



# **TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR**

## **FIRST SELECTMAN JASON E. BOWSZA**

July 29, 2020

Good evening. This is First Selectman Jason Bowsza reaching out to all town residents. A copy of this message can be found on the Town's website.

Today, our local health district notified us that there have been no new cases of COVID-19 in East Windsor, and there have been no new ones since last Friday. The Connecticut Department of Public Health is reporting a total of 149 confirmed cases in town. In Connecticut there are 49,077 cases as of yesterday. There have been more than 750,000 tests administered in the state during the pandemic.

Because our infection rate has remained under control in comparison to the rest of the country, our Department of Community Services is preparing to survey senior citizens in East Windsor to collect their thoughts on re-opening the Senior Center. Re-opening is still a little way off, but the survey is intended to gauge the interests of our seniors to return to Senior Center activities, and to make sure that the Town has clear understanding of the services that they want and need. Look for that in the coming weeks.

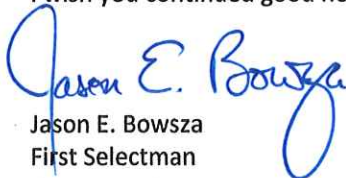
Back to school season is fast approaching, and certainly this year is going to be different than any year before, especially in terms of the challenges posed. Because our students will need different or additional supplies this year, the Town will be collecting gift cards that will be used to purchase those less conventional supplies that will be necessary as students return to the classroom. Anyone interested in making a gift card donation can call the Department of Community Services at 860-623-2430.

On July 16, the Board of Selectmen held a public hearing on the Charter Revision Commission's proposed changes to the Town Charter. Another public hearing will be held on August 6<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Anyone with questions or comments on the proposed changes can join that meeting or submit their comments in writing via the US mail or emailed to [JSanchez@eastwindsorct.com](mailto:JSanchez@eastwindsorct.com). Final recommendations may be added to November's ballot for consideration by voters in the town. No changes to the charter can be made without voter approval.

Finally, I want to remind folks that there will be a primary election held on August 11<sup>th</sup> for presidential candidates and other down-ballot offices. Anyone enrolled in the Democratic or Republican parties can participate, and anyone can request a mail-in ballot by calling the Town Clerk's office.

Clearly, we are planning for good things to come. This is a direct result of things continuing to improve and stabilize in our community. We're doing the right things, together. As John Lewis said, "If you're not hopeful and optimistic, then you just give up. You have to take the long hard look and just believe that if you're consistent, you will succeed."

I wish you continued good health,

  
Jason E. Bowsza  
First Selectman

