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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

**Charter Amendment
February 8, 8:00 pm
Council Chambers**

An amendment to the Berwyn Heights Charter updating Section 202 – Corporate Boundaries to reflect the Town's current boundaries will be introduced at the February 8 Town meeting. It is proposed to delete from the Charter the recitation of the Town's boundaries (metes and bounds) and instead reference the documents filed at all times with certain State and County agencies showing the exact corporate limits of the Town of Berwyn Heights. This will avoid the necessity of amending a Charter after an annexation or similar changes to a municipal corporation's boundary occur.

For more information, please contact
Town Administrator Cowles at jcowles@berwynheightsmd.gov

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

**Amendment of
ORD 120 – Rental Housing
February 8, 8:00 pm
Council Chambers**

A revised and updated Ordinance 120 - Rental Housing will be up for adoption at the February 8, Town meeting. Important changes include referencing various Prince George's County Codes and applicable Town Ordinances as standards with which rental properties must comply; requiring a rental license for all rental properties, excepting only renting to immediate family members; simplifying the rental license application forms; and revising timelines for rental license application and inspection.

For more information, please contact the
Code Compliance Department at
301-513-9331 or fglass@berwynheightsmd.gov



JOIN THE SHADE TREE BOARD!

The Town Council is reconstituting the Shade Tree Board, as called for in Ordinance 122 (Urban Forest). The Shade Tree Board advises the Town Administrator and the Council on planning and maintenance of trees and shrubs in public areas, including in Town parks and along Town streets.

Significant replanting will occur this spring to replace trees removed due to Pepco's vegetation management program. The Shade Tree Board will provide input on location and species diversity, and assist with longer-range planning to maintain the Town's urban forest.

The Shade Tree Board will meet monthly in the near-term, but may move to a quarterly meeting in the future. Interested residents are requested to submit a letter of interest to Town Clerk Kerstin Harper at kharp@berwynheightsmd.gov or in person at the Town office, 5700 Berwyn Road. The Mayor will review the letters with the Town Council and will make appointments to the Shade Tree Board.



Water or Sewer Line Break?

For fastest response please call WSSC directly
at **301-206-4002** or send an email to
EmergencyCallCenter@wsscwater.com.

Contact Center Hours: **Mon - Fri, 7:30 am - 7:00 pm**
Customer Service: **301-206-4001**
Toll Free **800-828-6439**

Holiday Decorating Contest Winners

To honor the efforts of Berwyn Heights residents to decorate their homes and yards for the holiday season the Town Council announces the following winners:

Best house	8627 Cunningham Drive
Best yard	8711 58 th Avenue
Best overall	5723 Nevada Street

Recreation Council News & Updates



Upcoming Events:

FEBRUARY - Valentine's Party - Sat. 2/11, 2-4pm

Parents & Children, come join us in the upstairs room at the Town Center for Valentine's Day Card Making & Cookie Decorating! (Cookies & Card Supplies will be provided)

MARCH - Pot Luck Dinner - Sat. 3/18, 5-7pm

Join friends and neighbors for our own "Pot O' Gold" Pot Luck Dinner. We ask that you bring a main course or side/dessert to participate. Stay Tuned for More Details in the March bulletin!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Berwyn Heights Day - Saturday, May 6th

If you would like to help out with some part of the day's festivities: Fun Run, Pancake Breakfast, Parade, Games, Entertainment & More, Please contact Susan Jones, at violindreams@verizon.net.



Here is your chance to make sure your favorite activity is included, and maybe you can make it even better!

Next Recreation Council Meeting is
Tuesday, February 7th, 7:30pm in the G Love Room.
For more information on any of our activities or to join,
please contact Susan at violindreams@verizon.net.

**Are you a Vendor/Crafter interested in renting space at
Berwyn Heights Day 2017? Email for details!**



Berwyn Heights Boys & Girls Club



Bugle—February 2017

Keep the BHBGC alive!!!

The BHBGC is in desperate need of volunteers to sit on our Executive Board!

We have or will soon have open seats for **President, Secretary & Registrar.**

(New members & volunteers are ALWAYS welcome!)

If interested, please visit us online or contact us at:

info@berwynheightsbgc.org

2017 Registration opens the first Saturday of February. Stay tuned!

Visit us online:

www.BerwynHeightsBGC.org

Follow us on Facebook! www.facebook.com/BerwynHeightsBGC



Edward "Eddie" W. Grosskurth (95), born September 21, 1921, passed away on January 6, 2017. Eddie was well known and well liked in Berwyn Heights, having served as BHVFD Company 14's engineer officer, and for participating in various other civic functions. He is also remembered as "one of God's most faithful servants" for volunteering as a *Minister of Hospitality* at Holy Redeemer Church, where he greeted everyone with a friendly smile and firm handshake to the Saturday weekend mass. Eddie Grosskurth was the beloved husband of Ruth Grosskurth. Loving father of Frederick E. and Philip M (Jane) Grosskurth. Grandfather of Carl (Amy) Grosskurth. Great-grandfather of three. He is preceded in death by his parents Carl and Florine Grosskurth and his five brothers. Services were held at Gasch's Funeral Home on January 10, 2017.

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Architectural Design Hackathon

February 25, 2016
12:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Town Center



This architectural design competition is open to all youth. For information and to RSVP, please contact Lynn White (lwhiteesq@gmail.com) or Katie Curtis ([windowdoll@gmail.com](mailto>windowdoll@gmail.com))

Sponsored by: Berwyn Heights Education Advisory Committee & Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Education.

BHEAC

EDUCATION ADVISORY
COMMITTEE

Meets February 16 —
7:00 P.M.

Town Center 2nd Floor
All are invited.

The BHEAC organizes
the community to im-
prove educational op-
tions for all Berwyn
Heights Students

In Case of Snow...

Please, help the Town's Public
Works Crew clear snow.

Move your vehicles onto
your driveway where
possible; or

Park your vehicles in your
yard for the duration of
snow clearing operations,
if there is not enough
space in the driveway.

Homeowners are respon-
sible for clearing snow
off sidewalks in front of their
property.

CODE

Activities—December

Clean Lot Violations	
High Grass/ Vegetation	0
Clean Lot	10
Animals	1
Trash/ Litter	4
Non-Hazardous	1
Vehicles	6
Premise Identification	0
Commercial	6
Total Violations	27
Abatements	0
Permits	
Building	2
Dumpster/ PODs	2
Total Permits issued	4
Rentals	
New Rentals	0
Lost Rentals	0
Total Rentals	191
Inspections	16
Re-inspections	1
Fines	0
Rental Licenses Issued	9
Vacant Homes	
	7
Call-a-Bus	
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Worksession

December 5, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Cheryl Jewitt, Mayor Pro Tem (MPT) Jodie Kulpa-Eddy and Councilmembers (CMs) Patricia Dennison, Christopher Rasmussen and Gerald Shields. Also present were Town Administrator (TA) Jessica Cowles, Clerk Kerstin Harper, and Green Team Outreach Coordinator Therese Forbes.

1. Announcements

The Tree Lighting celebration was a big success. Many residents came out to sing Christmas carols, greet Santa and enjoy hot chocolate together. Musical entertainment was provided by Phil Ventura. Santa Hank Becker was assisted by Chris Brittan Powell as his helper.

The Town was informed that it will have to return excess income tax revenues totaling \$159,000 that it had received between 2010-2014, due to an accounting error by the State Comptroller's Office. This problem was discovered during a recent audit of the Comptroller's Office and affects municipalities throughout Maryland. The Maryland Municipal League has taken up the matter and is exploring whether the State may forgive these debts. The Council will discuss the issue at the next worksession.

