

TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR

FIRST SELECTMAN JASON E. BOWSZA

June 4, 2020

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

Today, the local health district notified us of one new case of COVID-19 and one additional fatality at Fresh River. We continue to see no additional cases or fatalities in the general public. The Connecticut Department of Public Health is now reporting a total of 142 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in East Windsor, and an additional 15 probable cases. In Connecticut, there are now 44,092 confirmed cases.

The Town will hold another drive-through testing opportunity on June 10, from 10am to 3pm at East Windsor High School. No doctor's prescription is necessary for the test, all insurances are accepted, and no co-pays will be charged. People who want a test can call ahead for a pre-screen at (860) 454-0678. While pre-screens are suggested, they are not required.

While COVID-19 has been trying on everyone, it has also presented an opportunity to do long overdue improvements at the East Windsor Park. Because of the pandemic, the Town has decided to keep the park closed to the public for the season and instead catch up on long-overdue projects. When it reopens, visitors will notice a new handicapped-accessible walkway from the parking area to the waterfront, a state-of-the-art splash pad, a brand new bandshell to host outdoor concerts and other events, improvements to our infrastructure, and needed site maintenance.

While the cancellation is disappointing to all of us, our Community Services Department is going to be rolling out new and different ways of enjoying the summer as the Phase 2 and Phase 3 guidelines permit. More on that will be forthcoming.

There is an old Latin phrase that says "We will either find a way, or make one." As we continue to move through the unprecedented circumstances posed by COVID-19, I'm proud of the efforts of our community to live up to that philosophy of perseverance.

I wish you continued good health,

Jason E. Bowsza First Selectman

