



TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR

FIRST SELECTMAN JASON E. BOWSZA

April 30, 2020

Good evening. This is First Selectman Jason Bowsza reaching out to all residents of the Town of East Windsor. A copy of this message, and more information about COVID-19, can be found on the Town's website.

Today, we were notified of two additional confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 in East Windsor. Since my last call to you on Monday, we have had five new cases for a total of forty-six cases in our town. This compares with a total of 27,700 confirmed cases in Connecticut. We've also had two additional fatalities, for a total of four. Our hearts break for those victims and their families.

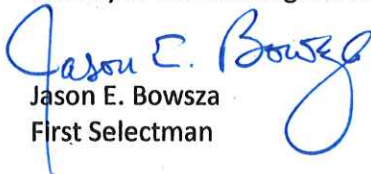
Last week, the Board of Selectmen voted to implement a tax deferment program for taxes that would normally have been due on July 1st. Instead, those payments can be deferred by ninety days, now due on October 1. Governor Lamont issued two executive orders pertaining to this. However, the orders only allow towns to extend a deferral to those people who do not pay their taxes through escrow payments. Per those orders, escrowed tax payments will still be due on July 1.

Today, Governor Lamont made note of the progress Connecticut has made in combatting COVID-19 and suggested that if things continue to progress as they have been, we may see some easing of business closures by May 20th. These will be phased back in, with the first phase likely to include restaurants that offer outdoor seating (but no bars), remaining retail, offices, some personal services such as nail salons and hairdressers, and outdoor recreation such as camping.

These openings would be contingent on Connecticut continuing to meet expected benchmarks for control of the virus. We need to keep staying home whenever possible, keep social distancing, wash your hands regularly, and wear a mask when you are out in public.

We are getting through this difficult time, and we will feel progress soon. As Theodore Roosevelt said, "Believe you can and you are halfway there."

I wish you continued good health,


Jason E. Bowsza
First Selectman

