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HOLIDAY TRASH SCHEDULE

TOWN GOVERNMENT CLOSED ON JULY 4TH

INDEPENDENCE DAY

М	07/04	NO PICKUP		
Т	07/05	North Side: Trash, Yard Waste, Bulk		
W	07/06	South Side: Trash Yard Waste, Bulk		
Т	07/07	Recycling, Town Wide		
F	07/08	Trash Town Wide		

Please Do <u>NOT</u> Leave Trash At the Curb over Holiday









Four Cities Meeting

July 27 - 7:30 pm BH Town Center Open to the Public

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Tree Trimming Plan

Pepco is in the process of drafting a vegetation management plan for the sector of Berwyn Heights served by "feeders" from the Branchville Road substation.

YOUR FEEDBACK IS WANTED!

Please review the plan posted on our website under News/ Announcements and send comments to Town Administrator Cowles at icowles@berwynheightsmd.gov

New Town Website

berwynheightsmd.gov



Stay in touch with your Town and sign up to receive news and alerts, or contact us with questions about different services right on the home page. Alternatively, browse the site for infor-

mation about individual departments, civic organizations, events, job opportunities, regulations and more.

Your feedback is wanted! Please send it to Kerstin Harper at kharper@berwynheightsmd.gov

ELECTRONICS AND STYROFOAM RECYCLING

JULY 23: 9 AM TO 12 PM

Recycle your old electronics and Styrofoam at the Greenbelt Public Works Yard, located at the Buddy Attick parking lot, 555 Crescent Road, Greenbelt.



Telephone 240-542-2153



orksession May 2, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. Present were Mayor Jodie Kulpa-Eddy, Mayor Pro Tem (MPT) Chris Rasmussen, and Councilmember (CM) Maria Robles. CMs Dennison and White were absent with apologies. Also present were Town Administrator (TA) Jessica Cowles, and Clerk Kerstin Harper.

1. Mayor

Announcements: Town Council elections will take place tomorrow. Town employees were appreciated for public servant recognition this week.

Calendar: The May 9 budget worksession was cancelled. Free tipping day was taken off the calendar as the County landfill is not holding this day. The first worksession in July was moved to Tuesday, July 5 so as not conflict with Independence Day. The date for National Night Out was corrected to August 2.

Minutes: On a motion by MPT Rasmussen and second by CM Robles, the April 4 worksession minutes were approved 3 to 0. On a motion by CM Robles and second by MPT Rasmussen, the April 11 budget worksession minutes were approved 3 to 0.

Department reports: CM Robles reported that several residents called in to inquire whether they needed permits to perform work on their property. She encouraged all residents to call the Code Department if they have questions about permits. Ms. Robles also noted that the condemned homes on 58th Avenue and Cunningham Drive have been demolished. Another property on 60th Avenue behind the X-Tra gas station is slated to be demolished by the owner, then subdivided and rebuilt. The County approves subdivisions and the Town will also review it if a variance is required.

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy stated a burglary that was reported early last month turned out to be the home owner entering his house. The incident was removed from the Part I offenses list. On April 19, the Commercial District Management Authority (CDMA) met and approved the Public Safety Taxing District (PSTD) budget. The meeting was attended by representatives from the County's Economic Development Corporation to brief CDMA members on its activities. The EDC offers many training opportunities, particularly for veterans, high school

dropouts and former prisoners.

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy continued that she and CM Robles attended District 3 Town Hall & Resource Fair County Councilwoman Dannielle Glaros organized. She learned that Good Luck Road was prioritized for resurfacing and that a Styrofoam ban will go into effect on July 1. CM Robles talked with Ms. Glaros about which non-profits are working with Parkdale High School to improve the school. Collaboration among the Education Advisory Committees of the Four Cities was discussed at the last meeting in New Carrollton and is making progress. Schools are encouraged when residents adopt them as a cause and help out.

Also discussed was Pepco's tree trimming activities. Pepco has been resisting requests from the City of Greenbelt for maps showing trees on private property, citing privacy concerns. In Berwyn Heights, Pepco tree trimming is still in the planning phase. Concerns were expressed about Pepco's consultants trying to intimidate home owners into removing trees. TA Cowles said that Pepco representatives told her in a meeting last week that they would share only maps of public trees, to which she replied that it is contrary to what was promised earlier. Berwyn Heights would not issue a permit unless complete plans are provided. MPT Rasmussen expressed the opinion that the tree trimming business is evil and that Pepco is hell-bent on destroying as many trees as it can.

MPT Rasmussen asked for information on the improvement of the 58th Avenue footpath. TA Cowles said that the footpath is located on a "paper street" and that the Town owns the right of way on both sides of the path, as well property to the west and south of it. She has obtained a quote from a contractor for rebuilding the path and has spoken with an arborist about trees near the path that may pose a safety risk. No trees will be taken down until the Council has had a chance to review the options, including building a retaining wall to prevent erosion. Reconstruction of the foot path might be discussed in the broader context of what the Town wants to do with the property it owns nearby.

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy said that she attended a meeting at the offices of Congressman Steny Hoyer on April 29 regarding the FBI headquarters. An issue has been raised about the number of parking spaces needed at Greenbelt Metro station. The Four Cities are contemplating writing another letter in support of relocating the FBI headquarters to Greenbelt Station. Three developers will be submitting proposals to GSA by June 22, 2016 for all locations currently under consideration. GSA will then make a selection from those proposals. The priority is on security and bringing all FBI offices together at one location. Final environmental impact statements are expected in November 2016.

Citizen comments: Mayor Kulpa-Eddy received comments about speeding, best use of Greenbelt Station money, bicycle wayfinding signs, and communication of snow emergency procedures.

2. Administration

FY 2017 budget: TA Cowles said that there are no changes to the FY 2017 budget since it was introduced. The health insurance costs, which are based on joining the LGIT health cooperative, are final. The Town submitted the initial paperwork to obtain the quote and is ready to join if the Council decides to move forward. LGIT will also provide new dental, vision and life insurance plans. The employees have not raised objections after looking up the new provider's networks. MPT Rasmussen moved and CM Robles seconded to join the LGIT health cooperative, effective July 1. The motion passed 3 to 0.

FY 2016 budget amendments: MPT Rasmussen said that at the end of each fiscal year budgets have to be amended to reconcile appropriations with actual expenses. Salary adjustments, staff changes, capital project overruns and grants that occur throughout the year often require additional funds to be spent or unplanned revenues to be allocated.

TA Cowles explained that on the revenue side, expenses for emergency generators, Safe Routes to School sidewalks and residential property demolitions were originally budgeted in FY 2015 but the money was not spent. The funds were returned to the unrestricted fund balance and then expended in FY 2016. On the expenditure side, additional money was spent in the departmental salary appropriations, on sidewalks, curb and gutter repairs, and a Public Works truck. The Town expects to be reimbursed for a portion of these expenditures from FEMA for snow emergency overtime and from the State of Maryland for half of the cost of the emergency generators.

