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## PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

**FY 2020 Town Budget Introduction**  
**April 10 | 7:00 pm | Council Chamber**

The Town Council will hold a public hearing with the introduction of the FY 2020 General Fund and Public Safety Taxing District budgets, inclusive the proposed real and personal property tax rates. Public comments are welcome. Please also see detailed FY 2020 budget information on pages 16-20

Contact Town Manager Broadbent with any questions at [mbroadbent@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:mbroadbent@berwynheightsmd.gov)

## RENTAL PROPERTY LEAD INSPECTIONS MANDATORY

The Town of Berwyn Heights requires that all residential rental properties built before 1978 obtain a **Lead Paint Risk Reduction Certificate** prior to applying for a rental license to comply with Maryland's Reduction of Lead Risk in Housing law. The purpose of Maryland's "Lead Law" is to reduce incidents of lead poisoning with an emphasis on prevention of childhood poisoning.

### Comply By:

- Registering with the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) & renewing annually;
- Distributing tenant educational materials;
- Meeting the standard by getting your units inspected using accredited contractors.

Please note State law requires the Town of Berwyn Heights to report property owners not in compliance with the Maryland Lead Law. For additional information about the Lead Poisoning Prevention Program visit:

<https://mde.state.md.us/programs/Land/LeadPoisoningPrevention/Pages/index.aspx>

## LEGISLATIVE CORNER

**Actions Taken at February 13, 2019  
Town Meeting**

- **ORD 125—Small Cell Facilities—Adoption**

This Ordinance establishes Town permit requirements for installing infrastructure for 5G wireless networks in the municipal right of way.

- **Resolution 06-2019—ORD 125 Fee & Fine Schedule**

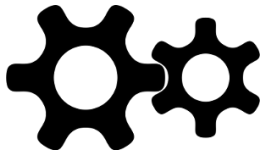
The Resolution establishes a permit application fee, an access fee and a fine for violations of the Ordinance within the guidelines set by the Federal Communications Commission.

### For Additional Information

Please contact Town Manager Broadbent at [mbroadbent@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:mbroadbent@berwynheightsmd.gov) or Town Clerk Kerstin Harper [kharp@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:kharp@berwynheightsmd.gov)

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# PUBLIC WORKS NEWS

Dear Residents,

We need your help with recycling. Please do not place plastic bags in your recycling containers. This includes plastic bags of all types: from grocery bags, to product wrap, to dry cleaning and newspaper bags. Plastic grocery bags can be recycled at local grocery stores and other participating retailers.

Prince George's County's Materials Recycling Facility, the place where Berwyn Heights trucks their recyclables, will reject loads with plastic bags because they cause their sorting machines to malfunction. We ask that you place only loose recyclables in your blue bins.

Effective Monday, April 15th, 2019, the Public Works Department will not pick up recyclables contained in plastic bags or bins that have plastic bags in the mix. If the violation continues, the Town may issue warnings and finally citations. For more information on acceptable items to recycle please go to [www.berwynheightsd.gov/Public Works](http://www.berwynheightsd.gov/Public Works)

Estimados residentes,

¡Necesitamos su ayuda para mantener nuestra ciudad limpia y verde! Al reciclar, no coloque bolsas de plástico en los recipientes designados. La planta de reciclaje de materiales del condado de Prince George no acepta bolsas de plástico porque causan fallas en la maquinaria. Le pedimos que solo coloque artículos reciclables sueltos en sus contenedores azules. A partir del lunes 15 de abril de 2019, el incumplimiento dará lugar a acciones progresivas que incluirán el rechazo de cargas, la emisión de advertencias y, finalmente, las citas. Aquellos que deseen reciclar sus bolsas de plástico pueden hacerlo en las tiendas de comestibles locales y en otras tiendas participantes. Para obtener más información sobre los elementos aceptables e inaceptables para reciclar, haga clic aquí.



## TAX DAY IS APRIL 15

Please mark **BERWYN HEIGHTS** as your municipality on your State income tax return. Berwyn Heights loses income tax revenues when residents specify the wrong municipality or none. To ensure your Town gets the revenue it is due, specify the Town of Berwyn Heights as your municipality.

## GOOD NEIGHBOR DAY

UMD IN SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

**Saturday, April 13, 2019 | 8:30 am—12:00 pm**  
**College Park Community Center**  
**5051 Pierce Ave.**

Help UMD Students spruce up  
Lake Artemesia and other local sites.

More Info and Signing up at:  
<https://oce.umd.edu/good-neighbor-day>



## DO YOU CARE ABOUT OUR SCHOOLS?



### The Education Advisory Committee Wants You!

The BHEAC is a Town Committee dedicated to supporting and strengthening the schools that serve the residents of Berwyn Heights by:

- Informing residents and the Town Council about educational issues and opportunities;
- Cultivating links with PGCPs administrators and the School Board;
- Liaising with neighboring cities' Education Advisory Committees; and
- Promoting community involvement in local schools.

### All Residents Are Welcome to Join

Please contact Amanda Dewey, Councilmember for Parks & Recreation, Education & Civic Affairs for more information, at 443-646-3529 or [adewey@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:adewey@berwynheightsmd.gov)

## **BERWYN HEIGHTS DAY VENDOR / INFORMATION BOOTH APPLICATION SATURDAY, MAY 4TH, 2019**

**Contact Person:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Business:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number and Cell Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Items for Sale/Distribution** (Please be specific as no more than 2 craft vendors selling similar items will be approved):

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**The Recreation Council must approve ALL items for distribution.** Please be descriptive of any food items you plan on selling. We are unable to approve any foods that would compete with our on-site food vendors.

**Please do not plan on selling or providing:**

- Ready to eat food/drinks (canned/jarred items, bread loaves, etc. are acceptable. Individual cupcakes, beverages, etc. are not.)
- Silly String
- Colored Hair Spray

All vendors will be located at Sports Park (corner of 57<sup>th</sup> Ave and Berwyn Road).

**SET-UP TIME: 10 am – 11 am.**

Please drop off items no later than 10:15 am to begin your set up.

**EVENT TIME: 11 am – 4 pm.**

**Check ONE:** \_\_\_\_\_ \$10 Residents/Non-Profits

\_\_\_\_\_ \$20 Non-Residents/For-Profits (\$15 if received by 4/1/2018)

Table/Chairs: Will you need a table \_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ NO Chairs? (Supply is limited to 1 or 2)

Canopies (\$15 per canopy): Will you need a canopy? \_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ NO (Supply is limited)

Mail or drop-off registration form at Town Center with cash/check (made out to Berwyn Heights Recreation Council) by **April 22, 2019**. (Mail to: Recreation Council, 5700 Berwyn Road, Berwyn Heights, MD 20740). For additional information, contact

Susan Jones at [violindreams@verizon.net](mailto:violindreams@verizon.net).

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:**

**SELECT ONE:** Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Check \_\_\_\_\_ (put check # in space)

**AMOUNT PAID** \_\_\_\_\_

# BH Rec. Council:

***Spring into  
the fun!***

**Fri. Apr. 5th, 7-9pm—Upstairs at the Town Center  
Berwyn Heights Team Trivia Night**

Co-Sponsored by the Berwyn Heights Historical  
Committee. Details on the BHHC Page.



**Sat. Apr. 20th, 12-2pm—BH Community Center  
Easter Egg Hunt & Roller Skating Party**

The Rec Council teams up with Park & Planning for this  
Easter Event with egg coloring, egg hunt, face painting,  
roller skating and a contest for best decorated  
Easter basket! (bring your own basket)

**Sat. May. 4th, ALL DAY—Sports Park / Town Center  
Berwyn Heights Day!!!**

Fun Run at 8:30am (Registration at 8am),  
Senior Bake Sale at 9am, Pancake Breakfast 9-  
11am, Parade at noon, Concert & Rides 1-4pm.  
Join us for a full day of food, music, and fun!



## **HELP MAKE THIS THE BEST PARADE EVER!!!**

Cash prizes for the best floats or decorated cars/ bikes.

*(Theme suggestions: Star Wars "May the 4th be with you",  
Arbor Day, or May Flowers)*

To enter your group's float in the Berwyn Heights Day parade,  
email Susan Jones at [violindreams@verizon.net](mailto:violindreams@verizon.net)

Next Recreation Council Meetings will be Tuesday, April 2nd and Tuesday,  
April 30th\* at 7:30 pm in the G. Love Room.

All are welcome!



# Berwyn Heights Elementary School PTA



## April PTA Meeting: STEM Night for Families

Tuesday, April 2, 6:45 pm, BHES Cafeteria

BHES teachers will run some hands-on learning stations for students and their families. Choose a fun project or experiment to learn more about science, technology, engineering, and math!

## Kindergarten Open House

Tuesday, April 23,  
9:30-10:15am



Will your child be ready for Kindergarten next year? Come tour the school, visit a classroom, and learn about Berwyn Heights Elementary! You can also register your child.

## Career Day

Friday, May 10

We're looking for people in the community to come share with the students about their jobs and careers. If you're interested, email [kristen.lewandowski@pgcps.org](mailto:kristen.lewandowski@pgcps.org) by April 12.

Facebook: Berwyn Heights ES PTA

Mailing list: [www.remind.com/classes/bhespta/](http://www.remind.com/classes/bhespta/)



## Upcoming Events

### April 2

PTA Meeting  
STEM Night for Families

### April 8

Kindergarten Registration opens

### April 15-22

No school for spring break

### April 23, Tuesday

Kindergarten Open House

### May 7

PTA Meeting

### May 6-10

Teacher Appreciation Week

### May 10, Friday

Career Day



## Worksession Minutes February 4, 2019

Present were Mayor Stephen Isler, Mayor Pro Tem (MPT) Jason Papanikolas, Councilmembers (CMs) Amanda Dewey, Ethan Sweep and appointed Councilmember Jeffrey Osmond. Also present were Town Manager (TM) Maria Broadbent, Detective Daniel Unger, Code Supervisor Freddie Glass, Clerk Kerstin Harper and citizens.

### 1. Announcements

Mayor Isler welcomed Jeffrey Osmond at the table, whom the Council has selected as the 5th Councilmember. He will be sworn in at the February 13 Town meeting. CM Dewey announced that she attended a meeting of the Prince George's County Elected Municipal Women, at which Town Attorney Ferguson discussed issues related to small cell networks coming to the County.

### 2. Budget Presentations

TM Broadbent explained she invited department directors to give a presentation on the proposed budget enhancements they are requesting for the next fiscal year as part of an introduction to the FY 2020 budget process. A comprehensive budget presentation will be given at a later date. Pertaining to the Code Department enhancements, she will propose to fund the most significant changes out of this year's budget.

#### **Police FY 2020 budget enhancements:**

Detective Unger presented the Public Health & Safety request. He said there are 8 proposed enhancements ranked by priority:

1. + \$11,350 for 3 promotions (2 Corporals, 1 Sergeant).
2. + \$88,250 for 2 new Dodge Durango police vehicles. These AWD, V8 SUVs are more spacious and help transport officers' equipment and get approximately 15 mpg. Two old police vehicles would be retired.
3. + \$61,600 for one additional police officer with police academy training. It would help prepare BHPD for the impending retirement of officers, help meet new state mandates for community policing, and enable BHPD to have two officers on duty 24/7. TM Broadbent can provide information on recommended police per capita ratios as a benchmark for the number of police officers a Town of Berwyn Heights' size may need. Appointed CM Osmond requested a vision/ mission statement explaining what BHPD wants to accomplish with a larger force.
4. + \$3,000 for gas & oil for the additional officer's vehicle, plus allowance for

price increases. The estimate is based on a presumed requirement of 8,040 gallons at \$3.00 per gallon.

