FIRST SELECTMAN’S CORNER

It may seem like winter is already over, but it is not. Slippery conditions from ice formed overnight can still occur and ruin your day.

The Town Clerk is still out on medical leave so wish her well, expect her back for 2 days a week starting in March. The office will return to a full schedule when she is ready. The Town Clerk’s office is closed next week for vacation and if absolutely necessary we can still get deeds recorded.

The Assessor’s office is closed next week for vacation. Property cards are available on the website, TownofBozrah.org under Services and then under Search for Property Card.

The renovations at the senior center are going well, the first bathroom is completed and we are creating a mechanical room that will separate out the second bathroom from the furnace and water heater. Thanks to everyone for their patience with the work.

Planning for the Memorial Day parade is underway, if you are interested in donating to the cause you can contact me or Ray Barber.

Asplundh is trimming trees and cutting brush along various streets to make sure that the power lines don’t get hit by tree branches. It may seem like they are going slow, but they are being thorough and trying to ensure that trees and branches don’t fall on the power lines. There are also restrictions on wind speed for being up in the bucket so they may not be able to work that day.

Dead trees are still a problem due to the ash borer killing the ash and oaks. We have spent the money we had budgeted for this year, and will resume next year. Help us identify trees that are dead and paint a white X on it for removal.
Carl Zorn
First Selectman

ELDERLY HOMEOWNERS’ CREDIT

The filing period for the Elderly and Totally Disabled Homeowners’ Credit is February 1, to May 15, 2020. 2019 income limits are $37,000 for unmarried and $45,100 for a married couple. This includes Social Security and any other income. Copies of your 2019 SSA-1099 and any other proof of income is required. If a Tax Return is filed, a copy of the Tax Return is also required. Applicants must have been 65 or older on December 31, 2019 or 100% Social Security disabled and must maintain their primary residence in Bozrah.

For further information please call the Assessor’s Office at 860-889-2689, ext. 205. Office hours are Tuesday – Wednesday 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. and Thursday 9:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARIES

The Presidential Preference Primaries for the Democratic and Republican Parties will be held on April 28, 2020 from 6:00 am to 8:00 pm at Fields Memorial School. School will be in session on this day, and voters will be required to enter AND exit the polling place through the outside cafeteria doors, NOT the main school entrance.
**TOWN CLERKS OFFICE LIMITED HOURS**

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, THE OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK WILL ONLY BE OPEN ON:

TUESDAYS, 9:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. AND
THURSDAYS, 9:00 A.M. – 6:00 P.M.

**HOPE IS GOOD**

Ryan Hutchinson is a Bozrah Firefighter

We are raising $25,000 for a Diabetes alert dog for Harrison Hutchinson. We were one of very few families chosen for their match program. SDWR will match up to $7,500 raised within the next 30 days and we are so grateful for this opportunity. Harrison has type one diabetes and was diagnosed at just ten months old and is now eighteen months old. Harrison has to have his finger pricked to test his blood sugar. He also needs to be injected with insulin every time he eats. We have used many therapies and treatment including a glucose monitor and insulin pump. They aren’t always accurate. It has been a long and daily struggle, sometimes even an hourly one with this permanent disability. This is why Harrison would really benefit from a diabetes alert dog. These dogs are trained to sense blood sugar highs/lows, call 911 in an emergency and retrieve vital resources like glucose tabs, juice and insulin when Harrison is feeling too weak. A service dog would mean no longer living in fear of Harrison falling into a diabetic coma in his sleep, no future fear of complicated school days and give us the peace of mind we need.

There is currently no cure for type one diabetes. I want to personally thank all of you for participating in this campaign. Your gracious efforts are appreciated more than words can say and will help provide a service dog that will protect Harrison from the tolls of this disability.

Sincerely,

Ryan and Danielle Hutchinson

Donate online: Tinyurl.com/harrisonsdog
Mail to PO Box 647 Madison, VA 22727

Checks payable to: SDWR Very important to put in memo (“In honor of Harrison Hutchinson”)

**BOZRAH AGRICULTURE COMMISSION**

**2020 AGRICULTURE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

The Bozrah Agriculture Commission sponsored scholarships will be awarded to one high school senior pursuing a higher education degree in agriculture and one 9th or 10th grader with an SAE project who best meets the requirements set forth by the Commission. Award amounts made by the Commission will be in the amount of $500.00 for one graduating senior and $250.00 for one SAE project, (in total, two scholarships will be awarded annually).

The Commission will review and score all submitted applications. Applicant’s references may be contacted by telephone or email. The Commission will interview applicants on March 24, 2020. The scholarship recipients will be notified by May 1, 2020 by mail and formal presentation of scholarships will be made at the Lebanon Regional FFA Chapter Banquet in May 2020. Students must be a resident of Bozrah, CT to be eligible. Scholarships are open to graduating high school seniors and students currently enrolled in 9th or 10th grade Vo-AG High School with an SAE project.

**Applications must be returned by: March 1, 2020 with all supporting documentation**

**ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER**

860-774-1253

**TOWN MEETINGS**

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Have a great week

Carl Zorn