In response to questions, TA Cowles said that the compensation for additional hours worked by the Town clerk during the budget season has not been budgeted for FY 2017 because it is difficult to predict how many additional hours will

be worked. She expects that approximately \$20,000 of \$50,000 taken from surplus will be returned to the fund balance. Originally, \$35,000 was budgeted for two property demolitions, but the price tag has gone down to \$15,000 because one of the demolitions was paid by the owners. Without further changes, the FY 2016 budget amendments will be introduced at the May Town meeting.

Pedestrian bridge update: TA Cowles said she has been given information that the pedestrian bridge over the Metro tracks will not open until 3 to 4 weeks after installation of the replaced bridge section to finish electric wiring and inspect the completed bridge. There are questions about the integrity of the ramps, and Berwyn Heights and College Park are checking with WMATA for plans they may have for a complete replacement of the bridge. Different options for accessing the bridge have been discussed, including an ADA accessible ramp and elevators.

MPT Rasmussen asked for an update on the 55th Avenue flooding problem that was raised by a citizen. After the last rains, a large section of the 55th Avenue roadway was under water again. TA Cowles said that the County has begun working with Prince George's municipalities on implementing storm water management projects and best practices. Two storm water mitigation projects in Berwyn Heights have been discussed. The 55th Avenue problem may qualify for County funding.

Bulletin cover: The following items were approved for the June Bulletin cover: Yard Sale theme and announcement; end of the school year; and FY 2016 budget amendments adoption.

Nothing was discussed under 3. Code Compliance, 4. Parks and Recreation, and 5. Public Safety.

6. Public Works

WSSC projects updates: TA Cowles said that several WSSC projects are in progress in Town: The water main replacement project is awaiting completion in early 2017 with a final resurfacing of either half or full width of the disturbed roadways. In addition, a sewer rehabilitation project is taking place along Indian Creek, which is utilizing large pumps for cleanouts. A location near Greenbelt Road is almost complete, with stream restoration and replanting going on now. Further south, pumps have been moved to different locations. Machines and equipment will remain in place through Berwyn Heights Day. TA Cowles was asked to request the contractor to fence off the project site and make the area safe for fun runners. She will also look into redirecting the fun run to avoid the slatted planks behind the hockey rink.

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy asked if TA Cowles has information about a Washington Gas project on Swarthmore Avenue that left behind a bad temporary patch. TA Cowles will try to speak with the contractors and find out.

Green Team appointment: TA Cowles said the Green Team has requested the Council to appoint resident Amanda Dewey as a new member. She has been volunteering for the Green Team since September 2015. She has brought new ideas and recently organized a successful built-a-bat-house event in February. In response to MPT Rasmussen, TA Cowles said that the Council appoints members for committees that were established by Council resolution. The Recreation Council operates in accordance with its own ordinance. The Council may at some point want to review the authorizing resolutions and bylaws for the committees to ensure they are all treated the same. On a motion by CM Robles, and second by MPT Rasmussen, the Council approved the appointment 3 to 0.

In response to CM Robles, TA Cowles said that the new website is expected to go live next week but adjustments will continue to be made until June. For the transition period the current Town and police websites will continue to operate. Thereafter, visitors will be redirected to the new website.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Kerstin Harper, Town Clerk

own Meeting May 11, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. Present were Mayor Kulpa-Eddy, Mayor Pro Tem (MPT) Chris Rasmussen, Councilmembers (CMs) Lynn White and Maria Robles, as well as Mayor-elect Cheryl Jewitt. CM Dennison had an excused absence. Also present were Town Administrator (TA) Jessica Cowles, Chief of Police Kenneth Antolik, Treasurer Michelle Rodriguez, Clerk Kerstin Harper, and citizens.

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Hearings

FY 2017 Town Budget: Mayor Kulpa-Eddy opened the hearing at 7:31 p.m., and invited comments on the budget. She said that the FY 2017 budget has not changed since introduction at the April 13 Town meeting and highlighted the important features. The real property tax rate remains at 53 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation; it was not reduced to offset the rising assessments, and will produce an estimated \$99,000 in additional tax revenues. The additional funds will be spent mostly on employee salaries, COLAs, merit increases, and promotions. The Council also decided to join the Local Government Insurance Trust (LGIT) health cooperative, which includes new dental, vision and life insurance plans for employees.

On the capital side of the budget, the vehicle replacement reserve will be fully funded so that the Town can purchase expensive specialty vehicles when they reach the end of their useful life. The budget also appropriates funds to purchase a new hybrid vehicle, with a contribution from a Smart Energy Communities grant, and a new furnace for the Town office, and to make investments in IT infrastructure, traffic safety and police equipment. With no comments, Mayor Kulpa-Eddy closed the hearing at 7:34 n.m.

FY 2017 Public Safety Taxing District (PSTD) budget. Mayor Kulpa-Eddy explained that this budget levies a special tax on commercial and industrial businesses in the town to pay for an additional police officer. The PSTD budget maintains the tax rates of 10 cents per \$100 of assessed real property valuation and 15 cents per \$100 of assessed personal property valuation. The Commercial District Management Authority (CDMA) approved the FY 2017 PSTD budget at meeting held on April 19.

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy opened the hearing at 7:35 p.m., and with no comments, closed the hearing at 7:36 p.m.

2. Minutes

Clerk Harper read the minutes of the April 13 Town meeting. On a motion by CM White and second by MPT Rasmussen, the minutes were approved 4 to 0.

3. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Rodriguez gave the Treasurer's report for the month of April.

4. Unfinished Business

Ordinance 171 - 2nd Reading & Adoption of the FY 2017 Town Budget: Clerk Harper read a summary of the Or-

dinance. Mayor Kulpa-Eddy noted that this budget was easier than those of recent years because revenues have started to rise following the December 2015 re-assessment of real property. There were no further comments. On a motion by CM Robles and second by CM White, the FY 2017 Town budget was approved in a 4 to 0 vote.

Ordinance 172 - 2nd Reading & Adoption of the FY 2017 Public Safety Taxing District Budget: Clerk Harper read a summary of the Ordinance. With no comments, CM Robles moved, and MPT Rasmussen seconded to approve the FY 2017 PSTD budget. The motion passed 4 to 0.

5. New Business

Ordinance 169-A - 1st Reading & Introduction of FY 2016 Budget Amendments: Mayor Kulpa-Eddy explained that at the end of each year, budgets are amended to reconcile appropriations with actual expenditures. In FY 2016, the Town spent money on installing emergency generators and the Safe Routes to School Sidewalks project originally budgeted for FY 2015. The money had to be re-appropriated for FY 2016 because the projects were not finished in time. Unplanned expenses were incurred for overtime during the January snow storm, for curb and gutter work and for a Public Works dump truck. The Town will be reimbursed for some snow removal expenses.

Clerk Harper read a summary of the Ordinance. MPT Rasmussen added that the Town will not have to pay for one of two property demolitions, as it is paid for by the owner, and will recover demolition costs for the other when it is sold at a tax sale. With no further comments, CM Robles moved and MPT Rasmussen seconded to introduce the FY 2016 budget amendments. The motion passed 4 to 0.