5. + \$5,000 for overtime based on presumed hiring of an additional officer and presence at more community events.
6. + \$4,000 for shift differential based on presumed hiring of additional officer.
7. + \$1,236 for 2 handheld radar guns for speed monitoring. Currently, BHPD shares 1 radar gun among its 9 officers. CM Dewey noted that normally not more than 2 officers work at the same time.
8. + \$6,642 in capital outlay > \$500 for the purchase of 2 electronic speed monitoring signs to show motorists the speed they are traveling. One sign would be battery-powered and another solar-powered. The signs have between 11"-13" displays and can be strapped to poles. They likely would be set up along Edmonston Road, Berwyn Road and 58th Avenue.

Appointed CM Osmond said he would like to receive information about other traffic calming options. TM Broadbent said the speed monitoring signs are a recommendation of the Quality of Life Commission. CM Sweep suggested including a title page with summary information about each request, plus prior year comparisons.

**Code Compliance FY 2020 budget enhancements:** Code Supervisor Glass explained his department's request for budget enhancements ties into the reorganization of the Code Compliance Department. It is proposed to purchase one additional module of the Comcate code software package to manage business licensing and personal property tax collection. The added cost to the budget would be \$4,200, with a one-time implementation fee of \$1,971 and an annual license fee of \$2,229.

TM Broadbent said adding this module would streamline the process of business licensing and tax collection, which is currently carried out by 2 employees maintaining different Excel spreadsheets. With this data uploaded into the Comcate business module, one employee could perform these functions. The annual Comcate fee is based on the number of devices using it and includes data storage and staff training.

Further, an increase of \$2,200 in the Communications line item is requested to finance the purchase of new iPads so each Code employee can have their own. The new tablets cost \$1,150 and have longer battery life. They are used primarily

to enter data in the field. The price includes a Verizon bi-annual service fee of \$1,050. The Council raised the possibility of creating an asset inventory.

### 3. Discussion Items

#### **Code Department staffing changes:**

TM Broadbent explained, with recent attrition in the Code Department, she plans to combine two part-time positions into one full-time position. The new full-time employee would take on business licensing and tax collection, formerly housed in the Administration Department, using the Comcate software. The total cost of the changes in FY 2020 would be \$9,065.

It is proposed to finance the Comcate upgrade from the FY 2019 budget and to retain the Code Clerk for the remainder of FY 2019 as a contractor to help transition the Department back to using Comcate. The goal of these changes is to 1) improve coverage of the Code Compliance office; 2) create three inspector positions, who will share inspections of all rental properties and exterior lots; and 3) eliminate most rental inspections after dark.

#### **Quality of Life recommendation – commercial vehicles:**

TM Broadbent said the Quality of Life Commission's recommended that Ordinance 119 – Traffic & Parking be amended to include vehicles with ladder racks, modified bodies/ beds, side toolboxes and cargo vans in the definition of a commercial vehicle. Chief Antolik has reviewed the Ordinance and recommends leaving it as is because these types of vehicles are already covered by the current definition: "any vehicle designed, used or maintained to carry freight, property, merchandise, or passengers for a fee, in furtherance of a commercial enterprise." CM Sweep asked if vehicles displaying Lyft and Uber stickers are being cited for being parked in street overnight. TM Broadbent said the Ordinance would allow it but Chief Antolik believes it is not a good use of officers' time to ticket every such commercial vehicle parked in the street.

Quality of Life recommendation - 58th and 60th Avenue traffic survey: TM Broadbent said BHPD has conducted a traffic survey of the 8900 blocks of 58th and 60th Avenues. They have made recommendations to the Council on restricting parking to alleviate the traffic backups that occur on these streets during rush hour. They are requesting direction from the Council on how best to solicit feedback from residents, e.g. holding a public hearing, requesting written comments and/ or leaving notices at homes and vehicles.

The Council discussed the merits of the two recommendations: 1) to institute 'no parking' on the last half of the 8900 block before the intersection with Greenbelt Road during rush hours; or 2) to prohibit parking on one side of these blocks of street. Mayor Isler preferred recommendation 1 while MPT Papanikolas, CMs Dewey and Sweep preferred recommendation 2. It was agreed to ask residents for feedback on both recommendations at the next Town meeting and by email.

**Spay/ neuter grant:** Mayor Isler said application for a spay/ neuter grant from the Maryland Agriculture Department was discussed at the last Four Cities meeting. The Four Cities had received spay/ neuter grants in previous years, but the sterilization of feral cats was not covered by these grants until now. Greenbelt offered to take a lead on the grant application and to include feral cats. Berwyn Heights would be a participant.

CM Dewey asked if there are plans to have a staff member take animal training since the Town does not have an animal control officer. TM Broadbent said that Officer Rufino has been designated as the liaison for the grant and will receive some animal training.

**ULI TAP recommendations:** CM Sweep said he and CM Dewey attended a January 23 worksession in Greenbelt at which the Urban Land Institute Technical Assistance Panel (ULI TAP) presented its recommendations for the improvement of the Greenbelt Road Corridor. The recommendations were developed from site visits and discussions with stakeholders from Berwyn Heights, College Park and Greenbelt in June 2018 and form the basis for re-envisioning Greenbelt Road and the adjacent commercial corridor.

CM Sweep said he participated in a tour of the shopping centers Kentlands and Pike & Rose in Montgomery County, which could serve as models for redeveloping Beltway Plaza. He learned from another tour participant that Greenbelt's City Council is tonight discussing staff recommendations for the Beltway Plaza conceptual site plan that has been submitted to the Prince George's County Planning Board for review. He suggested Berwyn Heights look over Greenbelt's recommendations to identify those it wants to support. TM Broadbent offered to review the document with Councilmembers at their convenience.

CM Dewey said she would like Quantum Corporation, which manages Beltway Plaza, to keep coming to Berwyn Heights to give progress reports to the Council. TM Broadbent suggested to meet with a plan reviewer from Prince George's County to discuss Berwyn Heights preferences for

the development. The Council agreed it is important to remain involved on all fronts as this project moves forward.

**Small cell facilities:** TM Broadbent said the impending deployment of a 5G wireless network in Prince George's County was discussed at the MML fall conference, and the creation of a regulatory framework is an MML legislative priority. To create the 5G network, communications companies are in the process of installing small cell facilities in County and municipal rights-of-ways. Municipalities are adopting legislation to create a permitting process and adopt standards for the installation, but a recent FCC ruling has limited what regulations municipalities may impose.

TM Broadbent said she is working with the Town attorney on drafting an ordinance that is compliant with the FCC ruling and the Council can adopt at the February Town meeting. Once the ordinance is in place, she plans to hire a third-party engineer to review any plans for the installation of small cell facilities applicants may submit. The reviewer would be paid with fees levied on the applicants.

CM Dewey said she received an in-depth briefing on small cell issues at a recent meeting of the Prince George's Elected Municipal Women. There are a number of concerns about the technology, one being that the transmitters must be between 50-450 feet apart to be able to 'see' each other. Therefore, anything obstructing the sight lines, such as trees, may have to be removed. Health and privacy issues are also of concern. However, in an unusual ruling, the FCC has essentially preempted local governments from denying permits to the companies making application to install the networks. Cities will be limited to setting some aesthetic standards and prescribing where the facilities can be installed.

**Smart cities initiative MOU:** Clerk Harper said the University of Maryland and surrounding communities have formed a partnership to research, develop and deploy smart technology and data analytics to help solve the problems facing cities. Since April 2018, the partners have met periodically to identify projects and funding sources to advance the initiative. To formalize the partnership a memorandum of understanding (MOU) has been drafted that will be submitted to all participants for adoption in the coming months. The MOU is provided in the background documentation.

In discussion, it was noted that Seat Pleasant recently demonstrated smart technology applications, primarily focused on law enforcement, it has implemented

with the assistance of IBM. The question was raised how Berwyn Heights would benefit from smart technologies. Clerk Harper said the background documents include leaflets with examples of smart technology applications. She will also send information about upcoming meetings in the event Councilmembers would like to attend.

#### 4. Minutes

On a motion by CM Dewey, seconded by CM Sweep, the January 7 worksession minutes were approved 4 to 0. On motion by CM Sweep, seconded by MPT Papanikolas, the January 14 worksession minutes were tabled to the next worksession.

#### 5. Department Reports

Mayor Isler said with the selection of Jeffrey Osmond as the 5th Councilmember, departmental assignments will change after he is sworn in. CM Osmond will head the Code Department, MPT Papanikolas will move to Administration, CM Dewey to Parks & Recreation and Mayor Isler to Public Safety. CM Sweep will remain with Public Works. Mayor Isler also said that the Administration Department is busy preparing the FY 2020 budget, that he will meet with County Councilmember Glaros, and that he is ready to receive items for the mid-monthly e-newsletter.

CM Dewey requested information about the funds that were approved for each Town organization in the FY 2019 budget, which would help the organizations draft next year's budget requests for presentation at the March 23 budget worksession. As the next Parks & Recreation Department head, she plans to quickly complete a Town organizations policy begun by the previous Council and work on re-establishing a functioning Education Advisory Committee. The Town is applying to host a Chesapeake Conservation Corps member, who would work on storm water management projects and other environmental activities.

CM Sweep reported that representatives of the State Highway Administration (SHA) gave a presentation on the planned widening of I-495 and I-270 at the last Four Cities meeting, which was met with a lot of skepticism. He would like to be informed about any upcoming workshops SHA will hold on the subject so that Councilmembers and residents can continue to give input.

CM Osmond said he is meeting with TM Broadbent to get up to speed with the Code Department and is looking forward to helping govern the Town.

#### 6. Town Council Schedule



The Council reviewed the calendar. The date of the Green Team meeting was moved to Tuesday, February 12. The 2nd worksession was confirmed for Tuesday, February 19. CM Osmond asked whether the calendar could be made accessible online to all Councilmembers, so each can add or correct information. Councilmember absences might be usefully marked on it.

## 7. Citizens Discussion

Phil Ventura, 57th Avenue, commented on refuse collection during snow days, last Friday's snow clearing operations, and the traditional twice-weekly refuse collections. He also presented photos of damage to the recently repaved 60th Avenue cul-de-sac due to what he believes to be problematic paving around a new storm water inlet.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:16 p.m.

## Town Meeting Minutes February 13, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Stephen Isler, Mayor Pro Tem (MPT) Jason Papanikolas, Councilmembers (CMs) Amanda Dewey, Ethan Sweep and Jeffrey Osmond. Also Present were Town Manager (TM) Maria Broadbent, Treasurer Michelle Rodriguez, Clerk Kerstin Harper, Chief Kenneth Antolik, Police Intern Rosa Hernandez, Public Works Director Kenneth Hall, Code Officer Hollyce Goodwin and citizens.

### 1. Approval of Agenda

TM Broadbent requested amending the agenda to add Resolution 5-2019 adopting a fee & fine schedule for Ordinance 118 – Roads & Public Rights of Way. CM Sweep moved and CM Dewey seconded to approve the agenda as amended. The motion passed 4 to 0.

### 2. Swearing-in of CM Jeffrey Osmond

Mayor Isler swore in Jeffrey Jay Osmond as the 5th Councilmember.

### 3. Approval of Minutes

On a motion by MPT Papanikolas, seconded by CM Sweep, the minutes of the January 9 Town meeting minutes were approved 4 to 0.

