



# Berwyn Heights Bulletin

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## April Showers

Wild Flower Walk: April 13 10AM

Porch Concerts: April 28 2-5PM



**Town  
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Election**  
May 7, 2024



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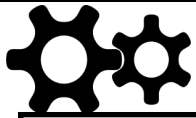
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# PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

## **Prince George's County Arbor Day Tree Planting: Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 a.m.**

The Prince George's Beautification Committee will be holding the County's Arbor Day tree planting and ceremony at Francis Fuchs Early Childhood Center (11011 Cherry Hill Road, Beltsville MD). All are welcome to attend!

## **Berwyn Heights Day Preparations**

As we prepare for Berwyn Heights Day, Public Works has begun taking inventory of supplies and preparing for the big event.

## **Streetsweeping**

The next time the Four Cities Streetsweeper will be in town is the week of April 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>. If you have heavy debris on the street in your neighborhood, try to avoid parking cars over the debris so that the streetsweeper can get it cleaned up that week.

## **Recycling Reminder: No plastic bags in recycle bins!**

Help us correctly sort our recycling. Please remember that the County recycling facility does not accept any plastic bags. Please do not bag up your recycling. Just place recyclable items loosely in your blue recycling can.

## **Plantación de árboles en el Día del Árbol del Condado de Prince George: jueves 25 de abril, 10:30 a.m.**

El Comité de Embellecimiento de Prince George llevará a cabo la ceremonia y la plantación de árboles del Día del Árbol del condado en el Centro de Primera Infancia Francis Fuchs (11011 Cherry Hill Road, Beltsville MD). ¡Todos son bienvenidos para asistir!

## **Preparativos para el día de Berwyn Heights**

Mientras nos preparamos para el Día de Berwyn Heights, Obras Públicas ha comenzado a hacer un inventario de suministros y a prepararse para el gran evento.

## **Barriendo Calles**

La próxima vez que Four Cities Streetsweeper estará en la ciudad será la semana del 1 al 5 de abril. Si hay escombros pesados en la calle de su vecindario, trate de evitar estacionar autos sobre los escombros para que el barrendero pueda limpiarlos esa semana.

## **Recordatorio de reciclaje: ¡No se permiten bolsas de plástico en los contenedores de reciclaje!**

Ayúdanos a clasificar correctamente nuestro reciclaje. Recuerde que las instalaciones de reciclaje del condado no aceptan bolsas de plástico. Por favor, no guarde su reciclaje en bolsas. Simplemente coloque los artículos reciclables sin apretar en su bote de reciclaje azul.

## **Public Hearing Notice**

The Berwyn Heights Town Council will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, April 10, 2024 at 7PM on revised Ordinance 113, Town Organizations and Ordinance 190, 57th Ave Property Donation

A listening session on road safety will also be held prior to the April 10 Town Meeting at 6:30PM.

## Worksession Minutes February 5, 2024 | 7:00 pm

### Call to Order

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. Present were Mayor Pro Tem Chris Brittan-Powell, Councilmember Shinita Hemby, and Councilmember Faustino Menjivar. Also present were Town Manager Kyle Snyder, Town Clerk Melanie Friesen and residents of the Town of Berwyn Heights.

### Approval of the Agenda

CM Hemby moved to approve the agenda. CM Menjivar seconded. With no discussion the motion passed unanimously.

### 1. Mayor

#### a. Announcements

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy shared that Councilmember Jason Papanikolas had an excused absence. There were no other announcements.

#### b. Calendar

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy reviewed the February calendar, highlighting the CPR/AED/First Aid class and reviewing the deadline to register. She added that the PGCMA meeting will be in person on the 15th in Morningside.

#### c. FY 2025 Council Budget Priorities

TM Snyder stated that before a draft budget is presented to Council, he likes to ask Council for their "high level" priorities. He noted that some items, such as recreation, stormwater management and placemaking will likely be part of the ARPA budget.

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy asked for a review of revenues, as she believes that some of the FY24 expected revenues are coming in lower than anticipated. There was discussion on what tax rate TM Snyder should use to help frame the income portion of the FY25 budget. There was discussion regarding what the Council recalled as their expectations for the FY25 tax rate from back when they set the tax rate for FY24. MPT Brittan-Powell expressed a desire to not add to the structural deficit in the budget. TM Snyder responded that his goal will be a net zero budget for the coming fiscal year. Mayor Kulpa-Eddy expressed a desire to learn the cost to bring the Police and Code Compliance departments to full staffing. There was discussion regarding Public Works, with CM Menjivar noting that the reorganization that Council approved for FY24 had taken place.

CM Menjivar shared that renting the yard next to Public Works would be a priority for him. Mayor Kulpa-Eddy stated that additional space for all departments should be a priority. CM Hemby noted the Welcome Packet would be a priority

for her. MPT Brittan-Powell reminded Council that ARPA funded projects may be operational budget items in the future.

#### d. Review Board of Supervisors of Elections Applicants

Council reviewed the five applicants who have volunteered to serve on the Board of Supervisors of Elections. With limited discussion, Council consensus was to swear in all the applicants at the February Town Meeting.