6. Recognitions

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy said that there was some turnover during this Council term. CM Robles joined the Council in June 2015 after Mayor Calvo resigned to pursue professional opportunities and CM White stepped in on short notice after CM Schreiber resigned in August, but she decided not to run again. The Council appreciated her accepting oversight of the Public Works Department and her calm and collected approach. Mayor Kulpa-Eddy presented CM White with a plaque in recognition of her contributions to the work of Council.

CM White thanked the Council for the opportunity to serve and oversee the Public Works Department. She hopes residents appreciate the hard work those employees are a performing daily when cleaning the Town in all types of weather.

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy closed the term of the 46th Town Council.

7. Election Results

Clerk Harper read the results of the May 3, 2016 Town Council election. Of 2,043 active registered voters 186 voted. Cheryl Jewitt received 116 votes, Jodie Kulpa-Eddy 115 votes, Chris Rasmussen 84 votes, CM Maria Robles 80 votes, and Patricia Dennison 46 votes.

8. Swearing-in of 47th Town Council

Rita Robinson of the Clerk of the District Court's Office swore in Mayor Jewitt, Mayor Pro Tem Kulpa-Eddy, and Councilmembers Rasmussen and Robles.

9. Mayor's Remarks and Organization of the Council

Mayor Jewitt opened the term of the 47th Town Council. She thanked the voters for electing her, and her parents and husband for supporting her in this new endeavor. She pledged to listen and learn from the residents. Since the election, she has met with TA Cowles, Town staff and the Council to discuss the business before the Town and the assignment of departmental responsibilities.

Mayor Jewitt announced the heads of departments for the next term: Mayor Pro Tem Kulpa-Eddy accepted charge of the Administration Department, which will benefit from her extensive knowledge of the operations of Town government; Councilmember Rasmussen will resume oversight of the Code Department, a field in which he has a longstanding interest; Councilmember Robles will oversee the Parks & Recreation Department, a role to which she will bring new ideas and enthusiasm. Councilmember Dennison will take on responsibility for the Public Works Department when she is able to resume her service. As the longest-serving Councilmember she has a broad understanding of and interest in the services this Department provides. In the interim, Mayor Jewitt will supervise the Public Works Department as well as the Police Department, a field with which she is familiar from her professional background.

Mayor Jewitt said she hopes the 47th Town Council will work together as respectfully and productively as the 46th Town Council. She believes repairing

Town streets, a new police station and development of the Greenbelt Road commercial corridor should be among the top priorities in the next term. She is on the job and ready to work.

10. Remarks of the Council

MPT Kulpa-Eddy said she is looking forward to returning to the Administration Department, which she had the pleasure of overseeing in her 1st term in office. The Department has the important responsibilities of managing the financial and record-keeping functions of the Town government, acting as the human resources office for Town employees, serving as legal liaison and providing a service counter for information and complaints from Town residents.

CM Rasmussen said that this year's election offered the important civics lesson that every vote counts: the Mayor's position was decided by a one-vote margin, confirmed by a recount. Both Mayor Jewitt and MPT Kulpa-Eddy campaigned hard and should be commended for their efforts. He also noted that the last term saw many new faces in senior staff positions, starting with Jessica Cowles as Town Administrator, Freddie Glass as Code Supervisor and soon a new Public Works Director when interim Director Kenneth Hall retires at the end of June.

CM Rasmussen said he looks forward toward heading the Code Department again, where he started his service, helped hire a new supervisor and purchase new code tracking software now used to streamline the code enforcement functions. As the owner of several rental properties, he is subject to the rental licensing regime and has an interest in the rental code. He would like to make the review of the Rental Housing Ordinance a priority for the next term as some of the licensing and inspection processes need updating.

The Code Department also tracks construction and remodeling activities in Town to ensure that any additions, accessory structures, plumbing and electrical installations conform to County code. This promises to keep the Code Department busy with permit issues in the near future as the housing market has revived and construction activities are picking up. Finally, the Urban Forest Initiative he has championed, and which is underway, also falls to some extent under the purview of the Code Department. He intends to continue to advocate for protecting the tree canopy as an amenity that improves the quality of life. He thanked the residents that have voted for him and placed

their trust in him to serve another term on the Council.

CM Robles said, after being appointed to the Council last summer, she had the opportunity to learn how the Council operates and decided to be a candidate in this election. She thanked those who placed their confidence in her ability to serve and voted for her. She is excited to serve as head of the Parks. Recreation. Education and Civic Affairs (PRECA) Department in the next term. She has long been an advocate for children, having served on the boards of PTAs and the Boys & Girls Club, and as head of PRECA, she hopes to launch new initiatives for youth. For example, she would like to try to establish a summer internship program for high school students with the Town, but also to work with other local organizations to improve educational opportunities. In addition, she plans to promote involvement of all residents in school matters as a way to strengthen the community.

11. Citizen Comments

Mike Attick, 62nd Avenue, asked where the speed camera revenue is listed on the treasurer's report. TA Cowles replied that it is listed under the Public Safety Reserve Fund and now stands at \$32,900 after expending most of the accumulated funds on the Priority 1 Sidewalks project. Mr. Attick also asked if taxes were raised in the FY 2017 budget. MPT Kulpa-Eddy said the tax rate remained the same at 53 cents per \$100 of assessed real property valuation.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Kerstin Harper, Town Clerk

orksession May 16, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. Present were Mayor Cheryl Jewitt, Mayor Pro Tem (MPT) Jodie Kulpa-Eddy and Councilmembers (CM) Maria Robles and Patricia Dennison. CM Chris Rasmussen had an excused absence. Also present were Town Administrator (TA) Jessica Cowles, and Clerk Kerstin Harper.

1. Mayor

Announcements: Berwyn Heights Day was a great success thanks to the help from many volunteers. Mayor James Walls, Jr., aged 39, of District Heights

passed away unexpectedly. Berwyn Heights will send a condolence letter. The BHES PTA will hold a fundraiser at Chipotles tomorrow. CM Robles will publicize the particulars.

Calendar. A "Jean McConnell Senior Center" dedication ceremony was proposed to take place on June 22 during the volunteer appreciation dinner. TA Cowles will confirm. The date for the July 5 worksession was confirmed. A date for the employee appreciation lunch was not set as TA Cowles is exploring the possibility of giving employees a whole day instead of a half day off on Christmas or New Year's Eve.

Minutes: On a motion by CM Robles and second by MPT Kulpa-Eddy, the April 18 worksession minutes were approved 3 to 0 to 1, with CM Dennison abstaining. On a motion by CM Robles and second by MPT Kulpa-Eddy, the May 2 worksession minutes were approved 3-0-1, with CM Dennison abstaining.

