

GATES DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE PLATFORM 2011

OPEN TOWN GOVERNMENT, BY

- a. Changing Town Budget hearing to BEFORE Election Day
- b. Expand budget document to allow better analysis of department by department efficiency and year to year expenses
- c. Developing online Town suggestion form
- d. Posting town job opportunities online
- e. Publicizing pre-agenda meetings of Gates Town Board in Town Board online agenda
- f. Posting Gates road criteria along with dates of planned improvements
- g. Creating a Town Communications Task Force

ENSURE EFFICIENT TOWN GOVERNMENT, BY

- a. Creating a Budget Review Task Force to get community feedback on town budget
- b. Working with other towns to maximize group purchasing benefits.
- c. Examining town investment policy to maximize earnings from tax dollars.
- d. Capping town benefits contribution
- e. Creating employee focus groups to gather cost saving suggestions
- f. Evaluating usage of town provided vehicles
- g. Reconsidering cost of living adjustments for town salaries

PROVIDE FOR BETTER TOWN STEWARDSHIP, BY

- a. Encouraging public feedback on improving town appearance
- b. Working with Gates Historical Preservation Commission to complete Historic Structures Report by 2011.
- c. Working with Recreation Commission to identify future green space opportunities.

PLAN FOR A BETTER GATES FUTURE, BY

- a. Redoing the Gates Master Plan to provide a clear vision for Gates' future
- b. Working with Monroe County to develop solutions to Gates drainage problems
- c. Improving town owned roads, sidewalks and crosswalks
- d. Promoting more neighborhood associations to build sense of community
- e. Beginning bicentennial planning for 2013
- f. Working to provide more 'Aging in Place' services for growing senior population

AND ABOVE ALL PUTTING THE 'SERVANT' BACK IN PUBLIC SERVANT

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