

TOWN OF BOZRAH
REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
BOZRAH TOWN HALL
October 17, 2023

Item 1: First Selectman Glenn Pianka called a Regular Meeting of the Bozrah Board of Selectmen (BOS) to order at the Bozrah Town Hall on October 17, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: First Selectman Glenn Pianka, Selectman Bill Ballinger and Selectman Jeremy Tarasevich

5 Members of the Public

Item 2: Public Comments

Eric Fritch, Fitchville Road, commented on his interest in filling an empty spot on various boards and commissions in town.

Raymond Barber, Goshen Road, commented his gratitude for the success of the American Legion Post 138 flag retirement ceremony.

Item 3: Approval of Minutes

- a. Regular Meeting - August 15, 2023

MOTION 1: J. Tarasevich made a motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on August 15, 2023. B. Ballinger seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous - **MOTION CARRIED**

- b. Regular Meeting - September 19, 2023 - Cancelled

- c. Special Meeting - October 5, 2023

MOTION 2: J. Tarasevich made a motion to approve the minutes from the special meeting on October 5, 2023. B. Ballinger seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous - **MOTION CARRIED**

Item 4: Monthly Reports

- a. Fire Marshal Report - Attachment 1

G. Pianka noted a \$5,000 grant was awarded to cover the extra workload of the fire marshal

due to the Local Emergency Operations Plan

- b. Food Pantry - Attachment 2
- c. Senior Services Coordinator - Attachment 3

G. Pianka noted some upgrades needed at the Senior Center including doorway grading.

- d. State Police - Attachment 4

Item 5: Commission Appointment

- a. Gardner Lake Authority: Justin Lapre 20 Knickerbocker Avenue Bozrah, CT
860-204-1470 justinlapre@gmail.com
*No specified term –GLA will work out appointment date for members

MOTION 3: B. Ballinger made a motion to appoint Justin Lapre to the Gardner Lake Authority for the term assigned by the Gardner Lake Authority. J. Tarasevich seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous - **MOTION CARRIED**

Item 6: Gesiak Subdivision Bond Release

Attachment 5 - South Road Warranty Deed for conveyed land to the Town of Bozrah is received and recorded

Item 7: Such Other Business as the Board May Wish to Hear

G. Pianka noted the Historical Society was looking to upload historical information on the town website, rather than a new platform. The Board agreed the town website could be utilized by the Historical Society.

Item 8: First Selectman Updates

- a. ARPA Funds Updates

G. Pianka noted some updates to the ARPA Fund distribution, noting more money should be available for other projects as Kendra Williams is not utilizing the funds for the fence at this time.

- b. Fitchville/ Village District Sidewalks

G. Pianka noted he created a poll in the TWIB on street lighting options, noting option B was preferred.

Item 9: Public Comments

Ev Brown, Fitchville Road, commented on the sidewalk project, sewer update and the Beaver dam on Stockhouse Road.

Amy Banning, Hough Road, commented on updates on the proposed Data Center.

Raymond Barber, Goshen Road, commented on the sidewalk project.

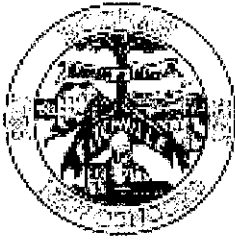
Item 10: Adjourn

MOTION 4: J. Tarasevich made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. B. Ballinger seconded the motion.

Vote unanimous - **MOTION CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted for the Board,

Heather Provost
Recording Secretary



**OFFICE OF THE FIRE MARSHAL
TOWN OF BOZRAH**

TOWN HALL

1 RIVER ROAD

BOZRAH, CT. 06334

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08/22/2023

Glenn Pianka, First Selectman
Town of Bozrah
1 River Rd
Bozrah CT 06334

Glenn,

The following are activities conducted by the Fire Marshal's Office between 06/10/2023 thru 07/09/2023:

- Review of communications from the State of Connecticut DEMHS
- Data entry into fire department data base
- FM Continuing Education class 6/13/2023
- Spoke with Kropp Environmental of fuel oil tank removal, Leffingwell Church
- Courtesy inspection 435 Salem Tnpke
- Garage inspection 54 Bashon Hill Rd
- Blasting Permit 19 South Rd
- Re-inspection Bozrah Pizza
- Open Burning permit 135 Wawecus Hill Rd
- Open burning permit 402 Bozrah Street
- Burn permit 89 Scott Hill Rd
- Inspection. 421 Salem Tnpke- no show