#### e. Architecture/Placemaking Consultant Consensus

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy reviewed the Council needs to make a selection from among the three proposals that were selected as finalists, in order for a resolution to be prepared to vote on at the Town Meeting. She stated that she believed all three finalists would be able to satisfy the needs of the Town. She shared that with that consideration, she used timeline to complete the project and cost as the criteria for her decision. With those, she stated that KCI would be her first choice. MPT Brittan-Powell noted that he did not believe all three proposals were equally resource rich and along with the criteria noted by Mayor Kulpa-Eddy, he also supported KCI. CM Menjivar stated his preference for KCI as well. He noted he would have liked to have seen how each contractor would have designed the exact same project to further inform his decision. CM Hemby also agreed with KCI as the chosen firm.

Resident Erin Chalkley shared her opinion that KCI is a good choice but she would also like to see an Action Item Plan from KCI to help the Town strategize next steps.

#### f. County Council Sectional Map Amendment CR-001-2024

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy opened the discussion by providing background on the issue, noting that the County is looking to rezone a portion of College Park and the Town has been invited to give comment. She reviewed the proposed zoning changes and said the Town has no areas that would likely be affected by these changes, considering the number of rezoning steps that would be required. She noted that while the comment period is open until March 19th, an ethics affidavit is due on February 20th which is why it is being brought up for discussion now.

She did ask TM Snyder to seek clarification on the intensity zones, but noted that she doesn't feel strongly about submitting comments. MPT Brittan-Powell stated that if we stand with College Park, then they might be more likely to support any rezoning the Town might request. TM Snyder will reach out to College Park to see their position on the proposed rezoning.

#### g. Resident Comments

There were no additional resident comments.

## 2. Parks, Recreation, Education, and Civic Affairs

There was no PRECA report.

### a. Town Organization Policy Draft Review

TM Snyder gave a brief update on the policy as it stands. He noted that he will be present at the Rec Council's next meeting. Mayor Kulpa-Eddy reviewed the Ordinance, reviewing each comment while highlighting that she reclassified the groups into four categories: the appointed (Boards and Commissions), the advisory (Committees), the informal (Assemblies), and the non-profits (Clubs). There was discussion regarding referencing policies rather than trying to write those details into the Ordinance, as it is easier to change and update policies than ordinances. Council discussed insurance needs for organizations and Town liability concerns. The Council will review the Ordinance again at the next worksession and then have it reviewed by the Town Attorney with a goal to introduce the updated Ordinance in March.

### b. Holy Redeemer Education Grant Request Review

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy reviewed the Holy Redeemer Home and School Association (HSA) had submitted a request for funding to help support their Fun Run (which was held in October 2023). At that time, Council requested they fill out the Berwyn Heights Education Grant request form. Holy Redeemer HSA resubmitted their request in writing; however, they did not fill out the grant request form and therefore left several questions unanswered. Mayor Kulpa-Eddy expressed discomfort giving the grant money with the limited amount of information provided and requested the Holy Redeemer HSA complete the Town form or at least answer all the questions on the form.

### 3. Public Safety

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy reviewed the two upcoming emergency skills training classes. She then mentioned the Town has received requests from PGCMA for support on State House Bill 165, which penalizes municipalities that are not complying with the State's audit requirements. PGCMA is requesting amendments to the bill, which would delay penalties on municipalities that are showing they are in good faith attempting to comply with the State's requirements. There was discussion about the effect on public safety, as one of the penalties would be to strip away State aid for police. Ultimately, the Council concluded to support HB165 with amendments. Another request for support comes from State Senator Alonzo Washington for SB148 which helps fund stormwater management for underserved and overburdened communities. This is the same bill that was started too late in the legislative process last year to pass,

but is on track for this year. Council supported the bill last year. The bill sets aside a specific amount of total funding for communities with greater need and less available funding. The Town may be eligible for these funds as an underserved community based on census numbers.

#### a. Temporary Speed Bumps/Solar Radar Signs: Update

TM Snyder met with Public Works and the Police Department to discuss road safety outside the areas that are being addressed by the Walkable Bikeable Berwyn Heights/PAMC project. He noted that Public Works has updated and installed new pedestrian crossing signs, to replace those that were original to the school when it was re-opened and had since lost their reflective surface. He noted that staff has been looking at locations to install 5 or 6 flashing stop signs, preferably in less populated areas of Town (where the flashing light would be less intrusive) to help determine if they prove useful before moving them to more populated areas. He noted that these signs would be continually flashing, as motion activated signs are more expensive. MPT Brittan-Powell had questions about why this was on the agenda tonight and why the specific locations were chosen. Mayor Kulpa-Eddy responded residents have been asking about these types of projects for a couple of years. TM Snyder reviewed the “two phase” approach which will include temporary speed bumps and solar radar signs as part of the second phase. CM Menjivar asked about the possibility of using a petition process similar to College Park, for residents to request traffic calming devices on their block. There was discussion on how temporary speed bumps are installed and that speed bumps also have stormwater implications and should be evaluated by traffic and stormwater engineers. CM Hemby requested that Quebec Street and 62nd Ave be evaluated for traffic calming efforts. She also would like to see pictures of the proposed devices. Council discussed next steps, including options for public engagement.

#### 4. Public Works

CM Menjivar thanked Public Works for their hard work during the winter weather. He added that the new merry-go-round at Pops Park is installed as well as new welcome signs in Town. TC Friesen added that the last large compost bin has been distributed.

#### 5. Administration

There was no Administration report.

##### a. Bulletin Vendor Review

TC Friesen reviewed the proposed switch in vendors to LPi, which would publish a full-color Bulletin at no cost to the Town beyond the shipping and handling costs. She reviewed that LPi takes on the task of finding advertisers to fund the Bulletin while staff would still be responsible for the content, assembly and design of the Bulletin within

the new publisher’s software. Mayor Kulpa-Eddy asked questions about the length of the term of the agreement, noting that five years seemed like a very long commitment. She also had concerns about the Town being responsible if the publisher is not able to find enough advertisers to cover the cost of the Bulletin.

