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TOWN ADMINISTRATOR JOB OPENING

The Town of Berwyn Heights is looking for a new Town Administrator as the long-serving Edward J. Murphy is getting ready to retire. The Town Administrator is the Town's chief administrative and financial officer, supervises its daily operations, and implements the Town Council's policies, goals and priorities.

Position description and application are available online at:

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1. Call 301-352-1200 (P.G. County Police).
2. Give dispatcher your name, address where you are, a phone number where you can be reached, and explain why you need a police officer.
3. Critically Important: Tell the dispatcher you want the on-duty Berwyn Heights police officer to respond.
4. In an emergency, Call 911.

GreenBee BuzzWorthy:

Energy Efficiency Assistance Program

In collaboration with other Prince George's County municipalities, the Town of Berwyn Heights can offer funding to 20 low-to-moderate income residents who are in need of home improvements that reduce utility bills, such as insulation or heating system repairs. If you are interested in this program, please send your name, address, phone number, and email to the Berwyn Heights Green Team, (bgreen.berwynheights@gmail.com or kristinlarson274@gmail.com) or call Kristin Larson from the Green Team at 202-630-3178 for more information. Stop by the Town Office for an application form.

GET ALERTS

Local Public Safety, Weather, Traffic

And now…

Town of Berwyn Heights Closings & Cancellations

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And/or https://twitter.com/Berwyn HeightsMD

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http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Berwyn Heights Group/

DOOR-TO-DOOR SALESMEN AND SOLICITORS MUST HAVE TOWN PERMIT

Door-to-door sales people and solicitors must have a Town-Issued Solicitor's Permit.

Residents and businesses are urged to ask to see the Town Solicitor's Permit of anyone who comes to their door to sell or solicit. The Town does do a check on the individuals and the organizations they are representing. Be safe, rather than sorry. If in doubt, call the Office of the Town Administrator at 301-474-5000.

IMPORTANT PEPCO TELEPHONE NUMBERS

English Speaking Customers

(202) 872-3432 TO REPORT

Downed Wires, Burning Wires, Struck Poles or Life Threatening Electrical System Situations

CALL (877) 737-2662 TO REPORT

Power Outages

CALL (877) 737-2662 TO REPORT

Report Street Light Out

(Need Pepco Pole Number and house number of nearest house)

Hard of Hearing Customers

TTY (202) 872-2369

Spanish Speaking Customers

CALL (202) 872-4641 por Servicio en Espanol

Languages other than English or Spanish

CALL (202) 833-7500

Customers with Emergency Medical or Life Support Equipment or Special Needs

CALL (202) 833-7500 FOR Registration to be on Priority List

Worksession
June 3, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Cheye Calvo, Mayor Pro Tem (MPT) Jodie Kulpa-Eddy and Councilmembers (CMs) Patricia Dennison, Chris Rasmussen, and Anthony Schreiber. Also present were Town Administrator (TA) Edward Murphy, Clerk Kerstin Harper, and citizens.

1. Executive Session (6:00 p.m. - 7:07 p.m.)

TA Recruitment: CM Rasmussen moved and CM Dennison seconded to go into an executive session to discuss the recruitment plan for a new Town Administrator. With matter discussed, CM Rasmussen moved and CM Dennison seconded to close the executive session. The meeting then proceeded with the regular order.

2. Mayor

Agenda: The following items were added to the agenda: introduction and explanation of Council proceedings and school zones speed limit change.

Announcements: The deadline for registering to vote is today at 8:00 p.m...

Introduction (added item): Mayor Calvo explained the agenda and meeting procedures for the benefit of the new councilmembers.

Calendar: The dates for the first and second worksession of August were moved to August 11 and 25, respectively. The August 11 worksession will start at 6 p.m. with an executive session to screen TA candidates. The first worksession of September may be moved to September 8, if Hello Huskies is on September 2.

Minutes: On a motion by CM Dennison and second by MPT Kulpa-Eddy, the April 21 worksession minutes were approved 4-0-1, with CM Rasmussen abstaining. The May 14 Town meeting minutes were distributed.

Department Reports: Mayor Calvo reported that he was busy meeting with Councilmembers and directors to make department assignments. He also took the time to get more familiar with Code Department operations, as the Council will soon hire a new Code supervisor. He learned a lot from talking with staff and participating in a rental inspection and a patrol. Currently, the Code Department is focused on vacant homes and thinking about how to accelerate the abatement process. Regarding the police, he is happy to report that the perpetrator in a Berwyn Heights homicide from 2 years ago was convicted thanks in part to the collaboration and testimony of Officers Roberson and Thompson. Further, a customer of the 7 Eleven on Edmonston Road was robbed last week in the early morning hours.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy said the Prince George's County Planning Department is undertaking a comprehensive update to the Prince George's County zoning ordinance and subdivision regulations, which has not been updated in 50 years. County residents are invited to give input at upcoming listening sessions on June 3, 4, and 5. She will attend the June 5 session in Riverdale. On June 12, the Chesapeake overlay zone will be up for discussion. CM Dennison announced that the Recreation Council will review Berwyn Heights Day at the next meeting on Thursday. The Green Team's community garden is almost complete and looks good. Mayor Calvo announced that the Green Team has completed all requirements for the Sustainable Maryland certification and will submit it soon.

Citizen comments: Mayor Calvo received a reminder about posting no-soliciting signs. The signs will be posted at the entrances to the Town and announce that solicitors must have a Town permit.

Robert Baker, Osage Street, commented on a mudslide in his back yard caused by the improper application of fill dirt by his neighbor. He thinks the neighbor violated zoning laws by back-filling his property without a retaining wall. The fill dirt is piled up against particle board leaned against a chain link fence, which is now failing. Mayor Calvo replied that the County and Town failed to deal with this problem when it came up. Meanwhile, the owners who created the situation sold the property. The new owners have not yet dealt with the problem. The Town will have to figure out a way to address it.

At 8:03 p.m., the Council took a 5 minute break.

Council priorities: Mayor Calvo asked Councilmembers to brainstorm goals and priorities for the Council's next term. The following issues were put on the table:

- Comprehensive road repair plan
- Street lighting for dark areas
- Tree maintenance and Town-wide shade tree plan (County has tree planting grant)
- Completion of priority 1 sidewalks
- Completion of emergency generator project
- Amenities and programs for local schools
- Marketing Berwyn Heights (possibly in the context of FBI headquarters relocation)
- Improve outreach through website, BHTV and social media
- Hiring and training a new Town Administrator
- Repositioning Code Department to enforce the Town's community standards
- Developing strategies to improve and/or modernize the Town's housing stock
- Regulating construction of oversized homes (in conjunction with PGCMA and County zoning office)
- Attracting new businesses (in conjunction with Four Cities)
- Permanent location for police department and fire department
- Dog park
- Increasing composting to reduce refuse (in conjunction with Green Team)
- Outreach to ethnic communities
- Transition to acceptance of credit cards
- Upgrade agenda packets
- Overhaul personnel manual, Council Rules, Election Ordinance

FY 2014 budget amendment: Mayor Calvo explained that, every year, the Council has to reconcile actual revenues and expenditures for the current year with what was budgeted, which is done through a year-end budget amendment. TA Murphy provided the revised Ordinance 167 - FY 2014 Budget Amendment, and an updated statement of actual revenues and expenditures. He said that the reconciliation is still ongoing. At this point, he is budgeting $65,000 from surplus to balance the budget but is working to reduce that amount. General Accounting Standards now allow for insurance recovery to be designated as revenue, which adds $28,000 in insurance receipts to the balance sheet. Second, income taxes are likely to come in at least $40,000 over budget. Another

adjustment he made is the distribution of merit increases and COLAs to the departments, based on the merit increases earned by employees in each department. A deficit of $6,200 in General Government will be addressed by shifting the expense for the code supervisor search to the Code Department, which has money to absorb it.

Mayor Calvo commented that the code supervisor search expense can be shifted without a budget amendment. Further, there is no need to try to reduce the money taken from surplus to balance the budget. The amount of surplus ultimately will be determined by the audit. The goal of the budget amendment is to make sure there are adequate funds in each major activity to cover projected expenses. The question is if any departments are over-budget and need additional funds. TA Murphy said that the Town Center budget is over budget, but he has not yet determined why. MPT Kulpa-Eddy thought several unexpected repairs in the Town Center may be the reason.

