

March 2, 2026

The Gates Town Board held Three (3) Public Hearings and its Regular Town Board meeting on Monday, February 2, 2026 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
John DiCaro	Town Attorney
Sarah L. Lobene	Town Clerk
<b>Absent</b>	
Steve Tucciarello	Councilman

### **7:00 P.M. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

The Town Attorney, John DiCaro verified that the Three (3) Legal Notices were properly published as required by law.

#### **TO CONSIDER A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR GERMAINE MITCHUM TO OPERATE ROYALL EVENT HALL AT 505 SPENCERPORT RD. SUITE 8 IN A GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT**

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

Germaine Mitchum, 135 Kencrest Dr., stated that he and his wife have been saving up for yeas to open a banquet hall. It would be something to grow the community better. It would be for weddings, anniversaries, birthdays, bar mitzvahs, and corporate events.

Supervisor Giunta asked the occupancy of the hall?

Mr. Mitchum responded, 267 people located next to Pineapple Jacks. It's 4000 Sq. Feet.

Supervisor Giunta asked if there would be live music or DJ if someone wanted?

Mr. Mitchum, said there would be no live music or DJ, he has a Bluetooth system.

Supervisor Giunta asked if there will be any alcohol on the premises and what would the hours of operation be?

Mr. Mitchum responded, no alcohol and as for the hours, he would open to hold corporate events/retreats during the day. So, he would open like 8:00am till like 10:00pm, seven days a week.

Supervisor Giunta asked if he would cater to a breakfast/brunch type meeting?

Mr. Mitchum, yes like if a business holds an employee appreciation breakfast, they would cater to that.

Councilman Loughlin asked if everything is strictly catered in or if there is a kitchen?

Mr. Mitchum, responded they do not have a kitchen, so everything is catered in. It is just the space people would rent for their event.

Councilman Cordero, asked what he provides, just the place?

Mr. Mitchum, the place, tables & chairs with covers for both and his Bluetooth system.

Supervisor Giunta asked if he goes back to lock up everything?

Mr. Mitchum, yes goes back to inspect and lock up.

Supervisor Giunta asked if he picked a time from opening to closing, keeping in mind set-up and clean-up times?

Mr. Mitchum, cleaned up, which takes about 1-1 ½ hour and as far as start time, it would depend on how much they want to decorate, so he may allow them there as early as 8:00am

Supervisor Giunta asked if it was fair to say hours of operation would be 8:00am to 11:30pm Sun-Sat?

Mr. Mitchum agreed.

Councilman DiPonzio asked how many bathrooms?

Mr. Mitchum, responded with 2 full bathrooms, and both are handicap accessible.

Councilman Cordero asked if there is a sprinkler system?

Mr. Mitchum, answered yes, a sprinkler system as well as a new installed fire alarm system installed by Fire Solutions, that they didn't realize they needed.

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

Lucy Pickett, 90 Youngs Ave. asked, when there is an event happening, is there anyone from the business that is providing security?

Mr. Mitchum responded, yes. There will be security present as well as having cameras which will have 24/7 monitoring

Ms. Pickett made a statement that she knows Gates Police had been called to this address at least twice, once of which was herself, when there was an incident involving 10-20 people fighting in the parking lot. The time frame was like 4 or 5 in the afternoon and she was afraid to go into Pineapple Jacks

Mr. Mitchum stated it was teenagers outside horseplaying. He spoke with the Sergeant, who told him they received a call and would look into it further

Supervisor Giunta asked Police Chief Long if he could verify?

Police Chief Long stated the police department did receive a call, but also wanted to verify a statement made earlier about having a staffer on the premises as well as the cameras and fire safety especially when there is a large group gathering. He continued, they learned about this location via the 911 phone call they received about a fight and officers did respond, but there were no arrests made, no active fighting, but there were a lot of uncooperative people in the parking lot, and the officers did disperse the crowd. There is always the understanding that in the time between a call comes in for a fight and the officer's arrival, the fight could be over, but he continued that is always the concern of the police when there is a large crowd happening.

Chief Long recommended Mr. Mitchum is provided with a copy of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Event Town Law

Councilman Cordero asked if it's known if any of that incident came from Pineapple Jacks as well?

Chief Long responded. No, it did not

Gary Stenshorn, 19 Burning Brush Dr., asked how is alcohol on the premises handled or to be taken outside the establishment?

