against these businesses and finds no reason why the Conditional Use Permits for these businesses should not be renewed and approved on mass.

RESOLUTION 181-24

Motion by Councilman Tucciarello who moved its adoption:
Seconded by Councilman Loughlin

Resolved, that the Gates Town Board hereby approves the renewal of the Conditional Use Permits on mass for the following; Loving Touch Child Care, 395 Spencerport Rd.; Lutheran Church of Our Savior., 2415 Chili Ave.; Marks Pizzeria, 2103 Buffalo Rd.; Pura Vida Ville, 2115 Buffalo Rd.;

**VOTE: Giunta – Aye; Cordero – Aye; Aye; DiPonzo – Aye; Loughlin – Tucciarello – Aye;
Motion Carried.**

**RE-APPOINTING KENNETH MARTIN AS A MEMBER OF
THE PLANNING BOARD FOR
THE TOWN OF GATES FOR A FIVE (5) YEAR TERM.
TERM TO BE RETRO APPOINTED STARTING 02/05/2025 AND TO END 02/05/2030**

RESOLUTION 182-25

Motion by Supervisor Giunta who moved its adoption:
Seconded by: Councilman DiPonzo

Resolved, that the Gates Town Board hereby Re-Appoints Kenneth Martin as a member of the Planning Board for the Town of Gates for a five (5) year term. Term to be retro appointed starting 02/05/2025 and to end 02/05/2030.

**VOTE: Giunta – Aye; DiPonzo – Aye; Cordero - Aye; Loughlin – Aye; Tucciarello – Aye;
Motion Carried.**

**RE-APPOINTING BRANDON STUHLER AS A MEMBER OF
THE PLANNING BOARD FOR
THE TOWN OF GATES FOR A FIVE (5) YEAR TERM.
TERM TO BEGIN 10/31/2025 AND TO END 10/31/2030**

RESOLUTION 183-25

Motion by Supervisor Giunta who moved its adoption:
Seconded by: Councilman DiPonzo

Resolved, that the Gates Town Board hereby Re-Appoints Brandon Stuhler as a member of the Planning Board for the Town of Gates for a five (5) year term. Term to begin 10/31/2025 and end 10/31/2030.

**VOTE: Giunta – Aye; DiPonzo – Aye; Cordero - Aye; Loughlin – Aye; Tucciarello – Aye;
Motion Carried.**

**ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF MICHAEL WALL
AS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER OF THE PLANNING BOARD FOR
THE TOWN OF GATES**

Supervisor Giunta, Mike has been a great asset, but currently is out of town on a work assignment which will not end for another 2 years, at this time is looking to resign and possibly return at a later date.

RESOLUTION 184-25

Motion by Supervisor Giunta who moved its adoption:
Seconded by: Councilman Cordero

Resolved, that the Gates Town Board hereby Accepts the resignation of Michael Wall as an alternate member of the Planning Board for the Town of Gates.

**VOTE: Giunta – Aye; DiPonzo – Aye; Cordero - Aye; Loughlin – Aye; Tucciarello – Aye;
Motion Carried.**

**ACCEPTING THE STOP DWI GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13,234 AND
THE STOP DWI-HVEC GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,500 INCLUDING ANY
ADDITIONAL FUNDS THAT MAY BECOME AVAILABLE FROM THE NYS STOP
DWI FOR THE GATES POLICE DEPARTMENT**

RESOLUTION 185-25

Motion by Councilman Cordero who moved its adoption:
Seconded by: Councilman DiPonzo and the remaining Councilmen

Resolved, that the Gates Town Board hereby Accepts the STOP DWI grant in the amount of \$13,234 and the STOP DWI-HVEC grant in the amount of \$6,500 including any additional funds that may become available from the NYS Stop DWI for the Gates Police Department.

**VOTE: Giunta – Aye; Cordero – Aye; DiPonzo – Aye; Loughlin – Aye; Tucciarello – Aye;
Motion Carried.**

**ACCEPTING THE 2025 BYRNE JAG GRANT LAW ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT
GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$87,518 FOR THE GATES POLICE DEPARTMENT**

RESOLUTION 186-25

Motion by Councilman Cordero who moved its adoption:
Seconded by Councilman DiPonzo

Resolved, that the Gates Town Board hereby Accepts the 2025 Byrne Jag Grant Law Enforcement Equipment Grant in amount of \$87,518 for the Gates Police Department.

**VOTE: Giunta – Aye; DiPonzo – Aye; Cordero - Aye; Loughlin –; Tucciarello – Aye;
Motion Carried.**

**AUTHORIZING SURETY, FORM AND AMOUNT OF OFFICIAL UNDERTAKING
FOR THE FAITHFUL PERFORMANCE OF THE DUTIES OF THE TOWN CLERK
AND RECEIVER OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS; AND HERBY AUTHORIZING
THE TOWN CLERK OBTAIN A BLANKET BOND COVERING ALL TOWN
EMPLOYEES AND TOWN OFFICIALS**

RESOLUTION 187-25

Motion by Councilman Loughlin who moved its adoption:
Seconded by: Councilman Tucciarello

Resolved, that the Gates Town Board hereby Authorizes surety, form and amount of official undertaking for the faithful performance of the duties of the Town Clerk and Receiver of Taxes and Assessments; and hereby authorizing the Town Clerk obtain a Blanket Bond covering all Town Employees and Town Officials.