Department reports: Mayor Jewitt reported that she is overseeing the Police Department as well as the Public Works Department until CM Dennison has been sworn in. As both Chief Antolik and Interim Public Works Director Kenneth Hall are on vacation this week, Sergeant Moroney and Foreman Juan Thorpe are filling in acting directors.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy announced that Prince George's County is conducting a survey to gauge interest in constructing an animal shelter in this part of the County. She asked that the survey be posted on the Town website as it will only be open until May 18. There is also a survey on aging she would like to forward to the Seniors Club. Delegate Alonzo Washington will host a table talk at the Greenbelt Café this Saturday, May 21, 11 a.m. All interested constituents are invited to participate.

CM Robles announced opportunities to earn community service hours at an upcoming *clean-sweep* litter pickup event in Chillum this Saturday and an invasive plant removal at White Marsh Park in Bowie, also this Saturday. Mayor Jewitt said that the Council was provided the weekly police report and that she will meet with Chief Antolik on Friday. She also noted that the entire Public Works staff worked during Berwyn Heights Day and thanked them for their efforts to make the day a success.

Citizen comments: MPT Kulpa-Eddy received comments about Pepco tree consultants, who are contacting home

owners about trees that may need to be trimmed or cut down in the future. She hopes the Town can get some clarity on what plan is being followed. TA Cowles said that she will meet with Pepco representatives and ride with them through Town next Tuesday to get a better sense of the scope of the project that is being planned. This project affects a different feeder than those discussed and approved by the Council in April. She will then share what she has learned with the Council at the next worksession and discuss permit requirements the Council may want to impose on Pepco in connection with this project. In response to CM Robles, TA Cowles explained that the State's Public Service Commission authorizes Pepco to perform tree trimming around power lines and would likely mandate a remedy in the event a tree was taken down in error.

Mayor Jewitt received a question as to the time frame allowed for swearing-in a councilmember after an election. This question was forwarded to the Town attorney.

Priorities of the 46th Council update: Mayor Jewitt said that she asked for an update on status of the priorities adopted by the 46th Town Council to gain an understanding of which priorities require completion. As background TA Cowles provided a document listing the 46th Town Council priorities and their stages of completion. Councilmembers were requested to share which priorities they are working on.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy explained that a couple of Council priorities were initiated but remain unfinished, e.g., marketing Berwyn Heights, which was championed by former Mayor Calvo, and developing a comprehensive street plan. Another priority, formalizing Town policies, was not initiated. However, she has made an informal list and as department head for Administration plans to push this effort forward. In addition, the list includes Town Council agenda items that are not top tier priorities; items to be addressed that require cross departmental coordination; and items that can be addressed within a particular department. She took charge of Election Ordinance revision, website upgrade and would like to pursue new street lighting for dark areas.

Mayor Jewitt noted that as an FBI employee she will recuse herself from any actions related to the possible FBI relocation to Greenbelt Station, which has been promoted by Berwyn Heights with the Four Cities Coalition. CM Robles said that revision of the Rental Housing

Ordinance should be pursued by the 47th Town Council. Code Supervisor Glass has done some background work but no formal proposals are ready as yet. She recommended that CM Rasmussen take on this priority as the future head of the Code Department. MPT Kulpa-Eddy said finding a permanent location for a police station has been a top concern for the Public Health & Safety Department but the effort has not progressed past discussions.

TA Cowles added that a couple of storm water projects could be priorities for the 47th Town Council. Last year, Prince George's County undertook a hydrological study of the Town's storm drains, which found many stormwater pipelines to be inadequate to handle major rain storms. This year an engineering study is planned in preparation for replacing parts of the old system. The County has also approached the Town about possible storm water mitigation projects funded from a storm water fee levied on taxpayers. An economic development initiative was funded by the 46th Town and carried forward to the 47th Town Council. Some approaches to economic development were identified in a discussion with Stuart Eisenberg of the Hyattsville Community Development Corporation last December, but have not been acted upon. The initiative might be pursued in the context of Route 193 streetscape improvements laid out in a 2013 Greenbelt Station and Rt. 193 Corridor Sector Plan Amendment.

In response to Mayor Jewitt, TA Cowles elaborated that an option to collocate a new police station with the Berwyn Heights Volunteer Fire Department (BHVFD) in an expanded public safety building was also discussed but will have to be explored further. Updating the Town Charter to reflect revised Town boundaries has recently emerged as a priority and will require solving the overlapping boundaries conflict in the Greenbelt and Berwyn Heights Charters first. Improving outreach to the non-English speaking community was in part addressed by hiring Spanish speakers in the Police and Administration Department. It also reflects an older desire to welcome all new residents to Berwyn Heights and acquaint them with the



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Town and government services available. The new website in part addresses the need, especially if a translation function were to be added. Attracting new businesses to Berwyn Heights will likely require the expertise of an economic development consultant, who can evaluate the potential of combining and developing real estate parcels.

47th Town Council priorities: CM Robles outlined projects she would like to start as head of the Parks & Recreation Department. These include: 1) seeking MML banner city status, hopefully with the help of councilmembers and Town staff; 2) establishing a shadowing program for high school students and opportunities to earn community service hours with the Town government: 3) holding a quarterly workshops hosted by Town organizations on topics of interest: 4) inventorying the Town's recreational facilities; and 5) collecting demographic information on Town residents to redesign outreach programs. These initiatives will be discussed and vetted with Town staff and Town organizations.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy asked if a date for the planned strategic planning workshop has been set where priorities for the next term would be discussed. TA Cowles said the workshop would probably be in the early fall but a specific date has not been set. She plans to invite three consultants to submit proposals for hosting the workshop and preferred dates could be added to the request for proposals.

In response to Mayor Jewitt, TA Cowles explained that amending the Charter to revise Town boundaries will require a conversation with the City of Greenbelt about a disputed parcel of land at the northeastern corner of the Town. She has already talked with Greenbelt's City manager about taking up the issue and believes it can be resolved. MPT Kulpa-Eddy added the Town also needs to make sure that all necessary legal steps were taken with regard to the annexation of the Branchville Road properties.

Mayor Jewitt concluded that the priority list should be revised to include tonight's comments and then adopted by the entire Council. She stated that her priorities include the repairing Town streets, moving the police station to a Town-owned property and starting a visioning process for improving the commercial corridor along Greenbelt Road.

MML convention: The Council agreed that CM Dennison will be the flag bearer for the parade of flags, with MPT Kulpa-Eddy as a backup; that Fager's Island will be the venue for a dinner of the

Town's MML attendees with Shark on the Harbor as a backup; and that PGCMA breakfast reservations will be made for all attendees.

2. Administration

FY 2016 budget amendment: MPT Kulpa-Eddy said that no changes were made to the amendments since the introduction at the May 11 Town meeting. The amendments take account of several unanticipated expenses that occurred during the fiscal year, including a Public Works truck, overtime incurred during a snow storm, and accumulated leave paid upon an employee's retirement. Some of the expenses will be reimbursed later. Unless there are further changes, the amendments will be adopted as is at the June 8 Town meeting.