Mr. Mitchum, said, alcohol will not be permitted on the premises unless the renter or mobile bartender acquires a special one-day permit through the town. Alcohol being taken outside the premises will not be permitted.

Mr. Stenshorn asked about security and if they will be licensed?

Mr. Mitchum as stated earlier, he will have licensed security and he has cameras monitoring 24/7, although he doesn't see a need for too much security for weddings, but will have per events.

Supervisor Giunta asked if anyone else wanted to speak for or against?

Hearing none closed the public hearing at 7:17pm.

Supervisor Giunta explained what a Conditional Use Permit was and how it worked. All conditions given need to be upheld and if not could result in the CUP being Revoked.

Mr. Mitchum does plan on having all renters sign a contract stating all the dos and the don'ts to avoid termination of rental.

Councilman DiPonzio asked if there is a break down of how many supervising for the number of guests?

Mr. Mitchum stated it really would depend on the number of guests. For example, 25-40 he would have 1, but like 50-75, he would have 2 and with over that possibly 3.

## **RESOLUTION 60-25**

Motion by Supervisor Giunta who moved its adoption:

Seconded by Councilman DiPonzio

Resolved, that the Gates Town Board hereby Approves an application for a Conditional Use Permit for Germaine Mitchum to operate Royall Event Hall located at 505 Spencerport Rd. Suite 8. in a General Business District with the following Conditions:

1. The Conditional Use Permit is valid for one (1) year.
2. You are required to adhere to all applicable Town of Gates Codes and Regulations.
3. Hours of Operation: **Sun-Sat 8:00am-11:30pm**
4. Security MUST be Present
  1. Party of 40 & under 1 attendant
  2. Party of 40 & over 2 possibly 3 attendants
5. **Alcohol** will **REQUIRE** a **PERMIT/LICENSE** per event
6. No spillage of patrons or event into the parking lot.

VOTE: Giunta – Aye; DiPonzio – Aye; Cordero - Aye; Loughlin –Aye;

**Motion Carried**

Councilman Loughlin, thanked the resident that brought up the incident to the board and made them aware of it and to be able to address it.

**A PETITION TO CONSIDER A ZONING CHANGE FOR STEPHEN CHABOT  
TO OPERATE ERIE MATERIALS, INC. LOCATED AT 911 & 0 BROOKS AVE.  
IN A GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT TO A GENERAL INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT**

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

Alexander Cameron, offices at 217 Lake Ave. along with Stephen Chabot who owns and operates Erie Materials and is Vice-President and has several locations across the region. In early January he came under a purchase agreement to purchase 911 Brooks Ave and roughly the vacant 2-acre parcel that comes with it. There is a lot of history with that property and the state it's in going through the due diligence with his team they looked at the use of his business relative to the zone which is currently General Business (GB), which is when they started looking at the surrounding zonings and decided to apply for a zone change to General Industrial (GI) Zoning, which fits his use very well. It is a bit of an odd locations with multiple zones. The rezoning would be very compatible with the surrounding businesses and if this board moves forward with the rezone, they will then move forward with full design and Site Plan Application.

Supervisor Giunta appreciate the presentation and feels it would only make sense to rezone this property to General Industrial (GI) Zone and he and the board are happy to see someone finally taking interest and wanting to develop this. He agrees the surrounding areas are zoned GI with the exception to this piece being GB. He does not foresee an issue and feels this is a wonderful project for the town especially with it being vacant for a number of years.

Councilman Cordero asked if they sell siding and building materials more of a wholesale?

Mr. Chabot, responded yes, all exterior materials (windows, siding, paint, doors, roofing)

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

Valerie Forte, 29 Sungrove Lane, wanted to know what it was zoned prior to the Hotel, and if possibly it was General Industry?

Supervisor Giunta responded it was always General Business.

Supervisor Giunta asked if anyone else had anything?

Hearing none closed the public hearing at 7:29pm.

