

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

The **Bozrah Board of Selectmen** will hold a **REGULAR MEETING** on **TUESDAY, January 19, 2021** 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 December 15, 2020
- 4) Fire truck pumper repair---Repairs completed truck back in service
- 5) COVID increases in Bozrah----there have been a number of cases that have developed since last month, it is probably due to the mix of people at Xmas and New Year's. I might be because of the mutation of the virus, but it is hard to tell. If you have symptom's please consider getting tested.
- 6) Transfer Station Permit fee increase by \$10
- 7) Monthly reports
 - a. Troop K
 - b. Fire Marshall
 - c. Senior Center
 - d. Bozrah Food Bank

8) First Selectman update

- a. Backhoe repairs are in progress for antifreeze leaks and replacement of swing cylinders and bushings
- b. Route 82 grass and slope stabilization not completed, don't expect progress till April
- c. Truck wash and garage expansion (looking to add to long term projects, working with Matt Brown to reduce cost)
- d. Wawecus Hill catch basin repairs completed
- e. Looking for candidates for overlay when the asphalt plant opens. So far I believe we should do the portions of Caroline Road from 163 and slightly past Seymour's facility where the pavement is split. There are also several section along the side of Caroline Road that are breaking up. Hough Road has a section that needs new substrate where the road is collapsing. Sections of Cottage Road that will need the same substrate replacement and compaction. Are there other suggestions?

9) Set budget workshop dates

10) Such other business as the Board votes to add

11) Public Comment(s):

12) Adjourn

Carl L. Zorn-First Selectman

TOWN OF BOZRAH
REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
ZOOM-VIDEO CONFERENCE
December 15, 2020

Item 1: First Selectman Carl Zorn called a Regular Meeting of the Bozrah Board of Selectmen (BOS) to order via Zoom on December 15, 2020 at 7:05 p.m.

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

Others Present: 7 members of the public

Item 2: Public Comments

No public comments.

Item 3: Approval of the minutes from the Regular Board of Selectmen meeting held November 17, 2020 and the Special Board of Selectmen meeting held December 9, 2020

MOTION 1: B. Ballinger made a motion to approve the minutes for November 17, 2020 as written. G. Pianka seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous - **MOTION CARRIED**

MOTION 2: G. Pianka made a motion to approve the minutes for December 9, 2020 as written. B. Ballinger seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous - **MOTION CARRIED**

Item 4: Endorsement of Inland Wetlands partnership with Avalonia land trust

C. Zorn noted Avalonia is a land trust that places large pieces of land into trusts so they are not developed. C. Zorn noted the Inland Wetlands Committee is looking to expand open space in Bozrah. C. Zorn noted he is looking for the Board of Selectmen to endorse Avalonia to partner with the Inland Wetlands Committee.

G. Pianka noted his agreement to endorse Avalonia to create a partnership with the Inland Wetlands Committee. G. Pianka explained it should not be an exclusive partnership between the Inland Wetlands and one organization. B. Ballinger noted his agreement. C. Zorn noted it would not be an exclusive partnership.

MOTION 3: C. Zorn made a motion for the Board of Selectmen to endorse the partnership between the Inland Wetlands Committee and Avalonia on a non-exclusive basis. G. Pianka seconded the motion.

G. Pianka questioned if there are precautions taken at the Transfer Station like there are at the Town Hall. C. Zorn noted there is plexiglass at the Transfer Station and no one is allowed in the building.

Item 8: Transfer Station Repairs

C. Zorn noted in order to do work at the Transfer Station they need to obtain a state permit. C. Zorn noted he wants to hire Matt Brown from Anchor Engineering to apply for the permit.

B. Ballinger and G. Pianka noted their agreement.

Item 9: Transfer Station Permit Fee Increase of \$10

C. Zorn noted he increased the permit fee at the Transfer Station by \$10 starting this sticker year.

Item 10: First Selectmen Update

- a) Route 82 grass and slope stabilization not completed
- b) Truck Wash and Garage Expansion (looking to add to long term projects)

C. Zorn noted Matt Brown is collecting bids for the new fabric building and working on site details. He noted it is expected to cost about \$100,000.

- c) Wawecus Hill catch basin repairs

C. Zorn noted the catch basins had fallen in and have been worked on for the past few months.

Item 11: Monthly Reports

- a) Troop K Updates September-Attachment 3
- b) Fire Marshal-Attachment 4
- c) Senior Center-Attachment 5

C. Zorn noted they will be putting emergency alarms in the senior center bathroom. G. Pianka noted they should get inspected by the building inspector. G. Pianka also noted the building inspector should have made sure there are grab bars in the bathrooms as well.

- d) Bozrah Food Bank-Attachment 6

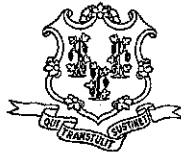
C. Zorn noted Tom Ververis is doing a great job at the food bank.

Item 12: Such other business the Board votes to add



Commanding Officer
Vacant

State of Connecticut



Connecticut State Police Troop K - Colchester



Executive Officer
Master Sergeant Eric Peck

Date: January 4, 2021

Mr. Carl Zorn
Bozrah First Selectman
1 River Road
Bozrah, CT 06334

Dear Mr. Zorn,

This correspondence is an effort to keep you apprised of the monthly police services occurring within the Town of Bozrah.