The Federal Railway Administration and Maryland Department of Transportation are preparing an environmental impact statement for constructing a high-speed Maglev train between Baltimore and D.C. A public hearing on the scope of the project is scheduled for December 15 at the West Lanham Hills fire hall.

2. Minutes

On a motion by CM Dennison, seconded by CM Shields, the November 7 worksession minutes were approved 5 to 0. The November 9 Town meeting minutes were distributed.

3. Department Reports & Citizen Comments

Mayor Jewitt reported that there continue to be many thefts from unlocked cars, and urged residents to lock their vehicles. MPT Kulpa-Eddy reported that she attended Senator Pinsky's Town Hall meeting on December 3. PGCPs CEO Kevin Maxwell and DPIE Director Adam Ortiz were present. Maxwell gave a presentation on the FY 2018 budget, which will request increases to fund a full day pre-k program and re-integrate arts

and music into the curriculum. Ortiz reported on the County's "Zero Waste Initiative." Pinsky briefed attendees on legislative priorities he will support in the session starting in January 2017, including clean energy, reduction of antibiotics in farm animal feed, and mandating sick leave eligibility at 6 months of employment. Among possible County legislative priorities discussed was municipal authority to regulate fences.

CM Rasmussen reported that the Code Department is following up on a complaint about a construction trailer parked at a Ruatan Street residence, improperly stored construction waste, and improperly covered unregistered cars. He raised the issue of parking on driveways that cross a sidewalk, and completion of Pepco's vegetation management cycle. CM Dennison reported that Public Works is busy vacuuming leaves.

CM Shields reported that the Green Team is seeking recertification of the Town's Sustainable Maryland status, and is planning workshops on rain gardens and weatherization, as well as a dog "meet and greet" on how to handle pet waste. The PTA had a successful walk-a-thon fundraiser, will hold a membership drive on December 5 and 12, and is developing plans bringing arts into the classroom. The judging of the best decorated house, best yard, and best overall property will take place December 20 through 31. CM Shields also reported he received a number of kudos for the volunteers who organized the Tree Lighting event.

4. Action Items

Vision and Mission statement resolution: MPT Kulpa-Eddy proposed to formally adopt the vision and the mission statements the Council developed during their strategic planning workshop, and asked if the Council had any changes to the prepared draft resolution. CM Rasmussen suggested revising the sub-header of the resolution to add the Town Council as the author of the resolution. After some discussion, the Council agreed to adopt the amended resolution at the December Town meeting.

Video streaming vendor selection: TA Cowles said she has followed up with Granicus, the low bidder for video streaming the Town's cable TV broadcasts, to clarify the long term costs of the service. Granicus offered to reduce the price of the encoder to \$2,800 and to provide the first 3 months of the service for free. This reduces the initial investment in the first year to \$6,200 and the operating cost in subsequent years to

\$4,500 for the life of the contract. Granicus also has add-on applications that may be of interest to the Council, such as *ilegislate* and *speakup*.

In response to questions, it was explained that the streamed video would be accessible on the Town's website, thereby available to people who do not subscribe to cable TV. The Town's revenues in cable TV Public, Educational & Government (PEG) fees of \$30,000 per year could be used to pay for the service. The PEG fees could also be used to cover staff costs associated with PEG channel programming. The Town Clerk is estimated to be spending up to 8 hours per week to support the traditional cable TV broadcasting and the additional video streaming capabilities.

CM Rasmussen moved to enter into a 2-year video streaming contract with Granicus at the above quoted price. CM Dennison seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0.

5. Discussion Items

Charter amendment update: MPT Kulpa Eddy said she requested an update on the Charter amendment regarding the Town's boundaries to ensure it is adopted before the development of the Greenbelt Station north core, which may bring the new FBI headquarters to the location. TA Cowles explained the Charter amendment has been drafted and the Town Attorney has reviewed it for legal sufficiency. It is recommended to wait until the Town engineer has completed new metes and bounds for a disputed section of the Town's boundary with Greenbelt along the 6300 block of Greenbelt Road. The Town engineer hopes to have the metes and bounds completed in December. The Town Council may be able to review it at the December 19 or January 9 worksession.

In response to further questions, TA Cowles said that she will check the Town's records to ensure that deletion of Section 202 of the Town Charter does not result in reference problems within any Town Ordinances. It is increasingly common for municipalities to reference maps and boundary descriptions on file in the Department of Legislative Services and the County's District Court because it ensures continuously updated boundary information.

Legislative dinner debriefing: Mayor Jewitt said that she, CM Dennison, State, County and school district delegates were in attendance at the dinner. However, many delegates had other commitments and came in late, making for a low-key and relatively short meet-

ing. She suggested that the Town might want to rethink holding one big dinner for the delegates in favor of more frequent one-on-one meetings. The delegates highlighted items for the upcoming legislative session, including a mandated increase in the share of clean energy from 20% to 25% in the State's overall energy production, continued prohibition of fracking, and a revised format for the Uniform Crime Report (UCR).

Mayor Jewitt continued that the Town's priority items were discussed and some answers provided. On Greenbelt Road improvement plans, the Town was advised to check with Greenbelt and College Park to see what their plans look like. On short-term rental regulations, the Town may want to consult with cities that have already adopted such legislation. County Councilwoman Glaros will follow up with the Department of Public Works & Transportation (DPW&T) about the timeline for a feasibility study to upgrade the Town's stormwater system. On financing Town facility upgrades, it was learned that not many grants are available, although the State's Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD) offers help with low-cost bonds issued through a Local Government Infrastructure Financing program.

CM Rasmussen asked whether the impact of the proposed new regulations on the business climate were discussed. They were not. MPT Kulpa-Eddy suggested that the Town follow up with State delegates about the income tax over-payment issue.

Green Team inquiry (added item): Therese Forbes, Green Team Outreach Coordinator, was present to seek clarification on how the Green Team should interact with the Town regarding renewal of the *Sustainable Maryland* certification. Mayor Jewitt advised the Green Team contact CM Shields as liaison for Town organizations, or TA Cowles to request being placed on a worksession agenda for a more in-depth discussion. A memo explaining what is to be discussed should also be submitted beforehand.

Ms. Forbes said that recertification is based on activities that require coordination with the Town. One such activity would be to establish a website, or a web page on the Town's website, to make Green Team information more widely available to residents. CM Rasmussen suggested the Green Team provide the Council with a list of activities that qualify for recertification. Further, he suggested that a public education campaign about tree preservation, an initia-

tive to amend RM 43 establishing vegetation management standards for utilities, or creation of a "pollinator mile" might be considered as qualifying activities.

Ms. Forbes said the Green Team, in coordination with the BHES Garden Team, already has a pollinator program. Other planned activities include a dog "meet and greet", a watershed improvement discussion, and a green purchasing plan for the Town. In February they will hold a raingarden workshop.

