

VICTORIA GEARITY Mayor

VILLAGE OF OSSINING

Municipal Building

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Community Activism; Hidden Cove Next Steps

Last week folks came together to express gratitude for the tremendous activism from the Ossining community that made our NYS education funding much stronger than it would have been otherwise. Brava to this team of organizers and everyone who called, signed, faxed, and trekked to Albany.

At last week's legislative session there were two items related to the proposed Hidden Cove development, located at the site where the Brandreth Pill Factory once stood. Each resolution passed with a 3-2 vote, though interestingly not the same mix of yeas and nays. There are still elements of the site plan for this development that need to be resolved. Trustees and I expressed our resolute support for the Village Engineer's assessment regarding necessary water infrastructure upgrades for the

development. Also, the final decisions regarding preservation of the Office Building will still be reviewed for a certificate of appropriateness by the Historic Preservation Commission.

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).

Work Session

This week's work session includes continued discussion of proposed changes to parking regulations on a few downtown streets. We will also be considering a code change that will allow the Ossining Police Department to tow vehicles identified as scofflaws.

The proposed Hudson Steppe development located on State Street at the west end of Broad Avenue, has submitted a site plan for review by the village's land use boards. The current submission is almost the same as the previously approved submission whose approvals expired last fall. This week the Village Board will have an initial discussion of the requested waterfront special permit related to this proposed mixed use development of 189 units and the restoration of an historic home on the property.

On the lighter side, a resident has submitted a proposal for use of the kiosk at Henry Gourdine Park. This small structure was built as part of the Harbor Square development, but has yet to be used beyond the park bathroom, and its exterior walls as host for panels telling the history of Ossining's waterfront. To view the full work session agenda click here.

Work sessions are forums when the Village Board meets with staff and experts to get informed on potential action to be taken, and generally is not open for public comment. However, the public is invited to attend in person or to watch the meeting on television, <u>the village website</u>, or <u>YouTube</u>.

With Regards,

Victoria Gearity, Ossining Mayor



Green Your Garden

Green Ossining is partnering with the Greenburgh Nature Center to encourage folks to reduce food scraps in our waste stream and reduce storm water runoff, while helping your garden thrive!

<u>Click here to learn more</u> about these opportunities as well as Green Ossining's 9th Annual Earth Day Festival happening on Saturday, April 27!

