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Happy New Year



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**NOTICE
OF PUBLIC HEARING
ORDINANCE 107 - CLEAN LOT
AMENDMENTS
JANUARY 14, 2015**

The Town Council will hold a public hearing prior to adopting amendments to Ordinance No. 107 - Clean Lot, which sets standards for maintenance of exterior areas of private properties in Berwyn Heights. The amendments revise standards regarding invasive species, inoperable vehicles, accessory structures, as well as vacant and condemned properties. The revised Ordinance also tightens enforcement of multiple repeat violations and abatement of vacant properties, and establishes a timetable for compliance and enforcement of different violations.

The hearing is open to the public and public testimony or comments are encouraged. For more information about this hearing call (301) 474-5000, or e-mail Town Administrator Cowles at jcowles@town.berwyn-heights.md.us

HOLIDAY TRASH SCHEDULE

TOWN OFFICES CLOSED ON

New Year's Holiday

Mon	12/29/14	Trash, Bulk & Yard Waste, North Side
Tue	12/30/14	Trash, Bulk & Yard Waste, South Side
Wed	12/31/14	Recycling, Entire Town
Thu	01/01/15	NO PICKUP
Fri	01/02/15	Trash & Bulk Trash, Entire Town

Martin Luther King Day

Mon	01/19/15	NO PICKUP
Tue	01/20/15	Trash & Bulk Trash, Entire Town
Wed	01/21/14	Recycling & Yard Waste, Entire Town
Thu	01/22/14	Trash, North Side
Fri	01/23/14	Trash, South Side

**Please Do NOT Leave Trash
at the Curb over Weekend**

Leaf Collection

Curbside Leaf collection ended Dec. 31.

Please bag your leaves now.

Use brown paper yard waste bags available at your local home improvement or grocery store, or a designated trash container marked "yard waste."

Yard Waste Pickup

Mondays - north of Pontiac Street

Tuesdays - south of Pontiac Street



ELECTRONICS AND STYROFOAM RECYCLING

Saturday, January 24, 9 - 12

Residents can recycle old electronic items and block styrofoam at the Greenbelt Public Works yard each 4th Saturday of January, April, July and October. Greenbelt recycling is accessible from the Buddy Attick parking lot at 555 Crescent Road. Old batteries and fluorescent light bulbs can always be recycled in designated containers in front of the Town Office, at 5700 Berwyn Road. Please note: The drop-off at Berwyn Heights Public Works Yard is no longer available.

Accepted electronics: TVs, CPUs, monitors, keyboards, mice, printers, laptop computers, recording equipment, speakers, scanners, surge protectors, wires and power cords, fax machines, cameras, telephones, radios, DVD players, VCRs, batteries (with terminals taped.)

Accepted styrofoam: Expanded Polystyrene (block "Styrofoam" #6), which is the white, block Styrofoam used as packaging. **NO** cups, food containers, egg cartons, or peanuts accepted.

For more information go to: http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/public_works/Electronics_Recycling.php or call: Greenbelt Recycling Office at 240-542-2153

Bulk Trash Collection Change

Come January 5, 2015, the weekly refuse collection schedule will be as follows:

Monday North Side	Tuesday South Side	Wednesday Entire Town	Thursday North Side	Friday South Side
Household Trash	Household Trash	Recycling	Household Trash	Household Trash
▶ Bulk Trash	▶ Bulk Trash			
Yard Waste	Yard Waste			

Worksession

November 3, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Cheye Calvo, Mayor Pro Tem (MPT) Jodie Kulpa-Eddy and Councilmembers (CMs) Patricia Dennison, Chris Rasmussen and Anthony Schreiber. Also present was Town Administrator (TA) Jessica Cowles, Code Compliance Supervisor Kevin Simpson, Director of Public Works Adrian Lockley, Clerk Kerstin Harper, as well as code appellants Jorge Franco, Marilu Tomas, and Jerry Yaremko.

1. Mayor

Agenda: Four code appeals are scheduled to be heard tonight. They will be moved up on the agenda to accommodate the appellants who are present tonight.

Announcements: Gubernatorial elections will be held tomorrow, November 4, from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Berwyn Heights Elementary School cafeteria. Officer Krouse's wife gave birth to their first child, Elena, on October 28.

Calendar: A presentation on the Indian Creek water main replacement project should be scheduled for the December Town meeting. The Clean Lot Ordinance will be introduced at the November Town meeting and the public hearing is to take place at the December Town meeting.

Minutes: On a motion by CM Dennison, and second by MPT Kulpa-Eddy, the October 6 worksession minutes were approved 5 to 0.

Department Reports: CM Dennison reported that Trunk or Treat was another big success. The Town's Police and Public Works Departments, as well as TA Cowles participated. The Wolfinger family won first place for best decorated car, the Buker family second place, and the Stevens family third place. Mayor Calvo commented that the Fire Department also had a scary truck there, and the Higgins family display was noteworthy. The Historical Committee held elections and elected Kerstin Harper as chair, Vice Chair Lee Fuerst, and Secretary Jeffrey Baldwin-Bott.

CM Schreiber reported that loose leaf collection has begun and reminded residents that leaves in plastic bags will not be collected. Residents are also requested to not place recyclables into non-see through plastic bags. The Prince George's Recycling Center will not credit them for payment. Public Works can

provide additional recycling bins if a household needs them.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy noted that the Neighborhood Watch/ Emergency Preparedness Committee is accepting responses for their community preparedness survey until December 1. It was published in the October Bulletin and is also online and can be accessed from the Berwyn Heights website. Mayor Calvo reported that Chief Antolik has worked on the issue of vehicles displaying only one license plate. This is a violation of state law but is not covered in the Town's ordinances. The Council may be asked to address this problem early next year.

Citizen comments: Mayor Calvo received a comment about a large stand of bamboo a resident has started to remove, and about the rental inspection process. CM Rasmussen received a complaint about an overflowing T-Mobile dumpster in the Staples parking lot. MPT Kulpa-Eddy received kudos for the retirement party of former TA Murphy.

2. Code Compliance (discussed out of order)

Code Appeals: Mayor Calvo said that the Council will hear 4 code appeals tonight. He then explained the code appeals process, in which the Council sits in a judicial capacity. Each appellant's case will first be summarized by Code Supervisor Simpson, followed by the appellant stating his or her case, and ending with the Council's deliberations and rendering of a decision. Appellants may appeal the Council's decision in the Prince George's County District Court but must obtain a municipal infraction citation from the Town in order to do so.

CM Rasmussen, head of the Code Compliance Department, thanked the appellants for coming out and noted that all code appeals heard tonight relate in to the Town's rental licensing process and the paperwork landlords are required to file.

5909 Natasha Drive appeal: Appellant Jorge Franco, the owner of the rental property 5909 Natasha Drive was present. Code Supervisor Kevin Simpson gave an overview of events that led to the imposition of a \$400 fine for the late filing of an incomplete rental license renewal application. The Code Department sent out a rental license renewal application packet to Mr. Franco on May 30, 2014, with a filing deadline of June 30. An incomplete application was received by the Department on July 30, one day prior to the expiration of Mr. Franco's

license term. On September 12, the Code Department imposed a \$400 fine, a \$100 fine for each of 4 missing or incomplete documents. Mr. Franco submitted the missing documents to the office on September 22 and requested the fine be waived. Mr. Simpson denied the request because the documents were not submitted by the deadline. On September 23, Mr. Franco submitted a letter of appeal. On October 15, the rental property was inspected and failed inspection, but passed the re-inspection on October 29, when the license was renewed.

Mr. Franco explained that he followed the process he had followed in previous years to renew his license. He paid the \$300 license fee before his license term was up, and was expecting to coordinate submission of any missing documents with the Code Department afterward. He further stated that at the time he received the rental application packet he was preparing to travel to his home country and was in a hurry to complete the application. Upon his return, he found that a \$400 fine had been imposed, with additional fines of up to \$1,000 due if the incomplete documents were not submitted by the deadline of September 27. He thinks the amount of the fine is excessive for missing documentation, and that he should have received a warning letter. He also would like the Council to consider that he purchased the home in 2006 for more money than it is now worth. He moved out to live with family in 2011, and began to rent his house to pay for the mortgage. He cannot afford to pay a \$400 fine.

Mayor Calvo asked why Mr. Franco waited 2 months from receipt of the Town's rental application packet, and 1 month after the due date of June 30, to submit license fee and application. Mr. Franco said that he was focused on travel preparations but wanted to make sure to pay for the license before it expired. He was out of the country from late July through August. Mayor Calvo asked how many renters he had last year. Mr. Franco replied that he rented to a family last year, but that additional family members moved in during the year. This year he is renting to a group of 5 friends. Mayor Calvo said he has the impression that this rental property is not as well managed as it should be, with additional people moving into the house and no papers being filed for them. Also, neighbors filed complaints about cars being repaired in the driveway, which is not permitted. Mr. Franco

admitted this happened but that he tries to rent to good people and that he checks his tenants' history.

CM Rasmussen noted that in past years Mr. Franco had worked with Code staff to complete all necessary forms to renew his rental license. He asked if the Code Department had reached out to Mr. Franco prior to the imposition of the fine to let him know that the application was incomplete. Mr. Simpson said, given the lateness of the submission, this was not done.

Mayor Calvo said that he is concerned about Mr. Franco describing the Town's rental process as "outrageous" in his appeal letter, which seems to indicate a lack of respect. The licensing process has been put in place so that the Town can inspect a property prior to renewal of a license and ensure it is fit to rent. The rules aim to ensure that rental homes do not become a burden on the neighbors and the community. He asked if Mr. Franco plans to follow the rules in the future. Mr. Franco said he would.

In deliberations, Councilmembers made the following observations: The Town not contacting the rental owner about missing parts of his rental application does not change the fact that the submission was late and the documentation incomplete. The property effectively was without a license for several months and had deficiencies, such as non-working smoke detectors, which are a safety hazard. The very late submission of the application is an indication that the rental owner did not take the process seriously, which is also manifested in a number of problems this house experienced last year. The Code Department could have imposed additional fines for late submission but chose not to do so. For these reasons, it was recommended to uphold the \$400 fine. MPT Kulpa-Eddy so moved. CM Rasmussen seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0.

8512 60th Place appeal: The appellant Rod Schwarz was not present. Code Supervisor Simpson summarized the events that led to the imposition of a \$200 fine for missing and incomplete documents in submitting the rental license application. He noted that the rental property in question was not issued a license during FY 2014 due to a failed inspection in August 2013 and a failure to schedule a re-inspection, which resulted in a lien of \$200 filed against the property. In 2007, the Council heard an appeal by Mr. Schwarz of a \$600 fine for failure to renew a rental license. That fine was reduced to \$200.

Mr. Simpson stated that the Code Department mailed a rental license application packet to Mr. Schwarz on May 30, 2014 with a due date of June 30. In addition to the mailing, a renewal letter was emailed to Mr. Schwarz. On June 7, the Code Department received an email from Mr. Schwarz saying that he did not receive the rental packet. On June 9, TA Murphy replied by email advising Mr. Schwarz the packet was sent to his registered mailing address and attaching all required rental application documents. The email also informed Mr. Schwarz that a \$100 fine will be applied for each missing or incomplete document. On June 30, Mr. Schwarz submitted a rental application with insurance information and floor plan missing. On July 17, the Code Department imposed a \$200 fine. On August 15, Mr. Schwarz filed the missing documentation and requested an appeal hearing of the fine. The property was inspected on October 29, and failed inspection. A re-inspection must be scheduled by November 30. Mr. Simpson recommended upholding the \$200 fine.