Ordinance 120 proposed amendments: CM Rasmussen gave a recap of the proposed changes to the Ordinance, some of which were approved at the last meeting:

- Adoption of the Prince George's County Housing Code, Division 1, Subdivisions 1 and 2. This replaces the housing code provisions currently in Ordinance 120 and ensures that the ordinance has up-to-date property maintenance standards.
- References to County Building, Electrical, Mechanical and Plumbing Code and Town Ordinances were adopted in place of spelling out these standards.
- Definition of "immediate family" was added, to include a property owner's spouse, children, step-children and foster children; parents, step-parents and foster parents.
- Provision clarifying that a rental license is required for all rental properties, regardless of duration of lease period. This includes short term rentals.
- Exception to rental license requirement in the current Ordinance--when resident property owner rents to an immediate family member--was approved.
- Exception to rental license requirement in the current Ordinance--when resident property owner rents only a single room or apartment--was left open for discussion.
- Provision limiting rentals to 5 unrelated tenants needs to be moved from Housing Disclosure Form into the Ordinance.
- Provision allowing 3 or more households within 500feet of a rental property to petition the Council about code violations at the rental property was left open to further discussion.
- Changes to the rental license application forms need to be finalized.

The Council discussed the current exception to the rental license requirement if a property owner rents a room or apartment in his house to just one tenant. CM Rasmussen argued that the Town has the right to oversee and license the activity, if money is exchanged, to ensure that the dwelling unit meets health and safety standards. CM Shields argued that an owner, who lives at the property in which he rents a room(s) to only one tenant, has a vested interest in keeping it in good condition, and therefore is less likely to have code violations. He would charge a lower rental license fee of \$50, as opposed to the regular \$300 per year. Other points made in favor of imposing a license fee included 1) the difficulty of verifying that an owner lives at the rental property; 2) creation of a loophole for operating short term rentals, or Airbnbs; and 3) cost shifting of the Town's licensing and inspections program to rental owners who pay the license fees. It was the sense of the Council to discontinue the exception.

The Council began a line-by-line review of the Ordinance.

Section 2 – Definitions: proposed changes to definitions A – U were discussed and a couple minor changes made.

Section 2 H – Crashing: the proposed deletion of the "crashing" definition was tentatively approved because the practice of allowing acquaintances of registered tenants to sleep in areas not approved as sleeping areas, is unenforceable.

Section 2 J - Domestic Partner: This definition may need to be clarified, or could be deleted if it is not mentioned in any subsequent provisions of the Ordinance.

Section 2 L and M – Dwelling, Dwelling Unit: Distinctions between dwelling, dwelling unit and habitable room should be clarified.

Section 2 R – Family: This definition might be deleted, as there is a narrower definition of "immediate family," which will be considered exempt from the rental license requirement.

Section 2 T- Gross Floor Area: Proposed for deletion, if it is not used in subsequent sections of the Ordinance.

The Council skipped the remainder of Section 2 to review subsequent sections of the Ordinance.

Section 3 – Scope: No changes were proposed to this section, which provides that "every portion of a dwelling used or intended to be used for renting" is subject to the Ordinance.

Section 4 – Rental Property Licensing and Renewal

Section 4 A - Rental License Required: “Year,” the term of a rental license, should be clarified as meaning 12 months, regardless of starting date.

Section 4 B (1) - No Rental License Required When: The rental property tenant is an immediate family member of the property owner. Mayor Jewitt proposed to strike the exemption and make family members subject to the rental license requirement if a financial transaction takes place. MPT Kulpa-Eddy objected, saying that this would probably lead the parties involved to hide the financial transaction. She proposed to keep the exemption, unless there is a compelling reason to change it. In a straw poll, the Council voted 2 to 2, with 1 abstention to keep the provision.

Section 4 B (2) - No Rental License Required When: The property owner/ occupant rents to only 1 tenant, who is not an immediate family member. In a straw poll, the Council voted 4 to 1 to strike this exemption.

Section 4 E - License Application: It is proposed to change the due date for submitting a license application and license fee from 30 days to 15 days prior to the license renewal date, or the effective date of a lease, as recommended by the Code Supervisor. It is further proposed to no longer require a floor plan, which is not used to issue a license. No changes were made.

Section 4 F - Lead Free Certification: New provision added based on state legislation enacted in 2015 to require a certification that a house built before 1977 is lead free for purposes of issuing a rental license. It was suggested to move the provision next to provisions dealing with other building code issues. The question was raised whether the Town or the State needs to enforce this provision.

Section 4 G – Housing Disclosure Form, 4 H – Tenants’ Rights & Responsibilities Form: It is proposed to strike these provisions and no longer require this form as part of the license application. Parts of this form were incorporated into the license application form.

Section 4 I – Rental License Issuance: Requires property owner/ manager to satisfy the requirements of the Ordinance before a license is issued. Council struck a provision requiring a Code officer to state the maximum number of tenants allowed for a particular rental property.

Section 4 J – Inspections: States that all rental units are subject to periodic inspections to determine compliance with this Ordinance. It is proposed to add a requirement for a property owner/ manager to come into compliance within 15 business days of an inspection instead of the previous 30 days. The Council had no objection.

Section 4 K – Revocation or Denial of License: It is proposed to authorize the Town Administrator instead of the Town Council the ability to revoke a rental license, if the property owner/ manager fails to initiate good faith efforts to eliminate violations of the Ordinance within 5, instead of 10 business days of notice. The Town Administrator may also revoke a license if a rental property or its occupants are deemed to be a public nuisance. The Council suggested establishing criteria for what constitutes a public nuisance, e.g., number of police calls, missed inspections or other violations.

Section 4 L – License Renewal: The Council sought confirmation that applications for license renewal are due 30 days prior to expiration of the license. A license application per Section 4 E is due 15 days prior to renewal or effective date of lease.

Section 4 N – Change of Address: Mandates that property owners/ managers notify the town of changes in their address. The Council asked to add e-mail addresses.

Section 4 O – Transfer of License: Provides that, if a rental home is sold, the new property owner/ manager must apply for a new rental license within 5 instead of 30 business days of closing on the property. The Council did not object.

It was suggested to arrange all sections and sub-sections of the Ordinance in chronological order.

Section 5 – Authority to Inspect Rental Units

Section 5 A: Provides that rental inspections are conducted annually to ensure compliance with the Ordinance. The Council changed the provision to require inspections *at least* once a year, and more often, if circumstances warrant. Further, for purposes of inspection, the inspector must be given access to the entire rental property, not just the rental unit, or rented space.

Section 5 B: Provides that preventing a Code officer from entering a rental property may be grounds for revocation of a rental license. The Council did not object.

Section 5 C: Authorizes Code officers to enter any rental property for purposes of inspection to ensure compliance with this and other Town Ordinances, as well as County and the State regulations, and to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the occupants. The Council replaced the terms “rental dwelling, dwelling unit, rooming unit, rental unit” with “rental property.”

Section 6 – Adoption of Selected Prince George’s County Codes

Section 6 A (1) – Adoption of PGC Housing Code: It is proposed to adopt the current PGC Housing Code, Division 1, and Sub-divisions 1 and 2, as may be amended from time to time... The Council questioned whether this is sufficient to identify the relevant sections of the PGC Housing Code if it is revised. TA Cowles will check with the Town attorney.

Section 7 – Standards

Section 7 A and 7 B: Reference relevant Town Ordinances and Prince George’s County Codes in setting applicable standards for rental units while deleting the current standards sections. The Council added Ordinance 118 – Roads & Public Right-of-Ways to the reference list.

Section 7 C (6): Retains prohibition to rent outbuildings, unless such a dwelling unit complies with the PGC zoning code. This provision may be struck if the future PGC Zoning Code permits use of outbuildings.

Section 7 C (7): Places a limit on renting to 5 or fewer unrelated tenants within the Ordinance. No changes were made.