Four Cities letter: TA Cowles said that Greenbelt provided a slightly revised version of a Four Cities letter on the FBI headquarters relocation. MPT Kulpa-Eddy explained that this letter protests the lessening of a requirement that the future headquarters be located at or near a Metro station. This places the two contending sites in a better position to be awarded the project, although they are a couple of miles removed from a Metro station and would require a shuttle to bring employees using public transportation to their place of work. The letter seeks to refocus the General Services Administration (GSA), which is evaluating the sites, on sustainability and access to public transportation, as originally set forth in the executive order to relocate the FBI headquarters.

With the exception of a grammatical correction, the Council did not recommend any changes to the letter and will sign it when Greenbelt circulates the final version.

District Heights condolence letter: Mayor Jewitt requested the Town send a condolence letter to the Town of District Heights on the unexpected passing of Mayor James Walls, Jr., and provided a draft letter for review. The Council agreed to send the letter as drafted.

Nothing was discussed under 3. Code Compliance, 4. Parks and Recreation, 5. Public Safety, and

6. Public Works

The meeting was adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

Kerstin Harper, Town Clerk





Dear Berwyn Heights Residents,

It is my pleasure to invite you to Berwyn Heights' 33rd 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 Against Crime - Tuesday, August 2, 2016 — 6 pm

The 33rd Annual National Night Out (NNO) is a crime/drug prevention event celebrated by citizens, law enforcement agencies, civic groups, businesses, neighborhood organizations and local officials in all 50 states, U.S. territories, and military bases worldwide, as well as Canada. It is designed to:

- Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness;
- Increase participation in Neighborhood Watch/ Emergency Preparedness;
- Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and
- Send a message to criminals that our neighborhood is organized and alert.

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

- Cookout and summer snacks;
- Kids games, contests, and giveaways;
- Martial arts demonstration;
- Tents and exhibits from first responders and community groups

Please contact Colonel Kenneth K. Antolik, Chief of Police, (301) 474-6554,

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Join the Berwyn Heights Education Advisory Committee

for a meeting to plan the Committee's 2016-2017 activities.



July 21, 2016

7:00 p.m.

Town Center



RSVP and send any agenda ideas to
Co-Chairs Katie Curtis (<u>windowdoll@gmail.com</u>) or Lynn White (<u>lwhiteesq@gmail.com</u>)
Light refreshments will be served!

The mission of the Education Advisory Committee is to foster a better educational support community for residents of Berwyn Heights, including public, private and homeschooled students.



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Happy 4th of July and welcome to summer! As these summer months fly by I hope you slow down and enjoy the "slower" pace of summertime life. Take time to enjoy family BBQ's, vacations, entertaining on the patio or just a quiet nap at home. As the pace in July August slows... Ill be here working hard. Buyers are looking! Most sellers don't think to list their home for sale. But it's the perfect time!

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Please join the Town Council and staff for a promotion ceremony of officers Dan Unger, James Ignowski and Scott Krouse at the July 5 worksession, starting at 7:00 pm. A reception will be held after the meeting at the Senior Center.





Historical Committee

Visit Our Tent On National Night Out

- Check out the new street marker
- See exhibit on Berwyn Heights Association
- Pick up brochures on BH history
- Learn about our programs & events
- · Sign up for membership



The Berwyn Heights Historical Committee (BHHC) was established in May 2003 with the mission to preserve and make known the history of Berwyn Heights. Since then we have erected a dozen historic markers, held annual history-themed events, opened a small museum, interviewed many long-time residents for our oral history program and publicized our history in brochures, calendars, and our website. Give us a try and join us for one our meetings.

We meet on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:30 pm in the G. Love Room.

For information contact Kerstin Harper

at kharper@berwynheightsmd.gov, or visit our blog

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You can also report and check on outages online at: http://www.pepco.com/ connect-with-us/contact-us/



May Activities

Clean Lot Violations	
High Grass/ Vegetation	9
Clean Lot	3
Animals	1
Trash/ Litter	5
Non-Hazardous	1
Vehicles	6
Premise Identification	1
Commercial	0
Total Violations	26
Abatements	0
Permits	
Building	4
Dumpster/ PODs	6
Total Permits issued	10
Rentals	
New Rentals	0
Lost Rentals	0
Total Rentals	190
Inspections	9
Re-inspections	0
Fines	0
Rental Licenses Issued	5
Vacant Homes	12

ATTENTION RENTAL HOME OWNERS

All residential rental properties constructed prior to 1978 must be registered every year with the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE), as required by the *Maryland Lead Risk Reduction Act* of 2015.

In addition, you must have a lead paint inspection prior to each change in tenants and distribute specific lead risk educational materials.

It is part of MDE's mission to protect families and prevent childhood poisoning from the exposure of lead by ensuring property owners register affected properties.

Registration can be done online at MDE's website (http://www.mde.state.md.us/programs/Land/LeadPoisoningPrevention) or by filling out a paper application, which can be obtained at the Town's Code Department. The registration cost is \$30.

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Berwyn Heights Boys & Girls Club Bugle - July 2016

We'd like to say congratulations to ALL of our BHBGC Spring Soccer Teams, Coaches & Parents for making this another GREAT Season!

AND CONGRATS TO THE BERWYN HEIGHTS U12 TEAM: 2016 PGCBGC SPRING SOCCER CHAMPIONS!!

Led by Coach Tino, Coach Dave & Coach Agustine



Just remember, It's never too soon to think about NEXT SEASON! Interested in registering your child for Fall Soccer? Want to Volunteer or Coach? *Call or visit us on the web today!*

BERWYN HEIGHTS BOYS & GIRLS CLUB SUMMER SOCCER CLINIC

Sat. July 16th 2016, 9am-2pm @ BH Sports Park

All kids ages 6-14 are welcome!

\$15 for Non Members \$10 for BHBGC Members *\$5 for Members w/ Paying Non-Member!

Fee includes: water (please bring your own bottle to be refilled), Gatorade & a light lunch.



In order to fully participate in all activities, participants must bring cleats, shin guards & ball! (rain date July 23rd)

For more information or to Sign Up, visit us online at: www.berwynheightsbgc.org

Contact us at: info@berwynheightsbgc.org or Call Darryl Harris on (240) 603 - 6753



POLICE BEAT

Includes crimes and accidents that occurred dur-

ing the month of **May 2016**. 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.

05/29/2016 at 6:15 pm, Cpl. Roberson responded to the 6200 block of Quebec Street for a report of theft of a rear tag from a 2008 Toyota.

05/30/2016 at 12:57 am, Cpl. Roberson responded to the 6200 block of Seminole Place for a report of vandalism to a vacant house. Unknown person broke out windows of the house while it was under construction

05/30/2016 at 10:59 am, Pfc. Ignowski responded to the 8200 block of 55th. Avenue for a possible domestic. On scene, the female refused to cooperate with the officers. Fireboard and MD Park Police arrived on scene a short time later and took charge.

05/20/2016 at 1:11 am, Pfc. Ramirez along with Sgt. Moroney, Det. Unger, Pfc. Ignowski, Pfc. Krouse and Chief Antolik responded to the 6200 block of Greenbelt Road for a suspicious package complaint. PG County bomb squad and the fire department were notified of the incident. Investigation continues.