### 4. Mayor's Report

Mayor Isler reported that State Highway Administration (SHA) representatives gave a presentation on the proposed reconstruction of I-495, I-270 and the Baltimore-Washington Parkway at the last Four Cities Coalition meeting, which was met with skepticism by the many residents in attendance. The Councils intend to publicize upcoming SHA hear-

ings at which citizens can continue to give input on the project. Mayor Isler announced changes to the departmental assignments of Councilmembers following the swearing-in of CM Osmond: Mayor Isler will lead the Police Department, MPT Papanikolas will move to Administration, CM Osmond to Code Compliance, CM Dewey to Parks & Recreation and CM Sweep will remain with Public Works. Further, Mayor Isler had a good meeting with County Councilmember Glaros, who promised support for a dog park and a feral cat spay/neuter initiative. He also attended a PGCPs budget meeting with Interim Superintendent Goldson.

### 5. Department Reports

**Town Manager's Report:** TM Broadbent reported that the Administration Department has been busy working on the FY 2020 budget, including new financial controls, options for electronic payments and changes to fee and fine schedules. She is also helping prepare the next round of budget enhancement requests from the Public Works and Administration Departments to be presented at the next worksession.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Rodriguez gave the report for January 2019. Major revenues included \$484,000 in real property taxes and \$20,000 in grant funds for the purchase of a hybrid vehicle for the Administration Department. Additionally, the Town is working on implementing electronic check depositing capability for the Administration and Police Department. This will enable checks to be deposited faster and more securely.

**Code Compliance:** Code Officer Hollyce Goodwin reported for Supervisor Glass. The Code officers conducted a total of 31 rental inspections, processed 17 code violations, 4 of which have since been closed, and issued 4 building permits. The Department is monitoring the preparations for a major renovation of the McDonald's restaurant at 6219 Greenbelt Road. The restaurant will be rebuilt with 2 drive-through lanes and self-serve touch screens for faster service. Additionally, a new sidewalk will be constructed along the 63rd Avenue frontage, which will require permits from the Town. Residents are reminded that a Town building permit is required whenever a County permit is pulled to undertake residential construction and home improvement projects and to place refuse containers at the curb by 7:30 a.m.

**Parks & Recreation:** CM Dewey said she is excited to be leading the Parks, Recreation, Education & Civic Affairs Department. Her top priorities are to

complete a Town organizations policy and to reconfigure the Education Advisory Committee to bring it back to life. Upcoming events include a Town cleanup on February 16 and a special budget workshop on March 23, at which Town organizations may present budget requests. As a member of the UMD campus community connection (c3), the Town has been assigned a UMD student to help the town with environmental initiatives. She will assist with the raingarden event and tree education, among other things.

**Public Works:** Public Works Director Hall reported that Public Works performed several minor repairs in the Town office and the Senior Center. New garage doors were installed at the Public Works building. The motor operating the doors broke and was replaced by the vendor at no charge. Director Hall has worked on the FY 2020 DPW budget request and contracted for an assessment of the condition of Town streets with an independent vendor. A map showing street conditions was made available in the agenda packet. Lastly, he reminded residents to park off the street during the snow storm forecast for this weekend.

In response to questions, Director Hall and TM Broadbent said that Public Works begins picking up refuse at 6:30 a.m. when they begin their workday. This may be in conflict with Town code which might be due for a review. Further, Public Works maintenance of the pedestrian bridge includes checking for possible needed repairs and picking up litter and emptying trash cans. As a recycling goal, Public Works aims to reach a rate of 40% of all refuse. Larger recycling containers and recycling education will help getting closer to that goal.

Phil Ventura, 57th Avenue thanked Public Works for cleaning up leaves around storm drains to prevent them from clogging.

**Public Safety:** Chief Antolik congratulated Officer Rufino on her promotion to Private First Class. She is receiving training to handle complaints about animals. BHPD also has a new Police intern, who is present to introduce herself. Rosa Hernandez said she is a junior at Bowie State University studying criminal justice and is looking forward to helping BHPD with various tasks.

Chief Antolik then gave the police activities report for January. There were 7 Part I offenses, somewhat higher than the 5-year average of 5.2. BHPD made 2 arrests, impounded 8 vehicles, wrote 178 state and municipal citations and issued 13 speed camera tickets.

In response to CM Dewey, Chief Antolik said that it is a violation to leave a car idling unattended with the keys in the ignition, even when parked in a driveway. However, with keyless entry on new vehicles, vehicles can be started without a key inside the vehicle.

## 6. Committee Reports

**Education Advisory Committee:** CM Dewey encouraged residents to contact her if they are interested in joining the Education Advisory Committee.

**Green Team:** CM Dewey announced the Green Team's next meeting on March 12, the Town Cleanup on March 16 and a Raingarden Planting Picnic on March 30.

**Historical Committee:** Chair Richard Ahrens said the BHHC has submitted a budget request for FY 2020, which he will present at the March 30 budget workshop. The focus of BHHC activities is on collecting oral histories from the older residents of the Town. For its spring event, the BHHC is co-sponsoring another trivia night with the Recreation Council on April 5, 7:00 p.m. There is interest among the seniors in watching the event on TV if it can be broadcast.

**Neighborhood Watch/ Emergency Preparedness:** Co-Chair Mike Attick reported that the CERT Team has been disbanded and the emergency trailer decommissioned due to old age. The Neighborhood Watch/ Emergency Preparedness (NW/EP) Committee will continue to function under the domain of the Berwyn Heights Police Department and focus on educating residents about how to help themselves during an emergency or disaster. Chief Antolik would like to recruit new members so that the Committee can do more things. Interested residents are welcome to attend the NW/EP's meetings on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. or call the Police Department at 301-474-6554.

**Recreation Council:** Chair Susan Jones reported on upcoming events, including a Pot o' Gold Potluck Dinner on March 16, a Team Trivia Night on April 5 and an Easter Egg Hunt on April 20, co-sponsored with the Berwyn Heights Community Center. The Recreation Council is already busy planning the next Berwyn Heights Day, which falls on May 4. Help is needed with organizing the parade and the many other activities. New ideas are welcome. Interested residents should attend the next Recreation Council meetings on March 5 and April 2 or contact her at [violindreams@verizon.net](mailto:violindreams@verizon.net).

## 7. Unfinished Business

There was none.

## 8. New Business

**Ordinance 125 – Introduction of Small Cell Facilities Ordinance:** TM Broadbent explained this Ordinance establishes regulations and permit requirements for installing the infrastructure for 5G wireless networks about to be deployed in Prince George's County. These small, short-range transmitters are frequently mounted on poles in the municipal right-of-way. The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has recently issued a ruling that limits what regulations municipalities can impose on cellular service providers installing the networks. The proposed Ordinance complies with the FCC rule, but may have to be amended when Prince George's County adopts zoning regulations for the technology. A resolution adopting a fee and fine schedule under this Ordinance will be forthcoming.

CM Dewey moved, and MPT Papanikolas seconded to introduce the Ordinance. The motion passed 5 to 0. CM Dewey asked if this Ordinance becomes effective with this vote since there are references to an 'emergency ordinance' in the adopting language. TM Broadbent said this is not an emergency ordinance and the references should be struck. In response to other questions, TM Broadbent said a provision requiring providers to keep cables tidy is in the Ordinance. Providers will pay an installation permit fee as well as an annual fee. CM Dewey moved to amend the Ordinance to strike the reference to 'emergency.' CM Sweep seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0. Adoption of the amended Ordinance will take place at the March Town meeting.

Phil Ventura, 57th Avenue, and Mike Attick, 62nd Avenue, commented.

**Resolution 2-2019 – Code Compliance Staffing Changes:** Clerk Harper read the Resolution. TM Broadbent explained that, due to attrition in the Code Department, there is the opportunity to combine two part-time positions into one full-time position. This Resolution authorizes the creation of the full-time position, as well as the acquisition of a business management module of the code tracking software, Comcate, to allow for more efficient processing of business licenses and taxes. Retiring Code Clerk Zelda Bell will be kept as a contractor for the remainder of the fiscal year to help the Code Department transition back to using Comcate for all types of code activities.

In discussion, Councilmembers noted that the more efficient management of business and rental licenses should lead to better capturing of revenue, eliminate mistakes resulting from cutting and pasting information in spreadsheets, and af-

ford better coverage of the Code office with two full-time staff working during the day. TM Broadbent said she expects to see improvements in productivity within 6 months, based in part on using a collection agency to collect unpaid fees and fines.

In response to Mr. Attick and Mr. Ventura, TM Broadbent said she thinks Comcate is working fine; the current problem is that staff has not kept up with its use. The future Code Department would have two full-time employees, a Code Supervisor and a Code Officer II, and one part-time employee for evening and weekend inspections. With no further comments, MPT Papanikolas moved and CM Osmond seconded to approve the Resolution. The motion passed 5 to 0.

**Resolution 3-2019 - Use of Electronic Payments Allowed:** Clerk Harper read the Resolution. TM Broadbent explained that the Town is issuing hundreds of paper checks each year to pay its bills. The Resolution clarifies that the term 'check' in the Town Charter also applies to electronic fund transfers, a more efficient, secure and faster way to pay for one's obligations. Electronic fund transfers will still be countersigned by a Councilmember and herself before the Treasurer will be authorized to make a payment. The payments will be reconciled and audited at the end of the fiscal year. CM Sweep moved and CM Dewey seconded to approve the Resolution. The motion passed 5 to 0.

**Resolution 4-2019 – Amending Ordinance 104 Building Fee & Fine Schedule:** Clerk Harper read the Resolution. TM Broadbent explained, in response to citizen comments, the Town recently lowered its building permit fees. This Fee & Fine Schedule takes the additional step to differentiate between commercial and residential building permits and charges different sets of fees. The new fees better reflect the level of effort that goes into processing these permits, charging higher permit fees for larger, more complex construction projects. Further, the Resolution 1) fixes residential fence and deck permit fees at \$25, rather than charging the same fee as the County; 2) establishes a new permit fee for new home construction and for demolition; and 3) raises the fine for working under a 'stop work order' to \$1,000 per day.

Mayor Isler had a couple of corrections. CM Osmond moved to amend the Resolution. CM Sweep seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0. CM Dewey moved, and CM Osmond seconded, to approve the amended Resolution. The motion passed 5 to 0.

**Resolution 5-2019 Ordinance 118 Roads & Right-of-Way Fee & Fine Schedule:** Clerk Harper read the Resolution. TM Broadbent explained the Town has an ordinance that regulates activities that take place in the Town's public rights-of-way, but it has no associated fee & fine schedule. The Resolution would adopt a schedule to be able to collect fees when a utility, a corporation, or a home owner applies for a permit to perform construction or installations in the Town right-of-way. The fees are a percentage of the estimated value of the construction project, i.e.:

- Value of construction up to \$250,000 - \$10% of value of construction
- Value of construction of \$250,000 or greater - \$8% of value of construction
- Driveway apron (residential only) - \$40

In response to questions, TM Broadbent said the fees are similar to those charged by the City of Greenbelt, but the percentages are simplified. The fees will apply to all work done in Town rights-of-way, including those in connection with the McDonald's renovation at 6219 Greenbelt Road.

Further, public utilities would also be charged permit fees, with the exception of WSSC. Since WSSC is a quasi-governmental agency, it is exempt. However, WSSC would be required to post a bond for resurfacing any disturbed road sections curb-to-curb. In addition to the permit fees, which are set to cover the effort of inspecting the project, applicants would also pay an application fee to pay for the effort of reviewing the construction plans. Permits would be issued by the Code Department from now on and they would coordinate with the Police and Public Works Department to monitor the project and ensure that it proceeds without problems. Inspection of driveway aprons would be carried out by the Public Works Director or a designee.