Section 7 I (4) (c), (d), (e): Requires that rental properties have smoke and carbon monoxide detectors for each floor of the rental property, have 10-year smoke detectors and provide fire extinguishers. TA Cowles explained the provisions were added to draw attention to these new mandates. However, they could be deleted as they are covered by the NFPA Fire Code adopted in the Ordinance. No decision was made.

Review of the remainder of the Ordinance will continue at the next worksession.

6. Town Council Schedule

The Council reviewed the calendar for upcoming month. January 9 and 23 were set as worksession dates.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:07 p.m.

Kerstin Harper, Town Clerk

Town Meeting

December 14, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Cheryl Jewitt, Mayor Pro Tem (MPT) Jodie Kulpa-Eddy, Councilmembers (CMs) Patricia Dennison, Chris Rasmussen, and Gerald Shields. Also present were Town Administrator (TA) Jessica Cowles, Treasurer Michelle Rodriguez, Clerk Kerstin Harper, Detective Sergeant Unger, Officer Krouse, Code Compliance Supervisor Freddie Glass, Public Works Director Stevie Cox, and citizens.

Mayor Jewitt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Minutes

Clerk Harper read a summary of the November 9 Town meeting minutes. On a motion by CM Shields and second by CM Rasmussen, the minutes were approved 5 to 0.

2. Mayor's Report

Mayor Jewitt reported that the Council held its annual legislative dinner at The Common in the College Park Marriott, where State and County delegates gave an outlook of the upcoming legislative session, and discussed the availability of funding for facility improvements among other topics. The Council also attended the Prince George's County Municipal Association (PGCMA) legislative dinner and approved as legislative priorities the restoration of Highway User Revenues, police body camera legislation, and better communication with and among utilities.

Mayor Jewitt said that the Town was notified by the State Comptroller's Office that the Town received excess income tax revenue in the amount of \$159,000 between 2010-2014, which it must start paying back to the State in 2024. The overpayment is due to an accounting error by the Comptroller's Office, and affects other municipalities in Maryland. The Council will discuss the issue at its next worksession. Mayor Jewitt wished everyone happy and safe holidays and encouraged residents to reach out to neighbors, who are alone and may be having a difficult time.

3. Department Reports

Code Compliance: Code Supervisor Glass reported that in November there were a high number of clean lot violations, ranging from improperly stored building materials to litter and tall grass. In the next month, the Code Department

will focus on enforcing hazardous conditions of accessory structures, such as sheds, garages, fences and dog kennels to ensure that they are safe.

In response to questions, Supervisor Glass said that the Code Department first approaches residents about any violations by knocking on doors, leaving door hangers and warning notices before issuing fines. When home owners undertake exterior improvements, the Department checks with the County's permit office to ensure the proper permits have been obtained. Recent animal violations have included a barking dog and feral cats.

CM Rasmussen reported on the ongoing revision of Ordinance 120 – Rental Housing, which sets forth regulations to ensure the health, safety, and well-being of occupants of rental homes, and to supervise this business activity. An amended Ordinance 120 should be ready for introduction at the January 9 Town meeting, when residents have an opportunity to give input. Important changes to the Ordinance thus far include:

- Adoption of the *Prince George's County Housing Code, Division 1, Sub-division 1 and 2*, whereby the housing and property standards of *International Property Maintenance Code* are adopted. These continuously updated standards will replace the Town's current housing code set forth in Section 6 of Ordinance 120.
- Narrowing exceptions from the rental licensing requirements. It is proposed retain the exemption for renting to immediate family members, but eliminate the exemption for renting just one room, or dwelling unit in an owner-occupied house.
- Eliminating the right of at least 3 home owners within 500' of a rental property to obtain a hearing before the Town Council about code violations occurring at the rental property. All residents already have the right to report code violations to Councilmembers and/ or the appropriate Town departments.
- Simplifying the rental license application forms, leaving out the forms that touch on landlord-tenant relations, as these are matters for the State to regulate.

CM Rasmussen thanked the many residents who attended the November Town meeting to discuss the tree removals

along Edmonston Road with Pepco and SHA representatives. He hopes that these residents will help with replanting the Kenilworth Avenue buffer that has filtered noise and pollution from this State highway. He also reported on a recent visit to Greenbelt Park and its invasive plant removal program, the College Park 5k Park Run, in which he participated, and a day shelter run by *Congregations United* at University Christian Church.

Administration: Treasurer Rodriguez gave the Treasurer's report for November. Town Administrator Cowles reported that the work on this year's human resources reforms is nearing an end with the recent adoption of a new pay plan and job descriptions. The Council and senior staff had a successful second strategic planning workshop where specific goals were set and implementation strategies mapped out. The strategic plan will inform the FY 2018 budget, which is already in the initial stages of preparation. TA Cowles is also working with the Council on amending Ordinance 120 and is preparing a Charter Amendment on the Town's boundaries. Implementation of video streaming Council meetings has begun after the Council selected the vendor at the last worksession.

In response to CM Rasmussen, TA Cowles explained that the Charter amendment will update the Town's boundaries to include the 2005 and 2006 annexation of Branchville Road properties and clarify the boundary with the City of Greenbelt in the 6300 block of Greenbelt Road. Instead of revising the metes and bounds of the Town, the boundary description will rely on the most recent maps filed with State and County agencies.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy reported that she attended the PGCMA legislative dinner with several other Town Councilmembers, and sat at the table with County Councilwomen Glaros. Ms. Glaros said that the legislation she sponsored allowing bee-keeping in residential zones has been adopted. MPT Kulpa-Eddy participated in the first of a series of *Time to Talk* forums hosted by the Maryland Municipal League exploring the topics of diversity and inclusion. The Prince George's Planning Department completed an analysis of stakeholder comments on Module 1 of the rewrite of the County zoning ordinance. Berwyn Heights is mentioned several times for raising issues that were of general concern. Provisions on urban agriculture and accessory

dwelling have been identified as needing further clarification. County Planner Chad Williams has offered to come back to Berwyn Heights to discuss impacts of the new zoning regulations on the Town.

Parks and Recreation, Education and Civic Affairs: CM Shields reported that the Tree Lighting was a success and thanked everyone who came out. The Karate Club had a successful Turkey drive and donated 8 Turkeys to needy families. The Neighborhood Watch/ Emergency Preparedness Committee will meet on December 30 to work on the Standard Operating Procedures for the emergency trailer. The Recreation Council will host a re-gifting party on January 21. At the PGCMA legislative dinner, he enjoyed conversing with several County representatives.

Public Works: Director Cox reported that he has instituted an on-call system for weekends and holidays to ensure that either he or his Supervisor of Operations Luis Cardenas is available to respond in weather emergencies or to other problems. Residents are reminded not to park in front of leaf piles because it makes it difficult to vacuum up the leaves. The DPW Department is gearing up for winter weather and had a Town staff meeting to discuss procedures for communications and notifying residents. DPW staff will work in shifts during snow storms to avoid becoming overtired. He is checking with Prince George's County about disposal of Christmas trees.

In response to Mayor Jewitt, Director Cox said that Councilmembers should call him if there is a problem on weekends, and he will notify Mr. Cardenas to address it, if he is on-call. In response to Mike Attick, Mr. Cox said that the leaf collecting team is focusing on collecting leaf piles raked to the curb, and waits for the street sweeper to pick up leaves blown into the street. However, if the Department is notified of particular issue with leaves, the crew will make an effort to come and collect them. MPT Kulpa-Eddy noted that leaf piles should not be placed into the street but kept near the curb on the property itself.

