



TWIB NOTES



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Town Website

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Townofbozrah.org

THE BOZRAH SENIOR CENTER IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Meals on Wheels program is currently on hold for new sign-ups. The program IS running for those currently signed up. There is a waiting list for anyone who would like to sign-up.

Contact PAM CONTINO (860-917-5672) if you would like to be put on the waiting list.

BUDGET APPROVED FOR 2020/2021

On May 27, 2020 the Board of Finance approved budgets for next fiscal year and established a property tax rate of 27 mills. This is a reduction in the tax rate from the current 27.5 mills.

The budget process was different this year due to the virus. Meetings were held over Zoom, public comment was received by email, and there was no town meeting for the final budget approval. In accordance with the governor's emergency orders the Board of Selectman authorized the Board of Finance to make the final approval.

The Board of Selectman and the Board of Education proposed budgets that only included vital services to the school and town, put improvements in some areas on hold, created no new positions, and suspended pay raises for all town employees.

Thanks to all of the work done to limit expenses, the tax rate was able to be reduced. This could not have been done without everyone's input, experience, cooperation, and sacrifice. Your efforts are much appreciated.

Mike O'Connor

Bozrah Board of Finance

FIELDS MEMORIAL SCHOOL

Fields Memorial School will hold a Pre-K screening for Bozrah residents who are between 3 and 4 years old.

This screening will be conducted via Zoom. If you have A child in this age range, please call the school at 887-2561 or send an email to jjurczyk@bozrah.org to schedule an appointment for your child. Children who are currently attending the F.M.S. PreK do not need to be screened.

FIRST SELECTMAN'S CORNER

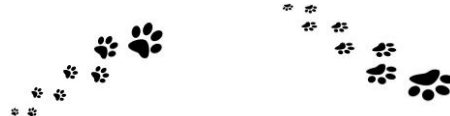
Now that it is warm, kids are on their bikes and playing ball in the streets. Be cautious around them and watch closely, the last thing we need is someone hurt.

TOWN HALL PUBLIC ACCESS OPENING

The Town Hall will open to public access on Monday June 1, but with restrictions. Please read the following Town Hall Public Access Opening restrictions. These will also be posted on the town website.

The Town of Bozrah has been in a declared state of emergency since March 20, 2020. The Town hall was closed to the public and access to the offices and services were limited to appointments only. With the state government phasing in reopening for business we will do the same, but with restrictions on how many people are allowed in and screening of the individuals entering.

- The town hall doors will remain locked, for access you must ring the bell and state whom you would like to see.
- **NO ONE WITHOUT A MASK** will be allowed in the town hall. (Employees don't generally wear masks as it is a limited group)
- Upon entering, your temperature will be taken and you will be asked to sanitize your hands.
- If you are going to look thru the deeds, vital records, or maps in the vault you will be required to wear gloves, this includes the use of the computer outside the town clerk's office.
- The tax collector and town clerk have plexiglass shields at their desk to prevent spray from contaminating the area.



- Only one person will be allowed at one time to conduct business with each individual office, so if there is a title search in progress you will have to wait outside.
- If you want to see the assessor, the process is the same, but your business will be conducted with the bottom half of the door closed observing proper distance.
- Mondays the town hall will be closed to the public, with appointments needed to utilize the town clerk.
- Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, the town hall will be able to be accessed according to the rules.

These rules will stay in place until the state of emergency is lifted for the state and the town.

The playscapes at the school and the recreation field are closed, along with the basketball courts.

The food bank is available to Bozrah residents, call in your needs to me (860-367-1071) prior to Thursday and pick up at the town hall, Thursday, between 3:00 and 6:00 P.M.

DOG LICENSE NOTICE

On May 5, 2020, Governor Ned Lamont issued an executive order N.711, delaying penalties for dog license renewals until August 1, 2020.

Please plan to renew your pet's license before August 1, 2020, to avoid any penalty fees.

State of Connecticut – Executive Order N. 711

WHEREAS, Department of Agriculture and municipalities wish to ensure that individuals can follow all recommended social distancing practices and self-quarantine guidelines which may prevent them from being able to purchase a dog license within the month of June, by **extending the start date** for the **imposition of a late fee** for obtaining a dog license this year **from July 1, 2020 to August 1, 2020.**



**BOZRAH
FARMERS
MARKET**



**ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER
860-774-1253**

<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>TOWN MEETINGS</u>	<u>TIME & PLACE</u>
IWCC	<u>DAY & TIME</u> JUNE 4, 2020	<u>CANCELED</u>
Have a great week		Carl Zorn