Mayor Calvo commented that this fine should certainly be upheld, but it also raises questions about the Town's rental licensing process. This property has essentially not been in compliance for the last year and still has not passed inspection. A \$400 fine for renting without a license should be imposed if an inspection is not scheduled and passed by November 30. MPT Kulpa-Eddy moved to uphold the fine. CM Dennison seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0.

5912 58th Avenue appeal: The appellant and rental owner Marilu Tomas was present. Code Supervisor Simpson summarized the events that led to the imposition of a \$300 fine for missing and incomplete documents in the rental license renewal application. The Code Department mailed a rental packet to the property owner on July 30, 2014, with a due date of August 29. The license term was to set to expire on September 30. The rental license packet was filed on August 15, but lacked the insurance policy number and tenant contact information on the application, as well as a Tenant Rights and Responsibilities form and a floor plan. On August 18, the Code Department sent an email to Mrs. Tomas requesting the missing information by the end of August. A delivery receipt indicates that the email was delivered successfully. With no additional information received, the Code Department sent a letter and an email to the rental owner on September 17 informing her of the

imposition of the fine.

On September 18, Mrs. Tomas sent an email to Mr. Simpson appealing the fine. In subsequent emails and phone calls, Ms. Tomas explained that she did not file information about the second tenant because it was the spouse of the first tenant and that a policy was not required in previous years. Beyond that, she did not see Mr. Simpson's email in which missing information was referenced because it went into her spam filter. Mr. Simpson offered to reduce the fine by \$100 because one tenant form is sufficient for married tenants. TA Murphy followed up advising the owner that she could pay the reduced fine or appeal to the Town Council. On September 30, Ms. Tomas requested an appeal. The rental property is now licensed after having passed inspection.

Mrs. Tomas stated her case. She said that she has rented this property since 1996 and has always come to the Town office in person to pay the rental license fee and submit all documentation. She again did so on August 15, 2014, and gave the forms to Ms. Odoi as Mr. Simpson was not in the office. When Mr. Simpson sent the first email to her on August 18 detailing the missing information, she did not see it because it went into her spam folder. She never supplied the Code Department with her private email. Mrs. Tomas further noted that she uses her prior year application to fill out the next year's application. The missing insurance policy number and 2nd tenant information requested by Code Supervisor Simpson had been missing since 1996.

Mrs. Tomas further explained that, previously, the Code Department had always called her after she filed the rental application to schedule an inspection. This year the process was very different. When no one contacted her, she took the initiative and called the Code Department, leaving voice mails, requesting confirmation of receipt of her application and an inspection. When she was finally able to speak with Mr. Simpson and state her concerns, he offered to reduce the fine by \$100. She also spoke with TA Murphy and then requested an appeal with the Town Council.

In deliberations, Mayor Calvo stated he thinks a missing policy number and contact information are not a serious issue. However, he would like to know if Mrs. Tomas has ever filed a floor plan. Mrs. Tomas said she did submit a floor plan at some point and thought the Department kept it on file. She did not know that she

had to file it every year. Mayor Calvo further asked whether Mrs. Tomas intended to leave blank item #12 on the application, where landlords can supply an email address as a secondary contact. Mrs. Tomas said she never supplied that information to the Town. Mr. Simpson said that it is noted on her 2013 application. Inspecting the page, Mrs. Tomas said that it is not her handwriting. On her copy of the 2013 application, this item is blank. She thinks her not using that email in communicating with the Town is why the Code email went into her spam filter.

CM Rasmussen asked when Mrs. Tomas last filed a floor plan and whether any changes have been made in the layout and function of rooms. Mrs. Tomas said she does not remember when she filed the plan but that no changes were made to the interior since she has rented the house. CM Rasmussen asked on what basis Mr. Simpson recommends reducing the fine to \$100. Mr. Simpson said that the owner has shown a good faith effort to be in compliance over the years, and that there was an obvious miscommunication between her and the Code Department this year.

Mayor Calvo said that he would waive the fine because the Town used an unauthorized email address to communicate with the home owner. This resulted in her not receiving the critical notice about missing information on her application. The other items were minor and had not been flagged in the past. MPT Kulpa-Eddy disagreed that the problem was communication. The Town did also communicate by regular mail, and she regards a missing floor plan as an important document the Department should have on file. Mr. Simpson said that he does have a floor plan now. CM Schreiber thought this is a case of the code being written one way, but its application handled a different way for many years. This resulted in tenants submitting applications that were not technically complete. He supported voiding the fine. CM Rasmussen stated he thinks the Code Supervisor made a reasonable effort to come to an accommodation waiving one fine and reducing the others. He supports the recommended \$100 fine. MPT Kulpa-Eddy so moved. CM Rasmussen seconded. The motion passed 3 to 2, with Mayor Calvo and CM Schreiber opposed. Mrs. Tomas was advised she could pay the reduced fine or appeal the decision to the District Court.

5802 Pontiac Street code appeal: The appellant Jerry Yaremko was present. Code Supervisor Simpson summarized

the events that led to the imposition of a \$100 fine for an incomplete floor plan. The Code Department sent a rental application packet to Mr. Yaremko on June 30, 2014 with a filing due date of July 31. The rental license was set to expire on August 31. All rental application forms were received on July 28, but the floor plans lacked the required dimensions of all rooms. On the same day, Mr. Simpson sent an email to Mr. Yaremko advising him of the missing information and the filing due date of August 4. The required information was not received by the due date, and the Code Department sent a letter and an email to Mr. Yaremko on September 12 advising him that a \$100 had been imposed. On September 17, the Department received an email from Mr. Yaremko requesting the fine be waived. On September 18 he had a phone conversation with Mr. Yaremko about the fine and on September 19 Mr. Yaremko submitted a letter to request an appeal before the Town Council. An inspection of the property is scheduled for November 5. Mr. Simpson recommended a reduced fine of \$50.

Mr. Yaremko stated his case. He explained that he works at the Census Bureau and during the week stays at his rental property in Berwyn Heights. However, on weekends he drives home to Pennsylvania, a 400 mile round trip. Due to his limited time, he relies on his wife to handle most of the paperwork associated with the rental property. Until receipt of the fine letter, he was under the impression that everything was in order. It was a complete surprise when Mr. Simpson informed him that the Department had sent an email to his wife advising her of the missing dimensions on the floor plan. Mr. Yaremko further stated that his wife is an epileptic and has impaired brain function. Lately, her seizures have been getting worse and she is scheduled for an operation. Due to her condition, she did not notice the email notifying them of the missing information.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy noted that the floor plan is quite detailed even without the missing information. She asked if this is the original plan submitted. Mr. Simpson said it is not. His staff has filled in some of the missing information, which he has since asked them not to do. CM Rasmussen asked if this document would stand up in court. Mr. Simpson said it would not. Mayor Calvo said that this appears to him a minor omission for an otherwise conscientious landlord. He would waive the fine. CM Rasmussen so moved. MPT Kulpa-Eddy seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0.

Rental license application guidelines:

Mayor Calvo further stated that some of the documents required for rental license renewal are an unnecessary burden, including: dimensions for all rooms in the rental home, excepting sleeping rooms; information on tenants that are minors; and insurance information that has not changed. MPT Kulpa-Eddy said she mostly agrees, but all adult tenants should be asked to sign the tenants' rights and responsibilities form, and the application should have check boxes for information that has not changed.

The Council agreed to give guidance to Supervisor Simpson for discretionary enforcement of rental licensing regulations to reduce paperwork required for the annual filing of rental license applications:

1. Require only dimension of sleeping rooms on floor plan of rental home;
2. Require only adult tenant information, exempting all minors except their number;
3. Waive requirement to file unchanged documents every year, but provide check box to indicate that information has not changed.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy moved to approve the guidelines. CM Schreiber seconded. CM Rasmussen asked whether any fines have recently been issued for not filing information that the Council would now no longer require. This may open the door to more appeals. Mayor Calvo said that the waivers would only apply to information that is already on file. CM Rasmussen offered an amendment to ask Code staff to investigate the implications of discretionary enforcement and recommend a course of action at the next work-session. The motion failed for lack of a second. Mayor Calvo suggested that staff move forward with implementing the above guidelines and recommend changes to the process where needed later. The motion to implement the guidelines passed 4 to 1, with CM Rasmussen opposed.

At 9:13 p.m., the Council took a 5 minute break.

1. Mayor (discussed out of order)

Clean Lot Ordinance: Mayor Calvo asked the Council to review the language of changes made to Ordinance 107 to date for introduction at the November Town meeting. TA Cowles explained that she has reworked certain sections of the Ordinance to ensure consistency and clarity content.

Section 4 (A) – Definitions for abandoned vehicles was clarified to include all types of inoperable, non-road worthy, unregistered or improperly registered vehicles kept on private property. In response to CM Schreiber, TA Cowles said that the current laundry list of criteria for abandoned vehicles could be numbered or bulleted so that any combination of criteria could be selected to qualify a vehicle as abandoned and not permitted.

Section 4 (C) – Definition for bamboo was reworded to be more easily understood by laymen.

Section 4 (F) – Definition of invasive species was rewritten to mean a plant species that is non-native to the ecosystem under consideration and can cause ecological or economic harm.

Section 4 (I) – Definition of paved parking area might be rewritten to encourage property owners to install pervious surfaces for parking areas.

Section 4 (P) – To the definition of vacant property, which refers to residential properties found to be unoccupied for 15 consecutive days, might be added the criteria that the current owner or his whereabouts are unknown. The length of vacancy before being listed as such is still open to discussion.

Section 5 (B) – The term “noxious plant” was removed, as it is already covered by the term “invasive plant,” defined as causing environmental or economic harm.

Section 5 (G) – Extermination of insects or other pests harbored by improperly stored wood is by definition injurious to animals and could be removed or reworded.

Section 5 (L) – The abatement process of a faulty accessory structure should be consistent throughout the Ordinance. It would require adding the following phrase to this section: “cost can be covered by an ad valorem tax or the lien process.”

Section 5 (M) – The requirement that all premises shall have approved address numbers, plainly visible from the street was added to ensure that a home can be readily found by public safety services. This conforms to the International Property Code and Prince George's County Code.

Section 5 (N) – This provision was previously added to provide a registration process for vacant properties.

Mayor Calvo said, for purposes of introducing the amended Ordinance, the

Council needs to make a decision on several issues. This includes establishing time frames for addressing violations. Different categories of violations and their corresponding corrective actions might be set up for 1) violations that entail immediate fines, such as parking on grass; 2) fines imposed after 10 to 15 days, such as for failure to keep grass below 10”; and 3) fines for failure to come up with a plan to address more expensive code violations, such as rebuilding retaining walls that pose a safety hazard.

In addition the Council needs to decide how to treat several specific violations, such as abandoned and inoperable vehicles. The Council agreed that no more than 2 abandoned, inoperable or unregistered vehicles can be kept on a property, which must be properly covered with a fitted cover. In addition, a vehicle can be in violation of the Ordinance if it becomes a breeding ground for insects and vermin, even if properly covered. This provision needs to be added to section 5 (D).