Public Health and Safety: Officer Krouse gave a synopsis of a November 17 traffic detail. Berwyn Heights police were joined by 4 Edmonston officers to monitor the Town for moving violations, especially around the school. Ninety-five citations, including warnings, were written for going through stop signs, speeding, suspended licenses and equipment repair orders, among others. Berwyn

Heights plans to reciprocate this type of coordinated enforcement.

Detective Unger gave the police activities report for November. There were 8 Part I offenses, slightly below the 5-year average of 8.6. The year-to-date count of 67 was somewhat above the 5-year average of 63.6. Police officers issued 228 state and municipal citations and 163 speed camera tickets, all on Greenbelt Road. Detective Unger also reported that the *Sober Ride* program, offering free night-time cab rides to people who have been drinking, will again be in effect over the holidays, starting this weekend. Prince George's County has started to test a new technology in high-crime areas for marking valuables with *smart water* so that they can be identified if stolen. This solution is available to anyone at a monthly fee of \$4.99.

In response to questions, Detective Unger said the police continue to perform checks on seniors and handicapped residents during the holidays. No suspect has been identified in a burglary of a bike, which is counted as a Part I offense. The Uniform Crime Report (UCR) of serious crimes a Police agency has to submit to the FBI will not change substantially but will require additional information to be submitted.

4. Committee Reports

Green Team: CM Shields reported that the Green Team continues to work on obtaining re-certification of the Town's Sustainable Maryland designation.

Historical Committee: The Historical Committee will next meet on January 24, 2017.

Neighborhood Watch/Emergency Preparedness: Co-chair Mike Attick announced that the next NW/EP meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 4, and that a CERT training class will be held on February 4 and 5, starting at 8:30 a.m. A bag with CERT supplies will be given to all who attend. NW/EP is in need of new members and invites residents to attend one its meetings.

Recreation Council: The Recreation Council will host a Re-gifting Party on January 21, 2:00 p.m. at the Town Center.

5. Unfinished Business

There was none.

6. New Business

Resolution 05-2016 – Adopting a Vi-

sion and Mission Statement for the Town: Clerk Harper read the Resolution. Mayor Jewitt explained that the vision and mission statement formalized in the Resolution is an outcome of the strategic planning exercise the Council and senior staff undertook a month ago and represents everyone's input. CM Shields expressed approval of the term "neighborly charm" to describe the Town. MPT Kulpa-Eddy said that the vision and mission statement should help the Council focus on what is important and which projects to pursue. On a motion by CM Dennison and second by CM Shields, the Resolution was adopted in a 5 to 0 vote.

7. Citizens Discussion

Mike Attick, 62nd Avenue, said he hopes the Council is not thinking about moving to once-a-week trash collection, as it would be difficult to collect all trash in Town that way. He also suggested that the Council may have adopted an ordinance or resolution that conflicts with the mandates of the Berwyn Heights Charter, and that the Council not spend more money on the old call-a-bus if the County has offered to furnish a new one for a nominal fee. MPT Kulpa-Eddy said the Council in 2013 rejected an offer to purchase the call-a-bus to avoid additional costs resulting from ownership. [PGC offered to sell the Town the old call-a-bus for \$1.]

Mr. Attick further suggested that the Town purchase no trees for replanting the Edmonston Road buffer, unless it is certain that Kenilworth Avenue will not be widened. MPT Kulpa-Eddy said, as far as she knows, plans to widen Kenilworth Avenue are limited to north of Greenbelt Road. Mr. Attick requested that clean copies of the amended Rental Housing Ordinance be provided to citizens because the tracked changes are hard to follow, and he asked for clarification on the State Comptroller's letter. Mayor Jewitt read the relevant portions of the letter.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy asked if Mr. Attick can cite a specific instance in which a Council action is in conflict with the Town Charter. Mr. Attick said he would provide proof later. TA Cowles reported that John Biddle, Berwyn Road, called to complain of helicopter noise in the area. MPT Kulpa-Eddy thought it might have been related to an accident. Joan Hayden called to ask when the conference phone will be operational in the Council chamber. TA Cowles said it would be installed in January or February. Ann Latham, Semi-

nole Street, called to state that the helicopter noise was due to an accident.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.
Kerstin Harper, Town Clerk

Worksession December 19, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Cheryl Jewitt, Mayor Pro Tem (MPT) Jodie Kulpa-Eddy and Councilmembers (CMs) Patricia Dennison and Gerald Shields. CM Christopher Rasmussen called in for the discussion of Ordinance 120. Also present were Town Administrator (TA) Jessica Cowles, Code Supervisor Freddie Glass, and Clerk Kerstin Harper.

1. Announcements

An executive session scheduled for 6:00 p.m. was cancelled because it lacked a quorum. It will be rescheduled for the January 9, 2017 worksession. The Town held its employee appreciation lunch on December 16. Chief Antolik was appreciated for 25 years of service with the Town, Daniel Woodard and Yvonne Odoi for 10 years of service, and Detective Unger and Officer Duck for 5 years of service.

2. Minutes

On a motion by MPT Kulpa-Eddy, seconded by CM Shields, the November 21 worksession minutes were approved 4 to 0. On a motion by CM Dennison and second by CM Shields, the December 5 worksession minutes were approved 4 to 0.

3. Department Reports

Mayor Jewitt thanked the Berwyn Heights officers for keeping the Town safe over the holidays. MPT Kulpa-Eddy suggested that the Council and department directors discuss how to handle a "State of the Town" address, traditionally given at the January Town meeting. CM Shields announced that holiday decorations will be judged between December 20 and 31.

4. Citizen comments

Mayor Jewitt received complaints about trash scattered on Natasha Street and a parked car blocking a driveway, both of which were quickly addressed by Town staff. MPT Kulpa-Eddy received a couple of comments about cars having trouble driving up hills during a recent ice event despite DPW having spread salt. Director Cox will hold a debriefing to discuss

lessons learned.

5. Action Items

Call-a-bus MOU: TA Cowles explained that *Joe's Movement Emporium* in Mount Rainier approached the Town about the use of the call-a-bus to transport children to its after school activities. Joe's would pay the Town \$40 for using the bus 2 hours a day, or around \$800 month, and would be responsible for providing a properly licensed and insured driver. Apart from the revenue, the Town would benefit from regular usage of the bus by identifying maintenance issues and adding miles that serve as the basis for eligibility of a new call-a-bus. The Town is also exploring the possibility of Berwyn Heights Elementary School students participating in Joe's after school activities.

In response to questions, TA Cowles said that the Town would be responsible for gas expenses, and insurance coverage for the bus, and would monitor fuel usage and mileage. The bus could not be operated beyond a 4-mile radius of *Joe's Movement Emporium*. Speed camera and red light camera tickets would be received by the Town but should be paid by Joe's. The bus has seat belts that can be adjusted for children. The wheel chair lift is functioning but rarely used. In case of a conflict between Joe's scheduled use of the bus and a request for use by a Town organization, the Town organization would have priority. Joe's would be notified of such a conflict a week prior.

The Council agreed to postpone approval of the MOU to the next worksession so that the Town Attorney can add provisions on red light and speed camera tickets to the MOU.

6. Discussion Items

Budget calendar (discussed out of order): TA Cowles presented a proposed budget calendar for the upcoming budget season. She said she has already had a number of discussions with department directors about any unmet needs and potential capital purchases in the next fiscal year, and about implementing the goals and objectives identified in the Council's strategic plan. Interaction with directors about their budget requests will continue through mid-February, at which time income tax and personal property tax revenue projections should also be available. This collaborative process between the Town Administrator and department directors in developing next year's budget obviates the need for directors to make individual budget requests to the Town Council in February.

