

**TOWN OF BOZRAH
TOWN HALL
1 RIVER ROAD
BOZRAH, CONNECTICUT 06334**

The **Bozrah Board of Selectmen** will hold a **REGULAR MEETING** on **TUESDAY, November 17, 2020 at 7 PM** using the computer meeting app zoom. This is being done to comply with the executive orders in place for the coronavirus pandemic state of emergency.

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AGENDA

- 1) Call to order/attendance
- 2) Public comment(s)
- 3) Approval of minutes from regular meeting on October 20, 2020
- 4) DEMHS official resolution approval
- 5) Fire truck pumper repair
- 6) COVID increases in Bozrah
- 7) Resolution for BOF for purchasing a new street sweeper
- 8) Approval to allow Maple Farms farmers market to host vendors off season at the park
- 9) Transfer Station Permit fee increase by \$10
- 10) Monthly reports
 - a. Troop K updates for September
 - b. Fire Marshall
 - c. Senior Center
 - d. Bozrah Food Bank
- 11) First Selectman update
 - a. Truck preparation for plowing in progress
 - b. Route 82 grass and slope stabilization not completed
 - c. Truck wash and garage expansion (looking to add to long term projects)
 - d. Wawecus Hill catch basin repairs
 - e. Leaf pickup
 - f. Tremendous job by the town clerk, registrars, and poll workers acknowledgement
- 12) Such other business as the Board votes to add
- 13) Public Comment(s):
- 14) Adjourn

Carl L. Zorn-First Selectman



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10/19/2020

Carl Zorn, First Selectman
Town of Bozrah
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Carl,

The following are activities conducted by the Fire Marshal's Office between 09/10/2020 thru 10/09/2020;

- Review of communications from the State of Connecticut DEMHS
- Data entry into fire department data base
- Co-ordination with Uncas Health District on First Responders notification of COVID-19 positive patient locations
- Fire Prevention program coordination with FMS
- Fire Officer III- Fire Marshal continuing education Windsor Locks 10 hours 9/23/2020
- Fire Officer III- Fire Marshal continuing education Windsor Locks 10 hours 10/7/2020
- Re-Inspection of 324 Fitchville Rd on proposed welding business
- Consultation Joe Cirrito on fire alarm installation of Knox Box on new building Stockhouse Rd

Annual Fire safety inspections;

- Norwich Animal Hospital
- Primitive Crow
- Mosiac
- Reliance House
- TVCCA
- 317 Fitchville Rd Apartments
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Submitted,

Thomas E Main Jr., Fire Marshal
Town of Bozrah

The Bozrah Food Pantry (BFP) continues to be well stocked and the schedule of Thursday 3:00 - 6:00 PM is working. Plans for Thanksgiving food distribution are being formulated.

This month we partnered twice with neighboring towns participating in the Federal Farmers to Families Food Distribution Program (F2F). The program provides pre-packaged food boxes to families and our drive through pickup location was at the North Franklin Municipal Center. The BFP provided boxes to Bozrah residents that were not able to drive to Franklin. I do not have a count of drive through pickups in North Franklin but we transported and provided F2F food boxes at the Bozrah Town Hall to eight families on October 10 and eighteen families on October 31. My thanks go out to Kelsey Allard (Franklin), Lynne Skinner, and Kathy Schoepfer.

The BFP had six regular requests for pickups prepared and given out. Each pickup is about a weeks worth of food for each participant.

BFP Regular Distributions to Bozrah residents:

10 adults

11 children

Food Donations:

Farmers to Families Food Distribution Program

Fitchville Baptist Church

Hillendale

BFP available money (Big Y gift certificates):

Beginning of month balance \$48.49

Money spent \$36.26 (bread, butter, cereal, juice, etc.)

End of month balance \$0.00 (A BFP debit card is in the works)

Sincerely,

Tom Ververis (BFP Coordinator)

OCTOBER 2020 SENIOR REPORT

-The Bozrah Senior Center is finally open for business! Since the end of March I have kept in contact with my seniors through mailings and phone calls. I made a few house calls to some, helping with groceries, bringing puzzles, etc. Just keeping communication open was so important. Many had started to feel isolated and lonely. I am happy to report that they all have stayed healthy!