Mayor Calvo noted it appears to be only the *maintenance & repair* line item, which is over budget. It would be easier to see where the problem lies if maintenance and repairs were tracked in separate line items. TA Murphy was asked to find out why the Town Center budget is over budget, and to separate maintenance and repairs in all department budgets. The Council is to be emailed the revised budget amendment before it is adopted at the June Town meeting.

In response to CM Rasmussen and CM Schreiber, Mayor Calvo explained the Town Charter prohibits spending money in excess of what was appropriated for any major activity. A major activity is a budget category, such as a departmental budget, or the Town Center budget, under which specific line items are aggregated.

Energy efficiency grant: TA Murphy explained that the Town is a participant, with several other Prince George's municipalities led by the Town of Bladensburg, in an energy efficiency grant program that provides funds to 15 low income families to make energy efficiency improvements to their homes. There are two funding sources for different types of energy improvements: 1) the Maryland Energy Administration (MEA) EmPOWER Communities Grant finances upgrades to more energy efficient equipment inside the home, such as HVAC, water heaters, etc; and 2) the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) Community Legacy Grant provides funds to make homes more energy efficient by installing new windows and doors, for example. In order for Berwyn Heights to qualify for the Community Legacy Grant funds, the Town has to be a Sustainable Maryland certified community, which it will be soon, and sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the Town of Bladensburg, which can be taken up at the June Town meeting.

TA Murphy said 3 families have signed up so far. He is attempting get a total of 20 home owners to apply by advertising in the Bulletin and on the website, and by sending out targeted letters. MPT Kulpa-Eddy asked for clarification of Article 8 (a) of the MOU. Mayor Calvo said, although it is awkwardly written, the Article provides for the Town to hold DHCD harmless for any liability in connection with the program. However, if a problem or legal issue arises from the program, the Town's insurance carrier will cover it.

CM Rasmussen asked at what point the Town decides to get legal advice. Mayor Calvo said it is a judgment call. Usually, the Town Attorney is consulted when a new ordinance is adopted. A recent example is the legal opinion requested for write-in candidacy procedures. In the case of this MOU, the municipalities and state agency share the same insurance carrier. It is unlikely there would be any coverage issues.

3. Administration

Bulletin cover: The following items were approved for the July Bulletin cover: 4th of July theme; National Night Out and holiday trash collection schedule announcements.

4. Code Compliance

Vacant homes: Mayor Calvo explained that there are two vacant homes in Town that have been declared unfit for human habitation after years of neglect. Both have holes in the roof and water damage. Descendents of the deceased former owners have been identified and informed of the possible condemnation, but have so far not taken any action to address the problem. Both homes also have untagged inoperable vehicles in the driveway, which makes it difficult for the Town to abate the overgrown properties. The condition of the homes is such that it is now cheaper to tear them down than to rebuild them.

TA Murphy explained the issue the Council has to decide is by which process the homes are to be condemned and demolished. If the Town decides to condemn the homes, it will have to pay for demolition upfront. The money will be recouped when there is a tax sale or the liens are paid off after the properties have been sold. Alternately, the Town can wait for the County to condemn the homes, which requires court approval. In this case, the County would perform and pay for the demolition, but it can take years to be done.

Mayor Calvo said, tonight, he would like the Council to consider establishing a sinking fund to finance abatements and demolitions, although a formal process for demolitions still needs to be established. Further, he would like the Council to authorize removal of the untagged vehicles from these properties. Removal should probably follow the County process, which allows for inoperable vehicles to be towed. The Town's Clean Lot Ordinance actually allows unregistered vehicles to be parked on a property if they are covered. However, the prescribed cover should fit the vehicle; it should not be a tarp tied with strings, as is the case with the cars on these vacant properties. Lastly, he would like the Council to approve the abatement of the vacant properties after the vehicles have been removed.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy and CM Rasmussen expressed concern that the owners of untagged and inoperable vehicles are notified before they are turned over to the County for towing. TA Murphy was asked to find out about the County's process for towing inoperable vehicles and to notify owners that the County has been asked to remove the vehicles. CM Rasmussen moved and CM Schreiber seconded to have the County tow the vehicles in question. MPT Kulpa-Eddy further requested the Town get assurances from the County that towing is limited to only the specific cars identified. The motion passed 5 to 0, subject to the limitation.

Mayor Calvo said that he would like to set up an abatement fund sooner rather than later, in order to expedite the sale of the troubled properties. This should probably be done with a budget amendment. CM Rasmussen said that it may also require establishing ground rules on how the funds can be used, as the money recovered from liens or tax sale is not necessarily equal to the money spent on demolitions. No decision was made to set up the fund, but the issue was designated a Council priority for the next term. TA Murphy was asked to contact the County to set their condemnation process in motion.

Nothing was discussed under **5. Parks and Recreation.**

6. Public Safety

School zone speed limit: Mayor Calvo

explained that the state legislature recently changed the speed camera law to raise the speed limit in school zones from 15 mph to 20 mph. The Town's speed camera vendor has informed TA Murphy they will not issue tickets unless the new speed limit is posted. This means the Town has to buy new signs. It also means that fewer tickets will be issued because speed camera tickets can only be issued if a car goes 12 mph over the posted speed limit, or 32 mph. The police however, could start issuing tickets to any car going over 20 mph.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy asked if the speed limit increase also applies to the other streets surrounding the school, Quebec Street and 63rd Avenue. Mayor Calvo said he thinks the speed limit change only applies to those areas where speed camera monitoring is in effect. So, he would propose to only change it in the 6200 block of Pontiac Street. CM Schreiber so moved. CM Rasmussen seconded. MPT Kulpa-Eddy asked if the speed limit written on the pavement must also be changed. TA Murphy said it would. The motion passed 4 to 1, with MPT Kulpa-Eddy opposed.

7. Public Works

Surplus 1994 refuse truck: TA Murphy explained that this is the Town's oldest trash truck and can no longer pass County inspection. The vehicle also has a broken packer blade and other problems. It cannot haul any refuse, nor be converted to any other useful purpose. Therefore, Acting Director Lockley has requested permission to surplus the vehicle. The intent is to give it to the Berwyn Heights Volunteer Fire Department for training purposes.

Mayor Calvo proposed the Town try to sell it first. It may have some value, especially since it has a new transmission. If it can't be sold then it can be given away. CM Rasmussen asked that the Council be given an estimate on the scrap value of the truck together with any bids that may come in. Mayor Calvo asked for a motion to surplus the truck for maximum value. CM Schreiber so moved. CM Dennison seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0.

8. Executive Session (10:07 p.m. - 10:34 p.m.)

On a motion by CM Dennison and CM Schreiber, the Council went into executive session regarding two personnel matters. With matters discussed, CM Dennison moved and CM Schreiber seconded to end the executive session.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

Kerstin Harper, Town Clerk

Town Meeting
June 11, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Calvo, Mayor Pro Tem (MPT) Kulpa-Eddy, CMs Dennison, Rasmussen and Schreiber. Also present were Town Administrator (TA) Murphy, Chief of Police Antolik, Treasurer Lape, Clerk Harper, ATHA Director Aaron Marcavitch and citizens.

Mayor Calvo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Flash Flood Report

Mayor Calvo gave a report on the June 10 flash flood that caused considerable damage to homes in low lying areas. He said that Town Councilmembers were at the Maryland Municipal League (MML) Conference in Ocean City when the storm hit. But the response to the flooding from the Town's staff, Volunteer Fire Department, and Neighborhood Watch/ Emergency Preparedness was very good, as was the initial response from the County. The Town is still gathering information about what exactly caused the flooding and which homes were affected most. It appears that this storm simply produced too much rain for the storm drains to handle and backed up, especially in low areas where water tends to accumulate. The worst flooding occurred on the 8900 block of 59th Avenue, the 8500 block of 58th Avenue and on Berwyn Road at 57th Avenue, but it also included many back door stair wells elsewhere.

Yesterday, after the storm, County staff went door to door to make an assessment of whether a home was fit for habitation and/or needed to have the electricity and gas turned off. Approximately twenty four homes were designated as unfit and the residents asked to stay elsewhere. The Town Center was opened as an emergency center, and the County set up a shelter in College Park. Everyone who needed an emergency shelter was served.