Regarding repeat violations, the Council agreed that a home owner becomes a repeat violator after receiving two violation notices within a 12 month period. A shortened 7 day period then applies to correct the violation before a fine is issued. If a third Clean Lot violation of any kind is issued to the same owner over the same period, he becomes an egregious offender and can be fined immediately. An offender can come off the repeat violator list after 18 months without a violation. While tracking of repeat violations would be difficult under the current system, it would not be with an electronic code tracking system that can issue reminders. Code Supervisor Simpson noted that a fine issued without any kind of notice may not stand up in court. Mayor Calvo replied that the Town Attorney may have to review this issue before introduction. TA Cowles said a definition of egregious offender could be added in Section 4 to clarify this status.

Regarding vacant properties, Mayor Calvo proposed that a process be set up by which a property is placed on a vacant property list, and once on the list the owner is notified that an accelerated abatement process applies. Prince George's County has set a 3 day period to correct a violation for a property that is vacant, which might the model for the Town. The Council debated whether a registration process for vacant properties should be introduced. Code Supervisor Simpson explained the registration proc-

ess of the City of Mount Rainier, which helps identify the owners of properties that are vacant long term and have violations of some type. Often those are foreclosed, bank-owned properties that have no particular incentive to maintain the property. Owners of such vacant properties must pay a registration fee and a fine if they do not register. No decision was made whether to implement a vacant property registration in Berwyn Heights.

Regarding the storage of wood, as regulated under Section 5 (G), the Council agreed to add a provision that extermination of insects, rodents and other pests harbored by wood piles must be done in a manner that is not harmful to the health of humans and domestic animals.

Regarding invasive plant species, regulated under Section 5 (B), it was agreed to add a provision that prohibits invasive plants, such as poison ivy, to become a nuisance for neighbors and public property, nor endanger the health of trees. It was further agreed to introduce the Clean Lot Ordinance amendment with the new rule that homes have clearly identifiable house numbers.

Commercial Clean Lot Ordinance: Postponed.

Berwyn Heights legislative dinner agenda: Postponed.

PGCMA legislative priorities: Mayor Calvo explained that the Prince George's County Municipal Association (PGCMA) has produced a list of 9 possible legislative priorities provided in the background documentation. Each municipality is requested to give feedback as to their top priorities before PGCMA votes on them at its November meeting. The Council agreed to nominate the following issues as top priorities: 1) Prince George's County zoning code; 2) municipal tax differential; and 3) WSSC communication.

PGCMA legislative dinner attendance: Councilmembers were requested to inform Clerk Harper if they plan to attend the December 2 legislative dinner.

Four Cities marketing video: MPT Kulpa-Eddy said that a video promoting Four Cities communities as the location for the future FBI headquarters was discussed at the last Four Cities meeting. The draft script provided to members, however, was very Greenbelt-centric. It featured Greenbelt's Town Center and other amenities within the City of Greenbelt. Other Four Cities members were encouraged to submit any videos and/or photos of their communities that could be

included.

Mayor Calvo thought that Greenbelt has taken the wrong approach. He would prefer that the Four Cities agree on a common theme for their communities, hire a videographer and ask him to write the script and film the video based on that theme. He proposed to contribute \$5,000 to the production of the video if this approach is taken. The money would be taken from the cable reserve and the video could be shown on the Berwyn Heights access channel. The Council agreed that, considering the stakes, a professional should be hired to produce the video that would feature the communities around the Greenbelt Metro site. MPT Kulpa-Eddy moved to commit \$5,000 to the project, provided a professional is hired to promote the communities surrounding Greenbelt Station. CM Schreiber seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy noted that the Four Cities also provided a draft resolution supporting the FBI headquarters relocation to the Greenbelt Station, asking all members to pass it. CM Rasmussen so moved. CM Schreiber seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0.

Nevada Street trail naming (added item): Mayor Calvo explained that County Councilmember Eric Olson will have a retirement party in November before leaving office. This would be a good occasion to honor his 8 years of service on the County Council. He proposed that the Town request Park & Planning to name the newly constructed trail connecting Nevada Street with the Indian Creek trail "Olson's Way," and erect a sign. CM Schreiber so moved. CM Dennison seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0.

3. Public Works

Recycling rules flyer: TA Cowles said that a new version of a flyer explaining recently revised recycling rules to residents was provided in the background documentation. The Council is requested to approve it for mailing. The Council approved the flyer, provided an explanation is added as to why the rules were changed as well as some graphics to capture the reader's attention.

Bus stop pads and benches: Mayor Calvo said that a list of 12 possible bus stop locations was compiled from priority lists of retired TA Murphy and Director Lockley. The Council is requested to select 10 locations where bus stop pads and benches will be installed. CM Schreiber moved and CM Dennison

moved to approve 8 locations marked on a map of Berwyn Heights based on bus traffic and pedestrian safety considerations. The motion passed 5 to 0.

4. Administration

Bulletin cover: The following items were approved for the December Bulletin cover: Happy Holiday theme; announcements for Tree Lighting, Clean Lot Ordinance hearing, trash collection changes, and WSSC presentation on the Indian Creek water main replacement project.

Nothing was discussed under **5. Parks & Recreation**, and **6. Public Safety**.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:39 p.m.

Kerstin Harper, Town Clerk

Town Meeting November 12, 2014

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

Mayor Calvo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Minutes

Clerk Harper read a summary of the October 8 Town meeting minutes. On a motion by CM Dennison and second by MPT Kulpa-Eddy, the minutes were approved 5 to 0.

2. Treasurer's Report

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

3. Mayor's Report

Mayor Calvo noted that TA Cowles completed her first month in office and brought a new perspective to how things are done in the Town office and the departments, which is likely to result in changes in the short and long term. TA Cowles also made it a point to engage with directors and staff to learn about their work and their concerns.

Mayor Calvo reported that, after the hiring of the contractor in October, ground was finally broken for the priority 1 sidewalks project. The interaction with the contractor continues. Last week, he and TA Cowles walked the length of the future sidewalks with the engineers and the contractors to discuss difficult locations and head off potential problems.

Minimizing tree removal and improvements of the intersection of 57th Avenue at Pontiac Street were among the issues discussed.

At the last Town meeting, the Town received a detailed update on the FBI headquarters relocation from the developer of Greenbelt Station, followed by a meeting in College Park with Congressman Hoyer's staff, which he attended. Hoyer's office has been steadfast in supporting the relocation to Greenbelt Station and excellent in coordinating with the nearby municipalities. A decision on awarding the location of the headquarters will not be made before spring 2016. Meanwhile, federal and state representatives of the Town should be reminded at every opportunity how important this decision is and continue to advocate for it. The Town recently authorized a contribution towards the production of a video to showcase the communities surrounding Greenbelt Station. It is hoped this will help win over FBI employees for the relocation to Greenbelt.

Mayor Calvo said that he continues to check with the County's Department of Environmental Resources (DER) about a study for an animal shelter for the Route 1 corridor. The County has appropriated \$180,000 for the study but so far has not taken any further steps. The Town has appropriated \$10,000 in its FY 2015 budget towards the study, and other municipalities in the area have also pledged their support.

WSSC will give a presentation at the December Town meeting about the Indian Creek Storm Water Replacement project that will take place next summer, and will affect a large number of streets in Town. The Town is looking into the possibility of piggybacking onto WSSC's contract to get some needed street repairs done. Mayor Calvo is also in touch with WSSC regarding their review of sewage backups resulting from the June 10 flash flood. The interaction with Town residents, who applied for refunds, has been less than forthcoming.

Mayor Calvo reported on how Berwyn Heights voted in the recent gubernatorial elections: For governor - Anthony Brown 433 votes, Larry Hogan 285 votes, independent candidate 14 votes. For state delegates - Tawanna Gaines 492 votes, Ann Healey 484 votes, Alonzo Washington 448 votes, Lynn White 255 votes. For District 2 school board representative - Lupi Grady 402 votes, Peggy Higgins 219 votes. District-wide Ms. Grady defeated incumbent Peggy Higgins to be-

come the new school board representative.

Further, on November 20, the Town Council will hold its annual legislative dinner and meet with all its state and local representatives, including, for the first time, the school board representative. This will be an opportunity to 'say thank' you to County Councilmember Eric Olson after his 8 years of dedicated service. He will be replaced by his former Chief of Staff Danielle Glaros. On December 2, the Prince George's County Municipal Association (PGCMA) will hold its annual legislative dinner and vote on its legislative priorities. Municipalities have been polled about their top priorities. Municipal tax differential and WSSC communication rank at the top.

The Town-wide clean up that took place last Saturday was a great success. Some 40 large bags of trash were collected. The next event is the always popular Tree Lighting on December 6, hosted by the Seniors, at which all residents are welcome.

4. Department Reports

Administration: MPT Kulpa-Eddy noted that, with the sidewalks project underway, there may be temporary parking and driveway access problems where construction is taking place. The FY 2014 audit has been completed and the emergency generator project is going out to bid. The Four Cities Coalition received a grant to offer low-income residents free spay and neuter service. Interested residents should contact the City of Greenbelt.

Code Compliance: CM Rasmussen congratulated the winners of the recent election and thanked Peggy Higgins for her service on the Prince George's County School Board. He also thanked Mayor Calvo, TA Cowles and Director Lockley for listening to his many messages about preserving the Town's tree canopy.

CM Rasmussen reported on 4 code appeals the Council heard at last worksession. The appeals resulted in part from the new approach taken by the new Code Supervisor in enforcing existing rental housing codes. They all related to missing and incomplete papers in the rental license application process. In two cases the fines were upheld, in one case the fine was reduced, and in another case the fine was reversed. The appeals were helpful in identifying areas for streamlining the rental license application process, and the Council voted to suspend certain requirements in filling out

the application forms: 1) floor plans are no longer required to show dimensions for all rooms, only bedrooms, which must have a prescribed minimum size; 2) forms, such as the Tenants Rights & Responsibilities Forms, no longer have to be submitted every year if the tenants do not change; and 3) tenant signatures on applications will only be required of a head of household if the tenants are a family. Minors are not required to sign any documents.

CM Rasmussen further noted that Code Supervisor Simpson has filed the purchase order for the new code violation tracking software. Once the software has been procured it will take approximately 2 months to fully implement, including data transfer and training. CM Rasmussen noted that he suggested to the other Councilmembers that goats might be used to eradicate "phragmites," an invasive grass found in primarily in wetlands. He has since been informed that the Town's ordinances forbid the keeping of livestock.

Parks and Recreation, Education and Civic Affairs:

CM Dennison noted that the contingent of women serving in the United States Congress will for the first time reach 100 with the election of Alma Adams (D-NC) in the recent congressional elections. She also reported the winners of the Trunk or Treat Halloween event: 1st place - the Wolfinger family; 2nd Place - the Buker family; 3rd Place - the Stevens family. Last Sunday's Veteran's Day event was well attended, but the invited speaker, Maya Davis, was unable to give a presentation on *Slavery during the War of 1812*, because she was in the hospital. However, the guests did get to enjoy a break dance by Antwan McDonald, grandson of Karate teacher Leon Swain.

Mayor Calvo commended the Higgins family, last year's Trunk or Treat winners, who were back with another great display.