As before, the Town Administrator's proposed budget will be presented to the Town Council on the first worksession in March, then introduced at the April Town meeting, and adopted at the May Town meeting. Unlike in previous years, however, it is proposed to do away with special budget worksessions held in addition to regular worksessions through March and April. Instead, the budget might be discussed either at regular worksessions, or during a designated all-day budget conference attended by all Councilmembers and senior staff.

The Council agreed to hold an all-day special budget session in March, with date to be determined. Department directors will present their budgets at the special budget session.

Ordinance 120 proposed amendments: CM Rasmussen joined the meeting via telephone and led the discussion on amendments to Ordinance 120 – Rental Housing. Code Supervisor Glass was present to answer any questions. TA Cowles provided a memorandum to guide the discussion, outlining already approved changes to the Ordinance and issues yet to be addressed.

The Council resumed its line-by-line review of the Rental Housing Ordinance.

Section 7 K (4)(c) – Fire Protection Systems: Clarify that smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors are required to be installed on every floor of a rental home, and in each sleeping area.

Section 8 A (1): Presence of lead paint can be considered an unsafe condition when defining an unfit rental unit. Require rental property owners to document compliance with the Maryland Department of the Environment's (MDE) lead paint requirements for rental units.

Section 8 A (2): Add carbon monoxide detectors as an essential piece of equipment required to be present in a rental property.

Section 8 A (3): Add a definition for "unsanitary condition," which might be obtained from the Prince George's County's Housing Code. The PGC Housing Code has a good introduction listing all minimum requirements and standards for premises, structures, equipment, and facilities that might be included in this Ordinance.

Section 8 B (4): Add the word "removed" after the word "equipment" in connection with a notice to vacate a rental property. A timeline for vacating an "unfit" rental unit may need to be added, as well.

Section 8 C (2): Add email as a means of

serving a notice that a rental property is unfit.

Section 9 B (1): Replace the word “afforded” with the word “provided.”

Section 9 B (3): Add the words “or the public” after “any tenant.”

Section 9 D: Clarify that the Town is not responsible for providing alternate housing, in cases where a notice to vacate a rental property is served.

Section 10 A (4): Confirm that time frames for coming into compliance with the Ordinance after a violation has been issued are consistent throughout the amended Ordinance.

Section 10 A (5) (b): Ensure that code violation fines not exceed \$1,000 per incident. A provision might be added to define at which point a license may be revoked instead of another fine issued when a violation has not been addressed. These clarifications might be placed into a fee and fine resolution instead of the Ordinance.

Section 10 B: Cost of abatements was added as a form of fine that can be liened against the property if the owner fails to pay violation fines.

Section 10 E: Replace the provision entitling at least 3 home owners within 500’ of a rental property to obtain a hearing before the Town Council about code violations occurring at the property with language stating that “any resident is entitled to make a complaint about a code violation at a rental property to the Code Compliance Department.”

The Council reviewed the proposed fine schedule for Ordinance 120. All proposed fine increases were tentatively agreed to. It was clarified that a noise

violation could be fined twice, under the Noise Ordinance by a police officer or as a “Public Nuisance” under the Rental Housing Ordinance by a code officer. An officer has discretion in when to issue a fine for a noise violation that occurs repeatedly, but consideration should be given to any history of prior warnings and violations. It was confirmed that the maximum fine per violation is \$1,000. None of the fine totals for repeated failure to address an individual violation exceeds the \$1,000 limit. The fine increases are based on comparisons with fines in other Town ordinances, particularly the Clean Lot Ordinance. Repeated instances of violating the same regulation in a given year might be fined at a higher rate than the first instance, or be penalized by suspending the rental license.

The Council discussed several issues of concern outlined in TA Cowles memorandum. It was agreed to keep the exemption from the rental license requirement for immediate family when introducing this Ordinance, and receive citizen input before making a final decision. No conclusion was reached as to whether to require rental property owners to have a local agent if they reside out of state. The provision was proposed to be added because a fair number of rental home owners live outside the United States and in different time zones, which makes it difficult for Code staff to resolve code issues.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy asked that *Section 4 – Rental Property Licensing and Renewal* be ordered chronologically to reflect the license application process. TA Cowles will make the latest changes and submit them to the Town Attorney for advisement. She will provide Council with an

updated Ordinance as well as a new Landlord/ Tenant Rights & Responsibilities Form prior to the next worksession.

7. Income tax letter from State Comptroller

TA Cowles said that the Town received a notice from the State Comptroller that Berwyn Heights owes the State \$159,000 due to overpayment of income tax distributions between 2010 – 2014. The accounting error was discovered in a State-wide audit of income tax disbursements. Repayments does not have to begin until 2024 and can be done over 10-year period. There is a possibility that the Maryland Municipal League (MML) will work with the legislature on a forgiveness program for those municipalities affected by the overpayment through no fault of their own.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy suggested considering setting aside the \$160,000 in a special reserve to ensure it is available by 2024. TA Cowles said that there is more than enough money in the undesignated fund balance and the operating reserve to cover the debt. A new reserve is not recommended because it encumbers funds the Town may want to use for other expenditures. However, a notation can be made in the budget as a reminder for future Councils.

Town Council Schedule

The Council reviewed the calendar for upcoming month. No changes were made.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Kerstin Harper, Town Clerk



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Berwyn Heights Historical Committee



The Sunshine

Aladdin Kit Home

"This charming bungalow nestling in a setting of trees represents one of the best pieces of work of our master designers. Individuality is portrayed in all its lines and it is distinctly American in character. Sunshine implies cheerfulness, happiness and light. Could a more fitting name be given to this home?"

This 3-bedroom, 1-bath craftsman bungalow with south-facing front porch sits on lot 9 in block 32, at 5906 Pontiac Street. It was one of the properties conveyed by William H. Willard to the Berwyn Heights Company in December 1919 to form part of the start-up inventory of the Company. The Sunshine was owned by Frank Chandler when Willard purchased an option in the property in 1919 for \$2,900, which he then sold to the Berwyn Heights Company. The property was listed for sale at \$3,700 in April 1920, which included the adjacent lots 6,7 and 8, and sold to George and Mary Donovan in May. The Donovans owned it until April 1929.

Willard was a carpenter by trade and built several homes in Berwyn Heights, possibly including the Sunshine. This background was certainly useful, when he joined Fred Benson, Clarence Benson, Elwood Taylor, and John McNitt to organize the Berwyn Heights Company in November 1919. He served as its Secretary until 1925 and supervised construction and remodeling activities in Company-owned homes.



Mark your calendars
BHHC Spring Reception
Sunday, March 26, 2:00 pm

Next Meeting
February 28, 7:30 pm
G. Love Room.



Visit the BHHC website & BLOG at: <http://berwynheightshistory.wordpress.com>

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Recent Working Incidents

Dec 21– Truck 14 & Squad 14 were first arriving units to the 7800Blk of Mandan Rd in Greenbelt for an Apartment Fire, fire though the roof and on multiple floors. A 2nd alarm was requested.

Dec 22– Truck 14 responded to the 6000Blk of Greenbelt Rd in Greenbelt, Beltway Plaza Mall, for a small fire in the Laundromat.

