

January 2, 2024

The Town of Gates Organizational Meeting was held on Tuesday, January 2, 2024 at 9:00 AM in the Gates Town Hall, 1605 Buffalo Road. Those in attendance were as follows:

Supervisor	Cosmo A. Giunta
Councilman	Lee A. Cordero
Councilman	Christopher B. DiPonzio
Councilman	Andrew Loughlin
Councilman	Steve Tucciarello
Town Attorney	Daniel G. Schum
Town Clerk	Veronica Owens

Supervisor Giunta called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. He began with a moment of silent prayer and lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Before beginning the agenda, formal Introductions and Oath of Office were administered to the re-elected Town Board members; Supervisor Cosmo A. Giunta, Councilman Chris DiPonzio, Councilman Steve Tucciarello.

Supervisor Giunta stated that agendas were available for the audience and he would go through each item and on to the next, unless there was a need for discussion. Roll-call votes would be waived unless called for by a member of the Board.

Councilman Tucciarello requested that the Agenda items #1-24-#35-24 be approved in their entirety including the items discussed further.

RESOLUTION: 1-24 through 35-24: Motion by Councilman Tucciarello who moved its adoption:

Seconded by Councilman DiPonzio

Resolved, that the Gates Town Board hereby approves the Resolutions 1-24 through 35-24 in Mass.

VOTE: Giunta-aye; DiPonzio-aye; Cordero-aye; Loughlin-aye; Tucciarello-aye

Motion Carried

(THE AGENDA IS ATTACHED TO THESE MINUTES FOR REFERENCE.)

Supervisor Giunta, pointed out Resolution #2-24: that Robert MacClaren, Phillips Lytle LLC be and hereby is appointed as Assistant Attorney for the Town year 2024, at a salary of \$2,500. The additional responsibility will help the town with Code matters and dog control.

He also made mention of:

Resolution #3-24: that Jacob Ark be and hereby is appointed as Assistant Town Prosecutor for the year 2024 at an annual salary of \$1,650. The reason being when the Town Prosecutor goes on vacation there will be a back-up.

Resolution #19-24: a position has been created, of Captain of the Gates Police Department. Matt Pascarella will be appointed as Captain for the year 2024, with the base salary set at \$128,000 plus all benefits of the Police contract with the exception of overtime;

Resolution #31-24: the regular meeting nights of the Gates Town Board be designated as the first Monday of each month and also the third Monday at 6:30pm of the month to be utilized as a workshop meeting or at such other time as may be designated by the Board. All regular Town Board meetings to convene at 7:30 P.M. and all meetings to be held at the Gates Town Hall in the Community Center Meeting Room, 1605 Buffalo Rd., unless the location and/or time is changed by Town Board Resolution. Special Meetings may be held on call pursuant to Town

Law, and that one regular Town Board meeting which usually is held on the first Monday of the month be rescheduled is: Monday, September 2nd to Tuesday, September 3rd (due to Labor Day),

There being no further business to come before the Town Board, Councilman DiPonzio motioned to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Tucciarello second the motion. All were in favor; the motion carried. Supervisor Giunta Thanked everyone for attending and wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Town Clerk