Public Health and Safety: Chief Antolik thanked the Neighborhood Watch/ Emergency Preparedness Committee for assisting the police patrolling the Town on Halloween. There was a great turnout of trick-or-treaters and the police handed out 500 glow sticks. Then he gave the police activities report for October. There were 3 Part I offenses, as opposed to the 5 year average of 5.6. The year to date total is 56, also lower than the 5 year average of 67.8. The police issued a total of 181 Town and State citations, and 97 speed camera violations, all of them on Greenbelt Road.

Chief Antolik continued that two of the Part I offenses were armed robberies, one at the 7 Eleven on Edmonston Road and one at a Doctor's office in the medical building at 6200 Greenbelt Road. The 3rd offense was a theft of a wallet from a parked car. Residents are reminded not to leave any valuables in their cars in plain sight. Chief Antolik remarked that he also had a chance to visit with Officer Krouse's family and meet his newborn daughter, Elena. He concluded with safety tips for the upcoming Thanksgiving holidays.

Mayor Calvo commented that he noticed many ladders lying in yards and leaning against trees. He suggested the police tell those home owners that they might be used to break into homes if left out for long periods. CM Rasmussen asked if the uptick in thefts from cars represents a trend. Chief Antolik replied that these thefts often occur during holidays and mostly from cars where valuables are left in plain sight.

Public Works: CM Schreiber commended Emerson Ellis for being chosen as the employee of the month for October. Further, he reported that Public Works added new gravel to the 58th and 60th Avenues footpaths and has begun loose leaf collection. Residents are requested to rake leaves close to the curb but not into the street. Leaves in plastic bags are no longer accepted. Residents are also reminded not to place recyclables in opaque plastic bags because the Prince George's recycling facility does not compensate the Town for them. Residents can request additional recycling containers from the Public Works Department if needed.

5. Committee Reports

Neighborhood Watch/Emergency Preparedness: MPT Kulpa-Eddy thanked the police for ensuring another safe Halloween night, and announced a CERT training class held on November 15 in Cheltenham. Anyone interested in signing up for two remaining seats should contact her or the Town office. Residents are requested to respond to a brief emergency preparedness survey that is still posted on the Town website. The next NW/EP meeting is on December 3.

6. Unfinished Business

There was none.

7. New Business

Ordinance No. 107 - 1st Reading & Introduction of Clean Lot Ordinance Amendments: Mayor Calvo asked for a motion to consider the Ordinance read as there was no resolution to introduce

the amendments. CM Dennison so moved. CM Rasmussen seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0. CM Dennison then moved, and CM Rasmussen seconded to introduce the amended Ordinance 107. Mayor Calvo gave an overview of the proposed amendments. He said that the revised Clean Lot Ordinance covers a lot of ground and proposes to adopt a number of new standards, on which the Council would like to receive feedback from residents. The most important changes are to:

1. Tighten the time lines for correcting repeat violations. The current Ordinance already has a separate time line for repeat offenders. Property owners that are cited for a Clean Lot violation go on a repeat offenders list, and if they receive a second violation within a given time frame they must correct the violation in a shorter 7 day period before a fine is issued. The revised Ordinance proposes to authorize the Code Department to issue immediate fines for *multiple repeat offenders*, that is, property owners with at least 3 Clean Lot violations incurred within a given period.
2. Implement a new process for removing abandoned vehicles that have been sitting on a private property, often a vacant property, for a long time without being used, as well as setting new standards for storing unregistered vehicles on a private property. These rules aim to end the practice of covering inoperable and unregistered vehicles with unsightly tarps and the possibility that they become havens for infestations of insects and wild animals.
3. Hold property owners, who have bamboo or other invasive plants, responsible for confining the plants to their yards.
4. Strengthen enforcement of neglected or unsafe accessory structures, such as fences and retaining walls. The Code Department will be authorized to ask owners to fix or remove fences that are in disrepair, as well as make plans, in collaboration with the Code Department, to abate unsafe accessory structures, such as retaining walls that are expensive and time-consuming to repair.

5. Institute a formal process for abatement by the Public Works Department of vacant properties that are not well maintained, and recovering the cost by billing the property owner, or by placing a lien on the property.
6. Institute a process by which the Town can demolish condemned homes using Town funds, which would be recovered through the lien process. To date, the Town has used the County process for demolishing condemned homes, which can take years to be completed.
7. Revise and clarify the system of notices and fines for code violations in order to tighten enforcement and focus on repeat offenders.

Mayor Calvo said that the proposed amendments will affect all property owners in Town and he hopes that there will be constructive feedback. The Ordinance with red-lined changes will be posted on the Town website for public review and comment. Residents are also encouraged to share comments at worksessions or the public hearing scheduled for the December 10 Town meeting. In response to CM Rasmussen, Mayor Calvo said that the introduced version of Ordinance 107 will be further revised at worksessions and based on public comments received before its adoption. Adoption is planned for the January Town meeting.

Without further comments, the Ordinance was introduced in a 5 to 0 vote.

8. Citizens Discussion

There was none.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Kerstin Harper, Town Clerk

W orksession

November 17, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Cheye Calvo, Mayor Pro Tem (MPT) Jodie Kulpa-Eddy and Councilmembers (CMs) Patricia Dennison, and Anthony Schreiber. CM Chris Rasmussen had an excused absence. Also present was Town Administrator (TA) Jessica Cowles, and Clerk Kerstin Harper.

1. Mayor

Calendar: The budget presentation for Public Works was moved to February 2, and for Police to February 17.

Minutes: On a motion by CM Dennison, and second by MPT Kulpa-Eddy, the October 20 worksession minutes were approved 4 to 0.

Department Reports: Mayor Calvo reported that he met Councilmember Konrad Herling, who is leading the effort to produce a video promoting Four Cities communities for relocation of the FBI headquarters. Greenbelt appears to be following the approach recommended by Berwyn Heights that calls for hiring a professional videographer to create the video. The video will probably be 10 to 12 minutes long and collectively showcase the communities surrounding Greenbelt Station as the driving force behind changes in the region. Each municipality will also be individually featured for 1 1/2 minutes using video, photos and interviews with residents. The Town might help pull together photos on file that help tell Berwyn Heights' story.

Mayor Calvo continued that he requested updates on WSSC claims relating to the June 10 flash flood from WSSC's general manager and the County's DPW&T for the purpose of briefing representatives during the upcoming legislative dinner. He also asked where DPW&T plans stand for a hydraulic study of the Town's storm water infrastructure. Further, there is a need to follow up on establishing guidelines for tree maintenance, which has stalled after the adoption of Ordinance 118 on the Roads & Right-of-Ways and Director Lockley's inventory of Town trees.

Mayor Calvo said he recently received emails from zoning attorney David Lynch about plans for renovating the McDonald's restaurant at Greenbelt Road and 63rd Avenue. The matter had been brought before the Council a couple of years ago but plans were shelved because of new storm water mitigation mandates. He has asked Mr. Lynch to give a presentation at a December worksession. The Council may want to take a stand on pedestrian safety and trash disposal. MPT Kulpa-Eddy said that the Town should have some background on the project, which could be revisited.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy said that she is working with TA Cowles on getting the emergency generator bids out. Mayor Calvo noted that the audit report, the Town has now in hand, will be discussed at the December 1 worksession. He also is

expecting receipt of the first income tax disbursement, a key indicator for this revenue in FY 2015. CM Dennison announced the upcoming the upcoming holiday party on December 6.

Citizen comments: Mayor Calvo was informed that Boy Scout Troop 740 collected 1,200 lbs of food for Thanksgiving, a new record. MPT Kulpa-Eddy received a comment about leave piles needing to be collected on 63rd Avenue.

Legislative dinner agenda: Mayor Calvo provided a draft agenda for the Council's annual legislative dinner and requested the Council's input. He noted that it is mainly a way to start a conversation with the Town's state and local representatives and relate what is important to the Town. It is also an opportunity to get a preview of the upcoming legislative session in Annapolis. After the recent election, the General Assembly will have a lot of new faces and changes in committee leadership. Delegate Gaines, Healey and Washington will gain seniority and likely head up new committees. There will also be a change in the Town's County Council representation. With Eric Olson's retirement, his former Chief of Staff, Dannielle Glaros, will become the Councilmember for District 3. Both will be present at the dinner. The Town requested Park & Planning that the Nevada Street trail be named *Olson's Way* in recognition of his service. In addition, the Town's new school board representative, Lupi Grady, will be present although not expected to make a report. She might be asked to come out for a Town Hall meeting on education early next year as a way to become familiar with Town and its residents.

Mayor Calvo reviewed the agenda, which will discuss fiscal issues, new staff, major projects, street renovation plans and marketing Berwyn Heights as Town priorities. Also on the agenda are WSSC and Pepco issues, the FBI headquarters relocation, retooling of code compliance program, urban tree canopy and the animal shelter study. In addition, there will be a chance to discuss PGCA and MML legislative priorities.

Priority 1 sidewalk change orders: Mayor Calvo said that he and TA Cowles did a walk-through of the sidewalks project and identified some changes that have since been incorporated in the engineering plans. TA Cowles said she has asked the contractors to provide estimates but has not yet received them.

Mayor Calvo said that the changes may not result in any increase in cost. At the

school, the sidewalks will be moved out further into the road, which will eliminate the need for retaining walls and removal of a utility pole and two trees. At the intersection of Pontiac Street and 57th Avenue the sidewalk around the bend will be built out further into the intersection to improve visibility. At the same time, it will be shortened by 15 feet. The crosswalk will then be angled to reach the north side of Pontiac Street, where a short piece of sidewalk will be added to the point with Quebec Street, again to improve sight lines for turning onto 57th Avenue. At the intersection of 57th Avenue and Berwyn Road, the sidewalk will be bumped out into the roadway where the storm water drain is to align it with the rest of the sidewalk on 57th Avenue. Later, there may be a cost increase from building new steps and a piece of sidewalk for the property at 60th Avenue and Seminole Street to compensate the owner for loss of parking on 60th Avenue due to sidewalks being bumped out into the roadway.

TA Cowles added that the construction is making good progress. She or Director Lockley are checking on the contractors on a daily basis and every two weeks there are meetings with the engineers. Further, she is working on changes to an easement agreement for a property on Berwyn Road. When the sidewalks on 57th Avenue are finished, the roadway will be narrower and no parking will be allowed on the east side. All property owners have been informed and have consented to it.

At 8:00 p.m., the Council took a 10 minute break.

Clean Lot Ordinance amendments: Mayor Calvo said that he would like the Council to make an inventory of standards in the Clean Lot Ordinance tonight, as well as discuss the different enforcement processes for different violations, which have been put in a table format. The Commercial Clean Lot Ordinance amendments are also in the agenda packet. However, they will not require as extensive a review, as most of the changes can be derived from the discussions of residential Clean Lot Ordinance.

The Council reviewed community standards for clean lots contained in *Section 5 - Violations*:

Section 5 (A): The term *debris* was added as a type of waste that may not be allowed to accumulate on a private property. The term needs to be defined in *Section 4 - Definitions*.

Section 5 (B): It was clarified that no grass or weeds may be allowed to grow into public curbs and gutters. Further, *property owners*, not occupants, are held responsible for yard maintenance. The term needs to be revised in the *Definitions*.

Section 5 (C): In its current version, this section prohibits bamboo and invasive plants. Other options include allowing such plants where they already exist, or allowing them so long as the originating property owner prevents them from spreading into neighboring yards. In some municipalities invasive plants must be contained on the originating property with a buffer of 2 to 10 feet.