The Council decided to add bulk trash collection runs for the remainder of the week and waived permits for dumpsters and PODs to facilitate cleanup. Further, the Town plans to purchase a pump to be able to help residents that need to pump out their basement, and the Town office continues to act as a clearinghouse for information about assistance. Anyone needing help is encouraged to contact the Town office.

Mayor Calvo said that he focused his effort on improving coordination with and amongst County agencies to get homes that had electricity and/or gas turned off reconnected. The County's Department of Permits, Inspections and Enforcement (DPIE) is responsible for inspecting homes and clearing it for reconnection of power. The Town will post information about the process for getting reconnected tomorrow. He is also trying to clarify whether insurance will pay for flood damage if a property is not in a flood plain, and to understand why the storm drain system failed.

Mayor Calvo concluded by commending residents for their resilience and for the help offered by neighbors not directly affected by the flooding. The most urgent need, however, is for financial resources rather than clothing or household items. The Town will set up a flood assistance fund where residents can make a financial contribution.

In response to Mike Attick, Mayor Calvo said that he does not believe that the Town has any recourse with the County in getting restitution if storm drains prove to have been the culprit for the flooding. Mr. Attick also commented about the need to get a permit before turning power back on and about bulk trash likely needing to be picked up for several weeks as people wait to have insurance agents assess the damage and basements are repaired.

2. ATHA Presentation

Mayor Calvo welcomed Aaron Marcavitch, Executive Director of the Anacostia Trails Heritage Area (ATHA). Mr. Marcavitch explained that ATHA is one of 12 regional tourism organizations in Maryland that focuses on the Route 1 corridor and northern Prince George's County. ATHA promotes history, art and culture, and for the last 3 years has been busy organizing events celebrating the bi-centennial of the War of 1812. The capstone of this series of events is the *Undaunted Weekend* taking place August 23-24 at the Bladensburg waterfront. There will be a bevy of family activities, from re-enactments and demonstrations to children s' games and fireworks. More details about this and other Prince George's commemorative events can be found at *http://www.princegeorges1812.org*.

Mr. Marcavitch said that ATHA will next focus on bicycle tourism. The last segments of the Anacostia River trail have been completed, allowing riders to bike from Berwyn Heights all the way to downtown Washington. With the new additions, the D.C. area is about to become one of the largest urban trail systems in the country. The Indian Creek trail in Ber-

wyn Heights is part of the Anacostia trails, and the Town earlier this year applied for a $20,000 grant to improve bike infrastructure here with repair stations, bike racks and bike lanes. The grant application received favorable review by the Maryland Heritage Association with final word to be issued on July 7. Berwyn Heights is one of the keystones of the Anacostia trails where still-missing connections to Greenbelt National Park and Old Greenbelt could be made.

Bike tourism is one facet of a Healthy Eating/ Active Living (HEAL) initiative, sponsored by the D.C. Institute for Public Health Innovation that promotes healthy life styles in municipalities of the Mid Atlantic region. The Cities of Frederick and Cumberland have invested heavily in the C&O bike trail and have seen a big increase in tourism revenue. ATHA plans to partner with other municipalities in Northern Prince George's to further improve bicycle infrastructure with security lighting, call boxes and signage to increase usage.

In response to Mayor Calvo, Mr. Marcavitch said that a local bike share station scheduled to open this summer has been put on hold because the company that makes the bicycles has gone bankrupt. However, new stations will open as soon as a new manufacturer has been located and bikes are delivered. A bike share station usually has 10-20 bikes, costs around $50,000 to set up and needs to be part of a larger group of stations to function.

3. Minutes

Clerk Harper read a summary of the May 14 Town meeting minutes. On a motion by CM Dennison and second by MPT Kulpa-Eddy, the minutes were approved 5 to 0.

4. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Lape gave the Treasurer's report for the month of May.

5. Mayor's Report

Mayor Calvo reported that the last month has probably been the busiest month in his tenure. Many important issues are confronting this Council, with top billing going to hiring a new Code supervisor position and Town Administrator. Tomorrow, the Council will meet in executive session to interview the top candidate for the Code position after having sifted through more than 2 dozen applications. It is hoped that the Town will have someone in place by July. The search for a new Town Administrator will officially start with the posting of a position description at the consultant's website by the end of this week. It is hoped that, by the end of July, a short list of candidates will have been identified and by August interviews with finalists can be conducted.

Mayor Calvo further reported that he also had a chance to get to know the internal operations of the Code Department. He rode along on a code patrol and accompanied an officer on a rental inspection. He learned that there about 37 vacant properties in Town, which pose a special challenge to the Code Department, as well as 2 properties that have been declared unfit for human habitation. The Council recently discussed the process for condemning these properties and having them demolished. To accelerate the process, the Town may decide to front the money which will be recouped when these properties are sold and liens paid off. His study of the Code Department has led him to the conclusion that a disproportionate share of its workload is caused by a small group of repeat offenders. He intends to ask the Council to revise the regulations for dealing with repeat offenses in order to streamline the process.

In other news, the Council will hold an executive session at the next worksession to interview the current acting Public Works director for the permanent director position, effective July 1. At the recent MML conference, he had the honor to be elected Vice President of the Prince George's County Municipal Association (PGCMA) in a runoff election against the Mayor of Seat Pleasant. He also met with County Executive Baker to discuss County agencies the Town has found difficult to deal with, such as DPIE and the non-emergency communications system. He also talked with the Town's auditor and engineering firm, and attended workshops on Maryland's economic outlook, the HEAL program and Sustainable Maryland. The Town's sustainable Maryland application has been submitted and the certification is imminent. Finally, Mayor Calvo announced that he has appointed CM Rasmussen as head of the Code Department and CM Schreiber as head of the Public Works Department.

6. Department Reports

Administration: MPT Kulpa-Eddy reported that the Administration Department has been preoccupied with finalizing the FY 2014 Budget Amendments that will be adopted tonight and with coordinating the Town's response to the flash flood. At the MML conference, she took training relevant to Town administration, including election issues and emergency management. She was surprised to learn that other small towns also have trouble with getting residents to run for Town Council and useful information was exchanged on how to increase citizen involvement.

Further, MPT Kulpa-Eddy attended County Councilmember Olson's recent community meeting. She found out that the County offers up to $10,000 in matching grants for tree planting the Town may want to apply for. Lastly, she attended a Planning Department listening session about a planned rewrite of the Prince George's County zoning ordinance. The existing ordinance is outdated and full of exceptions and not very user friendly. The next step is the discussion of a road map for the amendment process, which she intends to stay informed about.

Code Compliance: CM Rasmussen reported that he looks forward to heading the Code Department and meeting with the new Code supervisor. His first job after college was as a college student housing administrator, where he became familiar with the challenge of enforcing community standards and balancing the needs of the community with the rights and interests of individual home owners. He noted that he and his partner own 3 rental units in Berwyn Heights. He intends to be open about any matter that affects his properties to avoid any potential conflicts of interest. When his rental property is inspected, he will ask another Councilmember to be present to ensure impartiality, and offer to recuse himself from any decisions that would have a financial impact on his rental property.

CM Rasmussen reported at the MML conference he took training in the fundamentals of municipal government, such as municipal budgeting, elections and legal issues. He also had the opportunity to network with many elected officials from neighboring cities and towns, which will be important in working collaboratively with them. The highlights for him were the gubernatorial candidates' forum, and the keynote address by Cal Ripken.

Lastly, CM Rasmussen recognized the UMD Women's Lacrosse team for winning the national championship and men's baseball team which advanced to regional finals, and the University itself for becoming a member of the Big Ten. He related that he attended a moving Memorial Day celebration at the Phillips-Kleiner Veterans of Foreign Wars post in College Park and hopes that Berwyn Heights might participate in such a ceremony in the future.

Parks and Recreation, Education and Civic Affairs: CM Dennison reported that she attended a number of classes at

the MML conference including preventing workplace violence, the future of police leadership, municipal elections issues, the limits of code enforcement and emergency management. She announced that the Maryland primaries will be held on June 24, with early voting beginning tomorrow.