MPT Brittan-Powell expressed a concern about something seeming too good to be true. TC Friesen will follow up with LPi about these concerns.

#### 6. Code Compliance

CM Hemby reminded residents to be kind to your neighbors, but if you are having issues with your neighbors that you cannot resolve, to contact Code Compliance.

#### 7. Adjournment

CM Hemby moved to adjourn the meeting. CM Menjivar seconded. With no discussion, the motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 9:20PM.

### **Town Meeting Minutes :** **February 14, 2024 | 7:00 pm.**

#### Call to Order

Mayor Jodie Kulpa-Eddy called the meeting to order at 7:01PM. Present were Mayor Pro Tem Chris Brittan-Powell, Councilmember Jason Papanikolas, Town Manager Kyle Snyder, and Town Clerk Melanie Friesen. Also present were residents of the Town of Berwyn Heights.

#### Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 1. Announcements

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy noted that CM Hemby and CM Menjivar had excused absences for work and a personal matter. MPT Brittan-Powell wished everyone a Happy Valentine’s Day.

#### \* Black History Month Proclamation

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy read the Black History Month Proclamation. She also shared that there are several special events happening in the area and highlighted a few celebrations.

#### 2. Approval of Agenda

CM Papanikolas moved to approve the agenda with an amendment that shifted Item 7.b. the “Board of Supervisors of Elections swearing in” to immediately follow item 3. MPT Brittan-Powell seconded. With no discussion, the motion passed unanimously (3:0).

#### 3. Consent

CM Papanikolas moved to accept the consent agenda. MPT Brittan-Powell seconded. In discussion, Mayor Kulpa-Eddy noted that there are omissions on the last page of the Public Works report and is asking that those

be clarified in their next monthly report. With that friendly amendment, the motion passed unanimously.

#### 7b. (amended)

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy reviewed the requirements of Ordinance 109 and the Town Charter and then swore in Sharmila Bhatia as Chief Election Judge. Laura Bowers, Susan Kelley, and Debbie Steele-Snyder were sworn in as election judges.

#### 4. Mayor & Councilmember Reports

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy stated that we are entering tax season. She shared several resources for tax preparation assistance that are available, with some resources being available in both English and Spanish. These resources will be sent to the Town Clerk and will be available upon request. She also shared Purple Line updates which include the complete closure of the intersection of Kenilworth Avenue and East-West Highway nightly beginning on or around March 4th. There will also be a complete closure for the initial weekend. She then reviewed a Senior Housing Assistance program from the County, available to qualified renters, that will be going live in mid-March. Lastly, she reviewed her meeting schedule. This included the PGCM meeting with a presentation on Universal Voting, and the Four Cities meeting which included a presentation from the County Office on Human Rights as well as discussions on relocating students from Dora Kennedy French Immersion school as students from Springhill Lake Elementary will be moved there as their school is rebuilt, reviving the Greenbelt Road task force and addressing utilities who leave wires hanging from telephone poles down to the ground.

MPT Brittan-Powell had no report.

CM Papanikolas shared that the Greenbelt City Council lost a councilmember early in his term and that there is a petition to rename Springhill Lake Elementary in his honor. He would like Berwyn Heights to consider supporting this renaming.

#### 5. Committee Reports

##### a. Green Team

CM Papanikolas shared that the Town is due for their “Bee City” designation renewal. He also shared about two events the Green Team is sponsoring: (1) to learn how to remove invasive species, and (2) to learn how to enhance Spring wild flower habitat. These will be held at the end of March and early April. There are several environmental bills up for consideration in the State legislature and the Green Team encourages residents to be in touch with their representatives.

##### b. Historical Committee

Debby Steele-Snyder shared highlights from their January 24th meeting, which included working on the walking tour and



discussions about repairing the damaged historical marker. She noted that she and Sharmila Bhatia both attended the update on the “1856 Project” held in College Park. She also noted that in 2026 the University of Maryland will be hosting the “Universities Studying Slavery” conference. She reviewed their Berwyn Heights Day plans which include the mobile museum from Prince George’s County Park and Planning.

**c. Neighborhood Watch/ Emergency Preparedness**

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy reviewed the Narcan training class that was hosted by the committee. She recommended that everyone take the opportunity to get trained on this subject. She also reviewed the upcoming AED/CPR/First Aid class, which is \$70 per person and asked anyone interested in attending to please register as soon as possible.

**d. Recreation Council**

Angie Wolfinger shared about the upcoming Team Trivia night on Friday March 15th at 7PM, noting that it is intended for adults only. She reviewed Berwyn Heights Day planning and encouraged any one interested in participating to email Susan Jones at [violin-dreams@verizon.net](mailto:violin-dreams@verizon.net). She noted there will be a parade registration. Mayor Kulpa-Eddy asked about College Park also hosting a parade that day and hoped there would be coordination with the parade participants. Mayor Kulpa-Eddy asked TM Snyder to check with College Park on this possibility.

**6. Old Business**

There was no Old Business.