Section 5 (D): This provision prohibits abandoning vehicles within the Town of Berwyn Heights, including parking lots or other public property.

Section 5 (E): This provision was differentiated from abandoning vehicles and sets the standards for storing vehicles on a private property. It was agreed to: 1) prohibit storing of vehicles that pose a health and safety risk; 2) prohibit storing unregistered and non-road worthy vehicles, except enclosed in a garage or properly covered; 3) require a car cover to be opaque and form-fitted; and 4) prohibit storing more than 2 properly-covered vehicles on a property.

Section 5 (M): This provision as currently written mandates that accessory structures, such as sheds, fences or retaining walls are safe and well maintained. Mayor Calvo questioned whether the Town should mandate that an accessory structure be well maintained; that is be painted, kept in good repair and conform with the County's property maintenance and zoning codes. He believes this standard is too sweeping and that the focus should be on safety. TA Cowles was asked to clarify which property maintenance codes should be referenced in this Ordinance, as well as recommend alternate standards for unsafe conditions caused by accessory structures or landscaping.

Section 5 (N): This provision provides for each property to have a clearly-identifiable house number. The further specification of house number dimensions were deleted as unnecessary.

Section 5 (O): The provision mandates that vacant properties be registered with the Town. Mayor Calvo thought this provision should be stricken. It principally seeks to identify owners of vacant properties, most of which are already known to the Town. He would prefer focusing

on vacant properties that are not well maintained and accelerating the abatement process.

Section 7 - Notice and Penalty for Violations. Mayor Calvo explained that there are several categories of enforcement, each with its own time frame for effecting compliance:

Section 7.A.6 sets up a shortened compliance schedule for *time-sensitive violations*. A violation must be corrected within 10 days from a notice of violation, and if not corrected, is given another 10 days from a 2nd notice of violation before a fine is issued. If the fine is not corrected, a 3rd notice is issued giving another 7 days to correct the violation before another fine is imposed. It was enacted to specifically address high grass violations because a regular compliance schedule would result in grass that can grow much higher than the 10" limit set in the Ordinance. The revised Ordinance proposes to shorten the compliance schedule to 5 days from date of notice.

Section 7.A.7 sets up the normal or regular compliance schedule, in which a property owner is given 15 days from date of notice to correct a violation before a fine is issued, and another 15 days from the date of a 2nd notice before a fine is issued. The process applies to most violations, such as improper storage of appliances, wood, vehicles, etc. The revised Ordinance proposes to shorten the compliance period for the 2nd notice to 10 days.

Section 7.A.8 deals with issuance of immediate fines, which were adopted specifically for cars parked on grass on private property. It is the equivalent of a parking violation police would issue for a car parked illegally on the street, but it is enforced by the Code Department. The fine notice will give the property owner another 24 hours to correct the violation before another fine is issued. This process will not change but other violations may be subjected to the process.

Section 7.A.9 sets up a compliance schedule for violations that take longer to correct, such as accessory structures (sheds, fences, retaining walls) that pose a health and safety risk for other residents. The current Ordinance has no process for it; the revised Ordinance proposes a 45 day period from the date of the 1st notice for the owner to correct a problem, or contact the Town to propose a plan on how to correct the problem.

Section 7.A.10 sets up a compliance

regime for vacant properties with a clean lot violation. Currently, property owners are given 10 days from date of the 1st notice to correct a violation and, if not corrected, given another 5 days from 2nd notice before the Town abates the violation, and charges the owner for the cost of the abatement. The Council has indicated that it wants to shorten the compliance periods for vacant properties.

Mayor Calvo said the Council still needs to decide what violation falls into which compliance schedule, as well as review the time frames for notices and fines within each compliance schedule. The enforcement/ compliance schedules should be in presented in table format rather than as a list.

The Council briefly reviewed *Section 4 - Definitions* to ensure that it does not contain any standards.

Commercial Clean Lot Ordinance amendments: Discussion of this Ordinance was postponed.

North County animal shelter study: Mayor Calvo explained that, after some delay, he received a draft framework (scope of services) for the North County animal shelter. It lays out some of the challenges and options for setting up the shelter, including: 1) whether it would be a full service shelter or a satellite adoption center; 2) what the facility and staffing requirements for the different options would be; 3) what the policy of operations should be ("no kill" vs. County animal control code); and 4) how it would be governed and funded. Based on the draft framework, he feels comfortable committing the \$10,000 the Town has set aside for it in the FY 2015 budget.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy said she also favors moving forward and asked whether the University of Maryland's School of Veterinary Medicine has been contacted. Students might complete part of their training at such a facility. Mayor Calvo said that College Park has contacted the University. CM Dennison moved, and MPT Kulpa-Eddy seconded committing \$10,000 to the study. The motion passed 4 to 0.

2. Public Works

Three day trash collection: TA Cowles explained that Public Works Director Lockley provided a plan to implement 3-day trash collection. The first step is to move the bulk trash collection from Thursday and Friday to Monday and Tuesday starting January 5, 2015. The transition to 3-day collection (Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday, with Thursday

collection covering the entire Town) will occur after the purchase of a 27 cubic foot refuse truck in July 2015.

In discussion, it was noted that the bulk trash collection change will be announced in the Bulletin through February. But beginning on March 2, putting bulk trash out to the curb on Thursday and Friday will become a code violation. Similarly, the consolidation of the 2nd trash pickup on Thursdays will be announced prior to its implementation on July 1, when it becomes a code violation to put out trash on a Friday.

TA Cowles further noted that a English/Spanish flier on new recycling rules has been designed and is in the hands of the Spanish translator. Upon receipt, it will be mailed out to the residents.

3. Administration

Monthly department reports: The Council reviewed the monthly reports for each department and gave additional feedback on how they can be improved. The following observations were made. The Code Department monthly report appears to be the most useful in terms of format and performance measures shown. However, labels for the various graphs could be clearer. Bullet points on accomplishments and upcoming objectives should be incorporated into the reports of other departments.

The Administration Department report adopted the Code Department's format but should rethink the benchmarks against which performance is measured. Revenue numbers for fines and for taxes are too generic to reveal meaningful information. In general, revenue is too irregular to be captured as a percentage of the total budget on monthly basis. Expenditures are better suited for monthly tracking and should continue to be part of the report. The graph on the use of vacation and sick leave should be kept, but would probably make more sense in a quarterly report. A thermometer might be a good way to indicate the amount of money expended or received as a percentage of the total budgeted.

The Police Department report is a bit too crowded. The monthly snapshot is not needed as this is already covered in Chief Antolik's weekly report. The fines & forfeitures lack a year-to-date statistic. The report should move more toward the format of Code Department's report.

The Public Works Department report is the least helpful as it lacks any benchmarks to indicate whether receipts and expenditures are on track. Important performance indicators could include

tipping fees, vehicle repair expenditures, recycling receipts and recycling cans delivered, as well as enforcement of trash violations.

Lofgren historic property grant: Mayor Calvo explained that Darald Lofgren has applied for a historic property grant for his home at 8506 58th Avenue and requested a letter of support from the Town. The Council generally grants such requests when it receives them. CM Dennison moved to send a letter of support. MPT Kulpa-Eddy seconded. The motion passed 4 to 0.

Nothing was discussed under **4. Code Compliance** and **5. Parks & Recreation**.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:04 p.m.

Kerstin Harper, Town Clerk



November Activities

Clean Lot Violations	
High Grass/ Vegetation	1
Tree Parts/ Yard Waste	1
Refuse Collection/ Litter	12
Vehicles	5
Miscellaneous	1
Total Clean Lot Violations	20
Warnings	6
Abatements	2
Permits	
Building	5
Dumpster/ PODs	2
Violations	4
Rentals	
New Rentals	2
Lost Rentals	0
Total Rentals	200
Inspections	18
Re-inspections	14
Fines	8
Vacant Homes	
New Vacant Homes	1
Lost Vacant Homes	4
Total Vacant Properties	47

BULLETIN ADVERTISING RATES		
TERM	RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT
EIGHTH (1/8) PAGE		
1 Month	\$30.00	\$36.00
6 Months	\$162.00	\$192.00
12 Months	\$230.00	\$336.00
QUARTER (1/4) PAGE		
1 Month	\$50.00	\$72.00
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		
1 Month	\$200.00	\$288.00
6 Months	\$1,080.00	\$1,536.00
12 Months	\$1,536.00	\$2,688.00



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Code News

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Dog Waste Stations

Dog owners, please take note of the dog waste stations that can be found in key locations around Town:

- ◆ BHES school at tennis courts
- ◆ 60th Avenue footpath
- ◆ Ruatan Street at Berwyn Road
- ◆ Lake Artemesia parking lot

Dog waste in the public right of way, on private property and public parks is a nuisance and a health hazard for pedestrians and homeowners alike. It is also a violation of Town Ordinance No. 101, Section 7 and can be fined.



Berwyn Heights Elementary School PTA

January 2015

Come visit our wonderful school!

OPEN HOUSE

Kindergarten - 6th Grade

Friday, Jan. 9th 10:00 - 11:30am



Take a tour, meet the principal and kindergarten team, learn more about the K program, Chinese language program, the active PTA and much more!

A Holiday Treat for Teachers!

Thank you to all the parents who donated delicious home made goods for our Happy Holidays Teacher Breakfast in December! The teachers and staff really enjoyed all the wonderful homemade food. We also had a raffle and gave away some nice mugs and coffee, donated by Starbucks at College Park Marketplace and lotion donated by parent Therese Forbes of Honey Glow Natural Products.

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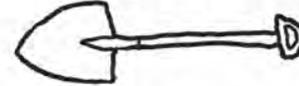


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In the Garden



The vegetable garden is still producing greens for the BHES students and staff. The 5th graders harvested the broccoli and cauliflower in November and received a yummy treat of hummus to go along with their harvest. There have been sightings of staff enjoying the greens for salad throughout the fall also!

Membership Corner



Didn't join the PTA yet? It's never too late! Please join the PTA to support your child, their school and all the wonderful "extras" your PTA is able to provide. Membership is currently \$12.00 per person or \$20.00 for a family. Please give cash or check and contact information to your child's teacher and you'll receive a membership card.

Important Dates



- Jan. 5 - Back to school
- Jan. 6 - PTA Meeting, 6:45pm, library.
- Jan. 9 - School open house for prospective new families
- Jan. 13 - Special parents meeting on recess, 6:30pm, Library
- Jan. 19 - No school (MLK Day)
- Jan. 26 - No school (teacher planning)



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WHEN IT SNOWS...

What You Can Do to Help

When snow is predicted, please park in your driveway. This is especially important in courts and dead end streets because the Town's Public Works snow crew may not be able to plow there.

Please do not shovel or pile snow into the street. When temperatures fall below freezing, snow piles freeze and are much harder to remove by the snow crews. The piles can also damage snow plow equipment and injure streets.

The practice of piling snow in the street creates a damming effect causing melted snow to be redirected into the middle of the street where it can create dangerous road hazards to drivers and pedestrians. Snow piles in the streets are also a hazard to children because they are drawn to play in them.

Please do your part to keep your sidewalk clear of snow and ice so our children can walk to/from school safely. Help do your part to keep Berwyn Heights a year-round walkable community by removing and keeping snow and ice clear from all sidewalks, paths, and/or drives on all areas abutting your property within 24 hours after a snowfall. If you are able to, do a good deed and help a neighbor in need to shovel his or her sidewalk as well.

