### **Assessment Board**

The Assessor's Office administers all aspects of real property assessment in the Town of Galway. The Assessor identifies all property in the Town and estimates the value of each parcel. The town, county, and school budgets determine the amount of tax to be raised. The Assessment determines the share each property owner will pay toward the total tax levy.

Our doors are always open and we're here to assist homeowners in any way we can. Please call (518) 882-6070 if you have any questions or concerns - We're here to serve YOU!

#### **Assessment Calendar**

March 1st - Deadline for exemptions. Taxable Status Date (Property inventory as of this date.) May 1st - Tentative Assessment Roll filed

1st Tuesday in June - Grievance Day (4pm - 8pm)
July 1st - Final Assessment Roll filed. Valuation Dates (Sales used through prior July 1st)

#### 2025 Grievance Day is June 3rd, 2025 4-8PM

2025 Assessment Roll will be available after May 1st through June 3rd, 2025, from 8AM-4PM, Tuesday – Thursday no appointment necessary to review assessment roll (located outside the Assessors office).

Assessor will sit with the 2025 Assessment Roll May 6<sup>th</sup> & 13, 1-4pm 2025, 1-4pm May 10<sup>th</sup> (by appt only) Any date may be scheduled after 4pm by appt 518-882-6070 ext 17

#### Services available at the Assessor's office

- Assessment rolls with cross reference by location and owners names.
- Tax Maps (Boundary lines of parcels and surrounding parcels)
- Property Record Cards Current owners, picture, sketch and inventory of every parcel
- Exemption Forms and assistance in filing
- Comparable assessments and comparable sales analysis

# **County Level Services**

All deeds, surveys and property transfers are recorded at the County Clerk's Office, 40 McMaster St., Ballston Spa.

### **Helpful Links**

- New York State Real Property Tax Services
- Property information within Saratoga County

#### **Exemptions Available (DEADLINE MARCH 1st)**

## **Exemption Info and Forms:**

Please click links below to access forms

- Alternative Veterans RP-458-a
- Cold War Veterans RP-458-b
- Disability RP-459-c
- Agricultural RP-305
- Grievance Form RP-524
- Grievance Instructions Form RP-524Ins
- Senior Low Income (Aged) Exemption RP-467
- Enhanced (Exemption 65+) RP-425E
- Enhanced (Exemption 65+) RP-425IVP

## **STAR Program**

New York State, through the STAR program, provides a credit for school taxes for all owner-occupied primary residence (including mobile homes in parks).

Basic STAR - is for all owner-occupied residences with annual income under \$500,000(new legislation for 2019) and no age requirement. Please register for STAR online at <u>STAR</u> if you are a new homeowner.

Enhanced (or Senior) STAR - is for owners 65 years of age or over (by 12/31 of the year you are applying for) with a 2023 income under \$107,300 for the 2025 tax year (the maximum income allowed changes every year).

You may register for STAR Credit by calling (518) 457-2036 or at www.tax.ny.gov/star

NEW FOR 2022 - NYS Law regarding mobile/manufactured homes in parks - Home owners are no longer eligible for the STAR exemption. Please register for STAR credit at <a href="STAR">STAR</a> or call 518-457-2036

## **Senior Exemption**

(For those with a lower income) RP467 & RP467-INS. Reduction in school and town and county taxes for qualified incomes. 65 years of age and income under \$37,500.( Annual renewal )

# **Disability Exemption**

RP459-c & RP459 INS. For owners under 65 years of age that quality for Social Security Disability and have a limited income.

## **Veterans Exemption**

RP458A or RP458B. Prior active duty with a DD214 discharge paper for military service is required. All dates of service qualify. Alternative vets are service during a foreign war period. Cold War Vets are service during peacetime.

## **Agricultural Exemption**

Must meet an income and acreage requirement or lease land to a farmer who does qualify.

## **Exemption Renewals**

Senior (Enhanced) STAR - Will no longer be mailed as they are now being automatically renewed at NYSDTF

Senior exemptions for lower income - mailed to homeowners in December

Disability exemption - mailed to homeowners in December

Agricultural exemption - mailed in September

No renewals are required for Basic / Enhanced STAR or Veterans Exemptions

March 1st of each year is the last day for filing information or exemptions for rolls and bills published during the next 12 months.