Public Health and Safety: Mayor Calvo noted that the Police Department had an active month and congratulated Chief Antolik for the conviction of the perpetrator in the 2012 domestic violence homicide in Berwyn Heights. Chief Antolik said that he arrived back in Town from vacation in time to deal with the flash flood and its fallout. The police was very busy and helped set up 3 command posts to deal with the emergency. The situation was worst on 59th Avenue, where the fire department pulled a resident from a flooded basement. The intersection in front of the Town office was also under water and the police had trouble driving through it, even with their SUV. Emergency centers were opened at the Senior Center and the Community Center, and buses were made ready for transport. The police were grateful to be assisted by the Berwyn Heights Volunteer Fire Department, University of Maryland police, Prince George's County's Homeland Security and Social Services Departments, the Red Cross and the Neighborhood Watch/ Emergency Preparedness Committee.

In the police activities report for May, Chief Antolik reported that there were 4 Part I offenses, one less than the 5 year average of 5.6. The year to date total is 28, also lower than the 5 year average of 32.8. The police issued 228 State and Town citations and 288 speed camera citations.

Public Works: CM Schreiber said that he hasn't had a chance to meet with the staff of the Public Works Department yet, but knows from his experience as a resident that trash collection works very well. At the MML conference, he particularly enjoyed meeting other elected officials who supervise Public Works Departments. It is a demanding role but they place a high value on it and seem to get a lot out of it. He is looking forward to use what he learned in his tenure and to meet Acting Director Lockley and his staff.

7. Committee Reports

Green Team*:* Reported under Department Reports.

Neighborhood Watch/Emergency Preparedness: Mike Attick announced that the next meeting will be held on July 2, followed by National Night Out on August 5. On June 28, a free CPR class will be held. Anyone wishing to participate should contact the Town office.

Mr. Attick commented on the flash flood. He said he was impressed with the County's response, but more so with the Town's. The police coordinated with BHVFD, NW/EP and the County agencies and did a professional job. However, many homes along Edmonston Road were tagged with caution tape although they did not have any flooding problems. He believes this may have been done by members of an outside fire department that came to help. Other than that, things worked as they should.

Recreation Council: CM Dennison noted that the Town-wide yard sale will be held on June 21.

8. Unfinished Business

Ordinance No 164 - 2nd Reading & Adoption of FY 2014 Budget Amendments: Clerk Harper read the adopting language of the Ordinance. MPT Kulpa-Eddy moved to adopt it. CM Dennison seconded. Mayor Calvo explained that this year's amendments are relatively simple. They declare some new revenue, e.g. the Pop's Park grant and insurance recovery for a damaged police car, additional expenditures for a community garden, and the distribution of merit increases to the departments. The Ordinance was adopted in a 5 to 0 vote.

9. New Business

Resolution 05-2014 - MOU regarding MEA EmPOWER and Community Legacy Grants: Clerk Harper read a summary of the Resolution. MPT Kulpa-Eddy moved to adopt it. CM Rasmussen seconded. Mayor Calvo explained that this MOU designates the Town of Bladensburg as the administrator of energy efficiency grants it has put together and submitted. The MOU provides for the Berwyn Heights to piggyback onto the hard work Bladensburg has done and receive a share of the energy efficiency assistance funds obtained. The Council voted 5 to 0 to adopt the Resolution.

Resolution 06-2014 - Increase of Pontiac Street School Zone Speed Limit: Clerk Harper read the Resolution. CM Dennison moved to adopt it. CM Rasmussen seconded. Mayor Calvo said that the Maryland Legislature this year made a number of changes to the speed camera law that the Town must implement. It requires the restructuring of the contracts towns have with the vendors of the speed cameras, and raises the minimum speed limit from 15 mph to 20 mph in school zones. This means speed camera tickets cannot be issued unless a car exceeds 32 mph. The Town is hereby implementing the speed limit changes and will soon post new signage in order to be able to continue to operate the cameras.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy said that she was concerned about raising the speed limit in school zones, which would make them less safe for students. However, she noticed that this Resolution includes a lowering of the speed limit in the 8700 and 8800 block of Edmonston Road from 25 mph to 20 mph, which should help pedestrians using that road. CM Dennison said she would have liked to keep the lower speed limit. But she hopes that students might be trained to stay on the sidewalks to keep them safe in the future.

In response to CM Schreiber, Mayor Calvo clarified that the location and times for school zones remain the same; only the speed limit changes. CM Rasmussen agreed that the police could work with students on how to be safe walking to school and to increase police presence around the schools to monitor traffic. He also asked if there might be any kind of analysis of how the Town budget might be affected by the likely reduction in revenues from this source. Mayor Calvo said that the budgetary impact will not be known until after the next school year starts. The speed camera is not in operation when school is not in session. However, most of the revenue comes from the camera on Greenbelt Road, where the speed limit remains the same. Further, additional revenue might come in from ticketing on Edmonston Road, where the speed limit was lowered.

In response to Mr. Attick and Ms. Hayden, Mayor Calvo explained, when school is not in session, the speed limit is 25 mph. While the cameras continue to operate, the police evaluates the data and decides whether a ticket is issued and they take school hours and holidays into account. The Council voted 5 to 0 to pass the Resolution.

9. Citizens Discussion

New Carrollton Councilmember Jim Wildoner introduced himself as a candidate for the County Council in District 3. He said he is running because of the fiscal irresponsibility of this County Council, which is now running a structural deficit of $110 million. He attended a recent budget hearing and learned how the County plans to lower the deficit. One measure proposed is a reduction in the tax differential for municipalities. While attending Council meetings, he managed to convince the Council to keep the New Carrollton Metro station in District 3 instead of moving it to District 4, as was

planned. Mr. Wildoner said he has 11 years experience serving his community as a councilmember, and more than 30 years experience working with volunteer and non-profit organizations. Those interested to learn more about his positions can visit his website at www.democracy.com.

Mike Attick, 62nd Avenue, asked if the code supervisor and town administrator positions were advertised in the Bulletin. Mayor Calvo replied that the town administrator position has not yet been advertised. The code supervisor position was advertised on the website. The search was handled by a consultant that advertised in other publications.

Joan Hayden, Seminole Street, wondered if the community garden may have caused new runoff, and contributed to the flooding problem on 59th Avenue. She asked whether a study was done to determine the garden's potential impacts. Mayor Calvo replied that the main problem on 59th Avenue is the storm drain at the lowest point of the street. This storm drain has backed up before, but this time there was too much water in a short period and the water level rose much higher faster. The Green Team did extensive studies of the environmental impacts of the community garden before it was installed.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 p.m.

Kerstin Harper, Town Clerk

Worksession

June 16, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Cheye Calvo, Mayor Pro Tem (MPT) Jodie Kulpa-Eddy and Councilmembers (CMs) Patricia Dennison, Chris Rasmussen, and Anthony Schreiber. Also present were Clerk Kerstin Harper, and C. P. Johnson representatives Robin Barnhardt and Brendon Freeman. Town Administrator (TA) Edward Murphy had an excused absence.

1. Mayor

Announcements: An executive session interview for the Public Works director position will begin at 9:00 p.m. TA Murphy is out of the office recovering from surgery. The Mayor will visit with him tomorrow to discuss Town matters.

Calendar: Mayor Calvo and MPT Kulpa-Eddy will be away next week. Councilmembers need to coordinate the check signing.

Minutes: On a motion by CM Dennison and second by MPT Kulpa-Eddy, the May 12 worksession minutes were approved 3-0-2, with CMs Rasmussen and Schreiber abstaining. On a motion by CM Dennison and second by MPT Kulpa-Eddy, the June 3 worksession minutes were approved 5-0.

Department Reports: Mayor Calvo reported that he spent much of the previous week coordinating the response to the flash flood that affected many Town residents. The Code supervisor position has been filled. The new supervisor will start to work in early July. MPT Kulpa-Eddy reported that the audit of the payroll will start next week. CM Dennison announced upcoming events. CM Rasmussen said he is pleased that the Code supervisor position has been filled.

Mayor Calvo said that the Council appropriated $2,000 in FY 2014 to help fund an after school computer lab run cooperatively by Berwyn Heights Elementary School (BHES) and the Community Center. This project did not come to pass. However, there is an opportunity to fund technology learning at BHES. He is discussing the modalities for such assistance with Principal Singer and the PTA.

Citizen comments: Mayor Calvo received comments about the flash flood, the Greenbelt Road resurfacing and trash accumulation behind the new Little Caesar's pizza restaurant. CM Rasmussen received a comment about invasive species problems in the Town. This mostly concerns bamboo and is treated as a clean lot violation.