**SEQRA RESOLUTION IN CONNECTION WITH THE PETITION OF  
STEPHEN CHABOT/ERIE MATERIALS, INC. TO REZONE PROPERTY  
LOCATED AT 911 BROOKS AVENUE FROM A GENERAL BUSINESS (GB)  
DISTRICT TO A GENERAL INDUSTRIAL (GI) DISTRICT**

**RESOLUTION 61-25**

Motion by Supervisor Giunta who moved its adoption:

Seconded by Councilman Cordero

**WHEREAS**, Stephen Chabot/Erie Materials, Inc. submitted a petition to rezone certain property at 911 Brooks Avenue from a General Business (GB) District to a General Industrial (GI) District; and

**WHEREAS**, said application is subject to review under New York's SEQRA requirements;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the Town Board of the Town of Gates that based upon the review of the petition and related documents presented therewith, the proposed action is an **Unlisted Action** pursuant to SEQRA and that said action will have no significant adverse impact upon the environment.

VOTE: Giunta – Aye; DiPonzio – Aye; Cordero - Aye; Loughlin –Aye;

**Motion Carried.**

**A PETITION TO CONSIDER A ZONING CHANGE FOR STEPHEN CHABOT  
TO OPERATE ERIE MATERIALS, INC. LOCATED AT 911 & 0 BROOKS AVE.  
IN A GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT TO A GENERAL INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT**

**RESOLUTION 62-25**

Motion by Supervisor Giunta who moved its adoption:

Seconded by Councilmen DiPonzio and Loughlin

**WHEREAS**, Stephen Chabot/Erie Materials, Inc. submitted a petition to rezone certain property at 911 Brooks Avenue from a General Business (GB) District to a General Industrial (GI) District; and

**WHEREAS**, all of the properties adjacent to the parcel which is the subject of the petition are zoned GI, thus zoning of the subject parcel is inconsistent with the predominant zoning in that part of the Town of Gates; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed zoning change is consistent with the Town of Gates Zoning Map and Zoning Plan, and will, in fact, make the zoning in that part of the Town of Gates more consistent than it is currently; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed zoning change serves the general welfare of the Town of Gates; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board of the Town of Gates did heretofore issue a resolution and negative declaration determining that the proposed zoning change has no significant adverse environmental impact;

**NOW. THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the Town Board of the Town of Gates as follows:

SECTION I. That by adoption of this resolution, the town Board does hereby elect to rezone the property known as and located at 911 Brooks Avenue, Town of Gates New York from General Business (GB) to General Industrial (GI).

SECTION II. That the bases for this determination were listed above and include, but are not limited to:

- a) the rezoning accomplishes the goals underlying the Gates Zoning Code;
- b) the rezoning will allow the redevelopment of the property which is currently vacant and abandoned, and return it to the productive tax rolls of the Town of Gates; and
- c) that no member of the public expressed any opposition to the proposal at the public hearing regarding the same, held on March 2, 2026

VOTE: Giunta – Aye; DiPonzio – Aye; Cordero - Aye; Loughlin –Aye;

**Motion Carried.**

**TO REVIEW LOCAL LAW #1-2026 TO AMEND THE RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS  
FOR THE POSITION OF SUPERINTENDENT OF  
HIGHWAYS FOR THE TOWN OF GATES**

Supervisor Giunta stated this would be the first Local Law passed this year and the reason for this local law is to change residency requirement for the position of Highway Superintendent. He continued by saying that this position was vacated in January of this year with the resignation of the Highway Superintendent and that since then they've been searching for candidates. Many candidates that applied reside outside of Gates and because of it were able to find a Gates candidate.

Attorney John DiCaro explained that Town Law requires the house superintendent be a resident, however the New York Municipal Home Rule Law allows the Town Board to make this alteration in this type of situation, when it broadens the pool of potential applicants. This action is consistent with the Municipal Home Room Law.

Supervisor Giunta stated this amendment would be in Chapter 36 Officers and Employees of the Gates Town Code. This was available for review with the Town Clerk's office during this time.

Supervisor Giunta asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak on this. Hearing none closed the public hearing at 7:32pm.

Supervisor Giunta continued and asked that this local law be passed and as with any local law that a SEQR also be passed.

**NEGATIVE DECLARATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE  
INTRODUCTORY LOCAL LAW #1-2026  
AMENDING CHAPTER 36, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES, ADDING ARTICLE III,  
ESTABLISHING RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF  
HIGHWAYS**

**RESOLUTION 63-25**

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

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board of the Town of Gates did hold and conduct a public hearing to consider the enactment of Introductory Local Law #1-2026 which public hearing was held and conducted at a regular meeting thereof held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2026 at 7:00 pm at the Gates Community Center, 1605 Buffalo Road, Rochester, New York 14624; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board of the Town of Gates is desirous of enacting such Local Law; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary for the Board to consider the impact of such Local Law upon the environment pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the enactment of legislation is a purely administrative function and as such is a listed Type 2 Action, and Action that requires no further environmental review;

**NOWTHEREFORE**, be it RESOLVED by the Town Board of the Town of Gates, Monroe County, New York as follows:

SECTION I. That by the adoption of this resolution the Town Board of the Town of Gates declares itself to be lead agency with respect to the consideration of the adoption of the proposed Local Law.

