

VICTORIA GEARITY Mayor

VILLAGE OF OSSINING

Municipal Building

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Snow Storm Management Pros

Overnight the Village Public Works team was out in force clearing the roadways. By most reports, rush hour went smoothly, if a little delayed. Thank you also to our firstresponders for the extra work you put into keep us safe during challenging weather .

Last week we held two Village Board meetings. On Monday we met at the Community Center to make up for the meeting that had been postponed due to snow the previous week. ETPA, the NYS rent stabilization program, now applies differently in the village. Ossining continues to

have about 1000 units in the ETPA program, which is more than twice any other village or town. The resolution passed on Wednesday establishes two exempt classes of buildings. Buildings with 6-17 units are exempt from ETPA. And larger buildings can choose to join an exempt class if they designate one fifth of their units to be provided at affordable rates for tenants based on financial need. <u>Click here to view the meeting agenda, video and supporting material</u>.

Wednesday's work session focused on a discussion about the potential development of a mixeduse mixed-income project on village-owned land. We are very fortunate to have the NYS Department for Homes and Community Renewal, Westchester County government, and nonprofit affordable housing agencies supporting our effort to consider this opportunity. <u>Click</u> <u>here to view the meeting and learn more about how this initiative can be an economic catalyst for</u> <u>the village</u>. It is worth noting, that we have already reached out to Ossining School District leaders to have preliminary conversations about how we can work collaboratively in this effort to benefit the whole community.

Community Connections

Open Office Hours with the Mayor will take place tomorrow from 10am-12noon in the Board of Trustees office on the first floor of Village Hall. No appointment is necessary, and all are welcome to discuss any topic, concern or idea of interest to you.

Have a burning question or idea, at any hour of the day or night?... Email me (mayor@villageofossining.org), the Board of Trustees (bot@villageofossining.org) or Village Manager Debbie McDonnell (dmcdonnell@villageofossining.org).

Wednesday Meeting

Because this week is a legislative session, there are a number of invitations for community members to comment. If you would like to spread the word about an upcoming event, please take up to two minutes during Organizational Announcements. Folks who would like to comment on the resolutions included on that night's agenda may do so for up to four minutes at the start of the Village Board Resolutions portion of the meeting. The meeting closes with an invitation for community members to comment for up to three minutes during Visitor Recognition about any topic of relevance to the common good of the Village.

To read the full agenda, click here.

With Regards,

Victoria Gearity, Ossining Mayor



Great News... Co-op and condo owners are now included on the list of eligible property owners who can access a \$200 voucher towards the purchase of a new EPA WaterSense®-labeled high-efficiency toilet.

Ossining is pleased to offer the Toilet Replacement Program to property owners in the Village and Unincorporated Town who are part of the Ossining Water System.

Be a conservation hero! If fully utilized, the Toilet Replacement Program can help save Ossining up to 7.3 million gallons of water per year!

Click here to learn more about the program and how you may participate!