Dec 28– Squad 14 & Ambo 14 extricated a trapped drive from a crash in the intersection of Goodluck Rd and Leahy Rd in Lanham.

Dec 30– Squad 14 extricated a trapped driver from an overturned vehicle on the Inner Loop of I-495 at I-95 in College Park. The driver was flown by MSP Trooper 2 to area Trauma Center.

Dec 30– Truck 14, Ambo 14 & Chief 14B (Ross) responded along with BHPD to the 6400Blk Quebec St in Berwyn Heights. BHVFD members contained and extinguished a fire in the furnace.

Jan 1– Truck 14 & Chief 14B (Kiernan) operated in the 8100Blk 15th Ave in Adelphi for a working Apartment Fire.

Jan 4– Truck 14 & Squad 14 responded to the 8500Blk of 63rd Ave in Berwyn Heights for the House Fire, small fire extinguished.



BHVFD Call Volume: Year of 2016	
Rescue Squads:	1,573
Ladder Truck:	1,172
Technical Rescue Support Unit:	67
Ambulance:	2,422
Total Runs 2016	5,234
Working Fires	60
Vehicle Extrications	27
Tech Rescues	3

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HEATING SAFETY TIPS:

Heating equipment is a leading cause of home fire deaths. Half of home heating equipment fires are reported during the months of December, January, and February. Some simple steps can prevent most heating-related fires from happening.

- Keep anything that can burn at least **three feet away** from heating equipment, like the furnace, fireplace, wood stove, or portable space heater.
- Never use your oven to heat your home.
- Have heating equipment and chimneys cleaned and inspected every year by a qualified professional.
- Remember to turn portable heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.
- Always use the right kind of fuel, specified by the manufacturer, for fuel burning space heaters.
- Make sure the fireplace has a sturdy screen to stop sparks from flying into the room. Ashes should be cool before putting them in a metal container. Keep the container a safe distance away from your home.
- Test smoke alarms at least once a month.



BHVFD Year in Review 2016

2016 proved to be another busy and productive year for BHVFD. The Station underwent three major renovations: Kitchen remodel & expansion, Bunkroom renovation, and gym renovation & new equipment. Members also participated in many community events such as BH Day, National Night Out, Hello Husky Night, Trunk or Treat, Greenbelt Labor Day Parade, and many more! We also had a successful Fund Drive & Christmas Tree sale Fundraisers. The dedicated BHVFD volunteers ensured the station was fully staffed 24/7 year round, not missing any runs and ensuring full staffing on all 5,234 runs we took. We hosted two rescue classes at BHVFD, Man vs. Machine & Truly Technical Rescue, further enhancing our member's training. We hope 2017 to be just as productive as we look to purchase a new Rescue Squad to replace our 1989 reserve squad with over 300,000 miles, a close to million dollar purchase. We are proud to serve the residents of the Town of Berwyn Heights!



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There are many holidays/events in Feb this year. It also has 28 days. Do you know some of the many events? Feb 2nd Groundhog Day, Feb 5th Super Bowl LI-held in Houston, Feb 14th Valentine's Day, Feb 20th Presidents Day, Feb 26th Academy Awards and Feb 28th Mardi Gras. Text me by Feb 26th for an entry to win 1 dozen roses or early spring yard spruce up!

Preparing for the sale of your home:

- Disassociate yourself with your home! (now it is a product to be sold)
- De-personalize (start packing too many photos on display, personal knick knacks).
- De-Clutter (if you don't use it, throw it out or donate)
- Re-Arrange bedroom closets and kitchen cabinets.
- Rent a storage unit (remove cluttered or too big pieces of furniture).
- Make minor repairs (fix leaky faucets, cracked tiles, paint and replace all burned out light bulbs).
- Make it Sparkle- Hire a cleaning person (windows washed, power wash, replace worn carpet or touch up hardwood floors, vacuum, hang up fresh towels, open the windows for a short bit to air out).
- Scrutinize-Go outside and really look at your house, does it welcome you? Linger in the doorway of every room, will a buyer think it looks open and airy? Mow the lawn, paint the trim and front door!

- FREE MARKET ANALYSIS
- NATIONWIDE WEBSITE/ADVERTISING
- 18+ YR's R.E. EXPERIENCE
- TOWN RESIDENT
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LISTED or SOLD by SHARON THIS MONTH

SOLD- 8501 60th PI "as-is" rambler-cash, 2 week close \$202,500.
SOLD- 5922 Natasha Dr 4BR 2.5 BA rambler.....\$285,000.
FOR RENT- 7409 Wellesley Dr 4BR, 1 full and 2 ½ BA \$2250 mo
UNDER CONTRACT-3294 Robt C Weaver Wy NE WDC...\$530K.
UNDER CONTRACT- 4 Greentree PI 4BR 3 BA rambler ..\$350's.
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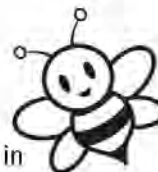
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Berwyn Heights GreenBee

The GreenBee is your monthly guide to tips and resources from the Green Team!

Our next meeting will be Thursday, February 16, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Center, in the G. Love Room. All residents are welcome to attend!



Energy Efficiency Workshop

Is your home drafty? Are your utility bills too high? Then attend this free workshop on energy efficiency for your home. Energy efficient practices keep your home warm in the winter and cool in the summer while saving you money in the long run. The Green Team is hosting Ecobeco to show you how to make your home more energy efficient. Ecobeco is licensed company that offers free and paid services for energy efficiency audits and check-ups. You'll also learn about rebates and tax benefits for energy efficient remodels.

This is a family friendly event. Kids are invited to make draft door stoppers and crafts.

Light refreshments will be provided.

Date: Saturday, February 11, 10-11am

Location: Berwyn Heights Town Center, 2nd floor, 8603 57th Avenue

RSVP on Eventbrite! <http://tinyurl.com/j4xnatz>



Berwyn Heights Community Garden 2017 Application

The Berwyn Heights Community Garden is getting ready for its 4th season. The garden is located at the 8900 blocks of 58th and 59th avenue.

Existing members, submit your application today to renew your plot. Interested residents, please contact us to be put on the waiting list. Plots will be assigned **on a first come, first served basis**. Only one plot per applicant/household. Garden plots are 4x8 - raised beds.

Garden rules and regulations will be posted at the Town Center and on the town website. Water, tools, and other resources will be provided. **The date for the community garden orientation/training will be in March.**

Participation strongly encouraged.

For questions, please contact Diana Agonoy at 301-672-6670 or dagonoy72@yahoo.com.

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

The lease period is March 2017 – February 2018. **Plot fee \$30.** Cash or check accepted. Please make checks payable to: **Berwyn Heights Recreation Council.**

I/we agree to abide by the 2017 rules and regulations governing the use of the Berwyn Heights Community Garden.

I/we hereby release the Town of Berwyn Heights, its agents, contractors, and employees from any and all actions, claims and damages for losses, personal injuries, and disabilities that I/we may sustain as a result of my/our participation in the Community Garden program.

Signature(s) _____

Date _____

Signature(s) _____

Date _____

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Licensed Family Daycare: Opening for infant to 12 years old. Before and after care for BH Elementary School available. Vouchers are accepted. Meals are provided. Openings are Monday-Friday from 6 AM to 6 PM. Please contact Karuna at 301-345-2939.

BH Republican Club meets once a month, usually on the last Monday, at the Senior Center and welcomes all residents to participate. Follow us on Twitter: twitter.com/BHeightsGOP and Like Us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/BHMDGOP.