SECTION II. That the Town Board finds and determines that such legislative action is a Type 2 Action and as such is an Action that will have no significant adverse environmental impact and this resolution shall be considered a Negative Declaration pursuant to the provisions of SEQ. R.

SECTION III. That the town Board may take such further action with respect to such proposed Local Law without further regard to SEQ. R.

VOTE: Giunta – Aye; DiPonzio – Aye; Cordero - Aye; Loughlin –Aye;

**Motion Carried.**

**RESOLUTION INTRODUCING AND ADOPTING LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF 2026  
TOWN OF GATES, COUNTY OF MONROE, STATE OF NEW YORK**

**RESOLUTION 64-25**

Motion by Councilman Cordero who moved its adoption:

Seconded by Councilman DiPonzio

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board of the Town of Gates has determined that it is in the best interest of the Town to amend Chapter 36, Officers and Employees, of the Town Code to add Article III establishing residency requirements for the Superintendent of Highways; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board has reviewed the proposed local law; and

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing was duly scheduled and held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2026, at which all persons wishing to speak were heard;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Local Law No. 1 of 2026, titled “A Local Law Adding Article III to Chapter 36, Officers and Employees, Establishing Residency Requirements for the Superintendent of Highways,” is hereby adopted; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town Clerk is directed to file said local law with the Secretary of State pursuant to the Municipal Home Rule Law.

**INTRODUCTORY LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF 2026  
TOWN OF GATES, COUNTY OF MONROE, STATE OF NEW YORK**

A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND CHAPTER 36, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES, OF THE TOWN CODE BY ADDING ARTICLE III ESTABLISHING RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS

**Section 1. Title.**

This local law shall be known as “A Local Law Adding Article III of Chapter 36, Officers and Employees, Establishing Residency Requirements for the Superintendent of Highways.”

**Section 2. Legislative Intent.**

The Town Board finds that the Town of Gates will benefit from expanding the pool of qualified candidates eligible to serve as Superintendent of Highways by permitting residency outside the Town while maintaining reasonable geographic proximity. The Board further finds that this local law is necessary to supersede certain provisions of New York State Public Officers Law and Town Law that would otherwise require local residency or elector status.

### **Section 3. Amendment to the Town Code.**

Chapter 36 of the Town Code, titled “Officers and Employees,” is amended to add a new Article III, to read as follows:

## **Chapter 36 Officers and Employees**

Amended to add a new Article III, to read as follows:

### **Article III Superintendent of Highways**

#### **§ 36-10 Residency requirements; Superintendent of Highways**

A person may not hold the office of Superintendent of Highways for the Town of Gates unless such person is a citizen of the United States and a resident of the County of Monroe and the State of New York. However, a person may hold the office of Superintendent of Highways for the Town of Gates whether or not such person is a resident of the Town of Gates and/or an elector of the Town of Gates. The provision of this article stating that a person may hold the office of Superintendent of Highways whether or not such person is a resident of the Town of Gates and/or an elector of the Town of Gates shall supersede the requirement of local residency set forth in § 3, Subdivision 1, of the Public Officers Law of the State of New York and shall also supersede the requirement of being a local elector set forth in § 23, Subdivision 1, of the Town Law of the State of New York.

### **Section 4. Severability**

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law is adjudged invalid, such judgment shall not affect the remainder of this local law.

### **Section 5. Effective Date**

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

VOTE: Giunta – Aye; DiPonzio – Aye; Cordero - Aye; Loughlin –Aye;

**Motion Carried.**

### **7:30PM      REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING**

Supervisor Cosmo Giunta welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:33PM. 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 Regular Town Board Meeting minutes from the Monday, February 2, 2026.

### **RESOLUTION 65-26**

Motion by Councilman DiPonzio who moved its adoption:

Seconded by: Councilman Cordero

Resolved, that the Gates Town Board hereby Accepts the Minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting of Monday, February 2, 2026. There being no revisions or omissions to them, stand approved as drafted.