Sidewalks engineering update (added): Mayor Calvo welcomed C.P. Johnson engineers Robin Barnhardt and Brendon Freeman, who came to give an update on the engineering and permitting of the sidewalks project. For the benefit of the new councilmembers, Mayor Calvo explained that the Town contracted with the C. P. Johnson last year to design both the priority 1 sidewalks project, which stretches from Sports Park to Greenbelt Road at 60th Avenue, and a *Safe Routes to School* grant-funded sidewalks project for the 8900 block of 63rd Avenue. The engineering plans have been drafted and submitted to Prince George's County and SHA for approval. The Town is waiting for the permits.

Ms. Barnhardt explained that approval of the priority 1 sidewalks engineering plan is subject to receipt of permits for sediment control from the Prince George's Soil Conservation District and storm water management (SWM) from the Department of Permits, Inspections and Enforcement (DPIE). The sediment control plan has been given preliminary approval but is contingent on the approval of the storm water management plan. C. P. Johnson has submitted the SWM concept plan on June 4, and was supposed to, but did not receive approval by today. Upon receipt, they will incorporate any changes and resubmit a detailed plan to DPIE for final approval. Final approval may take up to 2 months from the date of submission.

Mayor Calvo elaborated that an SWM plan is required because the new sidewalks will add up to 20,000 square feet of impervious surfaces in Town. This will generate additional storm water runoff that must be mitigated. The Town has proposed to offset the additional storm water runoff with an SWM facility at the Public Works yard. The cost for the entire project is in the FY 2015 budget. Ms. Barnhardt said that the SWM plan calls for collecting the runoff at an inlet that contains a set of filters that clean the water before releasing it downstream. The filtration system, called a jellyfish, was chosen because it does not need much space or height differential to work. This system will need to be cleaned periodically and the cartridges replaced every so often. The main issue is whether the system offsets the required 20,000 square feet. She believes that, with the added runoff from the roof of an adjacent business, the requirements will be met.

Mayor Calvo noted that the total impervious area added may turn out to be less than 20,000 square feet because sidewalks are pinched to avoid obstacles and built into the existing roadway in some locations. CM Rasmussen asked if any taxable square footage will be removed from private properties. Mayor Calvo said that is not the case, but a couple of easements are needed. He asked if the process to obtain easements has been started. He hopes the Town is able to go out to bid as soon as it receives the County permits by the end of this summer. Ms. Barnhardt said she will have to look into it.

63rd Avenue sidewalk (added): Mayor Calvo said that construction of a sidewalk along the east side of the 8900 block of 63rd Avenue is a separate project, funded by a *Safe Routes to School* grant, which is administered by SHA. This section of road funnels Berwyn Heights students walking to Greenbelt Middle School to a signal crossing at Greenbelt Road.

Ms. Barnhardt said that SHA has reviewed the plans and commented that

the ADA accessible ramp, as shown in the plans, does not meet ADA requirements. C. P. Johnson has revised the plans to show a wider flare for the ramp in question and sent them back to SHA today. The environmental conditions for the project have been met. No SWM mitigation is required as the project falls under the 5,000 square feet threshold. TA Murphy has been working with C. P. Johnson's engineer Gary Dyson on an easement. She will ask Mr. Dyson to apprise the Council of the status of the easement.

At 8:04 p.m., the Council took a 5 minute break.

Flash flood recovery: Mayor Calvo said that Town has put together a preliminary list of residents whose properties suffered damage as a result of the June 10 flash flood. In the end, there were only 12 homes that lost power as a result of flooding. Nine of those had power restored by last Friday, June 13. The remaining 3 homes are in the process of getting power restored today and County inspections done by tomorrow. While the County's initial response to the flood was good, the follow up was inadequate, prompting him to contact County Executive Baker. Particularly, the coordination of County inspections with Pepco to restore power was bad. He also reached out to Pepco's Vice President of Public Affairs, Jerry Pasternak, who had not heard about this problem but helped facilitate the process of restoring power. Mr. Pasternak agreed to work with the Town to change a policy that charges homeowners $350 for turning power back on after an emergency.

Mayor Calvo further reported that the Town established a flood fund where people can donate to help flash flood victims. So far, around $2,000 has been collected. While this generosity is very commendable, the cost to repair flood damage is estimated in the $100,000s. He hopes that the fund will rise to $10,000 and would like the Town to consider making a donation as well. Once the collection is over, some eligibility criteria need to be established to distribute the funds. This might include a means test, and/or determination of whether the home is a private residence, and had a loss of electricity.

CM Schreiber asked if there was a precedent for the Town compensating private losses, and if not, whether the Town should set a precedent for it, lest homeowners come to rely on the Town for assistance in similar circumstances. Mayor Calvo said that this circumstance was unique in that the flooding was largely due to a failure of the County's SWM system, and will not be covered by private insurance because the homes are not located in a flood plain.

CM Rasmussen agreed with CM Schreiber about not setting a precedent for compensating residents. As for eligibility criteria, he recommended to focus on the needs of the occupants of the flooded homes, regardless of whether it is a rental home or a private residence. He further suggested that sorting out eligibility criteria and assistance be turned over to a non-profit organization with experience in emergency recovery. He cautioned not to publicize the amount donated to prevent homeowners from inflating claims.

Mayor Calvo thought that this is not a concern because there will not be enough money to compensate anyone for a large portion of their loss. Councilmembers are encouraged to give this some thought and discuss it at the next worksession.

MML debriefing: CM Schreiber said he learned that the Town of La Plata is looking into partnering with other municipalities to contract for examining the life expectancy of municipal roads. The contractor who performs the analysis has a minimum requirement of road miles to be tested, which cannot be met by a small town individually. He thinks La Plata will contact Berwyn Heights about partnering in the near future. Mayor Calvo added that the contractor has a truck with an x-ray machine that can determine the condition of the road surface. The testing costs between $200 to $400 per road mile. While this seems high, he thinks it would be worthwhile in the context of the overall price of road renovations.

CM Rasmussen reported that he attended a workshop on historic preservation. He learned that the State has money to assist homeowners restoring their historic homes and thinks the Town might be able to facilitate homeowners obtaining these resources. MPT Kulpa-Eddy said she attended workshops on issues that are already on the table, such as revising the election ordinance and the personnel manual and upgrading the Town's website. Mayor Calvo said he was interested to learn more about Healthy Eating, Active Living (HEAL) initiatives promoted by the Anacostia Trails Heritage Association. The Town tied into the program when it applied for a Maryland Heritage Association grant to improve bike trails and amenities in Town.

Acting Town Administrator (discussed out of order): Mayor Calvo said that TA Murphy did not designate an acting Town Administrator when he went into the hospital. Normally, Treasurer Lape would step in as the second in command of the Administration Department. However, that does not necessarily include interdepartmental coordination. For that reason he recommends making Treasurer Lape the acting Chief Financial Officer (CFO), while designating Chief Antolik as the acting Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), at least for the short term. As a department director, the Chief is in a better position to serve in that position and coordinate across departments.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy asked if TA Murphy could work from home, as he did last year when he was recovering from surgery. He Skyped in for worksessions and communicated by phone and email. Mayor Calvo agreed that some of the work could be done from home but there are limitations, such as signing documents and following up on sidewalks. He and other Councilmembers may have to take up some of these tasks. If TA Murphy is out longer than a few weeks, an acting Town Administrator may have to be hired. He asked for a motion to appoint Treasurer Lape CFO and Chief Antolik CAO through July 7. CM Rasmussen so moved. MPT Kulpa-Eddy seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0.

Animal shelter contribution (discussed out of order): Mayor Calvo said the County set aside $200,000 to commission a feasibility study for an animal shelter for the Route 1 corridor, provided municipalities contribute a share. College Park agreed to contribute $25,000; New Carrollton and Berwyn Heights $10,000 each; and Greenbelt and University Park $5,000 each; for a total of $55,000. If this sum is adequate, the stake holders still have to work out the terms of an agreement before money is committed. Personally, he would not sign onto another County-run facility. He would prefer that a non-profit run the shelter, coordinating with the County and municipalities. A decision will have to wait until all interested municipalities have passed their budgets.