**VOTE: Giunta – Aye; Cordero – Aye; DiPonzo – Aye; Loughlin – Aye; Tucciarello – Aye;
Motion Carried.**

**AUTHORIZING THE TOWN DIRECTOR OF FINANCE TO MAKE 2025
BUDGET AMENDMENTS WITHIN THE GENERAL FUND**

RESOLUTION 188-25

Motion by Councilman Loughlin who moved its adoption:

Seconded by Councilman Tucciarello

Resolved, that the Gates Town Board hereby Authorizes the Town Director of Finance to make 2025 budget amendments within the General fund.

VOTE: Giunta – Aye; DiPonzo – Aye; Cordero - Aye; Loughlin –; Tucciarello – Aye;
Motion Carried.

AUTHORIZING A NOTICE OF BID FOR THE TOWN OF GATES HIGHWAY ROLL-OFF DUMPSTER SERVICES.

RESOLUTION 189-25

Motion by Councilman Tucciarello who moved its adoption:
Seconded by: Councilman Loughlin

Resolved, that the Gates Town Board hereby Authorizes a Notice of Bid for the Town of Gates Highway Roll-Off Dumpster Services.

VOTE: Giunta – Aye; Cordero – Aye; DiPonzo – Aye; Loughlin – Aye; Tucciarello – Aye;
Motion Carried.

**SCHEDULING TWO (2) PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR
MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2025 STARTING AT 7:10PM**

#1. FOR A PETITION TO CONSIDER INCENTIVE ZONING FROM BRAD'S TRAILER OF NY TO A GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT LOCATED AT 485-507 SPENCERPORT RD.

**#2. TO CONSIDER A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT
FOR RANDOLPH H. BURNEY TO OPERATE BIG DADDY BBQ & LOUNGE
LOCATED AT
1174 BROOKS AVE. IN A GENERAL INDUSRTY DISTRICT**

RESOLUTION 190-25

Motion by Councilman DiPonzo who moved its adoption:
Seconded by Councilman Cordero

Resolved, that the Gates Town Board hereby schedules TWO (2) Public Hearings Monday, December 1, 2025 starting at 7:10pm. #1. for a petition to consider Incentive Zoning from Brad's Trailer of NY to a General Business (GB) located at 485-507 Spencerport Rd AND #2. A Conditional Use permit for Randolph H. Burney to operate Big Daddy BBQ & Lounge located at 1174 Brooks Ave in a General Industry (GI) District.

VOTE: Giunta – Aye; DiPonzo – Aye; Cordero - Aye; Loughlin – Aye; Tucciarello – Aye;
Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

Supervisor Giunta, Saturday, November 8, 2025 will be the Veteran's Day Celebration to be held at the High School Auditorium. Starting at 10:30AM. Students from the Gates-Chili Elementary Schools come and read their essays of what Veterans Day is all about. This year's Trunk or Treat held at TSE was a success. There were more than 1700 children attending.'

Supervisor Giunta designated Sat. November 29th as Small Business Saturday and asked for everyone to help support small businesses by shopping. They are the heart of our town and need our support.

The Police Dept. and the Supervisor has extended to town staff, "No Shave November" and even into December. Donating \$25.00 per month to grow out beards and women can wear sweatpants and hoodies on Fridays. Funds will go to Willie Bee Foundation

The town is getting a tree donated from a town resident for the front of the building to decorate for Christmas.

Councilman Loughlin reminded everyone of the Gobble Wobble, Thursday, November 27th at 8:30 AM. Gobble wobble hats are being sold for \$5.00

REPORTS

SUPERVISOR'S

ACCEPTING THE SUPERVISOR'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2025

WARRANTS

GENERAL

CLAIMS # A25-0842 - A25-0924	\$ 219,788.69
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HIGHWAY

CLAIMS # D25-0403 - D25-0451	\$95,424.43
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LIBRARY

CLAIMS # L25-0292 - L25-0332	\$28,808.41
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TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$1,574,780.73
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TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$275,242.09
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Supervisor Giunta noted for the record that the warrants for the month of October 2025 have been examined by the Town Board and signed. The Town Board also examined and approved all payroll and in-lieu of claim expenses per fund for the month.

RESOLUTION 191-25

Motion by Councilman Loughlin who moved its adoption:

Seconded by Councilman Tucciarello

Resolved, that Gates Town Board hereby accepts the Supervisor's Report for the month of October 2025 as read; and the warrants for the month of October 2025 as read.

VOTE: Giunta – Aye; DiPonzo – Aye; Cordero - Aye; Loughlin – Tucciarello – Aye;
Motion Carried.

ACCEPTING THE TOWN CLERKS REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2025

The Deputy Town Clerk read the report for the month of October 2025 showing the following:

TOTAL REVENUE COLLECTED	\$29,414.02
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TOTAL REVENUE TO THE SUPERVISOR	\$27,612.23
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TOTAL NON-LOCAL REVENUE	\$1,801.79
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RESOLUTION 192-25

Motion by Councilman Cordero who moved its adoption:

Seconded by Councilman DiPonzo

Resolved, that Gates Town Board hereby accepts the Town Clerk's report for the month of October 2025.

VOTE: Giunta – Aye; DiPonzo – Aye; Cordero - Aye; Loughlin – Tucciarello – Aye;
Motion Carried.

PERSONAL STATUS REPORT

The Deputy Town Clerk presented the Personnel Status Report for the Month of October 2025.

Additions: 0

Terminations: 1 (Police-Resignation)

Net Change: -1

There being no further business to come before the Town Board, Councilman Tucciarello and Councilman Loughlin second to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor; motion carried.

Supervisor Giunta wished Everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and adjourned the meeting at 8:20 PM.

Town Clerk