CM Sweep moved to adopt Resolution 5-2019. CM Dewey seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0.

## 9. Citizen Comments

Jodie Kulpa-Eddy, Ruatan Street, thanked the Council for allowing residents to comment throughout the meeting, and asked whether the Town has any information about a zoning hearing that is posted on Branchville Road. TM Broadbent offered to find out.

Mike Attick asked questions about parking off-road during snow events; about SHA's plans for widening I-495 and I-270; about

possible solutions for the traffic backups on 58th and 60th Avenues before the Greenbelt Road traffic lights; about a contact email for TM Broadbent in the Bulletin; and whether the new electric vehicle charging station is functioning and requires payment. He was informed that requests to park vehicles off the street during snow events are a courtesy request only; that SHA will hold a series of workshops on the Beltway widening for which residents can sign up; that a hearing will be held on March 13 on proposed parking restrictions for 58th and 60th Avenue; that TM Broadbent's email will be added to the list of contacts on the back of the Bulletin, and that the charging station is in operation with no payment required at this point.

Mr. Attick also sought clarification about the salary for the proposed new full-time Code officer. TM Broadbent said the proposed salary of \$56,000 per year includes benefits and has been set to remain competitive with neighboring jurisdictions.

Phil Ventura commented on the cost of charging an electric vehicle versus the cost of fueling a car with gasoline; the cost incurred by the Town because it had to redo sections of sidewalks that had been built as part of the 2015 sidewalk project but were not engineered correctly; and habit of some Town Center users to keep the door to the elevator lobby propped open in sub-freezing weather and not to turn lights off after leaving the premises.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:31 p.m.

## Worksession Minutes February 19, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Stephen Isler, Mayor Pro Tempore (MPT) Jason Papanikolas, Councilmembers (CMs) Amanda Dewey, Jeffrey Osmond and Ethan Sweep. Also present were Town Manager (TM) Maria Broadbent, Treasurer Michelle Rodriguez, Clerk Kerstin Harper, Public Works Director Kenneth Hall, Public Works Foreman Luis Cardenas, and citizens.

## 1. Announcements

Mayor Isler announced a forecast snow event. Schools are in the process of announcing closure. TM Broadbent announced that representatives of Quantum Company will attend the March 4 worksession to give an update on the Beltway Plaza redevelopment process. A public hearing on the Beltway Plaza conceptual site plan will be held on March 14 at 10 am at the County Administration Building.

## 2. Budget Presentations

**Public Works FY 2020 budget enhancements:** Director Hall provided the FY 2020 budget enhancements request. TM Broadbent explained that Public Works has a vehicle replacement reserve, which is in the process of being updated. Meanwhile, Council was provided a list of Public Works vehicles in operation, highlighting those in need of replacement. This includes:

- +\$205,000 for a new refuse truck. Public Works has 3 trucks. Two for day-to-day operations and one backup. The truck to be replaced is a 2012 model, which will become the spare. The current 2002 spare truck will be sold. The vehicle replacement schedule assumes a refuse truck has an average life span of 15 years, but Director Hall believes it is closer to 10 years. He recommends Freightliner diesel trucks because they are dependable and provide the best value for the price. There are more environmentally friendly trucks that run on bio diesel or natural gas, but the former often have mechanical problems and the latter are very expensive. All newer diesel trucks use exhaust fluids to reduce pollution.
- + \$25,000 to equip refuse trucks with tipper to empty larger refuse cans.
- + \$20,000 for new crew cab dump truck dating from 2007, minus dump body. The truck is used mainly for appliance pickups. A second 2004 crew cab dump truck is scheduled to be sold.
- + \$45,000 for a new pickup truck used for crew transport and snow removal. The current pickup dates from 2008.

The total for the above fleet improvements comes to \$295,000. TM Broadbent proposed the Council finance some of the truck replacements from unspent funds in the FY 2019 capital budget.

Director Hall explained the remaining Public Works budget enhancement requests:

- + \$10,000 in Tree Service/ Urban Forest line item for regular maintenance of the tree canopy began as a capital project in FY 2018, as well as the planting of new trees.
- + \$2,000 in a new Landscaping line item to maintain the raingardens and other green spaces on Town property.
- + \$2,000 in Public Works Building maintenance line item to replace

gutters and downspouts, which are in bad shape. This may include replacement of soffit and fascia board.

- + \$6,000 in Disposal Fees line item to cover the increased cost of disposing refuse, recyclables and yard waste.
- + \$30,000 in Vehicle Repairs line item for a total of \$64,000 to more closely reflect actual expenditures. The question was raised if the increase would be less if several older vehicles are replaced. An itemized explanation of the vehicle repairs expense list was requested.

**Temporary labor:** It is proposed to hire seasonal help for the summer and fall leaf collection, when the Public Works crew is the busiest.

**Street repairs:** Director Hall plans to make only the most necessary repairs, for example, where bus traffic has damaged streets. A larger resurfacing project will be undertaken in conjunction with WSSC's upcoming water main replacement project.

**Welcome signs:** No estimates have been provided because the cost varies significantly depending on what type of sign is chosen. Electronic message boards would be very expensive, costing around \$30,000 for a 2x6' sign, and require a location that has access to power. Wooden or metal 'Welcome to Berwyn Heights' signs without a message display capacity would be less expensive at several thousand dollars each. Councilmembers are requested to think about and give direction on what type of sign they would like.

**Administration FY 2020 budget enhancements:** TM Broadbent and Treasurer Rodriguez explained budget enhancements for the Administration Department:

**Electronic agenda packets:** Purchase of 7 tablets to provide and display agenda packets in electronic format only. This is an optional item.

**Staffing changes:** It is proposed to realign the duties of staff to separate the treasurer from the human resources manager function. The human resources function would be transferred to the current Administrative Coordinator, who would be elevated to an Assistant to the Town Manager. This would give a long-time employee the chance to advance to a higher position and do more challenging things. The Treasurer would focus more on financial controls and assume greater responsibilities in the budget process. An estimate of the cost of the change will be forthcoming.

**Leave policy:** Mayor Isler presented a proposal to increase the hours of leave an employee can carry over from one year to the next. Prior to the adoption of a new Employee Manual in 2016, Town employees could carry over 240 hours, or 6 weeks of leave. With adoption of the new Manual, the hours were stepped down to 120 in 2017 and to 80 in 2018. This is less than in most neighboring jurisdictions, where at least 120 hours or more can be carried over. This may negatively impact the Town's ability to retain employees.

Mayor Isler said among the various leave policies he reviewed he likes Riverdale's stepped approach, which incentivizes long service: employees with 0-4 years of service can carry over 120 hours; 5-9 years 160 hours, 10-14 years 184 hours, 15-20 years 200 hours, and 20 plus years 240 hours. TM Broadbent and Treasurer Rodriguez recommended considering setting up a reserve to cover expenses resulting from leave payouts. Accumulated leave represents an unfunded liability and can be a significant expense when a long-time employee terminates his/ her employment, or multiple employees leave at the same time. Apart from that, employees should be encouraged to use their annual leave instead of carrying it over.

TM Broadbent noted that she plans to provide estimates on painting and replacing the carpet in the Council chamber. Mr. Ventura commented that a limit of 80 hours on carried-over leave in effect encourages employees to use their leave.

**Chart of accounts:** Treasurer Rodriguez provided a chart of accounts of the Town budget with a description of each line item. This document is intended to familiarize the Council with the budget format prior to in-depth budget discussions. In addition, the Council was given an update on actual revenues and expenses for the first half of this year and a preliminary FY 2020 budget. TM Broadbent said this meeting serves primarily to provide an opportunity for the Council to start thinking and give feedback about budget enhancements before a proposed budget with definitive numbers is presented. It was suggested to postpone the presentation of the Town Manager's proposed budget from the first to the second worksession in March, so that the Council might ask questions and give feedback at the March 4 worksession.

**COLA and merit increases:** TM Broadbent provided the Council with a document giving cost estimates for Cost of Living Adjustments (COLAs) and merit increases. She said traditionally the Town has given a combination of COLA

and merit increases, with merit increases based on employee performance evaluations. The Council is requested to think about the amount of COLA and/ or merit increases they might like to adopt as part of the budget and give her feedback.

At 9:50 p.m., the Council took a 5-minute break.

### 3. Discussion Items

#### **Maryland Department of Agriculture mosquito spraying program**

**(discussed out of order):** Mayor Isler said last year the Town was not included in the Department of Agriculture's (MDA) mosquito spraying program. He received a number of comments from residents saying mosquitos were out of control. He would like the Council to discuss whether to join the program this year. TM Broadbent said she provided several documents describing MDA's mosquito program and the pesticides used. MDA starts with larviciding in spring and supplements with spraying for adult mosquitoes in summer based on local counts. The deadline for municipalities to participate in the MDA program is coming up soon.

In discussion MPT Papanikolas, CM Dewey and CM Sweep said they are not opposed to larviciding but prefer not to spray for mosquitoes in summer because 1) it is not very effective at controlling mosquitoes unless standing water is also eliminated; and 2) it may harm other species of animals. It may be more productive to educate residents on how to reduce mosquito populations by eliminating breeding grounds.

Jeff and Therese Forbes, Cunningham Drive, were present to ask the Council not to join the spraying program. They are bee keepers and the fogging kills any bees still active late in summer day light hours. Other insects that may be desirable or useful for pollination are also killed.

There ensued discussion about whether the Town might utilize private contractors to perform local mosquito treatments or provide insecticides for property owners so they could do it themselves. The Council agreed that the Town should not utilize private contractors but focus on education. CM Dewey added she would prefer not to sign up for larviciding if it is an option until she knows more about how it is done. TM Broadbent will seek to get answers to the Council's questions.

#### **Ordinance 125 Small Cell Facilities:**

TM Broadbent said this Ordinance was introduced at the February Town meeting and amended to delete references

to it being an emergency ordinance. Additionally, she would like to propose another amendment, which would require permit applicants to cover the cost of reviewing the plans and inspecting the installation of cellular networks. She believes Town staff is not qualified to do this. The Council had no objection.

**Resolution 6-2019 – Ordinance 125 Fee & Fine Schedule:** TM Broadbent said this Resolution sets forth the fees and fines to be charged in connection with the installation of small cell facilities regulated under Ordinance 125. They were proposed by the Town Attorney and are in compliance with amounts allowed by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). They are also similar to the fees and fines charged by neighboring jurisdictions. The Council had no objection to adopting the proposed fees and fines.

**Education Advisory Committee:** CM Dewey said she plans to put out a call for volunteers to join the Education Advisory Committee in the next Bulletin. Clerk Harper provided background documentation on the history of the Education Advisory Committee (BHEAC) originally established in 1996 to reopen the Berwyn Heights Elementary School. Since then, the Committee has regrouped a couple of times following the reopening of the school in 2002, and around 2015, after the earlier Committee had ceased to meet. However, the people who were most recently involved are no longer interested in participating or have relocated out of Berwyn Heights.

CM Dewey said if she receives enough responses, she would like the Council to formally re-establish the Committee. She sees value in having a body advising the Council on education matters. Mayor Isler agreed saying such a Committee's efforts to communicate with Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) administrators, neighboring municipalities and PTAs is important for improving local schools. The BHEAC's mission, however, would likely have to be revised to reflect current concerns and priorities.

There ensued a discussion about the feasibility of revising the Town's school boundaries, and what the mission and goals of a future BHEAC might be. It was agreed that it would be difficult to change PGCPS' boundary decisions, which are based largely on demographic considerations, and that it may be more productive to inform the school community about navigating the PGCPS system to help parents get their children the best education possible.