No soliciting sign locations (discussed out of order): Mayor Calvo explained that the Town requires anyone who is not a resident and wants to solicit in Town to get a permit. However, there is no signage to that effect. Signs would inform solicitors that they need a permit, alert residents that solicitors should have a permit, and enable the police to point

Code News

New Code Supervisor

Kevin Simpson has recently joined the Town as the new Code Supervisor. Mr. Simpson originally hails from New Orleans and previously worked as a code officer for the City of Mt. Rainier. He is certified in code enforcement, zoning, property maintenance and housing inspections, and holds a Bachelor's degree in History from the University of Maryland University College. He will be responsible for coordinating day-to-day operations of the Code Department under the direction of the Town Administrator and the Councilmember for Code Compliance.

If you have any code-related questions, please call 301-513-9331 or email ksimpson@town.berwynHeights.md.us

Code Activity for July:

Top code violations: Abatements = 6; High Grass/ Overgrown Vegetation = 85; Miscellaneous Violations = 11; Trash/ Litter = 14; Vehicles = 3; Yard Waste = 7.

Other activities: New Rental Properties = 3; Rental Inspections = 24; Re-inspections = 3; Rental Investigations = 3; Building Permits = 1; Dumpster Permits = 2; POD Permits = 1; Permit Violations = 3

to the sign when they enforce the regulation. Acting Director Lockley has obtained a quote for 10 signs, and needs approval for the sign design and the locations. Mayor Calvo suggested they be posted one block back from the Town entrances along Greenbelt Road. Other locations might include Pontiac Street at Edmonston Road and Berwyn Road at Sports Park.

CM Schreiber asked if Town residents can solicit without a permit. Mayor Calvo said he thinks they can. The permit is a way to register vendors and have their contact information on file, in case there are complaints. CM Rasmussen and MPT Kulpa-Eddy expressed concern that there are already too many signs posted at Town entrances creating visual clutter. CM Schreiber agreed. He does not recall seeing so many signs in similar neighborhoods. He suggested affixing the 'no soliciting' signs to the 'no through trucks' sign posts to reduce clutter.

Mayor Calvo thought that is a good idea and that 6 to 8 'no soliciting' signs are probably sufficient. CM Rasmussen said another approach might be to educate residents that solicitors must have permits. This could include presentations to the Seniors Club and/or publicizing in newsletters. Mayor Calvo proposed that the Council ask the Police Department to work with the Neighborhood Watch to come up with a comprehensive plan to educate the residents and the locations for posting signs. There were no objections.

Performance evaluations (discussed out of order): Mayor Calvo explained that each June the Town Administrator distributes performance evaluation forms and guidelines to the directors for rating their employees. The forms have a section for rating the performance of all employees, and a section that applies only to supervisory staff. The evaluations serve as the basis for distributing merit increases, which the Council takes up in the fall, which go into effect on November 1. Once directors have rated their employees the evaluation forms are given to the Town Administrator for review, who is to ensure that ratings are consistent across the departments.

As a new responsibility under the Powers & Duties Ordinance, the Town Administrator will also draft the evaluations for directors, which are then reviewed and finalized by the Council. Councilmembers should also review the evaluations of their non-supervisory staff and give feedback to their directors. The newly-elected councilmembers were advised to consult with the previous councilmembers about their employees' performance and review past years' evaluations. The Council agreed to move the due date for evaluations back to July 31.

Volunteer appreciation dinner (discussed out of order): For the benefit of the new councilmembers, Mayor Calvo explained that each year the Town invites everyone who volunteers in some capacity to a catered dinner to show its appreciation. All councilmembers are encouraged to attend.

Council priorities (tabled)

2. Code Compliance

Code supervisor goals: Mayor Calvo said that the recruiter drafted a list of goals for a new code supervisor derived from interviews she had with Town staff and councilmembers. He would like to postpone a discussion and fine tuning of the goals to the next worksession but asked that councilmembers review the draft. CM Rasmussen, as head of the Code Department, should take the lead in formulating a set of first year goals. MPT Kulpa-Eddy said she had started to draft such a document and would be happy to send it to CM Rasmussen and the entire Council, if desired.

Ordinance 107 - untagged vehicle violations: Mayor Calvo said that he would like the Council to revise Section 5 (D) of *Ordinance 107, Clean Lot*, which regulates the storage of untagged, inoperable or junked vehicles on private properties. However, when reviewing the Ordinance, he saw other sections that should be clarified and revised, in particular the process for dealing with repeat violations. Therefore, he would like to open the Ordinance up for a broader review and asked councilmembers to familiarize themselves with the document.

Several agenda items to be discussed under **3. Parks and Recreation, 4. Public Safety, 5. Public Works, and 6. Administration** were discussed under **1. Mayor**.

8. Executive Session (9:20 p.m. - 10:40 p.m.)

On a motion by CM Schreiber and second by CM Dennison, the Council went into executive session regarding two personnel matters. With matters discussed, CM Schreiber moved and CM Dennison seconded to end the executive session.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:41 p.m.

Kerstin Harper, Town Clerk

Berwyn Heights National Night Out
Tuesday, August 5th, 2014
6 – 9 pm

Dear Berwyn Heights Residents,

It is my pleasure to invite you to Berwyn Heights' 31st Annual National Night Out. This is a celebration of the long-standing cooperation between Berwyn Heights Police, merchants and citizens in fighting crime in our community. So, please come out and join us for another wonderful National Night Out. Thank you for your continued support in keeping our community safe.

Chief Kenneth Antolik

National Night Out has a variety of FREE & FUN activities:

- Cookout and summer snacks;
- Kids games and contests;
- Martial arts demonstration;
- Exhibits and visits from other police and sheriff departments

National Night Out improve public safety by:

- Heightening crime and drug prevention awareness;
- Increasing participation in Neighborhood Watch/ Emergency Preparedness program;
- Strengthening neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and
- Sending a message to criminals that our neighborhood is organized and alert.

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June 24th- Squad 14 responded to the 13000 Blk of 9th Street in Bowie for a house on fire across from the Bowie VFD Station 19 (Old Bowie).

June 27th- Truck 14 operated in the 9300 Blk of Cherry Hill Rd in Beltsville for a working apartment fire.

June 27th- Truck 14 operated at the 4500 Blk of Broadview Blvd in Beltsville for a working House Fire.

July 1st- Squad 14 extricated a trapped driver from a box truck flipped on its side SB I-95/ Powder Mill Rd in Beltsville.

July 4th- Truck 14 & Chief 14A operated in the 7200Blk of Morrison Dr in Greenbelt for a Townhouse Fire after a grill caught the attached deck & house on fire. ***Always grill at a safe distance & with an extinguisher!***

July 7th- Truck 14 responded to the 1400 Blk of University Blvd. in Adelphi for the working Apartment Fire.

July 9th- Truck 14 & Chief 14A operated in the 7300 Blk of Van Dusen Rd at the Laurel Regional Hospital for a small fire in the building.

July 9th- Truck 14 operated at the NASA Goddard Space Flight Center Building 16 in Lanham for a transformer on fire in the basement.

July 10th- Truck 14 operated at the College Park McDonalds on Rt 1 for a building fire, a deep fryer caught fire to the building.

July 12th- Squad 14 operated on the 2nd Alarm Townhouse Fire in the 13900 blk of Grenfell Pl. in Bowie. Fire started on rear deck & extended from the exterior wall into the attic. Squad 14 had 9 Volunteers.

July 12th- Truck 14 operated as the first arriving unit in the 8700 blk of 21st Ave in Adelphi for a House Fire; heavy fire in the basement that originated from the dryer. Truck 14 had 8 volunteers.

July 14th- Squad 14 extricated a trapped driver of a crash on Greenbelt Rd/Mandan. Squad 14 had 8 volunteers

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News:

-BHVFD wins First Place for Fire Prevention Efforts, Class V, at the 2014 Maryland Fireman's Convention in OC this June.

-Our Bunkroom is now full, filled with 12 dedicated live-in volunteer Firefighter/EMTs. The Bunkroom, in addition to our dozens of non-live in Volunteers, make us one of the stongerst VFD's in the area.

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From the smell of burned rubber to the sounds of screeching tires and crumpling metal, the experience of a car accident can really shake you up. But, knowing what to do or not do after an accident can help keep a bad situation from getting worse. Follow these other tips to help protect yourself, get back on the road quickly and put the wreck in your rearview mirror.