Submitted,

Thomas E Main Jr., Fire Marshal
Town of Bozrah



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Glenn,

The following are activities conducted by the Fire Marshal's Office between 07/10/2023 thru 08/09/2023:

- Review of communications from the State of Connecticut DEMHS
- Data entry into fire department data base
- FM Continuing Education class 6/06/2023
- Discussions with Building and Zoning Officials on 435 Salem Tnpke
- Burn Permit 106 Gager Rd

Annual Fire Safety Inspections:

- Laser Dentistry
- Acorn Acres
- Action Rental
- Bozrah Collision
- Bozrah Wine & Spirits
- Dogs World
- United Glass & Mirror
- Children's Dental Associates
- Core Plus Credit Union
- 317 Bozrah Street Apartments

Submitted,

Thomas E Main Jr., Fire Marshal
Town of Bozrah

Bozrah Food Pantry August 2023 Monthly Report

The Bozrah Food Pantry (BFP) continues to be well stocked and the schedule of participants submitting requests by Wednesdays and pickups on Thursdays is working well. The pantry added three new families this Summer to the active list. Requesters are notified by text or phone call when weekly food baskets are ready for pickup.

Food Requests:

The BFP had five weekly food requests from families for pickups prepared and given out. Each pickup is about one week's worth of food for each person. (10 adults 4 children)

Donations:

Molly Lathrop, Nancy Renshaw, Dorothy Lathrop, Janet Cosenza, and several anonymous Bozrah residents dropped food items and donations off at the Town Hall.

BFP Financials:

Purchases with debit card:

- \$17.96

Purchases with gift cards:

- Shoprite gift card beginning balance \$0.00
- No purchases
- Ending balance \$0.00

- Stop & Shop gift card beginning balance \$133.09
- \$100.15 (restock items)
- \$25 gift card from Dorothy Lathrop
- \$25 gift card from Janet Cosenza
- Ending balance \$82.94

- Walmart gift card beginning balance \$128.34
- No purchases
- Ending Balance \$128.34

Sincerely,

Tom Ververis (BFP Coordinator)

(Sept 5, 2023)

Bozrah Food Pantry September 2023 Monthly Report

The Bozrah Food Pantry (BFP) continues to be well stocked and the schedule of participants submitting requests by Wednesdays and pickups on Thursdays is working well. The pantry stock was completely reviewed and rotated, outdated stock was discarded. Requesters are notified by text or phone call when weekly food baskets are ready for pickup.

Food Requests:

The BFP had six weekly food requests from families for pickups prepared and given out. Each pickup is about one week's worth of food for each person. (12 adults 4 children)

Donations:

Molly Lathrop, Robn Parker, Dorothy Lathrop, Janet Cosenza, and several anonymous Bozrah residents dropped food items and donations off at the Town Hall.

BFP Financials:

Purchases with debit card:

- \$44.12 (restock items)

Purchases with gift cards:

- Shoprite gift card beginning balance \$0.00
- No purchases
- Ending balance \$0.00

- Stop & Shop gift card beginning balance \$82.94
- \$77.23 (restock items)
- \$25 gift card from Dorothy Lathrop
- \$25 gift card from Janet Cosenza
- Ending balance \$55.71

- Walmart gift card beginning balance \$128.34
- \$32.08 (restock items)
- Ending Balance \$96.26

Sincerely,

Tom Ververis (BFP Coordinator)

(Oct 5, 2023)

AUGUST 2023 SENIOR REPORT

-The Senior Center is open on Fridays from 10am-1:30pm

-Weekly attendance is around 20. We have 2 new members as well! Chair exercise classes are offered every Friday morning, instructed by Judy.

-Uncas Health comes the second Friday of each month to do blood pressure checks. This month's topic was dental health and how it relates to your heart. Seniors were given packets w/new toothbrushes, etc.

-Every Friday we have an activity planned. We offer a sharing library, bingo, different games, movies, jigsaw puzzles, arts & crafts, trips, and occasional guests or speakers.

