



TWIB NOTES



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Town Website

February 19, 2021

Townofbozrah.org

The Bozrah Senior Center is open Fridays, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Bingo will begin at 10:30 a.m. and coffee will be served. There is limited seating at the senior center to ensure proper social distancing. The senior bus will run as usual. Temperature checks will be done at the door and masks will be required. Please do not come if you are, or have been recently ill. The TVCCA Café program is not running at this time. No lunches will be served until further notice. Please call Pam Contino (860-917-5672) if you need senior bus transportation or for more information.

FIRST SELECTMANS CORNER



To obtain the most up-to-date information regarding anything COVID, testing, vaccine, etc., please go to one of the following websites:

UNCAS HEALTH DISTRICT: doh@uncashd.org

STATE OF CT COVID:

<https://portal.ct.gov/coronavirus>

BOZRAH P&Z PUBLIC WORKSHOP

The Town of Bozrah Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a public workshop on the in-development Affordable Housing Plan on **Thursday, February 25th, at 6:30pm, over Zoom** teleconference. A citizen survey is also available at <http://tiny.cc/BozrahAHP> for Bozrah residents to offer additional input into the direction of the plan.

The Affordable Housing Plan is being developed in accordance with Connecticut General Statute 8-30j. The plan will identify ways in which the Town may accommodate growth in housing units affordable to lower- and moderate-income residents of the region. Prior to 2022, all Connecticut municipalities must adopt an Affordable Housing Plan. The plan is an opportunity to more closely examine housing needs and review how existing housing inventories and land use policies may or may not address those needs.

Zoom Instructions - Web:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84662462258> |

Call-in: +1 (929) 205-6099 | Meeting ID: 846 6246 2258

DRS – RESIDENT TAX FILING INFORMATION

DRS has made changes to the services the agency is providing to taxpayers. Most notably, DRS will **no longer send out bulk paper state tax forms or instructions to town halls or public libraries.**

In its place, DRS instituted several customer focused initiatives to assist CT taxpayers during this income tax filing season. Below is information for your knowledge.

Receive State Tax Forms by Mail

Tax payers may request for paper tax forms and instructions to be mailed to their home.

DRS Website

Taxpayers have the ability to access the tax forms and instructions from the DRS website and may download and print the forms. <https://portal.ct.gov/DRS>

Secure Videoconferencing

Taxpayers may schedule appointments to receive real-time tax assistance.

Drop Box

Tax payers may deliver, during normal business hours, hard copies of filings and payments to DRS Drop Box located in Hartford at 450 Columbus Blvd. The drop box will be monitored and emptied multiple times a day.

Online Filings

Free electronic filing of individual income tax forms.

<https://portal.ct.gov/DRS/TSC/TSC-Online>

CT STATE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION, HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

It is with great honor that the Connecticut State Firefighters Association has selected Raymond C. Barber for induction in the Connecticut State Firefighters Association Hall of Fame class of 2021. There were 10 applications received and of those, five were selected for induction.

A dinner will be held to honor Ray and his fellow recipients in September.

CONGRATULATIONS, Ray Barber, on your recognition for all that you have done for the fire service!!

ELDERLY HOMEOWNERS' CREDIT

Per Governor Lamont's Executive Order No. 10, dated February 4, 2021, he has suspended reapplication filing requirements for the Homeowners' - Elderly/Disabled and the Additional Veterans Tax Relief credit program. This means that if this was the year you were to reapply for either of these programs, you don't have to submit any paperwork. You will receive the same credit as last year.

If, however, you are applying for the very first time for either of these programs, you will need to meet the following requirements and submit the necessary documentation.

To qualify for the homeowners' credit, the applicant must have been 65 years old as of December 31, 2020 or totally disabled. Income limits including social security are \$37,600 for single and \$45,800 for married. The filing period is February 1st to May 15, 2021.

9 VOLT BATTERIES AVAILABLE

9 volt batteries are still available for townspeople to pick up at the town hall during regular business hours or at the Bozrah Fire House.

The applicant must show proof of income, including your 2020 Income Tax Return, if filed, 2020 Social Security SSA-1099 statement and any other form of income. Because of the Corona Virus, applicants are not required to come to the Assessor's Office to apply. You can mail, fax, or e-mail copies of your 2020, 1099 Social Security statement and Income Tax return to the town hall.

BOZRAH FOOD PANTRY

The Bozrah Food Pantry is available for Bozrah residents. Food request forms are available at the Town Hall and must be filled out by Wednesday each week for pickups on Thursdays from 3:00 p.m.- 6:00 p.m.

Donations of non-perishable food items can be dropped off at the Town Hall during regular business hours, or by contacting Tom Ververis (860) 334-7745 or Linda Blinn-Smolten (860) 334-4446.

BOZRAH AGRICULTURE COMMISSION

The Bozrah Agriculture Commission has a vacancy. Applicants should be Bozrah residents and have an interest in promoting and maintaining agriculture in our community. There are five meetings to attend per year. Interested parties can contact Sarah Brush at sarah.brush@att.net or at 860-383-9255.

BOZRAH MOOSE LODGE
115 Fitchville Road
Bozrah, CT 06334
Friday, February 19, 2021
5:00-7:00 PM
FISH AND CHIPS ONLY - \$10

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER
860-774-1253

<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME AND PLACE</u>
BOE – SPECIAL MEETING	Tuesday, February 23, 2021	6:30 P.M. ZOOM
BOS - BUDGET WORKSHOP	Wednesday, February 24, 2021	3:00 P.M. ZOOM
P&Z – PUBLIC WORKSHOP	Thursday, February 25, 2021	6:30 P.M. ZOOM

HAVE A GREAT WEEK **CARL ZORN**