Get Help and Get to Safety
What you do in the moments after an accident could literally mean the difference between life and death for you, your passengers and others on the road.

Dial 911. If someone needs immediate medical attention, you should call for help before you do anything else. If you don't have a phone, ask someone nearby.

Clear the road. If your car is still drivable, carefully move it out of the flow of traffic to the shoulder of the road or a parking lot. A wreck that blocks traffic could create subsequent collisions.

Call the police. Some local laws require that the police are notified after any accident. Consult your state's Department of Transportation to learn the laws for your state.

Gather Information Take pictures, write down license plates, get Drives License numbers, insurance information after ensuring you are not blocking traffic or in danger.

Up-Coming Fire House Renovations

We are excitedly preparing for our Firehouse to undergo several major renovations over the next year. The following projects will be funded by the County's FY 2015 Capitol improvement project: 1) Expanding and redesigning the bunkroom & bathrooms, 2) Re-paving the parking lot, 3) Installation of a new emergency generator, 4) Construction of a state-of-the-art Rescue Squad training area, and 5) New flooring in our training room.

In addition to County projects, the Department will also be completing several in-house projects done by members such as: re-painting & tiling the lounge, renovating the Watch Desk/Line Office, and installing new carpeting.

UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Station 14 Call Volume: June 2014	
Rescue Squads:	171
Ladder Truck:	64
Technical Rescue Support Unit:	7
Ambulance & Paramedic Ambulance	119
Total Station Runs for June	**361**

Come visit us at National Night Out! Tuesday Aug 5th @BH Town Center

Berwyn Heights Historical Committee

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August 22-24, 2014

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Friday, August 22
"John Bull" Roast

Riversdale House Museum
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MARYLAND MILESTONES

Saturday, August 23
Undaunted Festival

Bladensburg Waterfront Park
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(GPS: Presidential Drive & Campus Drive)
NO parking on-site - see princegeorges1812.org

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Berwyn Heights Elementary PTA Newsletter

August 2014 **Berwyn Heights, MD**

Mark Your Calendars

Aug 12th - 6:45pm – School Library - Please come to our kick-off PTA meeting for the 2014-15 school year! We have lots of things planned that we will need volunteers for, so please come along and see how you can help! Any amount of time you can give goes a long way and there are lots of things you can do from home. For the rest of the school year, PTA meetings will be on the first Tuesday of every month at 6:45pm in the library.

Aug 16th - 3pm – Playdate at Pop's Park

Aug 26th - First Day of School

Sept 10th – Hello Husky Family Fun Night

Special Events

Playdate at Pop's Park for Incoming Kindergarteners - The BHES PTA is hosting a playdate at Pop's Park for all new BHES families on **Saturday, August 16th at 3pm**. Making a few new friends who will be at school next year can really help your child feel less nervous about beginning this big adventure. Members of the BHES PTA will be there to answer questions and will provide refreshments.

Market Day

We will be continuing the Market Day fundraiser over the summer. Next order deadline is July 30th and pickup is Wednesday August 6th. **Pickups need to be made prior to 5pm**.

PTA Officers 2013-2014

Need to reach us?
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Box Tops = Free Money!

Remember to keep collecting over the summer! Find out about the latest sweepstakes and Bonus Box Tops opportunities by going to www.btfe.com. It's like free money! Remember! The more Box Tops collected, the more money we receive to go to bigger and better programs sponsored by your PTA!

Welcome Back Students and Staff

Call for Volunteers!

Bring your community spirit
to Berwyn Heights Elementary School

August 2nd - 9:00 a.m.— Noon
(rain date is August 9th)

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Come when you can if that is too early and bring your favorite tool!

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SOLD- 8425 57th av 4BR,2BA rambler w/ sunrm addtn $269,950.

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Berwyn Heights GreenBee

The **GreenBee** is your monthly guide to tips and resources from the Green Team! If you'd like to share your ideas, please email us at bgreen.berwynheights@gmail.com, or contact Therese Forbes, outreach coordinator, at 301-982-7115. Our next Green Team meeting is August **28th** at 7:00 p.m. (Town Office).

Did You Know? Berwyn Heights is Seeking SMC Certification

The Sustainable Maryland Certified (SMC) program offers a sustainability certification that is a free and voluntary program operated through the University of Maryland's Environmental Finance Center, and any of the state's 157 municipalities can participate. The certification program designation offers localities a way to be publicly recognized for their efforts to build green and sustainable communities. Additionally, through some of the action items required for certification municipalities may be able to obtain some cost savings as well as implement policies and initiatives that improve the overall community.

To achieve SMC certification, municipalities must complete certain community actions within a range of different priority areas. The Berwyn Heights Green Team has been hard at work since fall 2012 to work to achieve certification, and has just submitted paperwork to SMC for approval. We'll keep the community posted! For more information, see http://www.sustainablemaryland.com/

GreenBee Buzz Worthy! Pet Waste Stations

Did you know that Berwyn Heights has added new pet waste stations throughout town? There are four newly installed stations where you'll find bags and trash cans, so that you can easily pick up after your pet. Please do, to help keep our town clean and green! The four pet waste stations are located at: 1) Berwyn Heights Elementary School's lower parking lot in the open space near picnic tables and shed; 2) Pontiac Street entrance to the 60th Avenue footpath; 3) The open space in the 5600 block of Ruatan Street and; 4) Berwyn Road in the right of way nearest Lake Artemesia's parking lot.

Interested in Purchasing Low-Cost Compost Bins? Let Us Know!

As we mentioned in last month's GreenBee, low-cost enclosed compost bins will soon be available for residents to purchase. The Green Team will be able to provide compost bins to residents interested in purchasing them, *for just $20!* Residents will be able to purchase the bins at the Town Office and Public Works will deliver them to their homes. The Green Team will also provide residents with information and training about using the compost bins.

There will be a limited supply of bins, so if you're interested, fill out the application below and drop it off at the Town Office, or email us at bgreen.berwynheights@gmail.com, and we'll add you to our list of interested residents. Please indicate your interest by August 30th.

Compost Bin Application

Name: _____

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

August 1	Bing-Yee Lam
August 4	Henry (Hank) Becker
August 8	Wilson Hayden
August 14	Marilyn Pula
August 23	Chandica Handinge
August 24	Mary Hudak
August 27	Robert Staner
August 30	Darlene Erickson

AUGUST ACTIVITIES

August 5	Bingo	12:30 P.M.
August 6	Wii Bowling (open)	10:30 A.M.
August 7	Pool Night	7:00 P.M.
August 9	Potluck & Movie	5:00 P.M.
August 12	Bingo	12:30 P.M.
August 13	Wii Bowling (open)	10:30 A.M.
August 14	Pool Night	7:00 P.M.
August 19	Bingo	12:30 P.M.
August 20	Wii Bowling (open)	10:30 A.M.
August 21	Pool Night	7:00 P.M.
August 26	Bingo	12:30 P.M.
August 27	Wii Bowling (open)	10:30 A.M.
August 28	Pool Night	7:00 P.M.

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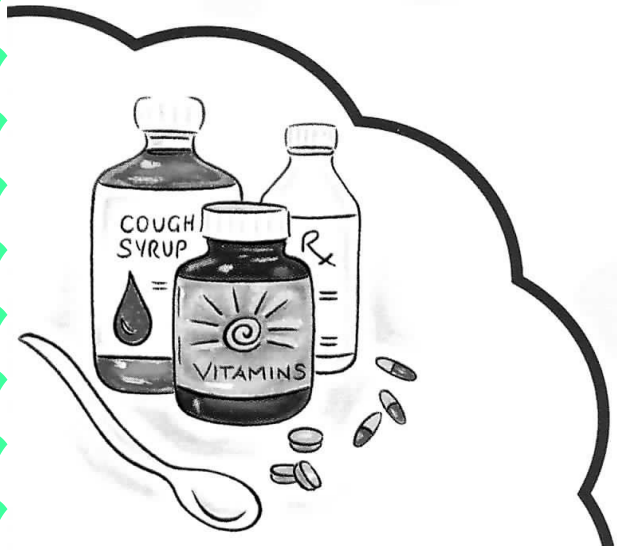

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BERWYN HEIGHTS POLICE BEAT

"Police Beat" includes crimes and accidents that occurred during the month of June 2014. It is not a complete listing of every crime and/or accident that occurred in the Town. Incidents are listed from beginning of the month to the end of the month starting with the first report taken during the period within a specified category.