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Tutor: Learning Specialist with vast experience helping children with learning challenges. For a free consultation call or email Kathy Brosh, 301-474-2002, kathybrosh@gmail.com. References available.

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Meals-on-Wheels needs your HELP! This 35-year old program needs volunteers to help with their daily operations out of College Park location. Please call 301-474-1002 M-F, 8:30-12:00 if available.

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Berwyn Heights Elementary School PTA

- FEBRUARY 2017 -

The February 7th PTA meeting will be combined with an information session about the **Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Career (PARCC)**. Join us to learn more about these tests impacting all students beginning in third grade.

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**Tuesday, February 7
6:45pm in the library**

Annual Ice Skating Party and Fundraiser



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Upcoming Events

Thursday, February 2

Second Quarter Report
Cards Released

Tuesday, February 7

PARCC Information Session
& PTA Meeting @ 6:45 in
the library

Friday, February 10

No School – Professional
Development Day

Tuesday, February 14

Valentine's Day



Monday, February 20

No School – Presidents' Day



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Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

Training Class, February 4, & 5, 8:00 am

Berwyn Heights Senior Center

Learn the essentials of responding to emergencies and disasters. Online registration is at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/community-emergency-response-team-training-tickets-31020043786>
For more information contact Mike Attick at 301-335-1633 or email mikeattick@verizon.net.

Did you know...?

There is a very good chance that your neighborhood will be on its own during the early stages following a catastrophic disaster.

- After a catastrophic disaster, citizens will volunteer to help. Without proper training, volunteers may expose themselves to potential injury and even death.
- Experience has shown that basic training in disaster survival and rescue skills improves the ability of citizens to survive until professional first responders or other assistance arrives.
- The Community Emergency Response Team ("CERT") program provides special training that enhances the ability of residents to prepare for, militate against, respond to, and recover from a major emergency or disaster situation. The program prepares citizens to help themselves, their families, and their neighbors in the event of an emergency. CERT Training is available in Prince George's County.

The Prince George's County CERT program was formed as part of a national and statewide effort designed to help individuals and neighborhoods prepare for and respond to catastrophic disasters such as hurricanes, power outages, heat waves, snowstorms and other major emergencies.

Basic Introduction to CERT training (approximately 24 hours of training) is held three or four times each year. Individuals completing the CERT training may be affiliated with a team formed through a neighborhood association, a private business, a municipality, a school or a nonprofit association. Individuals not affiliated with a team may still be trained and serve their communities.

**Dress for weather as we will
be outside sometimes.
No open toe shoes**

CERT training will teach participants to:

- Take steps to prepare themselves for a disaster.
- Identify and reduce potential fire hazards in their homes and workplaces.
- Apply basic fire suppression strategies, resources, and safety measures.
- Apply techniques for opening airways, controlling bleeding, and treating shock.
- Conduct medical triage under simulated conditions.
- Select and set up a treatment area.
- Employ basic treatments for various wounds.
- Identify planning and size up requirements for potential search and rescue situations.
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Now that Winter is here, come to the Center, get a hot cup of coffee, a soda, or a bottle of water and, of course, something to eat. You can always count on something to eat when you are with the Seniors!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

February 3	Phil Waltz
February 8	Frank Baxter
February 9	Mary Smith
February 15	Ron Luftman
February 22	Agnes Belasco
February 23	Barron Wilson

FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES

BINGO — Every Tuesday at 12:30 P.M.

WII BOWLING — Every Wednesday at 10:30 A.M.

POOL — Every Thursday at 7:00 P.M.

POTLUCK & MOVIE — Second Saturday
at 5:00 P.M.

MEETINGS— Second & Fourth Tuesday at 11:00
A.M. The Fourth Tuesday is a Pot Luck!

Upcoming Events

February 10...

Play at Bowie Play House, preceded by dinner at a local restaurant. Meet at 5:00 P.M.

February 13...

Visit by Prince George's County Library staff for Arts and Crafts. Meet at 12:00 N.

BREAKFAST at the Silver Diner is also on tap. Date to be determined.

Call the Senior Center for times and more information.

MISCELLANEOUS

WEATHER

CLOSINGS

If the PG County Schools are closed, the Seniors Center is also closed.



- DID YOU KNOW? The Berwyn Heights Police Department maintains a list of seniors who live alone. To add your name, call the Department at 301-474-6554.
- Do you just “sit home”? Why not visit the Senior Center instead?



POLICE BEAT

Includes crimes and accidents that occurred during the month of **December**

2016. It is not a complete listing of every crimes 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.

12/02/2016 at 2:50 am, Pfc. Hollowell responded to the SECU Bank located at 6011 Greenbelt Road for a report of vandalism. Unknown person(s) damaged the drive through ATM and fled.

12/09/2016 at 12:17 pm, Cpl. Ignowski responded to the 8900 block of Edmonston Road for a report of lost wallet.

12/11/2016 at 1:32 pm, Cpl. Ignowski responded to the 6200 block of Ruatan Street for a report of an unknown person stealing garden stones from the front lawn.

12/12/2016 at 4:30 pm, Cpl. Roberson responded to the 8700 block of 62nd. Avenue for a report of a stolen package from the front porch.

12/14/2016 at 9:05 pm, Pfc. Ramirez responded to the Checker's fast-food for a report of counterfeit money.

12/23/2016 at 9:17 pm, Pfc. Ramirez impounded a 2004 Chrysler from the 5500 block of Greenbelt Road due to an accident.

12/24/2016 at 9:03 pm, Pfc. Ramirez responded to the 6300 block of Pontiac Street for a report of a hit and run.

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1 Month	\$30.00	\$36.00
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6 Months	\$270.00	\$384.00
12 Months	\$384.00	\$672.00
HALF (1/2) PAGE		
1 Month	\$100.00	\$144.00
6 Months	\$540.00	\$768.00
12 Months	\$768.00	\$1,344.00
FULL PAGE		
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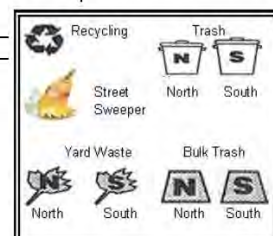
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February 2017

Town of Berwyn Heights Monthly Calendar of Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Jan 29	30   	31   	Feb 1  7:00 PM NW-EP Meeting G. Love Room	2  	3	4 8:00 AM CERT Training Town Center
5 8:00 AM CERT Training Town Center	6   7:00 PM  Worksession Council Cham- ber	7   6:45 PM  PTA Mtg. BHES Library 7:30 PM Rec. Council Meeting G. Love Room	8  8:00 PM Town Meeting Council Chamber	9  	10	11 10-11 AM Energy Efficiency Workshop Town Center 2:00 PM Valentine's Party, Town Center
12  Street Sweeper	13   7:00 PM  Worksession Council Chamber	14   	15 	16   7:00 PM BHEAC Mtg. Town Ctr. 2nd Floor 7:00 PM Green Team Mtg. G. Love Rm.	17	18
19	20   	21   	22 	23  	24	25 12:00 PM BHEAC Architectural Design Competition Town Center
26	27   	28   7:30 PM  BHHC Mtg. G. Love Rm	Mar 1 	2  	3	4

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Email: publicworks@berwynheightsmd.gov	
Fire Department	(301) 474-7866
Senior Center	(301) 474-0018
Community Center (Gym)	(301) 345-2808
Town Office	(301) 474-5000
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North of Pontiac..... Mondays & Thursdays
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