The Bozrah Senior Center is closed until further notice. Meals on Wheels program is currently on hold for new sign-ups. The program is running for those currently signed up. There is a waiting list for anyone who would like to sign-up. Contact PAM CONTINO (860-917-5672) if you would like to be put on the waiting list.

First Selectman’s Corner

The town hall is closed to general public access to make sure that the employees aren’t exposed and reduce the public exposure.

If there is something that you have to do at the town hall, call first and make arrangements with the party needed.

Almost everything can be done without coming to the town hall. Temperature screenings will now be required for entry to the town hall.

The number of the infected is going up in our region and now is the time to stay home and not expose yourself or others. It isn’t clear how long it will take to return to normal. Having low infection numbers for the next two weeks will be the key to getting back to normal, so stay at home and be safe.

Be aware of going to a store to just walk around. The larger stores are enforcing social distance rules and if you take a friend you could get kicked out of Costco.

The playscapes at the school and the recreation field are closed, along with the basketball courts.

If you are sick, call your doctor and see if you can get tested. If you are having trouble breathing or are in serious trouble call 911 and the EMT’s will show up. There is a mobile test facility at Backus Hospital, but it requires a doctor’s request for you to get tested.

Access to the food bank will be by phone request only. You may call the Town Clerk or the First Selectman and leave a request. Boxes can be picked up or delivered Thursday afternoon.

If you want something to do, consider helping us clean up the trash along the roads of Bozrah. Make sure and wear rubber gloves, and don’t touch your face.

Budget Approval Cycle

1. The Board of Finance meeting on April 13th will review the Board of Education and the Board of Selectman budgets on the computer meeting service Zoom, refer to the BOF Agenda for more information. The public will be able to watch/listen. There will be opportunities for public comment at the beginning and end of the meeting. We do not want to exclude anyone so if you don’t have computer access to the meeting you will be able to call in and participate over the phone.

2. The budgets for the Board of Education, Board of Selectman, and Capital Expenditures will be posted on the town’s website along with town finance data and mill rate history, and there will be at least two weeks for the public to comment by email before the finance board meets again. This is how the Board of Finance will get public input at a time when a public hearing will not be conducted to prevent having a gathering of people in accordance with the emergency orders.
3. There will likely be several finance meetings conducted in an online format so that the members can assess and comment on the budget requests, the fiscal health of the town, and the impact to the property tax payers. There is also the potential for additional meetings by the Board of Education and the Board of Selectman to adjust budgets based on feedback from the public and the Board of Finance.

4. During this process the Board of Selectman will meet, in accordance with the Governor’s Executive Order, and they will authorize the Board of Finance to approve the budgets instead of a town meeting or referendum. This is required to avoid large gatherings of people, again for everyone’s safety.

5. Once the Board of Finance has considered all of the variables and are satisfied with the budgets they will approve the budget.

6. The Board of Finance will approve a mill rate for property taxes in the upcoming year. The current mill rate of 27.5 mills has been in place for the last two fiscal years. Three years ago it was 28.5 mills and four years ago it was 27.5 mills.

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER
860-774-1253

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARIES

THE PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARIES FOR THE DEMOCRATIC AND REPUBLICAN PARTIES WILL BE HELD ON JUNE 2, 2020 FROM 6:00 A.M. TO 8:00 P.M. AT FIELDS MEMORIAL SCHOOL.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON MAY 12, 2020.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT THE REGISTRARS OF VOTERS AT: ROV@BOZRAHCT.ORG OR 860-889-2689 X 2

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FISH NIGHT (TO GO)
Friday, April 9, 2020
5-7 PM
Fish-n-Chips - $10
Sea Scallops - $15
Clam Strip Dinner - $8
Shrimp Dinner - $12
Fish Sandwich - $5
(with or without cheese)
French Fries - $3
Clam Chowder - $3
(New England or Rhode Island)
Clam Fritters (1/2 doz) - $4

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Have a great week  Carl Zorn