MML convention attendance: All Councilmembers and TM Broadbent plan to

attend the convention. Hotel reservations will be made at the La Quinta Inn. Convention registrations will be made when they open in mid-March.

#### 4. Minutes

On a motion by CM Sweep, seconded by MPT Papanikolas, the January 14 worksession minutes were approved 4-0-1, with CM Osmond abstaining. On a motion by CM Dewey, seconded by MPT Papanikolas, the February 4 worksession minutes were tabled to the next worksession.

#### 5. Department Reports

Mayor Isler said he is looking forward to working with the Police Department and is in the process of scheduling a ride-along with Chief Antolik. He also announced that Town offices will be closed tomorrow due to inclement weather. CM Sweep cautioned everyone to drive carefully and watch out for Public Works vehicles clearing the streets. Residents are requested to park off the street where possible.

CM Dewey said that Town organizations should submit their budget requests to TM Broadbent by February 28 and are invited to attend the March 23 budget worksession to discuss their budgets with the Council. CM Osmond said that he is delving into Code Department issues and met with TM Broadbent to get oriented.

TM Broadbent reported she has been working with Code Clerk Zelda Bell to map out the Code Department's transitioning back to using Comcate. All Code staff will be asked to use Comcate and share the work of performing inspections. She will review all Code notification letters to ensure that they align with code requirements. She has also had a good meeting with Park & Planning and made progress on the dog park and Sports Park. Lastly, she owes the Council a memorandum on the revised status of the

Neighborhood Watch/ Emergency Preparedness Committee.

#### 6. Town Council Schedule

The Council reviewed the upcoming Town Council calendar. A date for the annual briefing of the Anacostia Trails Heritage Association (ATHA) was discussed.

#### 7. Citizens Discussion

Phil Ventura, 57th Avenue, commented on street repairs, suggesting the Council set aside money annually to pay for the next street project, as was done for the street project that has just been completed. He also commented on WSSC's trenching activities and sub-par repaving as the cause of pavement problems at bus stops and other areas. The meeting was adjourned at 10:23 p.m.

Signed: *Kerstin Harper*, Town Clerk

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## Fiscal Year 2020 Proposed General Fund Budget

**Dear Mayor, Town Council, Residents and Business Owners,**

The proposed FY 2020 operating and capital budget is \$3,370,544. This is a \$1,167,887 or 34.65% reduction over last year's \$4,538,431 budget. It should be noted that the FY19 budget included \$1,238,365 budgeted for road repairs.

The proposed FY 2020 budget increases the residential real property tax rates and by one and a half cents, from \$0.53 to \$0.545 per \$100 which includes \$0.03 of the total of assessed valuation for the Infrastructure Improvement Reserve to fund major infrastructure projects. This increase reduces the Town's reliance on funds remaining from the previous year to balance the budget, while maintaining a solid rainy-day fund in case of emergencies. Highlights of the budget include:

### **Infrastructure Maintenance**

**Street repaving:** A roadway condition survey identified four streets to be repaved in FY 2020. This work will include curb, gutter and sidewalk work if necessary. A concrete bus pad will also be constructed. Funds from Highway User Revenue, and the Real Estate Tax Roadway Fund in the amount of \$224,800 will be used for this project.

**Public Works Building:** The Public Works Department building needs some repairs to increase its service life. Funding in the amount of \$5,000 has been included to fund the replacement of the soffit, gutters and possibly some facia.

**Urban forestry:** To continue with proactive pruning, hazard tree removals and to fund the planting of new trees to maintain the Town's tree canopy coverage, the Urban Forestry account has been increased by \$10,000.

**Landscaping:** The grounds at the Town Hall and Town Center Facility need continuing maintenance to maintain the raingarden and to keep them looking presentable. Funding in the amount of \$2,000 has been added to support the maintenance of the raingarden and refurbish the plantings on the property.

**Town Hall:** Funding in the amount of \$8,000 has been added to replace the badly stained carpeting in Town Hall.

**Town Hall document preservation:** Town Hall is suffering from a lack of storage space for important maps and other documents. Funding in the amount of \$2,000 was included in the budget to begin to scan documents for electronic storage.

**Welcome signage:** The Quality of Life Committee recommended the installation of welcome signs at entrances to the town. The budget includes \$2,000 to be used toward the planning and design for the project.

### **Administration**

**Staff reorganization:** Two positions within the Administration Department will be reorganized during FY 2020, at a cost of \$8,882. The Treasurer/Human Resources Manager will become the Treasurer/Benefits Manager. This will allow this employee to focus more attention on financial controls and to develop an asset management program, both to meet the requirements of the Government Accounting Standards Board. This position will no longer handle human resource administrative functions.

The Administrative Coordinator position will be elevated from paygrade G to an Assistant to the Town Manager position at paygrade J. This change will move the responsibility for billing for personal property tax to the Code Enforcement Department where it is similar to the administration of the business licenses. This change will allow this long-term employee a chance to advance in her responsibilities to assist with the administrative functions of the human resources program, and to focus on policy analysis and project tracking.

**Computer support:** The cost of our computer servicing provided by Peake is going up from \$18,000 to \$24,000. This figure was provided too late to be included in the draft budget but will be included in the Proposed Budget.

## Public Safety

**New officer hire:** This budget includes the hiring of an additional police officer, increasing the sworn officers in the department from 8 to 9. It is proposed to hire an experienced certified police officer mid-year, allowing the department to better cover the safety needs of the community and the department. A total cost of \$81,050 has been included in the budget to cover the salary for an employee to begin in January, uniforms and a vehicle for the new officer.

**Promotions:** Three police promotions are included in this budget; one Sergeant will be promoted to Lieutenant and two Private First Class officers will be promoted to Corporal. The total cost of the promotions is \$11,500.

**Police vehicle replacement:** The cost of a replacement cruiser at \$44,200 has been included in this budget. This will be funded using funds carried over from previous years, fund balance. As there is no vehicle replacement fund for the Police Department, vehicles are replaced through the general fund. This cost includes all the necessary equipment to outfit the vehicle for use. This is the first police vehicle to be purchased through the Town's general fund budget since 2015. An older police vehicle will be retired from the fleet with this purchase.

## Code Enforcement

**Code Enforcement Director:** The proposed budget includes the \$12,000 cost of staffing at the leadership level of the department from a Code Enforcement Manager to the hiring of a Code Enforcement Department Director.

**In-house building permit issuance study:** Although the cost for participation was not available at this writing, the Town has set aside \$3,000 to participate in a study being conducted by the City of College Park and others to move the permitting process from Prince George's County to the local jurisdictions.

## Public Works

**Tipping fees:** This line item covers the cost of solid waste disposal. It is being increased by \$6,000 as this line item has been underfunded for several years.

**Vehicle maintenance:** This line item covers the cost of maintenance for the Public Works fleet. It is being increased by \$15,000 to more realistically cover the cost of maintaining the fleet.

**Vehicle replacement:** Two public works vehicles will be replaced in FY 2020; truck #14, a 2012 Freightliner refuse/recycling vehicle and truck #2, a 2012 Ford F-350 crew cab pick-up truck. To sustain the vehicle replacement fund, a scheduled amount of \$106,215 will be added to the fund in FY 2020.

## Non-Departmental

### **Employee Retention and Recruitment:**

Cost of living adjustment and merit increases: A 4% combined cost of living adjustment and merit increases depending on the annual performance evaluation score, are proposed.

**Attrition reserve:** Due to staff responsibilities and in some cases seniority, it is sometimes difficult for staff to use all their vacation leave time in the year it is earned. In order to restore vacation leave to allow for balances to accrue to 120 hours, a reserve fund is being established with \$6,000 to cover the cost of payouts of vacation through attrition.

## Public Hearings

Residents are encouraged to participate in the budget process at the public hearings held during the Town Meetings on April 10th and May 8th at 7:00 p.m. and watch the video live stream from [BerwynHeightsMD.gov](http://BerwynHeightsMD.gov).