Please show forbearance if your already cleared driveway is filled in again. The snow crews have to plow the same streets multiple times if snow continues to fall.





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Berwyn Heights GreenBee



The **GreenBee** is your monthly guide to tips and resources from the Green Team! If you'd like to share your ideas, please email us at bgreen.berwynheights@gmail.com, or contact Therese Forbes, outreach coordinator, at 301-982-7115. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, January 13 at 7:00 pm. at the Town Center.

Happy New Year! Come Participate in the Green Team's Free Health Promotion Events!

For many people, one of their New Year's resolutions is to be healthier—to eat better and exercise more. To help support these types of goals, the Green Team is partnering with the University of Maryland on its Lose It to Win It campaign. The campaign's mission is to promote a healthy, active lifestyle among the residents of Prince George's County and encourages residents to lose four pounds apiece, with a goal of a million pounds lost collectively! Even if you're not looking to lose weight, the campaign encourages participants to pledge to an active, healthy lifestyle.

As part of this initiative, the Green Team will be sponsoring a variety of health and wellness activities throughout the year. Come join us at the following two kick off events—**both events are free, so we hope you'll join us**

Community Nutrition Workshop: Saturday, January 17, 2-4 p.m.



Interested in eating healthier and being more informed about how to choose healthy foods at the grocery store? Participate in this engaging & educational community nutrition workshop! The event is free, and will be held at the Town Center on Saturday, January 17 from 2-4 p.m. Call [\(443\) 447-0313](tel:4434470313) or [\(240\) 455-2160](tel:2404552160) to reserve your seat!

You'll learn how to:

- Better understand nutrition labels, including sugar & salt content per serving and more
- Decode "mystery" ingredients in foods
- Learn about serving sizes and healthy portions
- Make healthy lifestyle changes through choosing healthier foods

The workshop is being led by ECO City Farms, which is a non-profit, educational urban farming organization that serves Prince George's County and DC residents. ECO promotes sustainable agricultural practices, healthy eating and active living. ECO teaches about nutrition and cooking to increase the desire for good food and an understanding of its health benefits.

Yoga for Rookies/Beginners: Saturday, January 31, 3-4 p.m.



Come join us at the Town Center for this free & fun yoga class on Saturday, January 31 from 3-4 p.m.! This yoga rookie/beginning class is perfect for everyone of all ages, abilities and experience levels and will be taught by Berwyn Heights resident and yoga instructor, Sharon McCrahey. No registration required—just show up!

The class will be divided into three 20 minute sessions; one for kids (3:00-3:20), one for adults (3:20-3:40), and one for seniors (3:40 to 4:00). Detailed instruction, demonstration, and hands-on assistance will guide you through the beginner postures (asanas) with attention to proper alignment; breathing techniques; de-stress techniques, concentration, and meditation; and using yoga for wellness and fitness.

Please note that Sharon also regularly teaches a yoga class at the Town Center on Tuesdays from 6:30 p.m.-7:45 p.m. for all levels! If you have any questions, email us at bgreen.berwynheights@gmail.com.



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Happy New Year...Welcome 2015! Can you believe how fast time flies? If you have thought of a move, make this the year to do it. Sellers are seeing the return of a great market!

Winter projects-big bang for little bucks:

- Paint dated bath tiles with a high adhesion primer/ follow with special ceramic epoxy.
- Stain or paint dated kitchen cabinets, apply and go with the grain. Add new hardware for an updated look under \$200.
- De-clutter tip: One in / One out...For anything new you buy, something old must go. Ex- new towels may only enter if the older set gets recycled for car or dog washing, new magazine- old ones to share at Dr's ofc, nail salon.

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LISTED/SOLD this month by Sharon:

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

January 2	Mary Ann Eley
January 10	Ken Antolik
January 19	Anne Hixon
January 28	Barbara Cas
January 30	Victor Gasch

BELETED BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

December 4	David McCaffrey
December 5	Joan Ahrens
December 8	Katherine Hanlon
December 16	Kathleen Angell
December 26	Allen Sinclair



JANUARY ACTIVITIES

January 1	CENTER CLOSED	
January 6	Bingo	12:30 P.M.
January 7	Wii Bowling	10:30 A.M.
January 8	Pool Night	7:00 P.M.
January 10	Potluck & Movie	5:00 P.M.
January 13	Meeting	11:00 A.M.
	Bingo	1:00 P.M.
January 14	Wii Bowling	10:30 A.M.
January 15	Pool Night	7:00 P.M.
January 20	Bingo	12:30 P.M.
January 21	Wii Bowling	10:30 A.M.
January 22	Pool Night	7:00 P.M.
January 27	Meeting & Potluck	11:00 A.M.
	Bingo	1:00 P.M.
January 28	Wii Bowling	10:30 A.M.
January 29	Pool Night	7:00 P.M.

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Berwyn Heights Boys and Girls Club

JANUARY 2015

ART WAY ALLIANCE!

- We hope you enjoyed your Christmas Holiday and we wish you a wonderful New Year! The Berwyn Heights Boys & Girls Club's board members are working overtime to ensure your child has a positive environment to not only learn the fundamentals of sports but to also have access to other activities at the most resonable price.
- This class is such a success with the children who are attending and we will surely look into another session after this one. Stay tuned for more information on how to get involved!!!

Volunteer Opportunities

- Please consider sharing your talents with the BHBGC. We need volunteers to help chair the following committees: Fundraising, Membership, Communication/Planning, and Media/Websites. We would love to have you on board with us to help our community. We welcome your thoughts, ideas, and concerns!

BHBGC STARS!

- we are sure you have a star at home or in your family! Please don't be shy and send us their accomplishments and a photo so we can highlight the positive achievements of children in our community!!! We will feature them right here in the Bugle and you can copy share with your family and friends!
- Our featured STARS this week started with Coach Jeff's amazing soccer team three years ago and have moved on to the Greenbelt Select Pioneer team!!!! They were UNDEFEATED this season!!!! Congratulations to Yohance Bishop, Denali Morgan, and Edwin Sorto!!!



Front Row, left to right: Coach Fabrice Mukoko, Edwin Sorto, Brandon Kruah, Liam McConlogue, Ezekial Ayiola, Grant Commodore, Joshua Bertiz.
 Middle Row: Yohance Bishop, Giris Robinson, Kevin Rodriguez, Jared Hamlin, Keven Celis, Team Manager Neil McFarb, Assistant Coach Anthony Ayiola,
 Back Row: Carlos Barahona, John Bertiz, Nicholas Edmund, Denali Morgan, Mu'min Odeh, Jorge Rodriguez.

Circle of Stars



Behind Every Great Kid is a Great Adult setting a Great Example



Recreation Council

News & Events

Upcoming Events

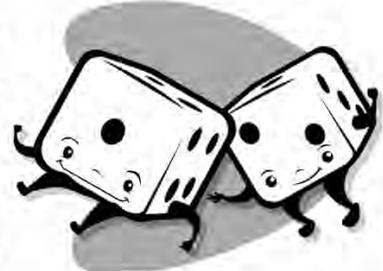


COMMUNITY POTLUCK DINNER FEBRUARY 21, 2015 AT 5PM

Bring a dish and your friends and family along for some fine dining...except cheaper and prepared by your neighbors. Many folks from town groups will be in attendance so you can meet them and learn more about each group while you enjoy some home cooked meals. As a part of the Lose It to Win It Initiative, please prepare a **healthy** meal to keep that New Year's resolution going strong. Please aim to feed approximately four people with your meal.

Game Night March 21, 2015 (exact date & time TBD)

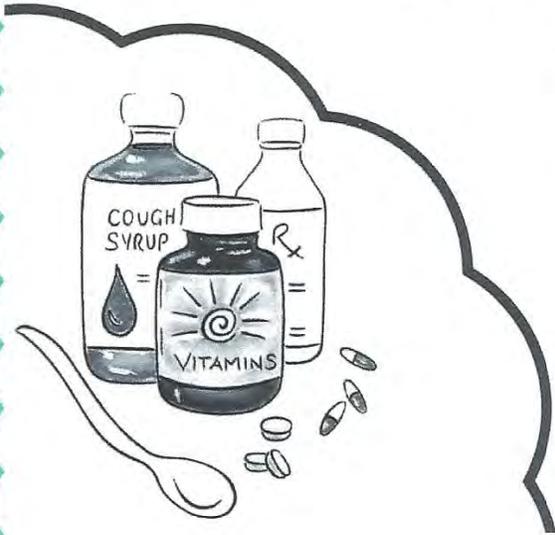
Dealing with a little cabin fever lately? We have just the cure! Be a participant in our second annual game night! Bring your favorite game and a friend, or play one of ours and meet new friends! There'll be something for everyone, with kid and adult-friendly games and activities! Also refreshments will be served! If you'd like to be a part, but playing games isn't your thing, come volunteer to help our night be a success!



The Berwyn Heights Recreation Council is seeking new members. Come see what we are all about☺

Next meeting will be held January 22, 2015 at 7 PM at the Town Center. For more information on any of our events please contact: Trinity Tomsic (301)-474-6350, trinity.tomsic@gmail.com, Jaime Sampson, sampson.jaime@gmail.com, Tim Tormoen, totormoen@yahoo.com, or Theresa Beck, beck_theresa@yahoo.com

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TOT'S CLASSES START

JANUARY 3, 2015

Soccer 10:30 am

#1588731

Basketball 11:30 am

#1588721

Flag Football 12:30 am

#1588725

T-Ball 1:30 pm

Tots Sports Classes

Bring your young ones to Berwyn Heights Community Center to learn basic skills like sportsmanship, team building, and camaraderie, as well as the elementary skills of soccer, basketball, flag football and t-ball. These skills include game rules, kicking, passing, dribbling and batting.

The classes will be held in the multi-purpose room of the Berwyn Heights Elementary School, however, registration is at the Community Center. Please call 301-345-2808 for information.

Class	Barcode	Time	Ages	Prices	Start	Weeks
Aerobics - Adult	1588720	Mon, Wed 6-7p Sat 9:00-10:15a	13+	\$68 (\$82)	1/5/2015	8
Basketball: Pre-School	1588721	Sat 11:30a - 12:15p	3 to 5	\$50 (\$60)	1/3/2015	8
Bio-Fitness	1588725	Tue, Thu 5:30 - 6:30p	16+	\$65 (\$78)	1/6/2015	8
Flag Football: Pre-School	1588725	Sat 12:30 - 1:15p	3 to 5	\$50 (\$60)	1/3/2015	8
Soccer: Pre-School	1588731	Sat 10:30 - 11:15a	3 to 5	\$50 (\$60)	1/3/2015	8
Spanish - Beginning	1588733	Sat 1:00-2:00p	13+	\$45 (\$54)	1/3/2015	8
Spanish - Intermediate	1588734	Sat 2:00-3:00p	13+	\$45 (\$54)	1/3/2015	8
T-Ball: Pre-School	1588735	Sat 1:30 - 2:15	13+	\$50 (\$60)	1/3/2015	8
Yoga:Adults, Beginning	1580738	Tue 6:00-7:00p	15+	\$72 (\$87)	1/6/2015	8
Yoga:Adults, Intermediate	1588776	Tue 7:00-8:00p	15+	\$72 (\$87)	1/6/2015	8
Zumba: Dance, Adults	1588778	Tue 7:00-8:00p Sat 10:30-11:30p	16+	\$60 (\$72)	1/6/2015	8
Zumba: Toning	1588779	Thu 8:00-9:00p	16+	\$30 (\$36)	1/8/2015	8

**WINTER
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BERWYN HEIGHTS POLICE BEAT



“Police Beat” includes crimes and accidents that occurred during the month of November 2014. It is not a complete listing of every crime and/or accident that occurred in the

Town. Incidents are listed from beginning of the month to the end of the month starting with the first report taken during the period within a specified category.