-In August, we had a local resident come and play the piano and do a sing-a-long. We also played "guess who" where they had to write down a fun fact about themselves and we all had to try to guess who the fact belonged to. They had a lot of fun reminiscing and sharing. We even had a drag racer! No one could guess correctly and it ended up being one of the women. LOL.

-As Municipal Agent I signed several new clients up for medical rides, and Meals on Wheels. I also worked with Senior Resources to sign up those who qualified for Farmers Market Vouchers. They will receive \$24 on a state issued card to use at participating farmers markets for fruits, vegetables, and honey.

-I purchased a new 3 pot coffee maker for the center. The old one we had was a hammy down from the school and was leaking from the bottom, making it a fire hazard. This was purchased under the supply line.

-The Senior Activity account balance is \$1644.43.

-Pamela Contino
Senior Coordinator



Lieutenant Adam Litwin #064
Commanding Officer

Master Sergeant Shawn Mansfield #078
Executive Officer

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION
CONNECTICUT STATE POLICE
TROOP K - COLCHESTER

September 6, 2023

Mr. Glenn Pianka
Bozrah First Selectman
1 River Road
Bozrah, CT 06334

Dear Mr. Pianka,

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

During the month of **August 2023**, Troop K Troopers responded to **129** Calls for Service in the Town of Bozrah. Of these Calls for Service the most notable are:

Total Calls for Service	Total Calls This Year	
129	866	
	August	YTD
Accidents	8	42
Criminal Investigations	9	38
Burglaries	1	3
Larcenies	2	3
Non Reportable Matters	82	561
Total Arrests	3	22

Motor Vehicle Enforcement:	AUG	YTD
Total Traffic Stops	32	221
Onsite DUI's	0	1
Arrests	0	2
Misdemeanor Summons	1	8
Infractions	16	109
Written Warnings	11	46
Verbal Warnings	3	53

Respectfully,

LT Adam Litwin #064
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Commanding Officer
Connecticut State Police – Troop K

15a Old Hartford Road
Colchester, CT 06415
Phone: (860) 465-5400
Fax: (860) 465-5450



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STATE OF CONNECTICUT
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October 2, 2023

Mr. Glenn Pianka
Bozrah First Selectman
1 River Road
Bozrah, CT 06334

Dear Mr. Pianka,

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

During the month of **September 2023**, Troop K Troopers responded to **109** Calls for Service in the Town of Bozrah. Of these Calls for Service the most notable are:

Total Calls for Service	Total Calls This Year	
109	968	
	September	YTD
Accidents	4	46
Criminal Investigations	4	42
Burglaries	0	3
Larcenies	0	3
Non Reportable Matters	70	625
Total Arrests	4	27

Motor Vehicle Enforcement:	SEP	YTD
Total Traffic Stops	32	251
Onsite DUI's	1	2
Arrests	0	3
Misdemeanor Summons	3	11
Infractions	10	120
Written Warnings	7	53
Verbal Warnings	11	61

Respectfully,

LT Adam Litwin #064
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Commanding Officer
Connecticut State Police – Troop K

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Return To:

STATUTORY FORM WARRANTY DEED

DAVID J. GESIAK, LLC acting herein by DAVID GESIAK, MEMBER, a Connecticut Limited Liability Company having its principal place of business located at 216 Norwich Ave, Lebanon, Connecticut ("Grantor") for ONE DOLLAR and 00/100 (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, grant to **THE TOWN OF BOZRAH**, County of New London, and State of Connecticut ("Grantee"), with **WARRANTY COVENANTS**:

a certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Town of Bozrah, County of New London, and State of Connecticut, as more particularly bounded and described on **Schedule A** attached hereto and made a part hereof.

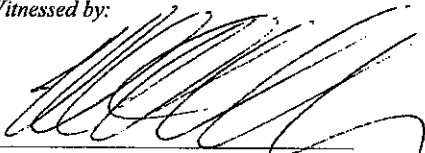
The premises are conveyed subject to:

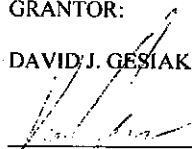
- (1) The premises are conveyed subject to any and all provisions of any ordinance, municipal regulation, any federal, state, or local law, including, but not limited to, the provisions of any zoning, building, planning or inland-wetland rules and regulations governing the subject property; restrictions, covenants and easements of record; any state of facts that an accurate survey of the premises may reveal; provided that none of the above interfere with the present location of any building now located on the property, prevent the use of the property as residence or render title to the property unmarketable; and
- (2) Real Estate Taxes on the List of October 1, 2022 due and payable to the Town of Bozrah, which taxes the Grantee herein assumes and agrees to pay as part consideration for this deed.