Respectfully,  
Maria T. Broadbent  
Town Manager

## FY 2020 Proposed Budget - GENERAL FUND

ACCOUNT NAME	FY 2016 Actual	FY 2017 Actual	FY 2018 Actual	FY 2019 Adopted	FY 2020 Proposed	% Change from FY19 to FY20	\$ Change from FY19 to FY20
<b>REVENUES</b>							
TOTAL: TAXES AND FEES	\$1,963,867	\$2,181,306	\$2,422,811	\$2,454,419	\$2,618,823	6.28%	\$164,404
TOTAL: LICENSES & PERMITS	\$143,823	\$141,193	\$149,802	\$147,400	\$138,400	-6.50%	-\$9,000
TOTAL: INTERGOVERNMENTAL	\$51,155	\$322,047	\$166,536	\$172,604	\$193,271	10.69%	\$20,667
TOTAL: SERVICE CHARGES	\$217	\$1,051	\$1,458	\$2,700	\$2,000	-35.00%	-\$700
TOTAL: FINES & FORFEITURES	\$65,305	\$65,145	\$120,382	\$93,000	\$80,000	-16.25%	-\$13,000
TOTAL: MISCELLANEOUS	\$151,670	\$294,596	\$258,146	\$298,850	\$212,800	-40.44%	-\$86,050
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>\$2,376,037</b>	<b>\$3,005,338</b>	<b>\$3,119,135</b>	<b>\$3,168,973</b>	<b>\$3,245,294</b>	<b>2.35%</b>	<b>\$76,321</b>
<b>FUND BALANCE</b>							
Fund Balance - Operating Budget				\$125,968			-\$125,968
Fund Balance - New Police Officer					\$81,050	100.00%	\$81,050
Fund Balance - New Police Car				\$66,000	\$44,200	-49.32%	-\$21,800
<b>TOTAL: FUND BALANCE &amp; RESERVES</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$39,315</b>	<b>\$1,369,458</b>	<b>\$125,250</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$2,376,037</b>	<b>\$3,005,338</b>	<b>\$3,158,450</b>	<b>\$4,538,431</b>	<b>\$3,370,544</b>	<b>-34.65%</b>	<b>-\$1,167,887</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>							
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>							
TOTAL: MAYOR and COUNCIL	\$24,430	\$25,272	\$26,902	\$29,000	\$29,500	1.69%	\$500
TOTAL: ADMINISTRATION	\$359,372	\$344,387	\$341,855	\$377,909	\$420,874	10.21%	\$42,965
TOTAL: MUNICIPAL BUILDING	\$20,533	\$12,482	\$14,228	\$15,100	\$25,000	39.60%	\$9,900
TOTAL: TOWN CENTER	\$31,718	\$25,007	\$32,172	\$24,200	\$28,630	15.47%	\$4,430
<b>TOTAL: GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>	<b>\$436,053</b>	<b>\$407,148</b>	<b>\$415,157</b>	<b>\$446,209</b>	<b>\$504,004</b>	<b>11.47%</b>	<b>\$57,795</b>
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>							
TOTAL: POLICE DEPARTMENT	\$611,219	\$641,597	\$624,124	\$741,700	\$843,800	12.10%	\$102,100
TOTAL: PUBLIC SAFETY MISC.	\$492	\$13,000	\$1,434	\$13,900	\$13,900	0.00%	\$0
TOTAL: ADDITIONAL POLICE OFFICER COST	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$81,050	100.00%	\$81,050
<b>TOTAL: PUBLIC SAFETY</b>	<b>\$611,219</b>	<b>\$641,597</b>	<b>\$625,558</b>	<b>\$755,600</b>	<b>\$938,750</b>	<b>19.51%</b>	<b>\$183,150</b>
<b>CODE COMPLIANCE</b>							
TOTAL: CODE ENFORCEMENT	\$95,928	\$108,180	\$108,881	\$141,770	\$154,320	8.13%	\$12,550
TOTAL: VAN PROGRAM	\$1,696	\$911	\$1,902	\$4,000	\$2,000	-100.00%	-\$2,000
<b>TOTAL: CODE COMPLIANCE</b>	<b>\$97,624</b>	<b>\$109,091</b>	<b>\$110,783</b>	<b>\$145,770</b>	<b>\$156,320</b>	<b>6.75%</b>	<b>\$10,550</b>
<b>PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT</b>							
TOTAL: PUBLIC WORKS BLDG	\$27,521	\$19,067	\$22,261	\$26,600	\$31,100	14.47%	\$4,500
TOTAL: STREET & SANITATION	\$546,548	\$590,516	\$643,304	\$703,800	\$746,870	5.77%	\$43,070
TOTAL: STREET LIGHTING	\$34,829	\$42,925	\$34,231	\$39,200	\$39,200	0.00%	\$0
<b>TOTAL: PUBLIC WORKS</b>	<b>\$608,898</b>	<b>\$652,508</b>	<b>\$699,796</b>	<b>\$769,600</b>	<b>\$817,170</b>	<b>5.82%</b>	<b>\$47,570</b>
<b>TOTAL: PARKS &amp; RECREATION</b>	<b>\$14,344</b>	<b>\$19,337</b>	<b>\$27,001</b>	<b>\$37,900</b>	<b>\$34,450</b>	<b>-10.01%</b>	<b>-\$3,450</b>
<b>TOTAL: CABLE</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$10,967</b>	<b>\$24,204</b>	<b>\$30,400</b>	<b>\$30,400</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>TOTAL: MISCELLANEOUS</b>	<b>\$422,379</b>	<b>\$400,972</b>	<b>\$425,404</b>	<b>\$476,650</b>	<b>\$511,235</b>	<b>6.76%</b>	<b>\$34,585</b>
<b>CAPITAL PROJECTS: OPERATING</b>							
Allocated for Vehicle Equipment Replacement Reserve Fund	(\$58,600)	\$93,400		\$80,144	\$106,215	24.55%	\$26,071
Public Works Equipment					\$3,000	100.00%	\$3,000
<b>Subtotal: Capital Projects - Operating</b>	<b>(\$23,719)</b>	<b>\$128,069</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$80,144</b>	<b>\$109,215</b>	<b>26.62%</b>	<b>\$29,071</b>
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL PROJECTS: OPERATING</b>	<b>(\$23,719)</b>	<b>\$128,069</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$80,144</b>	<b>\$109,215</b>	<b>26.62%</b>	<b>\$29,071</b>
<b>TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET</b>	<b>\$2,166,798</b>	<b>\$2,369,689</b>	<b>\$2,327,903</b>	<b>\$3,131,066</b>	<b>\$3,101,544</b>	<b>-0.95%</b>	<b>-\$29,522</b>
<b>CAPITAL PROJECTS: FUND BALANCE &amp; RESERVE</b>							
Infrastructure Improvements: Road Repairs			\$17,045	\$1,238,365	\$224,800	-450.87%	-\$1,013,565
Police Vehicles and Equipment		\$17,226	\$39,315	\$1,000	\$44,200	97.74%	\$43,200
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL PROJECTS: FUND BALANCE &amp; RESERVE</b>	<b>\$688,827</b>	<b>\$48,506</b>	<b>\$104,595</b>	<b>\$1,437,365</b>	<b>\$269,000</b>	<b>-434.34%</b>	<b>-\$1,168,365</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES OPERATING BUDGET &amp; CAPITAL PROJECTS</b>	<b>\$2,855,625</b>	<b>\$2,418,195</b>	<b>\$2,432,498</b>	<b>\$4,568,431</b>	<b>\$3,370,544</b>	<b>-35.54%</b>	<b>-\$1,197,887</b>
<b>REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES = Net Total</b>	<b>(\$479,588)</b>	<b>\$587,143</b>	<b>\$725,952</b>	<b>(\$30,000)</b>	<b>\$0</b>		

## Fiscal Year 2020 Proposed Public Safety Taxing District Budget

Dear Mayor, Town Council, Residents, and Business Owners:

The Public Safety Taxing District (PSTD), created under the authority granted by the State of Maryland to enhance public safety, encompasses the commercial and industrial properties along Greenbelt Road, Branchville Road, Ballew Avenue, Berwyn Road, and 55<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

The PSTD provides the Berwyn Heights Police Department with resources to finance capital and operating costs for a police officer to strengthen public safety in the commercial district. This additional officer augments existing policing and community outreach efforts within the PSTD.

The FY 2019 PSTD proposed budget recommends maintaining the current tax rates in the Public Safety Taxing District of \$0.12 per \$100 of assessed value on real property and \$0.15 per \$100 of assessed value on business personal property.

The Town of Berwyn Heights benefits from one of the lowest crime rates in Prince George's County through enhanced visibility for crime prevention and deterrence. Continued PSTD funding helps to facilitate the safest possible environment for Berwyn Heights' residents, businesses, and visitors. A meeting with members of the Commercial District Management Authority to present the budget is scheduled for April 17 at 9 a.m. at Town Hall. The presentation will also include an active shooter training for business owners.

Respectfully,  
Maria T. Broadbent  
Town Manager

### FY 2020 Proposed Budget - PSTD

ACCOUNT NAME	FY 2016 Actual	FY 2017 Actual	FY 2018 Actual	FY 2019 Adopted	FY 2020 Proposed	% Change from FY19 to FY20	\$ Change from FY19 to FY20
REVENUES							
TAXES AND FEES							
TOTAL: TAXES AND FEES	\$63,729	\$91,814	\$90,435	\$85,000	\$85,875	1.02%	\$875
TOTAL : FUND BALANCE	\$0	\$35,443	\$6,710	\$0	\$0		\$0
TOTAL REVENUES	\$63,729	\$91,814	\$90,435	\$85,000	\$85,875		\$875
EXPENDITURES							
POLICE SERVICES							
Subtotal: POLICE SERVICES EXPENSES	\$62,523	\$68,900	\$78,600	\$79,200	\$71,375	-10.96%	-\$7,825
Subtotal: EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$5,225	\$5,220	\$6,160	\$5,800	\$7,500	22.67%	\$1,700
TOTAL: POLICE SERVICES	\$67,747	\$74,120	\$84,760	\$85,000	\$78,875		\$200
TOTAL: OPERATING BUDGET	\$67,747	\$74,120	\$84,760	\$85,000	\$78,875		
TOTAL: CAPITAL PROJECTS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$7,000		\$7,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$67,747	\$74,120	\$84,760	\$85,000	\$85,875	1.02%	\$875
Staff Summary	1 F/T	1 F/T	1 F/T	1 F/T	1 F/T		
REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES = Net Total	-\$4,018	\$17,694	\$5,675	\$0	\$0		\$0

## TOWN OF BERWYN HEIGHTS NOTICE OF A PROPOSED NON COMMERCIAL REAL PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

The Town Council of the Town of Berwyn Heights proposes to increase noncommercial real property taxes.

For the tax year beginning July 1, 2019, the estimated real property assessable base will increase by 6.47%, from \$277,435,491 to \$295,372,828.

2. If the Town of Berwyn Heights maintains the current tax rate of \$0.53 per \$100 of assessment, real property tax revenues will increase by 6.47% resulting in \$95,068 of new real property tax revenues.

3. In order to fully offset the effect of increasing assessments, the real property tax rate should be reduced to \$0.4978, the constant yield tax rate.

4. The Town of Berwyn Heights is considering not reducing its real property tax rate enough to fully offset increasing assessments. The Town proposes to adopt a real property tax rate of \$0.545 per \$100 of assessment. This tax rate is 9.5% higher than the constant yield tax rate and will generate \$139,416 in additional property tax revenues.

A public hearing on the proposed real property tax rate increase will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 10 at Town Hall located at 5700 Berwyn Rd. Berwyn Heights, Maryland 20740

The hearing is open to the public, and public testimony is encouraged.

Persons with questions regarding this hearing may call 301-474-5000 for further information.

## Historical Committee and Recreation Council Present:



TEAM

TRIVIA

NOTE

**Friday, April 5 | 7:00 – 9:00 pm**  
**Town Center | 2nd Floor**

The Historical Committee and Recreation Council are bringing back the popular Team Trivia Night, this time, focused on Prince George's County. Topics will vary (geography, sports, science) but the spotlight is on "History".

It's free to play. Teams (up to six people) compete for a first place cash prize of \$50 and a second place prize of \$20 in Domino's Gift Cards. Drinks and snacks will be available.

Contact Jodie Kulpa-Eddy at (301) 345-1516 or [mdmarmot@yahoo.com](mailto:mdmarmot@yahoo.com) to register your team name and number of team players. Singles are welcome. Let us know if you'd like us to find you a team. Everyone is invited to come and watch (though it's more fun to play)!

**NEXT BHHC MEETING – APRIL 24 – 7:30 PM – G. Love Room**

Contact Richard Ahrens for information [dicka247@gmail.com](mailto:dicka247@gmail.com)





## FEBRUARY INCIDENTS

### Friday February 1, 2019 at 9:39 am, 'THEFT FROM AUTO'

Cpl. J. Ignowski responded to the 8900 block of 58th., Avenue for a report of theft from a vehicle. Victim reported that her silver color 2003 Acura MDX SUV was parked in her driveway between 6 P.M. 1/31/2019 and 8 A.M. 2/1/2019. Someone entered the SUV and removed the contents of the glove department: a Garmin brand portable GPS device with cord.

### Sunday February 3, 2019 at 10:22 am 'THEFT FROM AUTO'

Pfc. T. Hollowell responded to the 8900 block of 57th Avenue for a report of theft from a vehicle parked in his driveway. There were no signs of forced entry and victim believes he may have left the vehicle unsecured. Victim reported his St. John's Bag sitting in the passenger seat was stolen.

### Sunday February 3, 2019 at 7:29 pm 'THEFT'

Pvt. C. Rufino responded to the 8900 block of Edmonston Road for a report of theft from the 7Eleven. Victim reported that the store surveillance camera video shows a customer walking around the store with two other people, picking up the scanner, showing it to friends, and placing it in his pocket, then exiting the store.

### Sunday February 3, 2019 at 10:46 pm 'THEFT FROM AUTO'

Pvt. C. Rufino responded to the 5600 block of Ruatan Street for a report of theft from a vehicle. Victim stated that two of the owners' vehicles were ransacked. Everything was removed from the glove compartments and thrown around the vehicle. Officer found no signs of forced entry.

### Tuesday February 5, 2019, 'PVT. C. RUFINO ONE YEAR SERVICE'

Pvt. C. Rufino completed her one year probation with the BHPD and was promoted to Private First Class.

### Thursday February 7, 2019 at 8:26 pm, 'SUSPICIOUS SUBJECT'

Pfc. C. Rufino and Cpl. S. Krouse were flagged down at 8904 Edmonston Road by an adult female. During their conversation, the female expressed intentions chop her ex-husbands head off with a machete. Her behavior was erratic changing from irritability and anger to laughing, crying and yelling. She was taken into custody and transported to Laurel Regional Hospital for emergency psychiatric services.