**7. New Business**

**a. Resolution to select Architecture/ Placemaking Consultant**

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy reviewed that Ordinance 189A included \$100,000 in ARPA funds for an Architecture/Placemaking consultant to help evaluate current Town facilities and recreational opportunities and interact with residents to develop a plan for improvements and future options. MPT Brittan-Powell moved to approve Resolution 2-2024 to award the contract to KCI Technologies, Inc. CM Papanikolas seconded. TC Friesen read the resolution into the record. With no discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

**b. Approval and Swearing in of Board of Supervisors of Elections (moved between Items 3. and 4.)**

**c. TM Snyder Presentation-**

**“Understanding your Property Tax Bill”**

TM Snyder presented a Property Tax Bill overview, sharing how the Town tax rate

is determined and affected by property assessments and the municipal tax differential. He stated the Town is the 6th least dependent on County services and highlighted that the Town’s portion of the tax bill is only about 1/3 of the overall property tax bill that homeowners receive (the State and County being responsible for the other 2/3). He shared about several tax relief programs, including the Berwyn Heights Residential Tax Credit for eligible individuals.

**8. Resident & Community Comments**

There were no resident comments.

**9. Adjournment**

MPT Brittan-Powell moved to adjourn the meeting. CM Papanikolas seconded. With no discussion, the motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 7:55PM.

**Worksession Minutes  
February 20, 2024 | 7:00 pm**

**Call to Order**

Mayor Jodie Kulpa-Eddy called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Present were Mayor Pro Tem Chris Brittan-Powell, Councilmember Shinita Hemby, Councilmember Faustino Menjivar and Councilmember Jason Papanikolas, who attended remotely. Also present was Town Manager Kyle Snyder and Town Clerk Melanie Friesen. Kelly Kennedy of LPi was present in-person and Bob Diss of Lindsey and Associates was available virtually for their presentations.

**Approval of the Agenda**

MPT Brittan-Powell moved to approve the agenda. CM Menjivar seconded. With no discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

**1. Mayor**

**a. Announcements**

MPT Brittan-Powell shared about the passing of long-term resident Ron Luftman and his memorial service. He noted that Mr. Luftman was a great example of volunteerism in the community.

**b. Calendar**

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy reviewed the calendar for the remainder of February and gave some March highlights, including the opening of registration for the Maryland Municipal League Summer Conference and the Women’s History Month Event which will be held on March 9.

**c. Bulletin Presentation from LPi**

Ms. Kelly Kennedy from LPi Communities gave a presentation on their newsletter service and how it works. She reviewed that LPi does market research before approaching communities and takes on

the chore of advertising, billing, and seeking out new advertisers. She highlighted that LPi has been in business for over 50 years and serves over 900 communities with a growing presence in Prince George’s County. She noted that while they ask for a five-year agreement, there is room for negotiation. LPi offers the full color newsletter service free of charge to municipalities, as they make their revenue from advertisement sales. Mayor Kulpa-Eddy stated “it seems too good to be true”, and Ms. Kennedy responded that they get that a lot, but they do the market research before they move into an area and only approach organizations when they are comfortable that they will be able to make a profit. Council and Ms. Kennedy discussed a number of issues such as how the newsletter would be compiled, who is responsible for the content, the type of paper options, discounted rates for non-profits’ advertising, and other products and projects that LPi might be able to help the Town with.

**d. FY22 Audit Presentation**

TM Snyder introduced Mr. Bob Diss and thanked him for all his work to get things done. Mr. Diss gave the Council an overview of the audit, reviewing how to read the audit and the two sets of financial statements as well as the differences between the two. He noted that the Town received a clean opinion. He noted the department with the largest change was Public Works and that was due to temporary staffing and salary increases. There was discussion about how much the Town has spent of ARPA funds and Mr. Diss noted that if the Town spends more than \$750,000 of funds in a single year, that they will need a single audit for which the Town will need to budget approximately \$5,000.

**e. EV Charging Station Update**

TM Snyder noted that we have received a snapshot from the month of January 2024 of the data for the EV charging stations at Town Hall. He reviewed that data from the chargers will help inform Council on their decision whether the Town should charge for the use of the stations based on KW usage and if so, how much to charge. MPT Brittan-Powell asked for clarification on the reasoning for the monitoring. Mayor Kulpa-Eddy noted that residents have expressed concerns about the Town providing free electricity to people charging their vehicles.

There was discussion regarding whether the Town was supposed to be charged for the electricity under the company’s installation agreement. CM Papanikolas noted that the original chargers were installed for free using grant funding, but that the Town has always paid for the electricity.

f. Questions for County Executive Alsobrooks (10 minutes)

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy reviewed that Council had received a letter from PGMA asking for no more than two questions/concerns from each municipality to send to County Executive Alsobrooks in advance of the annual PGMA meeting with her. The Council discussed several possible items, ultimately deciding to ask questions specific to Berwyn Heights and will inquire about the plans and timeline for Berwyn Heights Elementary School renovations. The Council will also submit a question regarding the ongoing stormwater issues in Town and what County funds will be provided to remedy these.

g. Resident Comments

There were no resident comments.

## 2. Public Safety

There was no Public Safety report.

### a. Road Safety Community Outreach Dates

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy reviewed that the Council had received a Roadway Safety Report at the last worksession and wanted to present that information to for residents for comment, as specific locations are now attached to proposed remediations. In discussion, Council decided to host a late morning meeting on Saturday, March 30th from 11AM to Noon, and then a second outreach opportunity prior to the April Town Meeting.

## 3. Public Works

There was no Public Works report.