11/01/2014 at 8:15 pm, Cpl. Roberson responded to the T-Mobile for a report of theft. Employee of the store stated that two black males and a female stole three Apple phones from the store.

11/03/2014 at 9:15 am, Pfc. Ignowski responded to the 5700 block of Berwyn Road for a report of theft. Victim, a 36 Y/O, W/M alleges that someone removed \$100.00 from his wallet while he was asleep.

11/04/2014 at 8:00 am, Det. Unger responded to the 5700 block of Nevada Street for a report of theft from a 2002 Honda. Unknown person broke the rear window and removed a laptop computer.

11/05/2014 at 8:45 am, Det. Unger responded to the 8900 block of 57th. Avenue for a report of vandalism. Reporting person, 24 Y/O, B/F alleges that someone slashed two of her tires on her 2000 Toyota car.

11/06/2014 at 7:50 am, Det. Unger responded to the 8500 block of 60th. Place for a report of theft from a 2008 Honda SUV. Victim, a 59 Y/O, O/F alleges that someone entered her vehicle and removed money and her cosmetics.

11/11/2014 at 9:00 am, Pfc. Ignowski responded to the 8600 block of Cunningham Drive for a report of theft from a 2013 Cadillac. Four wheels and tires were taken from the vehicle which was parked in the driveway. Two white

males were seen on CCTV at approximate 4:10 am committing the crime.

11/11/2014 at 2:23 pm, Pfc. Ignowski responded to the 5700 block of Nevada Street for a report of theft of an Oriental rug. Victim, a 52 Y/O, W/F contracted an Ecofriendly Rug Cleaner Services to clean her Oriental rug. A representative from the business visited her home and removed the rug for cleaning and after a week refuses to cooperate with the victim, to include shouting profanity at the victim. Pfc. Ignowski investigated the case and on 11/12/2014 at 2:40 pm, the cleaning services returned the rug in its original condition (uncleaned).

11/12/2014 at 7:45 am, Pfc. Ignowski impounded a 2010 Scion from the location of the 8900 block of 62nd. Avenue. The driver was driving the vehicle with suspended license.

11/15/14 at 6:25 pm, Cpl. Roberson responded to the 5900 block of Berwyn Road for a report of a burglary. Complainant stated that his tools and a portable generator have been removed from his detached garage by an unknown person.

11/18/14 at 2:20 am, Sgt. Moroney responded to the 5900 block of Berwyn Road for a report of an unknown person standing in the back porch of the house. The suspect was wearing a black hoodie and fled scene prior to the arrival officers.

11/19/14 at 10:50 am, Pfc. Ignowski responded to the 8700 block of 58th. Avenue for a report of a burglary. Complainant stated that an unknown person stole two laptops from the house during the night.

11/19/14 at 12:45 pm, Pfc. Ignowski responded to the 7-11 located on Greenbelt Road for a report of theft. A black male suspect used a counterfeit \$100.00 bill to purchase condoms.

11/19/14 at 1:45 pm, Pfc. Ignowski responded to the 7-11 located on Greenbelt Road for a theft complaint. An unknown person stole a money pack card that was loaded with \$500.00 by the cashier.

11/21/2014 at 2:26 pm, Pfc. Ignowski responded to the 8900 block of 56th. Avenue for trespassers located in the area of a vacant house. Four Latino juvenile males were located near the woodshed. They were identified and sent on way.

After Business Hours:

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The Berwyn Heights Historical Committee

Join the BHHC in celebrating the **100th Anniversary** of the **Berwyn Heights Association**.

PRESIDENTS' DAY WEEKEND

WINE & CHEESE RECEPTION

**Sunday
February 15**

2:00 p.m. at Town Hall

HISTORICAL PRESENTATIONS
MUSIC & REFRESHMENTS!

Don't miss this unique opportunity to learn more about the beginnings of our Town government.

On display, the lost and then found minutes-book of the Berwyn Heights Association, the precursor of the first Board of Commissioners elected under the Town's 1924 Charter. This citizen association was formed on January 28, 1915 "primarily for the betterment of walks and streets of Berwyn Heights, and incidentally the general improvement of the conditions in which the local community were interested." It was led by Fred H. Benson, a Washington lawyer who worked for the U.S. Treasury Department. He moved his family to Berwyn Heights around 1912 and lived in a house at the corner of 58th Avenue and Goucher Drive (at the time known as Huntley and Joyner Avenues). Former resident, James Benson, a great grandson of Fred and Maude Benson, plans to be in attendance to share his memories of Berwyn Heights.



TELEGRAPH TALK

Tues. February 24—7:30 pm

Bob Day of the Washington D.C. Cornell Club will be giving a presentation of his research on the first telegraph line that was constructed along the B&O Railroad tracks in 1843-44. The BHHC hosted the Cornell Club alumni last September when they were touring the nearby sites where Ezra Cornell lived and worked—after being hired by Samuel Morse to build the first telegraph line between D.C and Baltimore. Please feel free to join us for what promises to be an enlightening evening.

Happy New Year! The BHHC is thrilled to report that we have rescheduled the popular presentation "Slavery in Maryland" by guest speaker **Maya Davis** for **March 15**. We hope this second opportunity awards those who couldn't make our last wine & cheese event in November a chance to come. See the February *Bulletin* for more details. You can also get event updates on our blog.



We invite those who are interested in working on events and projects to our monthly meetings. **You don't have to be a historian or researcher to join us!**— just a Town resident who wants to have fun giving back to their community! The BHHC meets at the Town Office on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

OUR NEXT MEETING IS JANUARY 27

BHHC

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

ATHA (Anacostia Trails Heritage Area / Maryland Milestones): www.enecostiatrials.org





PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

2015 will see a number of changes in the Public Works Department's refuse collection program. A transition to 3 days/ week refuse collection will take place in multiple steps. Each step will be announced in the Bulletin and/or direct mailers to give residents advance notice:

- JAN 5 Move bulk refuse collection from THU and FRI to MON and TUE
- FEB 2 Place order for new 27 cubic yard refuse truck
- MAR 2 Citations issued for setting bulk refuse out on THU and FRI
- JUL 1 Take delivery of 27 cubic yard refuse truck, and start of 3 day trash collection

Come July 1, 2015, the weekly refuse collection schedule will be as follows:

Monday North Side	Tuesday South Side	Wednesday Entire Town	Thursday ▶ Entire Town	Friday
Household Trash	Household Trash	Recycling	Household Trash	
▶ Bulk Trash	▶ Bulk Trash			
Yard Waste	Yard Waste			

The Town's recycling program has also changed in response to stepped up quality control and inspection of recycled materials at the Prince George's Recycling Center. Your cooperation is needed to help the Town comply with the new rules adopted for acceptable materials.

- Please do NOT place your recyclables into PLASTIC BAGS. WM sets aside bagged recyclables because they cannot tell what is inside. The Town does not receive payment for these items.
- Please, keep your recyclables free of CONTAMINANTS that are a health hazard for workers or damage processing equipment. If these items are found, the Town will not receive payment.

Do Not Recycle	
FOOD Scraps and Residue	HAZARDOUS WASTE such as:
NEEDLES and Hospital Waste	● Ammunition
DIAPERS	● Batteries
ROPES, Chains, and Hoses	● Paint and Solvents
STYROFOAM	● Oil and Gasoline
PVC Pipes	● Pesticides
YARD Waste and Lumber	● Medicines
CONSTRUCTION Material	● Radioactive Materials
SCRAP METAL (oversized)	



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To get a closer look at the Prince George's Recycling Center in action watch the video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CXEhau0A2ks>

BULLETIN BOARD

House Cleaning: Berwyn Heights resident since 2000 - with 25 years professional house cleaning experience and takes pride in the work done looking for new clients. References in Town and out of town are available. Please give me a call and let me help tackle the house cleaning for you. Free estimates. Please call (301) 474-3024.

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

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.

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

Discounted tickets to Capitals' games: Great discounted seats for every CAPS and WIZARDS home game. Aisle seats in great sections for Caps and Wizards. No add-ons — Just great seats at discounted prices. Call Jody or Steve at 301-474-3613. Berwyn Heights residents for almost 50 years.

College dorm room items for sale: 3 like-new appliances. Black 4-cup Mr. Coffee Model DRX5 with brew and set delay; small Emerson 2009 Microwave oven Model MW7305B; small Sanyo 2009 refrigerator Model SR-A2480M [301-646-6938](tel:301-646-6938).

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

STRESSED!!! Are you a Senior, a relative or friend of a Senior? Are you, or they, worried about staying home long-term? If you'd like some direction or assistance, without alienating your loved one, I CAN HELP YOU. Sealani Weiner, Geriatric Care Manager. Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker in MD & DC, Certified Care Manager AND Berwyn Heights resident. 240-965-7274.

House Cleaning: Help with shopping, cooking, etc. 40-year resident of Berwyn Heights. Very reliable and reasonable rates. Please call DJ at 301-345-1746

Pet Services: Experienced dog walker and pet sitter available. Will happily help you with your pets. Call Katelyn, 301-233-2588.

Lawn mowing and trimming, yard raking and cleanup, basement cleanout, painting, plumbing, general handyman. Reasonable rates and flexible schedule. Call Phil at 202-718-8530. Berwyn Heights references available.

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.

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

Childcare: Miss Debbie, the Mary Poppins childcare provider of 29 years in B.H. is ISO another family. Will play, read, color, do puzzles but no heavy housework as your child is more important. Will also watch children on weekends and evenings. Call (301)345-7622.

Berwyn Heights Cleaning: Cleaning your home like my own. Residential & commercial. References available in Berwyn Heights. Over 10 years professional experience. Providing my own materials and rational price. 240-645-5140 or angelalazo1@hotmail.com

4 Bedroom 2 Bath for rent. Contact Jim Faruki at 703-402-8080 or Jmfaruki@yahoo.com.

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.

**YOU CAN HELP STOP
CRIME IF,
WHEN YOU SEE
SOMETHING, YOU
SAY SOMETHING
TO THE LOCAL
POLICE
DEPARTMENT!**

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

Boys & Girls Club

President: Shinita Hemby 202-531-6066

Soccer Commissioner: Jason Papanikolas 240-338-5191

Baseball Commissioner: Ronnie Compton 301-345-2661

Tee Ball Commissioner: Jim Hudson 301-982-2052

Basketball Commissioner: Kristen Buker 240-965-7055

Cheerleading Commissioner: Kristen Buker 240-965-7055

Ball Hockey Commissioner: Kevin Conover 301-441-1569

Track Commissioner: Jeff Osmond 301-474-2737

Neighborhood Watch/Emergency Preparedness/CERT

Co-Chair Ron Shane 240-965-7022
Co-Chair Joan Hayden 301-474-5037

Historical Committee

Kerstin Harper 301-474-5000

Men's Basketball League

Jim McGinnis 301-345-1223

Playgroup

Jaime Sampson
sampson.jaime@gmail.com

Quilter's Club

Lois Williams 301-345-6214

Recreation Council

Trinity Tomsic 301-474-6350
Jaime Sampson
sampson.jaime@gmail.com

Seniors Club

Jean McConnell 301-345-6373

Green Team

Therese Forbes 301-982-7115

BH Elementary School PTA

Georgiana Stark
President@BHESPTA.org

Karate Club

Leon Swain 301-237-2829
Theresa Beck 301-728-2881
beck_theresa@yahoo.com

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 Jaime Sampson (Sampson.jaime@gmail.com) for more information and to be added to the group's listserv.