VOTE: Giunta – Aye; DiPonzio – Aye; Cordero -Aye’ Loughlin – Aye;

**Motion Carried.**

## AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

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

Rebekah Klingensmith, 1629 Chili Ave she a property owner for three years and wants to highlight dangerous traffic behavior and safety concerns on Chili Ave. She's claiming there is evidence to show drivers are speeding and violating the posted 40 mile an hour speed limit. She has been working on getting signatures from local residents and has already highlighted this issue with Police Chief Rob Long and his office along with State Police, but after requesting special attention hasn't seen clear action or results. Looking at State Department of Transportation speed data, there is documented 10-year of consistent non-enforcement. It shows that 85% are diving more 50 mph and some are driving closer to 60 mph especially at rush hours and between 9pm and 1am. This is a pedestrian heavy road connecting with RTS bus stops and with the added Chipotle this summer creates major concern. It's a risky road for residents and meal deliveries.

Ms. Klingensmith is asking the Town Board to work directly with the Gates Police Department to actively enforce the 40mph speed limit.

Supervisor Giunta, that we can do and agreed with Ms. Klingensmith people do speed down that road and asked the Chief is he could add some extra patrol details and get our traffic a bit more controlled. Chili Ave is a state road, but we will try to enforce more so. He thanked her for bring this matter to the board and added, we'll do our best to address this.

Lucy Pickett, 90 Youngs Ave added at the cross intersection of Long Pond and Spencerport Rd in the past 5-years there is many more people walking and riding their bikes and is really unsafe for them to cross. She asked if there is a way to have crosswalks lights put in?

Supervisor Giunta, clarified that Spencerport Rd is a State road and Long Pond Rd is a County road. He has actually reached out tot the county for a crosswalk in that vicinity more towards Lions Park area, but has received push back, saying there is not enough foot traffic, but he will continue to ask and try to advocate for it. Spencerport Rd will be repaved this from Howard Rd to Washington St., so maybe during that time, we can ask about putting a crosswalk there, with possible flashing light. He added she can reach out to the county and state as well.

Councilman Loughlin added there is a school along that path, North Star

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

## OLD BUSINESS

None

## NEW BUSINESS

### CONSIDER RENEWALS OF THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS FOR THE FOLLOWING:

**BURGER KING, 4 SPENCERPORT RD.; WESTSIDE FAMILY YMCA,  
920 ELMGROVE RD.; DUNKIN' DONUTS, 1578 SPENCERPORT RD.;  
MEDHANE ALEM ERITEAM ORTHODOX TEMAHD, 2445 LYELL RD.;  
JERSEY MIKES SUBS, 20 SPENCERPORT RD.; JAM INDUSTRIAL, 200 PIXLEY RD.;  
SAVASTANO'S BAKERY, 466 SPENCERPORT RD.' NATIONAL ENTERTAINMENT  
NETWORK, 2150 CHILI AVE. (INSIDE Walmart); LEVANTINE'S SYRIAN CAFÉ &  
CUISINE, 750 EMGROVE RD.; ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH, 1492 SPENCERPORT 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 66-26**

Motion by Councilman Loughlin who moved its adoption:

Seconded by Councilman DiPonzio

Resolved, that the Gates Town Board hereby approves the renewal of the Conditional Use Permits on mass for the following: Burger King, 4 Spencerport Rd.; Westside Family YMCA, 920 Elmgrove Rd.; Dunkin' Donuts, 1578 Spencerport Rd.; Medhane Alem Eriteam Orthodox Temahdo, 2445 Lyell Rd.; Jersey Mikes Sub, 20 Spencerport Rd.; Jam Industrial, 200 Pixley Rd.; Savatano's Bakery, 477 Spencerport Rd.; National Entertainment Network, 2150 Chili Ave. (inside Walmart); Levantine's Syrian Café & Cuisine, 750 Elmgrove Rd.; St. Nicholas Church, 1492 Spencerport Rd.