## 4. Administration

MPT Brittan-Powell shared that the Town has hired Jonathon Loutsch as the PRECA Aide and that he will begin in March. The Town has made an offer to a grant writer and is still working to fill the Community Engagement position.

### a. Record Retention Policy Review

TC Friesen reviewed that each municipality is required to have a record retention policy approved by the Maryland State Archives. She inherited a project in process from the previous Town Clerk, but found that the regulations on record retention had changed and that many updates needed to be made to those draft documents. The policy now before Council has been through one review at the State Archives and is responsive to their questions and comments. TC Friesen noted that it is easier to amend a policy than it is to create a new one, so she has focused on Administration files and will add the other departments over time. She requested Council review the policy and note any concerns or questions for her to review.

## 5. Code Compliance

CM Hemby requested that Council review the policy on landlords and what it would take for a landlord to have their rental license revoked. She noted that most landlords are following the rules, but there are a few that are consistently negligent, and fines and consequences for that negligence need to be a deterrent. She suggested that we ensure that we are in line with County fines. There was discussion on how the Code Compliance officers are being treated in the community. MPT Brittan-Powell noted that the Police Department has commented on how significant Code Compliance is to the public safety of the community.

## 6. Parks, Recreation, Education, and Civic Affairs

There was no PRECA report.

### a. Town Organization Policy Draft 4

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy reviewed the new draft codifies town organizations into defined categories: the appointed Boards and Commissions; Committees (such as the Green Team and Historical Committee); Assemblies, which are informal groups (such as the Quilters Club), and the various Non-Profits that work with the Town (such as Boys and Girls Club). The draft also removed a section on finances, as that was incorporated into each organization type subsection. Council reviewed that Sections 8, 9, and 10 still need to be worked on with the help of various staff and groups. Section 11 formalizes how groups are created and dissolved. Council spent several minutes discussing how to foster new group development. MPT Brittan-Powell expressed a desire to make sure that the structure of the ordinance has been vetted by Town Organizations. Mayor Kulpa-Eddy and CM Papanikolas both noted that there has been ongoing discussion for several years with Town Organizations that have informed this document. CM Hemby encouraged residents to come forward to start new Assemblies. Mayor Kulpa-Eddy reviewed the draft "Event Policy" and lead a discussion on the process of canceling an event and the possible appeals process. TM Snyder recommended getting an MOU with all non-profits that the Town coordinates with.

## 7. Adjournment

CM Hemby moved to adjourn the meeting. MPT Brittan-Powell seconded. With no discussion the motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 9:09PM.



# Council Corner

From MPT Brittan-Powell

Typically, during these early to mid-Spring months, much of Council's time is dedicated to the Town Budget. To a modest extent, our regular annual budget ordinance is akin to an appropriations/funding bill and largely establishes how we expect to finance the various functions of the Town. So great effort is given to learning of the possible needs before it is voted on. These things are largely paid by the Town being given a modest percentage of your general property tax. While renters don't have to pay these directly, the homeowner probably works them into the rental price. To understand this more specifically, I strongly encourage you to watch the March 4<sup>th</sup> presentation by the Town Manager on the proposed budget. No one likes taxes, but one thing that may surprise folks is that their taxes to the Town are fairly modest – especially compared to those that we pay to the County, State, Maryland National Park and Planning Commission, or Federal government. The April council meeting will focus on developing the final version of the Town's annual budget for 2024-2025 Fiscal Year. Passing the annual budget should occur at the May Town Council Meeting. So, if you have important things for the budget please inform a Council Member ASAP.

Elections to the upcoming 51<sup>st</sup> Berwyn Heights Town Council are occurring this Spring and I wish all candidates good luck. May 4<sup>th</sup> is Berwyn Heights Day - the Town's annual celebration event (food, fun, music, games, etc.) Enjoy! ---- Chris



**COUNCIL MEMBER**  
**ERIC OLSON**  
Presents:

**DISTRICT 3**

# Town Hall and Resource Fair

**Thursday**  
**April 11, 2024**  
**6:00 pm - 8:00 pm**

**William Wirt Middle School**  
**6200 Tuckerman St**  
**Riverdale, MD 20737**

Speaking Program and Q&A session will start at 7:00 pm. Residents are encouraged to stop by the tables to gather information and ask questions.

For more information contact (301) 952-3060 or email CouncilDistrict3@co.pg.md.us

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY**

**Resource Fair Participants:**

- Department of Permitting, Inspection and Enforcement (DPIE)
- Department of the Environment (DOE)
- Department of Public Works & Transportation (DPW&T)
- District 1 & 2 Cops Officers
- Office of Community Relations
- PCC311
- Office of the Sheriff
- Homeland Security
- Employ PG
- MNCPPC Parks and Recreation and Planning Department
- Habitat for Humanity
- Popeo
- Fire Department
- Department of Health & Human Services
- Department of Social Services
- Department of Human Rights
- Prince George's County Memorial Library System
- Revenue Authority
- Housing and Community Development
- Greater Riverdale Thrives



# Town Elections



**The Berwyn Heights Town Council election will be on  
May 7, 2024.  
Every Vote Matters!**

Other important election dates:

April 8: Voter Registration Closes

April 8: First Day to Request an Absentee/Mail-in Ballot

April 25: Candidates Night 8PM

April 30: Last Day to Request an Absentee Ballot

# Elecciones Municipales



**La elección del Concejo Municipal de Berwyn Heights se  
llevará a cabo el 7 de mayo de 2024.  
¡Cada voto importa!**

Otras fechas electorales importantes:

8 de abril: Cierra el registro de votantes

8 de abril: primer día para solicitar una boleta de voto en ausencia/por correo

25 de abril: Noche de candidatos 8 p.m.