This instrument was prepared without the benefit of a title search.

Signed this 18th day of September, 2023.

Witnessed by:

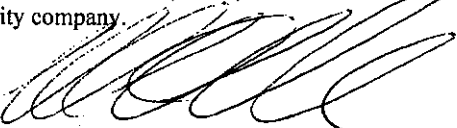

Name: Nicholas H. Mancuso

GRANTOR:
DAVID J. GESIAK, LLC

David Gesiak, Member


Name: Jennifer Webster

State of Connecticut)
) ss. Colchester
County of New London)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 18th day of September, 2023 by **David Gesiak, Member of David J. Gesiak, LLC**, as his free act and deed and as the free act and deed of said limited liability company.


Nicholas H. Mancuso
Commissioner of the Superior Court

No Conveyance Received


Town Clerk of Bozrah



Legal Description
Schedule A

A certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Town of Bozrah, County of New London, and State of Connecticut being depicted on a map entitled "SOUTH ROAD SUBDIVISION PROPOSED 7-LOT SUBDIVISION PREPARED FOR DAVID J. GESIAK, LLC, OWNER/APPLICANT SUBDIVISION PLAN BOZRAH STREET & SOUTH ROAD BOZRAH, CT", dated 1/26/21, scale: 1" = 60', sheet 2 of 5, prepared by Yantic River Consultants, LLC, which parcel of land is more particularly bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point at a northwesterly corner of the herein described land, which point is on a southerly line of South Road and on the division line between the herein described land and land now or formerly of Joaquim F. Santo;

Thence along South Road the following ten (10) courses:

- S 77°09'51" E a distance of 116.59' to a point;
- Thence S 84°59'29" E a distance of 158.78' to a point;
- Thence S 88°10'39" E a distance of 111.44' to a point;
- Thence S 87°04'45" E a distance of 182.28' to a point;
- Thence S 83°49'39" E a distance of 44.88' to a point;
- Thence S 87°20'51" E a distance of 102.53' to a point;
- Thence S 82°19'44" E a distance of 40.96' to a point;
- Thence N 84°39'50" E a distance of 142.80' to a point;
- Thence N 84°11'23" E a distance of 130.67' to a point;
- Thence S 85°04'04" E a distance of 135.35' to a point on the division line between the herein described land and land now or formerly of David P. Wilber and Janet Wilber;

Thence along said Wilber land S 04°51'59" W a distance of 5.00' to a point;

Thence over and across land of the grantor the following eleven (11) courses:

- N 85°04'04" W a distance of 100.86' to a point;
- Thence along the arc of a curve to the left having a radius length of 475.00', an included angle of 13°25'14", a distance of 111.26' to a point;
- Thence S 81°30'43" W a distance of 40.76' to a point;
- Thence S 81°30'43" W a distance of 58.53' to a point;
- Thence along the arc of a curve to the right having a radius length of 525.00', an included angle of 11°41'21", a distance of 107.11' to a point;
- Thence N 86°47'56" W a distance of 36.21' to a point;
- Thence N 86°47'56" W a distance of 200.00' to a point;
- Thence N 86°47'56" W a distance of 209.08' to a point;
- Thence N 84°53'19" W a distance of 168.97' to a point;
- Thence along the arc of a curve to the right having a radius length of 525.00', an included angle of 13°36'04", a distance of 124.63' to a point;
- Thence N 71°17'15" W a distance of 10.40' to a point on said division line between the herein described land and land now or formerly of Santo;

Thence along said Santo land N 22°55'38" E a distance of 3.46' to the point and place of beginning;

Containing 0.18 acres or 7,770 square feet more or less.

Received for Record at Bozrah, CT
On 09/21/2023 At 3:12:00 pm

Steph A. Hill