During the month of December 2020 the Troop K Troopers responded to 94 Calls for Service in the Town of Bozrah. Of these Calls for Service the most notable are:

Accidents:	6
Burglaries:	0
Larcenies:	0
Other Criminal:	0
Other Non-Criminal:	1
Non Reportable Matters:	76
Other Noteworthy Events (List):	N/A.

In addition to the above investigations Troopers conducted the following motor vehicle enforcement:

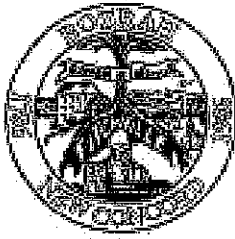
On-Sight DWI:	1
Traffic Citations:	8
Written Warnings:	2

Sincerely,

Master Sergeant Eric Peck #085

M/SGT Eric Peck #085
Acting Commanding Officer
Troop "K" Colchester, CT

15A Old Hartford Road
Colchester, Connecticut 06415
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1/15/2021

Carl Zorn, First Selectman
Town of Bozrah
1 River Rd
Bozrah CT 06334

Carl,

The following are activities conducted by the Fire Marshal's Office between 12/10/2020 thru 12/09/2021:

- 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
- Emergency Management Radio return and Pick-up East Lyme
- Phone discussion with Jack Santo on FMS fuel tank replacement
- Contacted and emailed Building Official Tom Weber on illegal caretaker apartment at Greenbriar commons

Annual Fire safety inspections:

- Breen Briar Commons
- Michele's Barbershop
- Kennedy Sheetmetal
- M&D Auto
- Main's Country Store
- Mid-City Steel
- Norwich Express
- Certa-Pro Painters
- Pete's Express
- Service Station Equipment
- Ulasik Sheetmetal
- Xylem (Godwin Pumps)

Submitted,

Thomas E Main Jr., Fire Marshal
Town of Bozrah

DECEMBER 2020 SENIOR REPORT

-For December we continued to operate safely, and temp checks and daily contact lists are still recorded. I have about 7 seniors attend weekly. We sent Christmas cards to the Veterans Hospital and collected donations of puzzles, paper, playing cards, etc.. to be distributed to them as well. We made bird feeders, played bingo, and enjoyed a small Christmas Party. I bought pizza, salad, and some desserts. I sent them home with a packet I put together with crossword puzzles, word searches, etc. to keep them busy over the New Year until we met the following Friday.

I'm trying to get my hands on some art supplies so we can do activities.

-We are still having a major trouble opening the front door on the library side of the center. In order to open the door I have to kick it open from the inside. The door latch does not always work and it appears that the door is rubbing on the metal plate on the bottom. Last month I had also asked that metal plates in the doorways inside be removed. It makes it very hard to get walkers and wheelchairs over.

-I want to thank the BPW for bringing me some salt/sand. I am having the seniors use the front door by the bathroom because the issue with other door, plus the ground is more level there and the pavement isn't all broken up like it is near the other door.

-The current balance for the Senior Center account is ~ \$2027. 14

-Pamela Contino
Director/Municipal Agent

BOZRAH FOOD PANTRY MONTHLY REPORT
DECEMBER 2020

The Bozrah Food Pantry (BFP) continues to be well stocked and the schedule of participants submitting requests by Wednesdays and pickups on Thursdays 3:00-6:00 PM is working. The guidance for preparing weekly food box items was formalized. Sixteen Bozrah families received holiday food Baskets on Saturday, December 19. Each basket contained either one frozen turkey or ham, canned vegetables, eggs, potatoes, onions, stuffing, gravy, fresh fruit, pie and a \$20 gift certificate to Bozrah pizza. Also, the families to farmers food distribution program provided each family with a box filled with one gallon of milk, five pounds of meat, five pounds of fruit and vegetables and five pounds of dairy. One "Town of Bozrah" reuseable grocery bag was given to each participant. Our thanks go out to the many generous Bozrah residents that contributed food items to make this happen and volunteers that helped during the drive-through at the Town Hall.

The BFP had five regular food requests from families for pickups prepared and given out. Each pickup is about a week's worth of food for each participant.

10 adults
12 children

Donations:

Bozrah Pizza
M&M Transport Services
Hillandale Farms
Electromechanical Specialists
Farmers to Families Food Distribution Program
Fields Memorial School staff
Bozrah Residents: Dr. John Bodin, Jackie Kremer, Linda Robbins, Barbara Gribbon, Pam Jaxheimer, Linzee Coleman-Bagge, and several anonymous Bozrah residents.

BFP Financials:

\$300 Stop & Shop gift cards from Fields Memorial School
\$166 cash/check from Fields Memorial School (Deposited)
\$100 check from Dr. John Bodin (Deposited)
\$500 check from M&M Transport Services (Deposited)

BFP Purchases with debit card:

\$76.18 Big Y (hams)
\$100 Shoprite gift card
\$39.17 (hams)

BFP purchases with gift cards:

Shoprite gift card
Beginning balance \$100.00
Pies, Brownie Mix: \$ 27.32
Ending Balance \$ 72.68

Stop & Shop gift card

Beginning balance \$400.00
Bread, Drink Mix: \$ 12.59
Bread \$.99
Ending balance \$386.42

Sincerely,

Tom Ververis (BFP Coordinator)

Linda Blinn-Smolen (BFP Coordinator)