



# ***TWIB NOTES***



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**Town Website**

**October 15, 2021**

**Townofbozrah.org**

## **First Selectmans Corner**

**Planning and Zoning Commission:** Held a Public Hearing at FMS on Tuesday evening which was attended by about 45 people. The application for Text Amendment changes to the Zoning Regulations that were to be proposed by GotSpace LLC (Data Center) was dismissed without prejudice due to the lack of representation by GotSpace. This means that a future re-application may occur. Many public comments were recorded for use in the evaluative process that will be undertaken by the Commission.

**Candidate Forum** This year we have three candidates for First Selectman and two for Selectman on the November ballot. A Candidates Forum will take place on Zoom on **Thursday evening October 21 from 6:30-8:30**. If you have questions for **ANY CANDIDATE FOR ANY OFFICE** on the ballot they must be submitted by October 18. If you are unable to listen in live, this Zoom format allows you to access and listen to the event at your convenience at a later date. See further information in this edition of TWIB.

**Community Clean-Up** Took place last **Saturday October 9.... A VERY SUCESSFUL** event !! **Thanks to ALL OF THE VOLUNTEERS** for caring about our community !!!

**Transfer Station** Many are asking about the status of the Transfer Station repairs and renovation. The updated report that I can give you, is that if all continues to go well, we should be back to normal by the end of this month. Again, I thank you all for your patience while we correct the many deficiencies that previously existed there.

**EVERSOURCE Helicopter activity** may be observed in the Stockhouse Road area on Wednesday October 20<sup>th</sup> while air crews perform service to the high tension lines in the area. **NO !!!.....The Town IS NOT** building an airport there 😊😊😊

**Town Clerk's Office** will be closed Monday, October 18<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, October 19<sup>th</sup>.  
If you need an absentee ballot, contact the town clerk's office.

**The Municipal Election** for the Town of Bozrah will be on Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at Fields Memorial School, 8 Bozrah Street Extension. Polls will be open from 6:00 am until 8:00 pm.  
Residents can check their voter status at: <https://portaldir.ct.gov/sots/LookUp.aspx> and also register to vote with a valid Ct driver's license at: <https://voterregistration.ct.gov/OLVR/welcome.do>

## **BOZRAH VOTER REGISTRATION**

A voter registration session will be held from 9 am to 8 pm on Tuesday, October 26 at the Bozrah Town Hall, 1 River Road. This session will be held at the Registrar of Voters office for the purposes of admitting electors to the Bozrah voter registry list.

## **BOZRAH FOOD PANTRY**

The Bozrah Food Pantry is available for Bozrah residents. Food request forms are available at 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 Town Hall during regular business hours or by contacting Tom Ververis (860) 334-7745 or Linda Blinn-Smolen (860) 334-4446.

**FREE EVENT: 1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL TRUNK OR TREAT, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28, 6:00 p.m. till 7:00 p.m.**  
**For kids up to 8<sup>th</sup> Grade**  
**Elmbrook Village at Bozrah, 860-861-9704**

**ASSESSOR'S OFFICE  
2021 PERSONAL PROPERTY LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice is given pursuant to the Connecticut State Statute 12-40:

Each person or business, including home based operations, liable to pay taxes to the Town of Bozrah, is hereby notified that he/she is required, by law, to return to the Assessor, on or before November 1, 2021, a list of all taxable personal property, a properly signed personal property form belonging to him or her and liable to taxation in said town on October 1, 2021. Assets include, but are not limited to unregistered motor vehicles, manufacturing machinery and equipment, office furniture and equipment, farm machinery and tools, horses/ponies, mechanics tools, EDP equipment, cables and conduits, leased equipment, etc. Failing to do so by November 1<sup>st</sup> will incur a 25% penalty (pa 87-245). The farming and manufacturing exemption filing is also due November 1<sup>st</sup> in order to receive your exemption. If you have not received a form in the mail, please call the Assessor's Office at 860-889-2689 ext. 205. Failure to receive a form does not excuse a property owner from filing.

**Please Join us for a Virtual Q&A!  
Meet the Candidates in our November Election  
When: Thursday, October 21 from 6:30-8:30 pm  
Platform: Zoom (link available by October 10)**

We are excited to invite you to this virtual opportunity to get to know the candidates running for office in Bozrah's November election. All candidates on the November ballot are invited to participate.

**Please email your questions no later than October 18th to: [askthecandidatesinbozrah@gmail.com](mailto:askthecandidatesinbozrah@gmail.com)**

- Include your name and address to verify your Bozrah residency.
- Identify which candidate(s) should be asked the question.
- Your identity will not be shared when your question is presented to the candidate(s).

**Jonathan Gilman** and **Michele Arsenault** will be the moderators for this event. They will both receive copies of your emailed questions and mutually agree on how to present the questions to the candidates within the two-hour window.

Candidates will be given an opportunity to present closing remarks at the end of the question-and-answer period.

Attendees will be muted while the candidates respond to the questions presented by the moderators. The event will be recorded for on-demand viewing. The zoom link and recording will be posted at:

<https://sites.google.com/view/meetthecandidatesinbozrah>.

**CANDIDATES**

**First Selectman:** Glenn S. Pianka (D); Jeremy Tarasevich (R); Michael Smith (Petitioning Candidate)

**Selectman:** William E. Ballinger III (D); Frank John Driscoll (Petitioning Candidate)

**Town Clerk:** Lynne A. Skinner (D)

**Town Treasurer:** Diana M. Santo (R)

**Tax Collector:** Nancy J. Renshaw (D)

**Board of Finance:** Philip A. Lavalley Jr (D); Evan Gilman (R)

**Board of Education:** Sharon G. Casavant (D); Elin E. Hill (R); Nicholas G. Savoie (D); Lindsey M. Baah (R)

**Board of Assessment Appeals:** Donald E. LaPre (R)

**Zoning Board of Appeals:** Jayne L. Paradis (D); Barbara A. MacFadyen (R)

**Zoning Board of Appeals Alternate:** Jeanne M. Goulart (D)

**COMMITTEE**

**DATE**

**TIME AND PLACE**

**BOS Regular Meeting  
MEET THE CANDIDATES**

**Tuesday, Oct. 19, 2021  
Thursday, Oct. 21, 2021**

**7:00 p.m. Bozrah Town Hall Meeting Room  
6:30-8:30 p.m. ZOOM**

HAVE A GOOD WEEK

GLENN PIANKA