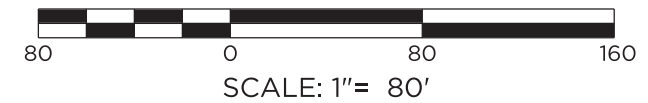
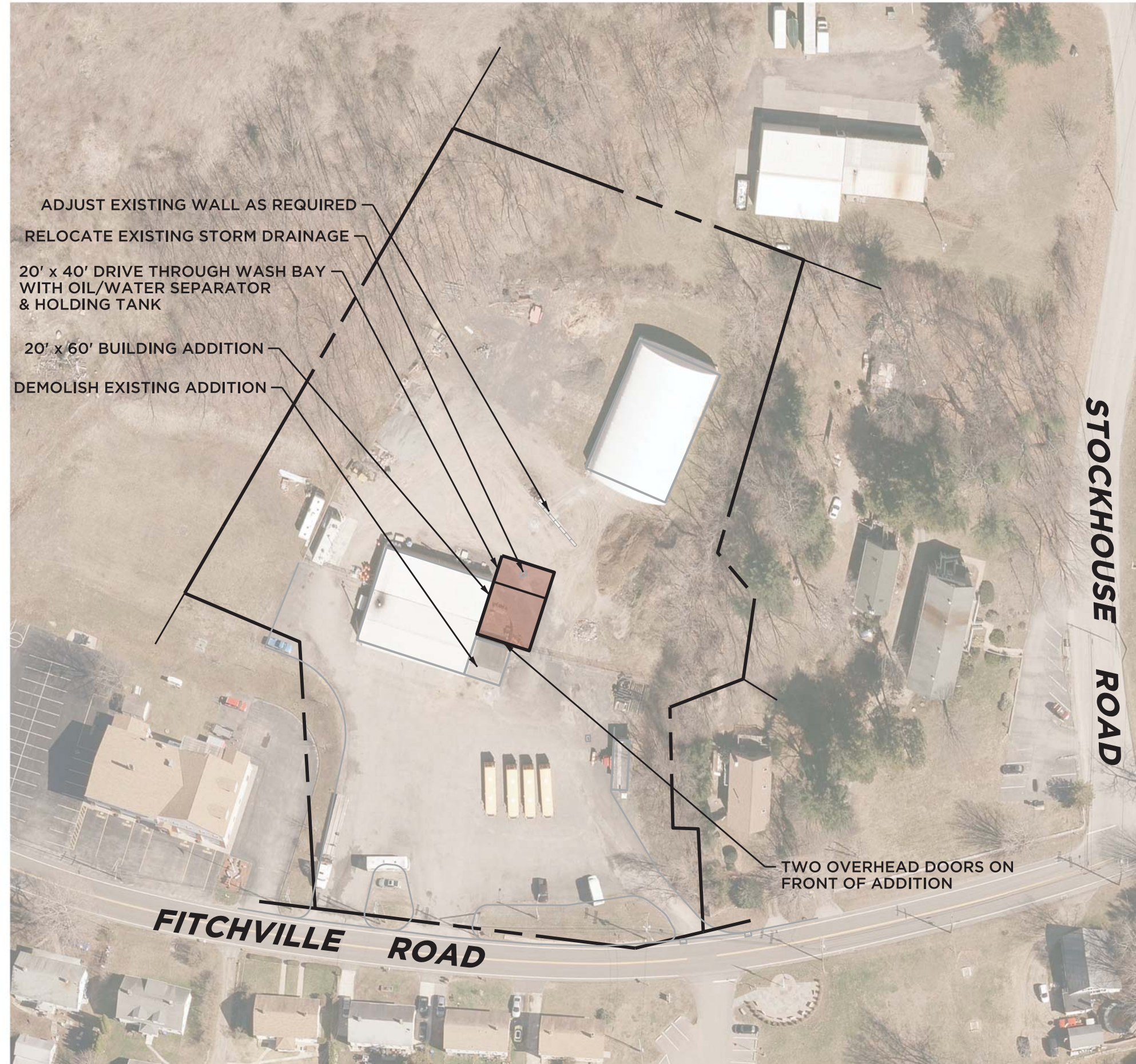
That being said, I followed ALL state guidelines and procedures lined out in order to reopen to ensure the safety of everyone. All the guidelines can be found in the documents I received from the state and then forwarded to the First Selectman back in August. I have a sanitization log, PPE, temp checks, and we are practicing social distancing. We opened on October 9th and I was so happy to welcome many seniors back. They were so happy to come and see their friends. Everyone loves the new and approved center too! I did a "soft" reopening, meaning, the center is open from 10-12 w/no lunch being served. I want to do this slowly to again ensure the safety of everyone. I am planning to resume the Café program starting November, as long as TVCCA is open and the Covid numbers don't increase.


-I helped a few seniors receiving Meal on wheels to adjust the dinners they received that they don't care for, to order dinners they do like. Also, right now is open enrollment for Medicare and I offered the seniors help from Jessalyn Peto, a Medicare specialist. They met her last year when I invited her to the center. Last year after meeting at the center she met with some of them individually to determine what plan worked best for them. She saved them an average of \$50 a month.

-Another program I found was The Farmer to Families program. It is funded through the Dept of Agriculture and provides families with boxes of food (5 lbs each of meat, dairy & produce) The last one was held in Preston and was a drive thru. Anyone can just drive up, pop your trunk, and drive away. Judy and I took a ride after the center closed and got a few boxes to distribute to the seniors the following week.