### Friday February 8, 2019 at 5:18 pm, 'DUI ARREST'

Cpl. P. Roberson, Sgt. T. Moroney along with Pfc. C. Rufino responded to the 8800 Block of 60th Ave, for an accident outside the Fire House with a combative driver later identified

as Maurice Douglas Walker II. Mr. Walker was threatening the fire department personnel and acting aggressively towards the BHPD officers. Officers noticed that Mr. Walker was smelling of alcohol, had difficulty talking and walking and administered a field sobriety test. Upon questioning, it was determined that Mr. Walker had struck a vehicle and fled the scene, then crashed his vehicle in front of the Berwyn Heights Fire Department. He was placed under arrest for Driving Under the Influence. **ARRESTED:** Maurice Douglas WALKER II. 30 Y/O, B/M of Bowie, MD.

### Wednesday February 14, 2019 11:26 am, 'IDENTITY THEFT'

Cpl. J. Ignowski responded to 7600 Villanova Road for a report of identity theft. Victim reported that her bank, SunTrust, called her and asked if she had placed a Travel Note on her credit card account. The SunTrust agent informed her that someone had placed a Travel Note to Mexico on her credit card account ending in #1516 and attempted to make a \$2,000.00 payment with the credit card. Victim reported that during the week of February 4th she had visited the Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration branch at 11760 Baltimore Boulevard, Beltsville, Maryland to renew her driver's license where she provided her passport, Social Security Card, and credit card statements to MVA staffers to satisfy Real I.D. requirements for license renewal. The documents were scanned and filed by MVA staff.

### Monday February 18, 2019 at 1:12 am, 'THEFT'

Cpl. P. Roberson responded to the 7Eleven located on 5815 Greenbelt Road for a report of theft of cigarettes. The night shift clerk contacted the police after 3 or 4 subjects had entered the store with shopping bags and stole a large quantity of cigarettes. The clerk/witness stated that 3 or 4 subjects vaulted the store counter and removed approximately 100 packs of cigarettes from the display shelf. The suspects, described as B/M in their 20s, were in and out of the store in less than 2 minutes. They fled the area possibly in a red Toyota. The incident was likely captured on the store's security camera to which the clerk does not have access.

### Wednesday February 20, 2019 at 5:03 pm, 'TELEPHONE MISUSE'

Victim from the 5700 block of Nevada Street called the Berwyn Heights Police Department to file a complaint of telephone harassment. The victim stated that that day he received five calls from a person claiming to represent Microsoft Co. and alleging there was a problem with his IP address. Victim advised the caller there was no problem with IP address and to please stop calling him. He received several more calls from the same number 202.317.8747 which is his office number that had been cloned. In addition, a New Orleans exchange number 888-670-1779 was used and some calls were in Mandarin, Chinese. Victim believes he was

being targeted.

### Thursday February 21, 2019 at 12:55 am, 'COMMERCIAL ARMED ROBBERY'

Sgt. T. Moroney and Pfc. C. Rufino responded to the 5815 Greenbelt Road, Berwyn Heights, MD for a reported commercial armed robbery at the 7Eleven. When officers arrived on scene, victim stated he was approached by an unknown suspect while at the Slurpee machine who brandished a handgun and said "go to the register and give me all the money". The victim complied and handed the suspect \$100 and 4 packs of Newport cigarettes (\$40 value). The suspect then fled on foot toward 58th Avenue, making good on escape.

### Friday February 22, 2019 at 4:40 am, 'COMMERCIAL BURGLARY'

On 02/22/2019 at 4:40 am, officers responded to 6219 Greenbelt Road, Berwyn Heights, MD (McDonalds #943) for a breaking and entering. Arriving on scene, officers were advised that at approximately 4:30 am McDonalds employees arrived at the restaurant and found exterior doors unlocked with all interior lights turned off. Normally, the lights remain switched on during closed hours. Upon entering the restaurant, it was discovered that the suspect had broken into the restaurant safe and stolen \$6,055. Apparently, the suspect had turned off the circuit breaker in the security room to disable all power. The suspect made good on the escape.

### Monday February 25, 2019 at 2:02 am, 'DOMESTIC'

Cpl. P. Roberson responded to the 8900 block of 58th Avenue for a domestic call. Witness reported he is an UBER driver and operates a wheelchair accessible van for "MV WAV Services INC". He had picked up a female customer, who was sitting in the back of the van. As he was preparing to drive off, the passenger's boyfriend, with whom she had an argument, approached the van. The passenger told the driver to drive off but the boyfriend, identified as a 21 Y/O, B/M, broke out the side door window by punching it. The driver drove to a safe area (USA Fuel 193 and 59th) and contacted the police. BHPD officer spoke with a woman, who identified herself as the victim's mother. She said that the boyfriend was upset about the argument and left the area on foot. The female was not injured and did not want to supply her information. The driver advised there is a security camera with video footage in the van. Charges are pending.

**CALL 911**  
**For Emergencies**

**CALL 301-352-1200 For**  
**Non-Emergency Police Assistance**

Visit us online at:

<http://www.berwynheightsmd.gov/police-department>



## PROGRAMA DE ALCANCE A LA COMUNIDAD LATINA

Estamos aqui para ayudar a la comunidad Latina de Berwyn Heights y sus familias a comprender las leyes de Maryland et las ordenanzas de la ciudad. Proportionamos un lugar para que la comunidad latina busque ayuda y reporte crímenes sin temor de represalia. Tatamos de mejorar la confianza y la cooperation entre la comunidad Latina et la policia de Berwyn Heights.



**Si esta interesado, por favor contacta:**

Pfc. Christian Rufino: [crufino@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:crufino@berwynheightsmd.gov)

Mercy Muralles: [mmuralles@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:mmuralles@berwynheightsmd.gov)

**Departamento de Policia de Berwyn Heights**

5700 Berwyn Road

301-474-6554

[www.BerwynHeightsMD.gov](http://www.BerwynHeightsMD.gov)



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**Berwyn Heights Town Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor: 5700 Berwyn Road**

**All ages and levels: Year-Round | Monday & Friday | 5-7 pm**

**Executive Club (Senior Citizens): Thursdays | 12 – 2 pm**

**For more information please contact:**

Sensei Brett Bentley at 240-678-9103

[Brett.t.bentley@gmail.com](mailto:Brett.t.bentley@gmail.com), or

Sensei Leon Swain at 301-728-2881



## Berwyn Heights Boys & Girls Club



## Bugle

The BHBGC is always looking for volunteers and members.

Beyond sports, the BHBGC hosts fundraisers, our annual Fall Festival, seasonal campouts, and other family-friendly activities for our club family. For more information or to join, stop by our monthly Club meeting.

First Thursday of each month at 7pm in the G. Love Room, BH Town Center  
or contact us at [info@berwynheightsbgc.org](mailto:info@berwynheightsbgc.org).



*Go Wolf Pack!*



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# Berwyn Heights GreenBee



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

Email us your ideas at [bgreen.berwynheights@gmail.com](mailto:bgreen.berwynheights@gmail.com).

Website: [www.berwynheightsgreenteam.wordpress.com](http://www.berwynheightsgreenteam.wordpress.com)

Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/BerwynHeightsGreenTeam](http://www.facebook.com/BerwynHeightsGreenTeam)

**Our next meeting will be Thursday, April 11, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.** at the Town Center, in the G. Love Room.  
All residents are welcome to attend!

## Town Clean-up

**Saturday April 13<sup>th</sup>**

**10am – 12pm**

**Meeting point at the Town Center**

REMINDER! The monthly town clean-ups are an opportunity for students to earn SSL hours. The clean-up requires walking through the streets in town to pick up litter, so children must be accompanied by an adult. Please bring your forms to be signed.

## BHES Garden Seedling Sale

Seedlings Available:

- Purple Coneflower
- Basil
- Hybrid Peppers (large variety)
- Hybrid Tomatoes (large variety)

Spring gardening season is here! Consider getting your starts from BHES. Sales will support the 2019-2020 BHES Garden. Contact [kathlene.smith@pgcps.org](mailto:kathlene.smith@pgcps.org) for more info.



## **Berwyn Heights Community Garden 2019 Application**

The Berwyn Heights Community Garden is getting ready for its 6th season!

Existing members and those interested in becoming new members must **submit the completed application to the Town Office**. Plots will be assigned **on a first come, first served basis**. Only one plot per applicant/household. Garden plots are 4x8 - raised beds. The garden is located at the 8900 blocks of 58<sup>th</sup> and 59<sup>th</sup> avenue.

Garden rules and regulations will be posted at the Town Office and on the town website. Water, tools, and other resources will be provided.

For questions, please contact Diana Agonoy at 301-672-6670 or [dagonoy72@yahoo.com](mailto:dagonoy72@yahoo.com).

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

The lease period is March 2019 – February 2020. **Plot fee \$30.** Cash or check accepted. Please make checks payable to: **Berwyn Heights Recreation Council.**

I/we agree to abide by the 2019 rules and regulations governing the use of the Berwyn Heights Community Garden.  
I/we hereby release the Town of Berwyn Heights, its agents, contractors, and employees from any and all actions, claims and damages for losses, personal injuries, and disabilities that I/we may sustain as a result of my/our participation in the Community Garden program.

Signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

Signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date



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**BerwynLawnCare@gmail.com**

# Berwyn Heights Celebrates Arbor Day



**TREE CITY USA®**

**Berwyn Heights Shade Tree Board**

**Next meeting: April 11, 2019**

Contact: Amanda Dewey,  
[adewey@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:adewey@berwynheightsmd.gov)

**Maryland celebrates Arbor Day on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Consider planting trees to celebrate. Planting trees plants hope, cares for future generations, and our planet. Visit [arborday.org](http://arborday.org) to learn more.**

First observed in 1872 in Nebraska and now in all 50 states, Arbor Day celebrates the importance of trees and promotes tree planting and care.

Healthy, mature trees add an average of 10 percent to a property's value. – USDA

The net cooling effect of a young, healthy tree is equivalent to ten room-sized air conditioners operating 20 hours a day. – USDA

The planting of trees means improved water quality, resulting in less runoff and erosion. - USDA

## TREES OF DISTINCTION

The Trees of Distinction program wants to recognize and inspire appreciation for trees that are special to individuals and to the community as a whole. If you have a tree that is special to you or stands out, please nominate it to receive a *Trees of Distinction* award by filling out the form below or online at <http://bit.ly/BHTreesofDistinction>. Trees will receive awards in four categories: size and/or age; unusual growth habit or form; historical significance; and beauty or aesthetic value. Your tree may be on your personal property or in public space, but please do not nominate a neighbor's tree without their permission. However, we encourage you to reach out to neighbors and encourage them to nominate their amazing trees.

Trees can be nominated through the end of April. Submissions will be displayed on a poster at Berwyn Heights Day, on the town website, and on our local TV channel. Those who nominate trees are also invited to help us plant the symbolic Arbor Day tree at Berwyn Heights Day!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Information (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

**Nomination Category:**

☐ Size and/or Age    ☐ Unusual Growth Habit or Form    ☐ Historical significance    ☐ Beauty/ aesthetic value

**What is the species of the tree are you nominating?** (If you you'd like us to identify your tree species, please include more detailed photos of leaves, bark, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

**Location of Tree:** \_\_\_\_\_

**What makes it special to you and/or the community?** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Please attach a photo of your tree to the form and return it to Town Office at 5700 Berwyn Rd, Berwyn Heights.



## BULLETIN BOARD

**Want adventure and achievement?** Join Boy Scout Troop 740. We meet at Holy Redeemer's Fealy Hall every Tuesday evening. For details, call scoutmaster Loren Lavoy at 301-651-4928.

