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### Have you pledged to go Car Free on Friday?

Have you checked out Lime Bikes yet? Download the app and your first ride is free! The Lime pop-up will be in Ossining all week. It's part of Ossining's approach to participating in Car Free Day which is happening on Friday!

Take the Car Free Day Hudson Valley pledge today! This is about much more than cycling! It's a global initiative to reduce the amount of single user vehicles on our roadways.

Car Free Day challenges us to explore transportation alternatives for just one day. If

you have a competitive streak, you'll definitely want to take the pledge. We are competing with other area municipalities, and at last check, Ossining was leading! But not by much. Take the pledge and learn more about transportation alternatives including Lime Bikes, 511RideShare, and more. Ossining's participation for the first time this year in the global Car Free Day, is made possible by the Village, Town and Green Ossining partnering together.

Last week's Work Session began with a presentation from members of the Landlord Tenant Relations Council. They provided us with a report of the cases they have heard so far, and encourage tenants of any building to ask for assistance in resolving an issue with an landlord or in gathering information about their rights by clicking here. The LTRC is working on resources that will soon be available to the whole community.

Village Engineer Paul Fraioli and Water Superintendent Andrew Tiess presented a report of public works projects underway. Of particular interest to anyone who uses Village roads are updates on paving and road restoration work. Two of the most notable roadways in need of restoration are Snowden Avenue and the Campwoods Road corridor. These projects are dependent upon the progress of infrastructure work by Westchester County and ConEdison respectively. It was reassuring to learn that communication between Village staff and their counterparts in these organization is somewhat improved. We are keeping our fingers crossed that the progress currently happening moves swiftly so that road restoration can take place prior to this winter. Click here to view the portion of the meeting regarding Public Works.

### Community Connections

**Open Office Hours** 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).

### **TONIGHT is the Village Board Meeting**

There is a special day and location for this week's Legislative Session. We will be meeting TONIGHT at 7:30pm in the Community Center. Tonight we will be voting on Proposed Local Law 5-2018, A Local Law Amending Chapter 162 (Housing/Property Maintenance And Building Code Administration) Of The Village Of Ossining Code. This law will be a substantial update to our building code with thoughtfully crafted provisions designed to strengthen the Village's ability to address vacant buildings, overcrowded housing, and illegitimate new businesses. As we expand the staff capabilities of the Building Department, it is essential that we also provide the legal mechanisms for their ability to effectively implement our goals for a safe and welcoming community.

We will also be voting on a resolution that will be sent to the Army Corp of Engineers and our federal elected representatives expressing our strong preference for forward-thinking long-term investment in storm management. You may click here to view last week's presentation from Riverkeeper's Jennifer Benson regarding the short-comings of this well-intended process from the federal government. The resolution states our opposition to the proposals currently included in their considerations, which would have on Hudson River communities like Ossining.

Because this week is a Legislative Session, there are a number of invitations for community members to publicly 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 tonight'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. We invite community members to reach out to us by email (bot@villageofossining.org) anytime.

With Regards,



Victoria Gearity, Ossining Mayor



### **Voter Registration**

Voters across the political spectrum will go to the polls on November 6 for the General Election. Do you or someone in your home need to update your voter registration? Now is the time! Click here for a voter registration form.

Will you or a member of your household be unable to vote in person on November 6? Whether it's because you are away at college, serving in the military, or experiencing an extended illness or disability, you can apply for an Absentee Ballot by clicking here.