-The current balance for the Senior Center account is ~ \$2026.14

-Pamela Contino
Director/Municipal Agent



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TOWN OF BOZRAH
REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
BOZRAH TOWN HALL
October 20, 2020

Item 1: First Selectman Carl Zorn called a Special Meeting of the Bozrah Board of Selectmen (BOS) to order at the Town Hall on October 20, 2020 at 7:00p.m.

Members Present: First Selectman Carl Zorn, Second Selectman Bill Ballinger and Selectman Glenn Pianka.

Others Present: 6 members of the public

Item 2: Public Comments

No public comments.

Item 3: Approval of minutes from the Regular Meeting held September 15, 2020

B. Ballinger noted the date on the minutes should read, “ September 15”.

MOTION 1: B. Ballinger made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held September 15, 2020 as amended. G. Pianka seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous - **MOTION CARRIED**

Item 4: Monthly Reports

- a) Troop K Updates for September - Attachment 1
- b) Fire Marshal - Attachment 2
- c) Senior Center - Attachment 3

C. Zorn noted the Senior Center will be open to seniors with COVID-19 guidelines.

- d) Bozrah Food Bank - Attachment 4

Item 5: First Selectman Updates

- a) Tree Cutting in Progress

C. Zorn noted JSP is cutting the dead and damaged trees in town.

b) Route 82 grass and slope stabilization not completed

C. Zorn noted the Route 82 grass and slope stabilization has not been completed.

C. Zorn noted they placed a block at Maples Farm Park so visitors can not drive on the grass. C. Zorn also noted the crews are continuing with catch basin replacements on Wahconah Drive and Rosemary Lane. C. Zorn noted the water main break on Fitchville Road was repaired.

Item 6: Review Changes to Ordinance for Bozrah Rural Cemetery from Town to approve Bozrah Rural Cemetery Ordinance

C. Zorn noted the lawyer made comments on the Bozrah Rural Cemetery Ordinance and sent the suggested changes back to the Board. The other BOS members did not receive a copy of the comments, this will be revisited at the next meeting.

G. Pianka noted once they create a revised ordinance they will present it at a Town Meeting.

Item 7: Such other business the Board may vote to hear

G. Pianka noted his concern with the Senior Center opening. He also noted all town employees including DPW workers should be consistent in following COVID-19 precautions.

B. Ballinger agreed with the concern for the Senior Center opening. He noted they should do temperature checks and a log book. Diana Santo noted the Senior Center has a packet from the state which includes a sign in log and a cleaning log.

Item 8: Public Comments

Carl Zorn commenced on the hard work of Lynne Skinner and Sue Ververis on the election ballots.

Ray Barber, Goshen Road, commented on the Senior Center opening and the Town Hall.

Michel Leask, Scott Hill Road, commented on the COVID protocols in town.

Item 9: Adjourn

MOTION 2: B. Ballinger made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 p.m. G. Pianka seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous - **MOTION CARRIED**

Respectfully Submitted for the Board,
Heather Barber
Recording Secretary

November 11, 2020

Ladder 126 repair proposal:

The BVFC is under contact with the town of Bozrah. Per the contact, the BVFC is responsible for all repairs and maintenance to the rolling stock. If the BVFC spends over \$20,000.00 on repair and maintenance in a fiscal year the BVFC can put in for reimbursement for any monies over the \$20,000.00 and an additional \$5,000.00 to get the balance spent to \$15,000.00 for the fiscal year. Year to date the monies spent on repair and maintenance is \$5,971.17 as of 11/11/20.

The scope of the project is the total replacement of the 2000 gallon per minute pump on the 2004 American LaFrance, 65-foot ladder truck. Bulldog Fire Apparatus, located on Stockhouse Road in Bozrah, has recommended the replacement of the pump for the following reasons:

1. Due to the lack of availability of American LaFrance parts because they went out of business several years ago, the parts for the repair will be difficult if not impossible to find.
2. Replacing the pump with a Hale pump makes repairs and locating parts easier and less expensive in the future and will reduce down-time.
3. The new Hale pump will have a 1-year parts and labor warranty

The cost to replace the pump and the testing that will be necessary is \$32,523.31, of which \$2,165.41 is for service already completed for previous testing and diagnosing. The BVFC proposes funding this project as follows:

*BVFC will pay \$10,523.32

*Town of Bozrah will pay \$19,999.99

*Town Capital for BVFC \$2,000.00

For a total of \$32,523.31

This will bring the total cost of repair and maintenance for the fiscal year to date to \$16,494.48 for the BVFC. There is still 7 months left in the fiscal year and it is unknown how much more the BVFC will spend on repair and maintenance to the rolling stock. There could be the chance that we will exceed \$20,000 and would have to put in for reimbursement of funds at the end of the fiscal year.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me and I will be happy to answer them.

Chief Ryan Sholes

Bozrah Vol. Fire Co.