VOTE: Giunta – Aye; DiPonzio – Aye; Cordero – Aye; Loughlin – Aye;

**Motion Carried.**

**RECINDING THE APPOINTMENT OF BRITTANY ATTWOOD AS COURT CLERK AND APPOINTING DANIELLE WALKER AS COURT CLERK FOR TOWN JUSTICE PETER PUPATELLI FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2026.**

**RESOLUTION 67-26**

Motion by Councilman Cordero who moved its adoption:

Seconded by Councilman DiPonzio

Resolved, that the Gates Town Board hereby Rescinds the appointing of Brittany Attwood as Court Clerk and appoints Danielle Walker as Court Clerk for Town Justice Pete Pupatelli for the remainder of 2026.

VOTE: Giunta – Aye; DiPonzio – Aye; Cordero - Aye; Loughlin – Aye;

**Motion Carried.**

**APPOINTING NICK SANTILLO AS THE SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAY FOR THE GATES HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

Supervisor Giunta, this would be an interim appointment until the Local Law amendment goes to the state and confirmation has been received that it was accepted. At that time, it would be a permanent appointment for the remainder of the year.

Councilman Cordero added Nick has done a great job and has really stepped up and feels he'll continue to do a great job for the town.

**RESOLUTION 68-26**

Motion by Councilman Cordero who moved its adoption:

Seconded by Councilman DiPonzio

Resolved, that the Gates Town Board hereby Appoints Nick Santillo as the Superintendent of the Highway for the Gates Highway Department.

VOTE: Giunta – Aye; DiPonzio – Aye; Cordero - Aye; Loughlin – Aye;

**Motion Carried.**

Supervisor Giunta, working with Nick who has been a town employee for the past seven years, has in the past couple months has really stepped it up on the day to day activities and is here for the residents and will serve them and the town well.

Councilman DiPonzio added, even though Nick does not currently live in the town of Gates, he grew up here and is a Gates Chili graduate, his parents still live in Gates and has many ties to the town.

**SCHEDULING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR  
MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2026 AT 7:15PM  
TO CONSIDER A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT  
FOR ERIC MILLER TO OPERATE HEMPIRE STATE  
LOCATED AT 2340 LYELL AVE. IN A GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT**

**RESOLUTION 69-26**

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

Resolved, that the Gates Town Board hereby schedules a Public Hearing on Monday, April 6, 2026 at 7:15pm at the Gates Town Hall located at 1605 Buffalo Rd., Rochester, NY 14624 to consider a Conditional Use Permit for Eric Miller to Operate Hempire State located at 2340 Lyell Ave in a General Business (GB) District.

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

**NEW BUSINESS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Councilman Loughlin reminded everyone of the St Patrick’s Day Parade and that Gates has a float in it.

Supervisor Giunta people have been calling about a meeting that is being held at the town hall on Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. A letter went out from an interested group to propose a school and community center at 2600 Buffalo Rd the old Delta House / Howard Johnson area. All are welcome to attend, it is an informational meeting, nothing is set in stone.

Councilman DiPonzio asked for everyone to keep our Military in their thoughts and prayers

**REPORTS**

**SUPERVISOR’S**

**ACCEPTING THE SUPERVISOR’S REPORT FOR THE  
MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2026**

**WARRANTS**

**GENERAL**

CLAIMS # A26-0071 – A26-0149	\$124,373.98
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**HIGHWAY**

CLAIMS # D26-0025 - D26-0062	\$181,716.34
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**LIBRARY**

CLAIMS # L26-0012 – L26-0042	\$68,892.79
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**TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS** **\$2,117,615.83**

**TOTAL RECEIPTS** **\$8,943,632.64**

Supervisor Giunta noted for the record that the warrants for the month of February 2026 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 70-26**

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

Resolved, that Gates Town Board hereby accepts the Supervisor's Report for the month of February 2026 as read; and the warrants for the month of February 2026 as read.

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

**ACCEPTING THE TOWN CLERKS REPORT FOR  
THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2026**

The Town Clerk read the report for the month of February 2026 showing the following:

TOTAL REVENUE COLLECTED \$59,094.15

TOTAL REVENUE TO THE SUPERVISOR \$58,805.93

TOTAL NON-LOCAL REVENUE \$288.22

**RESOLUTION 71-26**

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

Resolved, that Gates Town Board hereby accepts the Town Clerk's report for the month of February 2026.

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

**PERSONAL STATUS REPORT**

The Deputy Town Clerk presented the Personnel Status Report for the Month of February 2026.

Additions: 1 (Assessors Office)

Terminations: 0

Net Change: 1

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

Supervisor Giunta adjourned the meeting at 7:53 PM.

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Town Clerk