05/23/2016 at 10:30 am, Pfc. Ignowski responded to the 6200 block of Seminole Place for a report of theft of tools from a residential property.

05/23/2016 at 10:30 am, Pfc. Ignowski responded to the 6200 block of Greenbelt Road for a report of a damaged 2008 Lexus bumper.

05/23/2016 at 4:30 pm, Cpl. Roberson arrested Mr. Emanuel Russell Johnson, a 35 Y/O, B/M, resident of Capitol Heights, MD for an open warrant through the PG Sheriff's Dept. He was arrested

in the area of Greenbelt Road near 62nd. Avenue.

05/24/2016 at 10:21 am, Pfc. Krouse responded to the 5800 block of Ruatan Street for a missing 13 Y/O female. Greenbelt City Police later recovered her.

05/24/2016 at 11:30 pm, Sgt. Moroney responded to the Checkers restaurant on Greenbelt Road for a complaint of a person passing counterfeit money.

05/26/2016 at 6:03 pm, Pfc. Hollowell responded to the 5900 block of Greenbelt Road for an assault complaint. Investigation revealed that it was a road rage incident between two people.

05/27/2016 at 7:20 am, Sgt. Moroney and Det. Unger responded to Goucher Drive near 57th. Avenue for a suspicious person complaint.

05/15/2016 at 7:20 pm, Cpl. Roberson impounded a 2009 Chevy truck from the location of the 8800 block of Cunningham Drive. The driver's license was suspended.

05/16/2016 at 7:35 am, Pfc. Ignowski responded to the 8400 block of 58th. Avenue for a report of a stolen trailer.

05/19/2016 at 8:35 am, Pfc. Krouse found a brown shoulder bag in the area of Edmonston Road at Tecumseh.

05/06/2016 at 10:00 pm, Cpl. Roberson impounded a 2009 Infinity from the 5700 block of Goucher Drive. The vehicle was unregistered.

05/07/2016 at 12:10 am, Cpl. Roberson responded to the Domino's Pizza located on 62nd. Avenue for a report of a burglary. Investigation revealed that a subject called for delivery to an address in Franklin Park and was informed that Domino's does not deliver to the location stated. A short time later two black male suspects manipulated the front door and entered. Once inside they confronted the employee and started arguing about the delivery. Suspects began throwing display items onto the floor prior to fleeing. Investigation continues.

05/08/2016 at 7:45 pm, Cpl. Roberson confronted a suspicious man walking on a resident's driveway in the 6100 block of Seminole Street. He was identified as a 31 Y/O, B/M from Bladensburg, MD. He was checked for warrants and sent on his way.

05/09/2016 at 3:45 pm, Cpl. Roberson impounded a 1999 Mercedes from the area of Ruatan Street near 60th. Avenue. The vehicle was displaying an expired tags issued to another vehicle.

05/12/2016 at 11:30 am, Pfc. Krouse responded to the T-Mobile on 62nd Avenue for a report of theft. A black male suspect entered the store and removed two Apple phones before fleeing.

05/04/2016 at 1:00 pm, Pfc. Krouse responded to the 6000 block of Berwyn Road for a fraud report. A 78 Y/O W/F was scammed out of \$2,000.00 after she was told that her grandson was in jail and needed \$2,000.00 in I-tune gift cards to get him out.

05/04/2016 at 2:59 pm, Pfc. Ramirez responded to the Staples office store for a fraud complaint. Investigation continues.

05/04/2016 at 9:00 pm, Pfc. Hollowell responded to the 5800 block of Ruatan Street to assist PG Sheriff Deputies for warrant services. Mr. Jeremy Brosh, a 19 Y/O, W/M and Mr. Shawn Brosh a 20 Y/O, W/M, both residents of Berwyn Heights, MD were charged with 1st degree assaults for an incident that occurred within the MD park jurisdictions on 04/15/2016.

IF YOU NEED POLICE ASSISTANCE IN A NON-EMERGENCY SITUATION AFTER BUSINESS HOURS, CALL 301-352-1200.

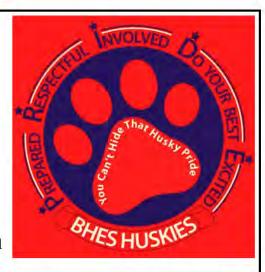
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IN AN EMERGENCY, CALL 911.

Berwyn Heights Elementary School PTA --July 2016 --

The 2015-2016 school year was awesome! And next year will be EVEN BETTER! But for now, we're really happy that ...





Upcoming Events

No PTA-related events at all in the month of July! Enjoy your summer!

SUMMERII

School Gardens

The school year ended with a Harvest Party for the 5th graders! They enjoyed a beautiful pasta salad filled with their very own broccoli, cauliflower, snow peas and carrots made by the BHES PTA Garden Committee. The 5th graders had a taste test between store bought carrots and the carrots they grew and -- you guessed it! -- their carrots had much more flavor, in addition to being much cheaper and

healthier. Congratulations to the 5th grade students for a fantastic job on their gardens!

There will be a summer garden clean up before school starts to welcome everyone back. The date will be announced in the August newsletter! Please help us keep our school beautiful!

Kindergarten Play Date! Saturday, August 20th

10am-noon at Pop's Park

Calm any Kindergarten jitters by meeting your new schoolmates before the first day!

Incoming Kindergarteners and their families are invited to Pop's Park (located at the intersection of Cunningham Drive/60th Avenue & Quebec Street) for snacks and some summertime fun!

In the meantime, please feel free to contact Chris at president@bhespta.org with any questions you may have about Kindergarten specifically or the school overall!

Please join the PTA for the 2016-2017 school year!

Membership is \$12/person or \$20/family. Membership forms are available on the PTA web site and in-person at National Night Out at the Town Center on Tuesday, August 2nd.



Visit our PTA Facebook Page:

Berwyn Heights ES

Summer Playground at BHES

6200 Pontiac Street, Berwyn Heights



M-NCPPC runs summer playgrounds in neighborhood schools throughout the County offering games, crafts, and other fun activities for children ages 6-12. These drop-in programs operate Monday through Friday, June 27 through August 5, 2016 from 9 am to 3 pm.

For questions regarding please call 301-445-4500; TTY 301-699-2544 Registration through SMARTlink #1654766



Berwyn Road Metro Bridge Reopened

On June 18, 2016, the Mayor of College Park, Patrick Wojahn, and Mayor of Berwyn Heights, Cheryl Jewitt, officially re-opened the Berwyn Road pedestrian bridge with speeches and a ribbon-cutting ceremony. A WMATA construction crane struck the bridge in April 2015 and the bridge collapsed.

A number of officials and citizens came out to watch. Bicyclists were particularly happy to see the bridge re-opened as it is an important commuter route to the University of Maryland. The event concluded with a walk along Berwyn Heights new bikeway route and historic walking tour on Ruatan Street.