30 de abril: último día para solicitar un voto en ausencia



## Town of Berwyn Heights

5700 Berwyn Road  
Berwyn Heights, MD 20740  
Tel. (301) 474-5000  
Fax (301) 474-5002

### ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATION

Please print:

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Suffix (Jr, Sr, III if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Name or Initial \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

**Residential Address**

Street: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit # \_\_\_\_\_

Berwyn Heights, MD 20740

☐ I, or my appointed designee will pick up my Absentee Ballot at Town Hall before 5PM on May 6, 2024.

(name of designee) \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I request that the Absentee Ballot be mailed to me at the following address:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant (no electronic signatures accepted)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Assistant Signature

(Required if the voter received help on this form)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Voter Name

Under penalty of perjury, I hereby certify that this voter needed help with this form because he or she has a disability or is unable to read or write. The voter authorized me to complete this form. If the voter could not sign this form, I printed the voter's name and wrote my initials.

Return application to: Town of Berwyn Heights, Attention Town Clerk, 5700 Berwyn Road, Berwyn Heights, MD 20740 or drop it off at the above location.

**PLEASE NOTE:** An Absentee Ballot will not be sent to you unless you are registered to vote in Maryland or the Town of Berwyn Heights. You can check your registration status with the Prince George's County at 301-341-7300 or on-line at <https://voterservices.elections.maryland.gov/VoterSearch>

The last day to request an absentee ballot is April 30, 2024. Ballots will not be mailed after April 23, 2024 and must be picked up at Town Hall. The Town is not responsible for ballots lost in postal transit but will work with you if your ballot is lost. Call 301-474-5000 with questions or to check on the status of your ballot.



# Certified Candidate Profiles

## CHRIS BRITTAN-POWELL



We need each other.

I believe in family and community. Berwyn Heights is a diverse town where we can come together to celebrate the richness found both in our uniqueness and in our differences. The Town Council should be about building and sustaining a healthy and safe community for all ages, preferences/orientations, genders, ethnicities, etc.

Berwyn Heights is my hometown. I adopted it, and it adopted me. I will be here for the rest of my life. I'm not going anywhere. Beth and I have lived here over two decades and raised three lads who I am very proud of. I have been honored to have served you all in numerous ways such as the PTA, Boys and Girls Club, etc. Now, I am a semi-retired, sixty something, teacher/professor, who has served on the Council before. At heart, I am a small town boy and love Berwyn Heights for its many small town qualities. We support each other's strivings to build a good life for oneself and our loved ones

We all know that, in the larger world, too many things are pulling us away from each other.

**Making and Sustaining Community** takes deliberate focus and hard work. I think that the rest of the world should be jealous of us. Building up and sustaining Berwyn Heights is an affirmational expression of community that requires focused hard work. I ask for your vote, so I can continue to give such affirmation to this Town that I love.

## Roger Gaines

No profile submitted

## David Wolfinger



Hello, my name is Dave Wolfinger and I am running for town council. I have lived in the town for 48 years, raised six children here, and have decided to stay after my retirement three years ago. During this time, I have been involved with several town organizations as a volunteer. I have watched the town change over the years and I believe the

changes have made it a better place. One thing that I like is it's diverse working class residents that make up the town. As a council member I would have no personal agenda or group affiliations that would influence my actions on the council. I am a strong supporter of the police and public safety and would work to help them continue their work. The two groups I care about the most are our seniors – our past and our children – our future. I would welcome your comments and suggestions on subjects presented to me as a council member so I know what you the citizens want. I do not “follow the leader” but make informed decisions based on facts. I am concerned about the future of our town and will work hard to ensure it remains a friendly community. Feel free to contact me about anything you would like to discuss.

Email – iuoe99@gmail.com Cell – 240 401-8640

Thank You,  
Dave Wolfinger

# NON-CERTIFIED WRITE IN CANDIDATES\*

\*all candidates must be certified by the Ethics Commission. The following candidates have filed as write in candidates, but have not yet been certified by the Ethics Commission.

## Mark Matthews



My name is Mark Matthews and I am excited to announce my candidacy for Town Council, with a focus on safety and infrastructure. I have called Berwyn Heights my home since 1998 and have seen firsthand the importance of ensuring our community is safe and our infrastructure is well-maintained.

As a long-time resident, I believe in the importance of fostering a sense of security and well-being for all members of our community. This includes advocating for increased police presence, implementing measures to prevent crime, and promoting community involvement in neighborhood watch programs.

I have a strong passion for public service and believe in giving back to my community. I have been actively involved in local organizations and community events, and have always strived to make Berwyn Heights a better place for all residents.

Additionally, I understand the critical role that infrastructure plays in maintaining the quality of life in Berwyn Heights. I am committed to addressing issues such as road maintenance, public transportation, and ensuring that our town remains a desirable place to live, work, and play.

I am dedicated to serving the residents of Berwyn Heights and I look forward to working towards a safer and more sustainable future for our community. I humbly ask for your support and vote in the upcoming election. Together, we can make a positive impact on our town.