06/01/2014 at 8:45 pm, Pfc. Roberson responded to the 8700 block of 58th. Avenue for an injured person.

06/02/2014 at 4:05 pm, Pfc. Ignowski impounded a 1995 Toyota from the location of the 8700 block of 60th. Avenue. The vehicle was left abandoned.

06/04/2014 at 11:25 am, Pfc. Krouse responded to the 8400 block of Cunningham Drive for a report of fraud. Unknown person compromised victim's credit card number.

06/05/2014 at 11:00 am, Pfc. Krouse and Det. Unger responded to the 8500 block of 63rd. Avenue for a report of a burglary in progress. Unknown person entered victim's house and removed a flat screen TV. A black male, 5, 10", 150 lbs., with long dreadlocks and a gray sweatshirt was seen running away from the house and into a green Dodge caravan. Investigation continues.

06/07/2014 at 11:04 am, Pfc. Ignowski responded to the 5900 block of Natasha Drive for a report of a telephone misuse. Suspect called and pretended to be representative from IRS.

06/07/2014 at 8:30 pm, Pfc. Roberson responded to the 8400 block of 57th. Avenue for a report of theft. Victim claims that her boyfriend stole her phone and I-pad.

06/08/2014 at 11:28 am, Pfc. Ignowski responded to the 7-11 on Edmonston Road for a report of an assault. Suspect, a b/m, 5'07", 145 Lbs., was upset at the cashier and spat on him before fleeing.

06/14/2014 at 9:12, Pfc. Ignowski responded to the Metropolitan Family Planning Clinic located at 5919 Greenbelt Road for a report of a disorderly person. Once on scene, officer met with a W/M, who refuses to comply with all lawful order given to him and eventually assaulted the officer by turning his body and moving back towards the officer, causing him to fall on top of the officer. After a short struggle, Robert Weiler, a 34 Y/O, W/M, resident of Forestville, MD was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct and second degree assault.

06/18/2014 at 7:17 am, Det. Unger responded to the 5600 block of Osage Street for an open kitchen window of a residence. Victim believed that someone attempted to gain entry and burglarize her house. Nothing was missing.

06/19/2014 at 1:09 pm, Pfc. Thompson impounded a 1998 Honda from the location of 5500 block of Greenbelt Road. Driver was driving without a license.

06/19/2014 at 5:29 pm, Pfc. Thompson responded to the 5800 block of Bucknell Terrace for a report of a fight. Investigation revealed that victim, a facilitator of the ARC home was assaulted by her patient.

06/24/2014 at 8:58 am Pfc. Ignowski and the Chief of Police responded to a call for service of an injured child. Upon arrival, we found a Town resident along with a DPW employee attending to and comforting the injured 11 Y/O boy. Investigation later revealed that the young boy suffered from a mild epilepsy seizure; he passed-out and fell on his face while walking his small dog. His head hit the pavement and he was bleeding from the mouth. While waiting for the ambulance, he was cared for by the aforementioned. This incident could have taken a turn for worse if it wasn't for the fast actions of a Town resident and a caring employee.

06/24/2014 at 10:54 pm, Pfc. Thompson impounded a 1998 Honda from the location of 6000 Block of Greenbelt Road. The driver was driving without a license.

06/27/2014 at 9:37 Pfc. Krouse arrested Ms. Kelly Myers, a 35 y/o, w/f, from the location of the 8400 block of 58th. Ave. Ms. Myers was a fugitive and wanted through the P. G. County Sheriff. She was transported to the DOC without incident.

06/27/2014 at 10:25 pm, Pvt. Duck impounded a 1997 GMC truck from the location of the 6000 block of Greenbelt Road. The driver was driving without a license.

06/29/2014 at 2:37 pm, Pfc. Krouse impounded 1997 Dodge from the location of 58th Avenue and Goucher Drive. The driver was driving without a license.

06/30/2014 at 9:20 am, Pfc. Krouse responded to the 8900 block of 56t. Avenue for a report of vandalism at the Indian Creek Playground.

06/30/2014 at 8:20 am, Pfc. Krouse impounded a 2007 Chevy PU truck from the location of the 8900 block of Edmonston Road. The driver was driving without a license.

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Berwyn Heights Recreation Council
Upcoming Events

Annual Ice Cream Social

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7:00 pm – 8:30 pm at the Town Center, 2nd Floor

FREE ice cream, will be served by the Berwyn Heights Seniors, while you'll be able to mingle with friends, neighbors and new town residents.

*This year's Ice Cream Social will again be part of "Day to Serve". This is an annual event that unites citizens to improve their local communities.
Please bring canned goods that will benefit our local food bank, Help by Phone.

The Susan Jones Jazz Quartet Concert at Lake Artemesia

Saturday, September 27th, 2014 at 12 noon to 2 pm

Don't miss this free live concert at Lake Artemesia! See the press release in the bulletin for more details on this wonderful event.

Next Meeting: Thursday, September 4th, 2014 at 7:00 pm (Town Center).**Recreation Council Contacts**: Trinity Tomsic – 301-474-6350, trinity.tomsic@gmail.com, Jaime Sampson, Sampson.jaime@gmail.com, and Tim Tormoen, totormoen@yahoo.com

BULLETIN BOARD

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Need Computer help? Call RJ 240-602-0815. Microsoft A+ Certified.

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2 Men's Full Size Leather Golf Bags: $50 each. Canning jars pint & quart size: $5 mix & match a dozen. Call Jeff after 4 PM at 301-474-5803. Cash only.

Discounted tickets to Capitals' games: Dream seats are in Sec.107, Row U. Caps shoot twice. This is the handicapped row next to the Monumental box. Easy access with no seats in front or behind you. All tickets are discounted — with no add ons. Contact Jody at jwg21248@yahoo.com.

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BH Republican Club meets once a month, usually on the last Monday, at the Senior Center and welcomes all residents to participate. For more information, check out the Berwyn Heights Republicans Webpage:
www.npgcrc.com/pages/BHR.html

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Need Yard Help? Shawn (17) and Jeremy (16) can help with mowing, raking, mulching, and more. Call 301-474-2002.

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COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

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Tee Ball Commissioner: Jim Hudson 301-982-2052
Basketball Commissioner: Kristen Buker 240-965-7055
Cheerleading Commissioner: Kristen Buker 240-965-7055
Ball Hockey Commissioner: Kevin Conover 301-441-1569
Track Commissioner: Jeff Osmond 301-474-2737

Neighborhood Watch/Emergency Preparedness/CERT
Co-Chair Ron Shane 240-965-7022
Co-Chair Joan Hayden 301-474-5037

Historical Committee
Sharmila Bhatia 301-446-6920

Men's Basketball League
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August 2014

Town of Berwyn Heights Monthly Calendar of Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
July Street Sweeper	28	29	30 Four Cities Meeting 7:30 P.M. Town Ctr.	31	1	2 BHES Garden Cleanup 9:00-12:00
3 Street Sweeper	4	5 National Night Out 6:00 P.M.	6	7	8	9
10	11 Worksession 7:00 P.M. Town Office Televised on Ch 71, FiOS 12	12	13 Town Mtg. 8:00 P.M. Town Office Televised on Ch 71, FiOS 12	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 Worksession 7:00 P.M. Town Office Televised on Ch 71, FiOS 12	26 PGCPS Back to School	27	28 Green Team Meeting 7:00 P.M. Town Office	29	30
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Email: publicworks@town.berwyn-heights.md.us	
Fire Department	(301) 474-7866
Senior Center	(301) 474-0018
Community Center (Gym)	(301) 345-2808
Town Office	(301) 474-5000
Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	
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Patti Dennison (301) 404-2759 pdennison@town.berwyn-heights.md.us
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Anthony Schreiber (301) 466-1807 aschreiber@town.berwyn-heights.md.us
Councilmember — Public Works

Regular Trash Collection Schedule

North of Pontiac..... Mondays & Thursdays
South of Pontiac..... Tuesdays & Fridays

Heavy Trash Day:
Weekly on Thursday for North of Pontiac
Weekly on Friday for South of Pontiac

Recycling Schedule:
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