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July 10	Bobby Luftman
	Judy Montgomery
July 12	Bob Kovalchik
July 14	Mary Brocker
	Tinam Valk
July 20	Ron Shane
July 28	Ron Blasey

Happenings

In addition to the normal summer activities, we are planning a visit to the "911 Call Center" on July 15, and a gettogether to watch the Nationals on TV on July 17.

August may see a sightseeing boat trip on the Anacostia River, and more baseball.

Call the Center for times and more information and goings on.

Remember, a friend is one of the greatest things you can have, and one of the greatest things you can be.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES



BINGO — Every Tuesday at 12:30 P.M.

WII BOWLING — Every Wednesday at 10:30 A.M. There will be pickup games once the regular season ends in early July.

POTLUCK & MOVIE — Second Tuesday at 5:00 P.M. (July 9 and August 13).

We have acquired a Ping Pong Table. Any interest in playing on Thursday nights?



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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. Follow us on Twitter: twitter.com/BHeightsGOP and Like Us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/BHMDGOP.

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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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Kristen Buker 240-965-7055

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Ball Hockey Commissioner: Kevin

Conover 301-441-1569

Track Commissioner: Jeff Osmond 301-474-2737

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In Case of Emergency Call 911!

Recent Working Incidents

 $\underline{\text{May }17^{\text{th}}}$ _ Truck 14 operated in the 5000Blk of Lakeland Rd in College Park for a house fire. Crew of TK14 and College Park VFD Engine 12 quickly extinguished a basement fire.

<u>May 18th</u>- Rescue Squad 14 operated as the Search group during in a working apartment fire in the 7600 Blk of Fontainebleau Drive in Lanham, units battled fire on multiple floors.

 $\underline{\text{May 20}^{\text{th}}}$. Due to the large number of ladder trucks out of service in the county at the time, Truck 14 was alerted to the 16000Blk of Ayrwood Lane in south Bowie for the working House Fire.

May 20th- Ambo 14 was alerted to the 6200Blk of Greenbelt Rd in Berwyn Heights, BHPD and PGFD Bomb Squad investigated a suspicious package. Package was deemed safe by Bomb Squad.

May 25th - Truck 14, Squad 14, Tech Rescue 14, and Ambo 14 operated in the 5700Blk of Sarvis Ave in Riverdale for a car on fire into a house with the driver trapped. Units worked quickly to remove driver and extinguish the fire.

 $\underline{\text{May 27}^{\text{th}}}$ - Truck 14, Ambo 14, Utility 14 & Car 14B responded to the 5900Blk of Cherrywood Ln in Greenbelt

fire in a vacant apartment. While extingushing this fire, it was advised another vacant apartment was also on fire in the 5800Blk. Several BHVFD volunteers grabbed extinguishers and ran to contain the 2nd fire until additional fire units arrived. The fires are under arson investigation.

 $\underline{\text{May }29^{\text{th}}}$ _ Truck 14 operated in the 5400blk of Queens Chapel Rd in Hyattsville for a 2nd alarm strip mall fire.

May 31- Truck 14 operated in the 1300Blk of Barnsley Court in Laurel or fire in a 2 floor apartment

May 31st_ Truck 14 & Ambo 14 operated in the 7100Blk of Sequoia Ln in Beltsville for a kitchen fire.

<u>May 31st</u> Truck 14 operated at a house fire in the 6900 block of Beacon Light Rd in Riverdale Heights

<u>June 3rd</u> Truck 14 operated in the 6000Blk of Greenbelt Rd in Greenbelt for a car fire that extended into the Bank of America.

June 4th- Truck 14 & Chief 14B were alerted to the 8100Blk of 15^{th} Ave in Adelphi for a working 2^{nd} Alarm Apartment Fire with a shooting nearby. Events were related and the fire was set; suspect arrested. Crew from TK14 searched the building. June 4th Squad 14 & Chief 14B extricated a trapped driver from an overturned vehicle in the 7300Blk of Good Luck Rd in lanham. BHVFD volunteers stabilized the vehicle and

<u>June 4th</u> Squad 14 & Chief 14B extingushed a small house fire in the 4900Blk of Edgewood Rd in College Park, window AC unit on fire.

removed the roof to free the driver.

June 4th Truck 14 operated in the 7600Blk of Fontainebleau Dr. in New Carrollton for a working Apartment Fire, hot iron ignited a pile of clothes.

June 8th Truck 14 was alerted to the 6700Blk of Dorman St in Landover to assist units on scene of a House Fire.

June 10th Truck 14 was alerted to the 10100Blk of Baltimore Ave in Beltsville for the commercial building fire. Units arrived to find heavy smoke coming from a pile of tires on fire next to the building. A precautionary 2nd Alarm was requested.

June 11th Squad 14, Tech Support 14 & Chief 14B extricated a driver in the 3700blk of Campus Dr on UMD's Campus after a van crashed into a building at a high rate of speed causing structural damage to the building and trapping the driver.

June 13th Squad 14 & Ambo 14 extricated a trapped driver from a crash NB BW Pkway at Greenbelt Rd.



BHVFD Volunteers Awarded Unit Citation

On Wednesday June 8th, fourteen BHVFD volunteers received Unit Citations for the Department's actions on a deadly, mass-casualty crash in Hyattsville. On Sunday, November 8th, 2015, Rescue Squad 14 & Truck 14 were special requested to assist units on scene Chillum Road at 20th Ave in Adelphi for a mass-casualty crash with numerous vehicles involved and on fire, with people still trapped inside. BHVFD arrived and split into teams; extricating the remaining victims, packaging the wounded for transport, and driving multiple ambulances to area hospitals.

Station 14 Call Volume May 2016		
Rescue Squads:	156	
Ladder Truck:	113	
Technical Rescue Support Unit:	5	
Ambulances:	223	
Total Station Runs for May 2016:	497	

Reminder: Join us for National Night Out on Tuesday August 2nd!





Neighborhood Watch/Emergency Preparedness Committee

SUMMER HEAT SAFETY FOR KIDS & PETS

As you take your family out to enjoy the summer weather, here's some information on the ways kids can get sick from the heat, tips to help keep your child safe from the heat, and when to take your kids to the doctor if you suspect they have some type of heat sickness.

A child's body heats up three to five times faster than an adult's body. That's why it's important to remain alert when kids are out in the hot sun. The most common forms of heat sickness include dehydration, heat exhaustion, heat cramps, and heat stroke. There are things you can do to minimize your child's exposure to heat and help them stay healthy when they have to be outside. These include:

- Having a cool place for your child to rest. If you don't have air conditioning, find a building that does like a library or mall. You can also look into local cooling centers on really hot days;
- Making sure your child stays hydrated by encouraging water even before they say they're thirsty;
- Planning for extra time to rest as heat can make your child more tired than usual;
- Never leaving your child in a car as temperatures inside can rise quickly;
- Applying sunscreen 30 minutes before going out into the sun and reapplying often; and
- Limiting time outside from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. when the sun is most powerful.