**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.

**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.

**Piano Lessons** in your home. Former PGCPs music teacher, experienced private instructor. Students with special needs welcome. Ms. Liz 240-601-2825.

**Moving?** All The Way Moving. LLC licensed and insured company giving FREE wardrobe boxes along with low prices. NStudio or small 1 bedroom \$195-\$260. NLarge 1 bedroom or 2 bedroom \$260-\$375. N3 bedroom or a house \$763-\$1090. Prices shown are general. Please contact us for a free quote today. Call 202-820-0771.

**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!

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**Get Out More!** Let me help you free up your time by helping you in different ways. If you have children, I babysit age 3 and up. Do your kids need help in school? I tutor in different subjects. Don't have time to exercise your lovable pet? I enjoy dog walking/sitting. Please call Greta at 301-982-7115. References upon request.

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**Lawn Mowing** I am a teenager in Berwyn Heights. I am interested in helping you with your lawn. Reasonable prices. Call Gannon at 301-982-7115.

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# Berwyn Heights Seniors Club

Next to the Town Office on 57th Avenue — Open Monday thru Friday, 10 A.M. to 2 P.M. — Phone 301-474-0018

Now that Spring is here, come to the Center, get a cup of coffee, a soda, or a bottle of water and, of course, something to eat. You can always count on something to eat when you are with the Seniors.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

April 2	Joyce Bilger
April 5	Mike Attick
April 6	Bertha Davies
April 9	Joe Morris
April 11	Eddie Daffron
April 19	Jody Kulpa-Eddy
April 25	Martha Baxter

## APRIL ACTIVITIES

**BINGO** — Every Tuesday at 12:30 PM

**WII BOWLING** — Every Wednesday at 10:30 AM

**GAME NIGHT** — Every Thursday at 7:00 PM

**SELF DEFENSE COURSE** — Every Thursday at 12:00 Noon, upstairs in the Senior Center

**POTLUCK & MOVIE** — 2nd Saturday at 5:00 PM

**MEETINGS** — 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 11:00 AM  
The 4th Tuesday is a Pot Luck!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### APRIL 30

Visit to the Hillwood Estate in D.C.  
Meet at 10:15 A.M. (Signup deadline April 9.)

### BREAKFAST AT THE SILVER DINER

Is also on tap. Date to be determined.  
Call the Senior Center for times and more Information.



*Couldn't let this day  
roll by without a  
great big Easter*



## MISCELLANEOUS

### WEATHER CLOSINGS:

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

### REMEMBER:

We are hosting the Public Works staff for lunch on April 23.

### DON'T FORGET:

The upcoming Bake Sale on Berwyn Heights Day on May 4.



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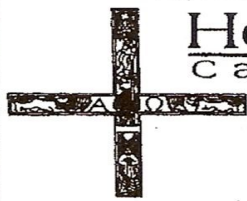


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### Whats Happening in April around us????

- April 2&3 Nats take on Phillies at Nats Pk
- April 5 Town trivia night.
- April 7 Hidden spaces at Montpelier Mansion.
- April 13 Cherry Blossom festival & Parade.
- April 21- Easter
- April 25 DC Film Fest
- April 26-28 Georgetown French Market.
- April 27-28 Sailboat show Annapolis

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**SOLD** 8503 Cunningham Dr (sold in 1 day!) 4BR 2 BA \$345,000.

**SOLD** 6610 Patterson St Riverdale 3BR 1.5 BA \$257,500.

**UNDER CONTRACT** 8721 63rd Av 3 BR 2.5 BA bungalow w/gar.

**UNDER CONTRACT** 9333 Wellington St Lanham 3BR split lvl.

**COMING SOON-** Fabulous BH 1890's Farmhouse 4BR 2+BA.



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



Berwyn Heights Volunteer Fire Department & Rescue Squad, Inc. • 8811 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue • Berwyn Heights, MD 20740

*In Case of Emergency Call 911!*

## Recent Working Incidents:

Feb 28: Rescue Squad 14 & Ambulance 14 responded to the area of Kenilworth Ave at Pontiac Street for a crash involving an overturned vehicle and people trapped. Units from BHVFD arrived along with Berwyn Heights PD to confirm the driver was trapped, and worked to stabilize the vehicle and extricate the driver.

Feb 28: Truck 14 & Ambulance 14 were alerted to the 6000Blk of Greenbelt Road for a possible building fire, smoke coming from the roof. Units arrived to find a fully-involved commercial dumpster on fire to the rear of Beltway Plaza mall. Units worked to contain the fire and prevent extension into the building.

March 1: Rescue Squad 14B responded to the OL of I-495 near Baltimore Ave for a car accident. While units were enroute, the call was upgraded with reports of people trapped, adding additional units to the call. Squad 14B arrived on scene, stabilized the vehicle and performed a rapid extrication of a single patient.

March 3: Truck 14 was alerted to the 5600Blk of Kolb Street in Fairmount Heights for a house fire with reports of people trapped. Units arrived to find fire showing from a house, and began rescue operations.

BHVFD Call Volume: February 2019	
Rescue Squads:	121
Ladder Truck:	88
Technical Rescue Support Unit:	7
Ambulance:	22
<b>Total Runs Feb 2019:</b>	<b>444</b>

## BHVFD Covers Hyattsville VFD



On February 23rd, Berwyn Heights VFD volunteers covered the Hyattsville VFD Station 1 while their members attended their annual banquet. While staffing Hyattsville VFD, crews back in Berwyn Heights drilled on rope rescue techniques.

## After the Crash– What To Do

The Berwyn Heights Volunteer Fire Department responds to hundreds of car crashes per year. Driving is probably the most dangerous thing most of us will ever do. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), there are more than 30,000 deaths and over 2 million injuries from motor vehicle crashes in the U.S. every year. Crashes can be very scary, but here are some tips if one happens to you:

**Take some deep breaths to get calm.** After a crash, a person may feel a wide range of emotions — shock, guilt, fear, nervousness, or anger — all of which are normal. But take a few deep breaths or count to 10 to calm down. The calmer you are, the better prepared you will be to handle the situation.

**Keep yourself and others safe.** If you can't get out of your car — or it's not safe to try — keep your seatbelt fastened, turn on your hazard lights, then call 911 if possible and wait for help to arrive. If there are no injuries and your vehicle is drive able, make a reasonable effort to move the vehicle to a safe spot that is not blocking traffic (like the shoulder of a highway or a parking lot).



**Check for Injuries and Report the Incident** Check on everyone involved in the crash to see if they have any injuries. This includes making sure you don't have any serious injuries. Be extremely cautious — not all injuries can be seen. If you need to call 911 be prepared to answer:

**Who?** The dispatcher will ask for your name and phone numbers in case the authorities need to get more information from you later.

**What?** Tell the dispatcher as much as you can about the emergency — for instance, whether there is a fire, traffic hazard, medical emergency, etc.

**Where?** Let the dispatcher know exactly where the emergency is taking place. Give the city, road name, road number, mile markings, direction of travel, traffic signs, and anything else you can think of to help them know how to find you.

*\*Tips provided by <https://kidshealth.org/en/teens/post-crash.html>*



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## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH/ EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

All are Welcome to our Meeting on Wednesday,  
April 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the G. Love Room

### 8 Ways to Prevent Theft from Cars:

- **Lock Your Car:** An unlocked car is an easy target. If you leave the doors open, you are inviting thieves to strike.
- **Close Your Windows:** Even a little crack is enough for a thief to slide his fingers or a tool inside and get the door open.
- **Don't Leave Your Car Running:** You may be tempted to leave the car running while you dash to the ATM or the gas station for a cup of coffee, but resist. A thief can just jump in and drive away.
- **Don't Leave Valuables Inside:** Don't leave valuables in plain view when you park your car. Take your portable devices with you, and any change in the cup holder.
- **Be Smart About Where You Park:** Cars get stolen in dark alleys for a reason. Thieves look for spots that are protected from view, giving them time and space to do their work. If possible park your car in a well-lit, public place that gets regular foot traffic.
- **Lock Your Steering Wheel:** Devices like The Club and The Wrap will lock your steering wheel so the car can't be driven. Their mere presence is a visual deterrent.
- **Remove Spare Keys:** Some cars have valet keys stashed inside the owner's manual or in the tool kit in the trunk. If you have one, take it out. Thieves know exactly where to find these spares.



### Interested in Knitting, Quilting, Other Needle Arts Projects?

Stop by the College Park Needle Arts Society for camaraderie, conversation and lots of mutual inspiration! There are no group projects and no dues. We currently meet Friday mornings, 9:30 - 11:30 am, at the Berwyn Heights Town Center, 5700 Berwyn Road.

For information, call Leslie Montroll at 301-277-9630 or Janet Freitag at 301-906-8535 or email [CPNeedleArts@earthlink.net](mailto:CPNeedleArts@earthlink.net)

## COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

### BH Elementary School PTA

President: Marilyn King  
[President@BHESPTA.org](mailto:President@BHESPTA.org)

Secretary: Velma Hamilton  
Treasurer: Lilly Ridge

### Boys & Girls Club

President: Brandon Batton  
Vice President: Angela Wolfinger  
[angela.wolfinger@gmail.com](mailto:angela.wolfinger@gmail.com)

Registrar: Tiffany Papanikolas  
240-338-5191

Treasurer: Sandra Zuniga  
Secretary: Leslie Wolfinger  
Athletic Director: Vacant  
Soccer Commissioner: Vacant  
Track Commissioner: Jeff Osmond

### Education Advisory Committee

Chair: Katie Curtis  
[windowdoll@gmail.com](mailto>windowdoll@gmail.com)

### Green Team/ Shade Tree Board

Chair: Amanda Dewey  
[amandamdewey@gmail.com](mailto:amandamdewey@gmail.com)  
Public Outreach: Therese Forbes  
[therese@celticclans.com](mailto:therese@celticclans.com)

### Historical Committee

Chair: Debby Steele Snyder  
[dsteelesny@yahoo.com](mailto:dsteelesny@yahoo.com)

### Men's Basketball League

Jim McGinnis 301-651-8142

### Neighborhood Watch/ Emergency Preparedness/ CERT

Co-Chair Merrill Weinrich  
[mweinrich2@verizon.net](mailto:mweinrich2@verizon.net)

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### Karate Club

Leon Swain 301-728-2881  
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### Playgroup

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[rachelcicero55@gmail.com](mailto:rachelcicero55@gmail.com)

### Quilter's Club

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### Recreation Council

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### Seniors Club

Ray Smith 301-474-3482





# April 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1  	2  	3  <i>Arbor Day</i> 7:00 PM NW/EP Mtg.	4 	5 6:30 PM Team Trivia	6
 7:00 PM Worksession		7:30 PM Rec Council Mtg				
7	8  	9  	10  7:00 PM Town Meeting FY 2020 Budget	11  7:00 PM Green Team Mtg.	12	13 8:30 AM UMD Good Neighbor Day
14	15  	16  	17 	18 	19	20 10:00 AM Town Cleanup 10:00 AM Easter Egg Roll
	PGCPS SPRING BREAK					
	7:00 PM Worksession				<i>Good Friday</i> Town Offices Close at 12:30 PM	
21 PGCPS SPRING BREAK Easter	22  	23  	24  7:00 PM BHHC Mtg.	25 	26	27
28	29  	30  	1 	2 	3	4 <i>Berwyn Heights Day</i>



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 2nd most recent mtg: M-S 3:00 P.M.  
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 Tue, Thu, Fri., Sun.: 8:00 P.M.

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