



TWIB NOTES



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FIRST SELECTMAN'S CORNER

Dr. Michael Betten is anticipating stepping down from his long service as a **Board of Directors** member for the **Uncas Health District**. Anyone interested in serving in that capacity is encouraged to contact the Town Hall.

COVID-19 Test Kits and N95 Masks are available to Town residents by contacting Town Hall.

There is a **VACANCY** on the **BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS**.

I have begun to formulate a **Adopt-A-Road Program** in concert with **Zack Denovellis of South Road** who has promoted two recent town-wide roadside trash cleanup efforts. Road signs with **business or family sponsor names** will be installed around town in the near future. A sponsorship would be a commitment to periodically monitor and pick up roadside trash or other debris for one year (renewable annually) on the road of your choice. DPW would be available to pick up accumulated trash bags once notified. Other incentive ideas, especially for non-profit/youth groups are being formulated. More information will be forthcoming. Anyone interested in being involved with the organizational effort can contact either one of us.

The **Memorial Day Parade** is anticipated to occur on **Saturday, May 28** after a two-year hiatus. We need to return to normal as much as possible, and this outdoor activity is certainly worth looking forward to. Several groups have already committed to assembling floats or other entries for the display. Organizational meeting dates and times will be announced.

FREE COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINIC AT FIELDS MEMORIAL SCHOOL

There will be a free, walk-up COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic at **Fields Memorial School**, Bozrah, Connecticut from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM on Friday, February 25, 2022, specifically for children ages 5-12 in our community.

No appointment necessary! The Connecticut Department of Public Health and local providers are bringing the DPH Vaccination Vans to our town to make the COVID-19 vaccine more accessible to our community, so be on the lookout for the yellow SUV when you arrive.

Thank you for helping to protect yourself, your loved ones, and your community.
Dr. Portia S. Bonner

THE BOZRAH FOOD PANTRY

The Bozrah food pantry is available for Bozrah residents. Food request forms are at Town Hall and must be filled out by Wednesday each week for pick-up on Thursdays from 3 p.m. to 6 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.

PROPERTY TAX RELIEF FOR SENIORS, VETERANS AND DISABLED STATE OF CONNECTICUT HOMEOWNERS

Any taxpayer who is 65 years old by the end of the 2021 calendar year or Totally Disabled, owns, and occupies a home in Bozrah and meets certain income guidelines may be eligible for tax relief benefits under the State of Connecticut Homeowners' Tax Relief Program. Depending upon their income, qualified applicants can receive 10% to 50% off their tax bills. The benefit received is reimbursed by the State of Connecticut to the Town. The income limits for this year are \$38,100 for singles and \$46,400 for married. Income includes all income (adjusted gross, including rental income, plus Social Security and any other income). You must present proof of income and file between February 1st and May 14th. To continue the program a bi-annual filing must be made.

A veteran is a person who has served in the armed forces. To be eligible for this exemption a veteran must have served during an active period of war for at least 90 days (unless the war, campaign or operation lasted less than 90 days), received an honorable discharge, and has filed his/her discharge (DD214) with the Town Clerk prior to October 1st. If you are entitled to a disability pension as determined by the VA, whether you served in an active period of war or not, you are eligible for a disabled veteran's exemption. You must file your VA disability rating (Form 20-5455) with the Assessor.

TEXTMYGOV

A NEW SOURCE FOR INFORMATION IS NOW AVAILABLE

If you haven't signed up for TEXTMYGOV you should consider doing so, if you are interested in having access to Town of Bozrah information or receiving notifications, you should sign up for [TextMyGov](#).

TO GET INFORMATION, TEXT "HI" TO 1- 860-891-2008

- **For Example:** Text one of the key words, such as: "**Assessor**" and the response will direct you to the email, phone number, and Property Card access. Simply touch a link to continue. You will be able to send an email, call, or access the information through the Town of Bozrah website.
- To report an issue or ask a question, concerning **ROADS** or **OTHER**, answer the questions to forward the information to the town.

TO RECEIVE NOTIFICATIONS OR TOWN ALERTS, TEXT "BOZRAH" TO 91896.

Once you text "BOZRAH" to 91896, YOU WILL RECEIVE A TEXT BACK THAT SAYS:

"You've requested to join Bozrah's TextMyGov notification list."

You have to reply YES to opt-in.

(For more information on what is available, click on the LEARN MORE button on the widget on the Town of Bozrah website.)

<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME AND PLACE</u>
BOE POLICY SUBCOMMITTEE	TUESDAY, FEB. 15, 2022	2:30 p.m. FMS & via ZOOM
BOE CURRICULUM SUBCOM	TUESDAY, FEB. 15, 2022	3:30 p.m. FMS & via ZOOM
BOS REG MTG	TUESDAY, FEB. 15, 2022	7:00 p.m. TOWN HALL
BOE BUDGET SUBCOMM MTG	THURSDAY, FEB. 17, 2022	10:00 a.m – 11:00 a.m FMS ONLY
BOE SPECIAL BOARD MTG	THURSDAY, FEB. 24, 2022	6:30 p.m. FMS & via ZOOM
HAVE A GOOD WEEK		GLENN PIANKA