## Edgar Moctezuma



Dear Berwyn Heights Neighbors:

Greetings! My name is Edgar Moctezuma, I have been a resident of Berwyn Heights since 2003, and I am now running for the Town Council. I love the Town of Berwyn Heights, and I have been involved in different activities in town, including: vendor at Berwyn Heights Day and December Arts and Crafts Day, member of the Green Team, soccer coach for the BH Boys and Girls Club, "Day of the Dead" exhibit and presentation sponsored by the Recreation Council, among others.

I was born in Los Angeles, California, obtained my Ph.D. degree in Plant Biology from U.C. Berkeley in 1998, and came to do a postdoctoral fellowship at the USDA-ARS in Beltsville, MD, in 2000. After nearly three years there, I obtained a lecturer position at the University of Maryland, Department of Cell Biology and Molecular Genetics, where I have been teaching plant biology for almost 21 years.

Besides my joy of teaching plant biology at Maryland, I also enjoy being the parent of a wonderful 14 year-old daughter, Isabella, as well as biking, golf, playing pool, soccer coaching, and creating art (oil and acrylic painting).

As part of my desire and vocation to continue serving the town and my community, I would be honored to have the opportunity to serve in the Berwyn Heights Town Council. Some of the main issues that concern me, and which I would like to work with are:

- Sustainability in town – keep finding ways to make the city more sustainable and environmentally friendly for all town residents.
- Improving Safety – strengthening our police and security in town.
- Improving community involvement - for all residents and businesses to be part of the decision-making process.

I believe that working together, we can all keep enhancing the quality of life in our precious Town of Berwyn Heights. Thank you for your support!



# Berwyn Heights Day 2024

# Berwyn Heights Day **FUN RUN** May 4<sup>th</sup> 8:30 am

Bring the whole family for an enjoyable run/walk around Lake Artemesia with post-race refreshments!

Registration and race begins at the Town Center and will proceed to nearby paths

**Registration begins at 8:00 am**

Cost is **\$10.00** per adult town resident, and **\$5.00** per child 13-17 and **\$2.00** 12 and under.

**Strollers are free, \$15 for non-town residents.**

*All registrants receive a t-shirt designed by resident Angie Wolfinger with design by Dave Williams  
(while supplies last)*

Please make checks out to the Town of Berwyn Heights



NAME \_\_\_\_\_

AGE (if under 18) \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

SHIRT SIZE (PLEASE CIRCLE)

CHILD 8-10

14-16

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**QUANTITIES LIMITED AND DISTRIBUTED ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVED BASIS**

**WAIVER – MUST BE SIGNED BEFORE REGISTRATION WILL BE ACCEPTED**

I know that running a race is a potentially hazardous activity. I should not enter and run or walk unless I am medically able and properly trained. I agree to abide by any decision of a race official relative to my ability and safely complete the run. I assume all risks associated with this event including, but not limited to falls, contact with other participants, effect of weather, traffic, and the condition of the track, all such risks being known and appreciated by me. Having read this waiver and knowing these facts, and in consideration of your accepting my entry, I, for myself, and anyone entitled on my behalf, waive and release the Town of Berwyn Heights, its agents, servants and employees and event sponsors for all claims and liability of any kind arising out of my participation in this event including any liability which may arise out of the negligence or carelessness on the part of the person named in the waiver.

PRINT NAME \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

PARENTS SIGNATURE IF UNDER 18



**Berwyn Heights Day Vendor/Information Booth Application Saturday, May 4, 2024**

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):

**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, loaves of bread, etc are acceptable – individual cupcakes, beverages, etc. are not.), no Silly String, no Colored Hair Spray

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

**Set-Up Time: 10:00 am – 11:00 am. Please drop off items no later than 10:15 am to begin your set up.**

**Event time: 11:00 am – 4:00 pm**

**Check ONE:**

\_\_\_\_\_ \$10 Residents/Non-Profits

\_\_\_\_\_ \$20 Non-Residents/For-Profits (\$15 if payment received by 4/1/2022)

Table/Chairs: Will you need a table    Yes    NO    Chairs? (Supply is limited):    1 or 2

Will you need a canopy? (Canopies available for \$15; supply limited):    YES    NO

Mail or drop-off registration form at Berwyn Heights Town Center, attn:Rec Council, 5700 Berwyn Road, Berwyn Heights, MD 20740 with cash/check (made out to the Town of Berwyn Heights) by April 26, 2024. For more info, contact: Susan Jones at 301-602-8926, [violindreams@verizon.net](mailto:violindreams@verizon.net)

**OFFICE USE ONLY: SELECT ONE:**

Cash \_\_\_\_\_

Check \_\_\_\_\_ (put check # in space)

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



To see the full Community Garden Agreement, please visit the Town Website at <http://bit.ly/BHGarden2024>



## Berwyn Heights Community Garden

2024 Application

The Berwyn Heights Community Garden is located in the 8900 block of 58<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

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

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

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

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

The lease period is March 2024 - February 2025. **Plot fee \$30.**  
Cash or Checks accepted. Please make checks payable to BH Recreation Council

Existing members and those interested in becoming new members must submit a 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. Water, tools, and other resources will be provided.

Garden rules and regulations will be posted at the Town Office and on the town website. A community garden orientation/training will be held in March for new plot owners. **New plot** owners should contact Diana Agony at 301-672-6670 to arrange a garden orientation before you start planting.

I/we agree to abide by the 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

Please return this application/fee in person or by mail to:

Town Hall

5700 Berwyn Road

Berwyn Heights MD, 20740

Applications can be left in the drop box if office is closed.