Despite your best efforts to protect your child from the heat, there may be signs that they need to consult with a doctor due to heat illness. If your child exhibits any of these symptoms, call their doctor to get guidance about what do: Feeling faint; Extreme tiredness; Headache; Fever; Intense thirst; Nausea or vomiting; or Muscle aches or spasms.

These tips apply to pets too!

In addition:

Dogs don't sweat- make sure they have access to unlimited fresh water and shade when outside. Better yet, keep them inside in the AC with you!

Check asphalt temperatures by placing the back of your hand against them for 5 seconds. Too hot to handle? Too hot for your dog's feet.

Never leave your pets locked in the car, even for a few minutes with the windows cracked. The temperature inside a car can rise almost 20 degrees within 10 minutes.





Berwyn Heights Playgroup

For Preschoolers and Younger

Come join us for a play date and get to know other parents in the community while our children play!

Mondays 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Indoors at Town Center if Cold or Rainy

Playground Rotation:

1st & 3rd Monday of month - Indian Creek Playground

2nd & 4th Monday of month - Pop's Park

Please contact Rachel Cicero (<u>rachelcicero55@gmail.com</u>) for more information and to be added to the group's listserv.



Since 1988, we have been privileged to serve many local communities.

Now residing in Berwyn Heights, we offer the following services for both Residential & Commercial:

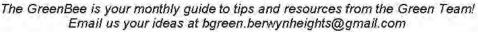
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- * LEAF REMOVAL
- * GUTTER CLEANING & MORE

ask for Michael FREE ESTIMATES

301-580-1264
BerwynLawnCare@gmail.com



Berwyn Heights GreenBee





Our <u>next meeting</u> will be **Thursday**, **July 21**, **7:00** p.m. at the Town Center, in the G. Love Room. All residents are welcome to attend!

Mosquito Control

It's that time of year when mosquitoes are breeding and active. Did you know that mosquitoes can breed in only 1/4" of water? The breeding to hatching cycle happens in under two weeks.

Each one of us plays an important part in mosquito prevention.

- Keep your gutters clean! Clogged gutters are active mosquito breeding grounds.
- Check your yard after a rainfall or once a week for standing water. These are common breeding grounds scattered around our yard:
 - Empty pots or buckets
 - Plant saucers
 - Children's toys
 - Playground equipment
 - Tarps
 - Tables and chairs
 - Tubs or bins (on the lids)
- Scrub the rim of birdbaths and change the water twice a week—mosquitoes lay their eggs right above the water line.
- Keep mosquitoes out of your rain barrel by adding a layer of landscaping fabric under the lid.
 Water can pass through the fabric, but mosquitoes can't.
- Add Mosquito Dunks to birdbaths, ponds, and rain barrels. These are available at garden stores and contain a chemical which poisons mosquitoes but is safe for beneficial insects and wildlife.

- Many plants are natural mosquito repellants.
 Plant these varieties around your yard and add potted plants to your deck and patio:
 - Lemon balm *invasive, grow in pot
 - Mint *invasive, grow in pot
 - Basil
 - Rosemary
 - Lavender
 - Citronella grass
 - Bee balm
 - Chrysanthemums
 - *** Catnip is also a mosquito repellant, but is not recommended for planting because it will attract feral cats.
- To better enjoy a fire pit, burn some sage and rosemary. The incense will repel the mosquitoes.
- Peppermint, lavender, or basil essential oils can be used topically as a natural mosquito repellant when you are outdoors.

Pepco Tree Work



Pepco is working on multiple tree pruning, removal, and replacement projects in Berwyn Heights in order to clear the town power lines. Many residents have already been contacted by an arborist regarding the pruning or removal of trees on their property.

As we all know, having beautiful trees makes our town a wonderful place to live. Trees also play a vital role in the local and global ecosystem and help to keep our town and community healthy. If you are contacted about removal of a tree on your property to clear power lines, please consider advocating for our wonderful tree canopy by asking if pruning is an appropriate alternative to tree removal!

Visit https://www.arborday.org/trees for more information the value of trees and their care. For more information on Pepco's tree work in the town, visit the Green Team Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/BerwynHeightsGreenTeam.



July 2016

Town of Berwyn Heights Monthly Calendar of Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Jun 26	27 🖹 🛝	7:30 PM BHHC Meeting G. Love Room	29 😘	30 N S	Jul 1	2
3	INDEPENDENCE DAY Town Government Closed No Trash Pickup	7:00 PM Worksession & Police Promotion Ceremony Town Office	7:00 PM SNW/EP Mtg. G. Love Room	7 & 6:00—8:00 PM Lake Artemesia Concert	8 N S	9
10	11 🖺 🙉	12 🕏 🔊	13 ST 7:30 PM Town Meeting Town Office	14 🕅 🗟	15	16
17	18 N N 7:00 PM Worksession Town Office	19 🕏 🔊	20 😂	7:00 PM Green Team 7:00 PM Educational Advisory Committee	22	9:00—12:00 N Electronics ReCycling
24	25 📦 🙉	7:30 PM BHHC Meeting G. Love Room	7:30 PM Four Cities Meeting Berwyn Heights	28 🖹 🕏	29	30
31 Street Sweeper	Aug 1 7:00 PM Worksession Town Office	2 S S 6:00 PM National Night Out Town Center	343	4 📦 🕏	Recyling Collection Yard Waste North South	North South Bulk Pick-up North South

THE STREET SWEEPER WILL NOT VISIT BERWYN HEIGHTS DURING JULY. PLEASE DON'T LITTER OUR STREETS.

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 Emergency - Fire Rescue
 9-1-1

 Police (Non-Emergency)
 (301) 352-1200

 Police Administrative Office
 (301) 474-6554

 Code Compliance Department
 (301) 513-9331

 Email: code@berwynheightsmd.gov

 Public Works Department
 (301) 474-6897

 Email:
 publicworks@berwynheightsmd.gov

 Fire Department
 (301) 474-7866

 Senior Center
 (301) 474-0018

Call-a-Bus Reservations

Regular Trash Collection Schedule

(301) 513-9331

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

Heavy Trash Day:

Monday for North of Pontiac Tuesday for South of Pontiac

Recycling Schedule:

Wednesdays for the entire Town.

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Patti Dennison (301) 404-2759 <u>pdennison@berwynheightsmd.gov</u>

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Christopher Rasmussen (612) 432-0710 crasmussen@berwynheightsmd.gov

Councilmember — Code Compliance

Maria Robles (301) 455-9299 <u>mrobles@berwynheightsmd.gov</u>

Councilmember — Parks & Recreation, Education & Civic Affairs

Town Helpline

Do you have a suggestion or problem or a question on an ordinance, or have a historical question? Want to receive meeting agendas or minutes by email?

Email Town at contact@berwynheightsmd.gov
Be assured that your communication

will be answered promptly

Watch Council Meetings



On Comcast channel 71 FIOS channel 12

Most recent meeting: M-S 11:00 A.M. 2nd most recent mtg: M-S 3:00 P.M. 3rd most recent mtg: Tue, Thu, Fri., Sun.: 8:00 P.M.

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Or email: yodoi@berwynheightsmd.gov

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