Free Karate Training!!!!

Train with Sensei Leon Swain, 5th degree black belt, five-time inductee into the World Professional Martial Arts Hall of Fame, and member of Shihan John Roseberry's Sho-Rei-Shobu-Kan Budo Organization. Open to all ages/all levels.

**Berwyn Heights Town Center-5700 Berwyn Rd-2nd Fl.
Year-Round: Mondays and Fridays 5-7 pm**

For more information, contact Theresa Beck at 301-237-2829 (beck_theresa@yahoo.com) or Sensei Leon Swain at 301-728-2881



Berwyn Heights Volunteer Fire Department & Rescue Squad, Co. 14



Berwyn Heights Volunteer Fire Department & Rescue Squad, Inc. • 8811 60th Avenue • Berwyn Heights, MD 20740
In Case of Emergency Call 911!

Recent Working Incidents:

Nov 16th- Truck 14 & Chief 14A operated at the 9500 block of 48th Ave in College Park for the house fire.

Nov 20th- Truck 14 & Chief 14 operated in the 8500 blk of Goodluck Rd for the basement fire in a house across from West Lanham Hills VFD.

Nov 22nd- Squad 14 & Chief 14A freed a worker's hand pinned from a trash compactor in the 9300 blk Cherryhill Rd in College Park.

Nov 28th- Squad 14 & Chief 14 responded to the IL I-495 @ Keniworth Ave for the overturned vehicle with the driver ejected and trapped under the car. The crew from Squad 14 quickly stabilized and lifted the vehicle up to remove the driver from underneath who was transported to an area trauma center.

Dec 2nd- Squad 14, Chief 14A & Chief 14B extricated a trapped driver from a crash at Cherryhill Rd/Calverton Blvd in Montgomery County.

Dec 5th- Squad 14 extricated a trapped driver from a crash IL I-495 at I-95.

Dec 7th- Truck 14, Chief 14 & Chief 14A responded to the 13100Blk of 11th St in Old Bowie for the House Fire with reports of people trapped inside. Maryland State Police Trooper 2 was called to fly the victim to a burn center for treatment. No working smoke detectors were found in the house.

Dec 9th- Squad 14's crew freed a driver pinned between a truck and guardrail at SB I-95 at the Park & Ride.

2015 Company Election Results:

On Tuesday December 2nd, members of the Berwyn Heights VFD held elections for both Emergency Operation and Administrative positions. In addition to the elections, it was voted that immediate past-secretary Cindy Friend would become the Department's Secretary Emeritus in recognition for her 25+ years of service to the Department.

Operational	Administrative
Fire Chief: Danny McCoy	President: James Hurley
Deputy Fire Chief: Chase Fabrizio	Vice President: Chris Wiprecht
Assistant Fire Chief: Jimmy Kiernan	Treasurer: Eric Norris
1 st Captain: James Hurley	Secretary: Kyle Snyder
2 nd Captain: Ryan Wagner	Board of Directors:
3 rd Captain: Ben Ross	John Hess Danny McCoy
4 th Captain: Micheal Stevenson	Pete Issacson Ryan Wagner
1 st Lieutenant: Scott Pierce	Art Gordon Richard Kitchen
2 nd Lieutenant: Brian Eldridge	

We are always looking for new volunteer members as Firefighters, EMS personnel and administrative members. Check out our webpage, give us a call, or stop by for a visit!

Safety Tips: Winter Fires

More fires occur during the winter months than at any other time. Fortunately, taking simple precautions can prevent most fires. Follow the safety tips below to help ensure your safety:

Portable Heaters

- Put at least three feet of empty space between the heater and everything else.
- Vacuum and clean the dust and lint from all heaters.
- If the cord gets hot, frayed or cracked, have the heater serviced.
- Never use extension cords with portable electric heaters.
- Turn off portable heaters when leaving or sleeping.

Candles

- Place candles in sturdy, fireproof candleholders where they cannot be knocked over.
- Make sure all candles are out before going to bed or leaving the house.
- Keep candles, matches, and lighters out of children's reach.

Generators

- Never use a portable generator inside a home, garage, shed or other partially enclosed space, even if doors and windows are open.
- Place portable generators outside only, far away from the home. Keep the generator away from openings to the home, including doors, windows, and vents.
- Read the label on the generator and the owner's manual, and follow the instructions.
- Install CO alarms with battery backup in the home outside each sleeping area.
- Get to fresh air immediately and call 911 if you start to feel sick, weak or dizzy. CO poisoning from exposure to generator exhaust can quickly lead to incapacitation and death.

New Berwyn Heights Ambulance 14 Update:

Berwyn Height's new Ambulance is a 2015 Ford F-450 4x4 MXP 170 unit being built by Demeres Ambulances of Canada with a price tag of just under \$200,000. Expected delivery date is early February 2015. This is a much needed addition to our EMS fleet and its purchase was made possible through donations to our annual fund drive. *Thank you!*



Station 14 Call Volume: Nov 2014	
Rescue Squads:	157
Ladder Truck:	64
Technical Rescue Support Unit:	3
Ambulance & Paramedic Ambulance:	154
Total Station Runs for Nov	378

It's January. Resolve... to get Involved!

The Neighborhood Watch/Emergency Preparedness Committee and Berwyn Heights CERT are looking for volunteers.



What does the Neighborhood Watch/Emergency Preparedness Committee do?

Neighborhood Watch focuses on observation and awareness to assist the Police Department in preventing crime in Berwyn Heights.

Emergency Preparedness focuses on increasing awareness and encouraging participation in disaster preparedness activities.

The NWEPC Committee's trailer is used to house emergency supplies and equipment for the Town. Curious about what's inside? Join us! You can commit as little or as much time as you want.

What is CERT? *Community Emergency Response Team* - a team of your neighbors trained to recognize, respond to, and recover from a major emergency or disaster situation.

Why join? Maintain a high level of home and community preparedness, be more informed about risks and vulnerabilities in the community, and commit to the safety and well-being of your neighbors.

Disasters can happen any time and emergency personnel may not be able to respond immediately, but there is something you can do- join the Berwyn Heights CERT. After joining, you will have opportunities to participate in disaster exercises, promote emergency preparedness at community events, and respond to disasters in coordination with emergency responders.



Our 2014 activities included: Wine Tasting Fundraiser at BH Town Center; Berwyn Heights Day trailer display; summer neighborhood walking and driving patrol; handing out clean-up kits in response to the Flash Flood; organized CPR class for Playgroup parents; National Night Out trailer display, food grilling, and wine raffle; College Park Neighborhood Day trailer display at Maryland State Police barracks; hosted Health Fair at BH Town Center; "Hello Huskies" night display at BHES; foot patrol at BHES on September 11; Greenbelt "Are You Ready" Event trailer display; CERT Con: attended workshops, exhibits, training sessions; Edmonston Day traffic control on parade route; Halloween walking and driving patrols... *events like these and more planned for 2015*

Questions? Contact Co-Chairs: Ron Shane 240-965-7022 or Joan Hayden 301-474-5037 or come to a meeting.

All are welcome!

Meetings: 1st Wednesday of the month, 7:30pm at the Town Office



Neighborhood Watch/Emergency Preparedness Committee



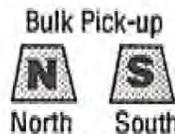


January 2015

Town of Berwyn Heights Monthly Calendar of Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Dec. 28	29 N	30 S	31 NEW YEAR'S EVE Town Offices Close at 1:00 P.M.	1 NEW YEAR'S DAY Town Offices Closed No Trash Removal	2 N	3
4	5 N	6 S	7 NW/EP Meeting 7:30 P.M. Town Office	8 N	9 S	10
11 Street Sweeping	12 Worksession 7:00 P.M. Town Office Televised on Ch 71, FiOS 12	13 Green Team Meeting 7:00 P.M. Town Office	14 Town Mtg. Town Office Televised on Ch 71, FiOS 12	15 N	16 S	17 Community Nutrition Workshop 2:00-4:00 Town Ctr.
18 Street Sweeping	19 M.L.KING DAY Town Offices Closed No Trash Removal	20 N	21 S	22 Rec. Council Meeting 7:00 P.M. Town Office	23 S	24 Electronics Recycling 9:00-12:00 Greenbelt DPW
25	26 Worksession 7:00 P.M. Town Office Televised on Ch 71, FiOS 12	27 BHHC Meeting 7:30 P.M. Town Office	28	29 N	30 S	31 Yoga for Rookies/ Beginners 3:00-4:00 Town Ctr.

PLEASE DO NOT PARK ON THE STREET, IF POSSIBLE, DURING THE WEEK THAT THE STREET SWEEPER IS IN TOWN.



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 Berwyn Heights, Maryland 20740-2799

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TOWN INFORMATION

Town of Berwyn Heights Phone Nos.

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@town.berwyn-heights.md.us	
Public Works Department	(301) 474-6897
Email: publicworks@town.berwyn-heights.md.us	
Fire Department	(301) 474-7866
Senior Center	(301) 474-0018
Community Center (Gym)	(301) 345-2808
Town Office	(301) 474-5000
Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	
Call-A-Bus Reservations	(301) 474-5000

Mayor and Council

Cheye Calvo	(301) 474-6350	ccalvo@town.berwyn-heights.md.us
Mayor — Public Safety and Health		
Jodie Kulpa-Eddy	(301) 345-1516	jkulpaeddy@town.berwyn-heights.md.us
Mayor Pro Tem — Administration		
Patti Dennison	(301) 404-2759	pdennison@town.berwyn-heights.md.us
Councilmember — Parks and Recreation, Education and Civic Affairs		
Christopher Rasmussen	(612) 432-0710	crasmussen@town.berwyn-heights.md.us
Councilmember — Code Compliance		
Anthony Schreiber	(301) 466-1807	aschreiber@town.berwyn-heights.md.us
Councilmember — Public Works		

Regular Trash Collection Schedule

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

Heavy Trash Day:

Weekly on Thursday for North of Pontiac
 Weekly on Friday for South of Pontiac

Recycling Schedule:

Wednesdays for the entire Town.

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@town.berwyn-heights.md.us
 Be assured that your communication will be answered promptly

Watch Council Meetings



**On Comcast channel 71
 FIOS channel 12**

Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays
 at 11:30 a.m.
 or call the Town Office

Town of Berwyn Heights Website: <http://www.berwyn-heights.com>
 Questions or advertising rates — call Administration Department at (301) 474-5000.
 Or email: jcowles@town.berwyn-heights.md.us
Submission deadline is the 15th of the month by 12:00 noon!
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