APPLICATION 2024

For Office Use Only

Date Received \_\_\_\_\_

Plot # \_\_\_\_\_

Payment # \_\_\_\_\_

For questions, please contact Diana Agony at 301-672-6670 or <mailto:daagony72@yahoo.com>.

# Berwyn Heights Seniors Club

Open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 10 A.M. to 1P.M.— Next to the Town Office

on 57th Ave. Phone 301-474-5000

**THE BEST THERAPY IN THE WORLD IS TIME OUT WITH YOUR FRIENDS!**

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

|          |                  |
|----------|------------------|
| April 3  | Patricia Davila  |
| April 5  | Mike Attick      |
| April 6  | Bertha Davies    |
| April 11 | Eddie Daffron    |
| April 19 | Jodie Kulpa-Eddy |

## APRIL ACTIVITIES

**CHAIR EXERCISES**— Monday and Friday at 11 A.M.

**BINGO** - Every Tuesday at 12:00 PM

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

**GAME NIGHT**— Board Games and Pool Every Friday at 7:00PM

**POTLUCK & MOVIE** – Second Saturday at 5PM

**BREAKFAST** at the SILVER DINER third Thursday at 9:30

**MEETINGS**-Second and Fourth Tuesday at 11A.M.  
The Fourth Tuesday is also a Pot Luck.

**Senior's Bake Sale**  
**Berwyn Heights Day**  
**May 4**  
**Beginning 9AM**



## Free Karate Training!!!!

Train with Sensei Leon Swain, 7<sup>th</sup> degree black belt, five-time inductee into the World Professional Martial Arts Hall of Fame. Member of Sho-Rei-Shobu-Kan Budo Organization.

Berwyn Heights Town Center-5700 Berwyn Rd-2<sup>nd</sup> Fl.  
Open to all ages/all levels: Year-Round: Mondays and Fridays 5-7 pm  
Executive Club (Senior Citizens): Thursdays 12:00 – 2:00

*We are grilling and holding 50/50 raffle for fundraiser on  
Berwyn Heights Day.*

For more information, contact Theresa Beck 301-237-2829 ([becktheresag@gmail.com](mailto:becktheresag@gmail.com)),  
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 Recreation Council

**Sunday, April 28 2-5pm - Porch Concerts at 5701 Pontiac Street**

Bring something to sit on and come enjoy some fun music in the driveway or lawn:

2pm Mike Hummel (singer/songwriter)

2:45pm Hot Club of Berwyn Heights (jazz/swing)

3:30pm Pandemic Sisters and Dave (ukulele group)

4:15pm Odds Are (bluegrass/variety)

*\*\*Rain location will be at the Town Center*



**And coming soon, Berwyn Heights Day 2024!** Join us **Saturday, May 4th** for a full day of family fun! Start the day at our Annual Fun Run and Free Pancake Breakfast. Other activities throughout the day include the Bake Sale at the Senior Center, Berwyn Heights Day Parade starting at noon, and festivities starting at 1pm at Sports Park including a DJ, live concert by The Wild Anacostias, food and craft vendors, and Free Rides for the kids. Stay tuned for more details in the May Bulletin.



Our next two meetings are April 2nd and April 30th, at 7pm in the Love room (1st Floor of the Town Center). Feel free to join us at a meeting, or email your suggestions to [violindreams@verizon.net](mailto:violindreams@verizon.net)

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**Domingo, 28 de abril 2-5pm - Conciertos en el porche en 5701 Pontiac Street**

Traiga algo para sentarse y venga a disfrutar de música divertida en el camino de entrada o en el césped:

2pm Mike Hummel (cantante y compositor)

2:45pm Hot Club de Berwyn Heights (jazz/swing)

3:30pm Pandemic Sisters y Dave (grupo de ukelele)

4:15 pm Odds Are (bluegrass/variedad)

*La ubicación de la lluvia será en el centro de la ciudad*



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**¡Y próximamente, el Día de Berwyn Heights 2024!** ¡Únase a nosotros el **sábado 4 de mayo** para un día completo de diversión familiar! Comience el día con nuestra carrera anual y desayuno de panqueques gratis. Otras actividades a lo largo del día incluyen la venta de pasteles en el Centro para Personas Mayores, el Desfile del Día de Berwyn Heights a partir del mediodía y las festividades a partir de la 1 p.m. en Sports Park, que incluyen un DJ, un concierto en vivo de The Wild Anacostias, vendedores de comida y artesanías, y paseos gratis para los niños. Estén atentos para más detalles en el Boletín de mayo.



Nuestras próximas dos reuniones son el martes 2 de abril y 30 de abril, a las 7 p.m. en el centro de la ciudad, 1er piso (8603 57th Avenue). No dudes en unirte a nosotros en una reunión o enviar tus sugerencias por correo electrónico a [violindreams@verizon.net](mailto:violindreams@verizon.net)



# *Historical Committee*

## **We are bringing the museum to you!**

The Sankofa Mobile Museum will be coming to Berwyn Heights on May 4, 2024, for Berwyn Heights Day.



\*Stop by our table and learn about the history of your town.

\*Add to your collection of magnets featuring the historic houses of Berwyn Heights.

\*We are having a wine basket raffle. Must be at least 21 years old to participate.

The **next meeting** will be on **Wednesday, April 24, 2024**, at 7:30 p.m. in the Love Room.

**All are welcome!**

All other inquiries to: [dsteelesny@yahoo.com](mailto:dsteelesny@yahoo.com)

For more information visit our Website:

<https://berwynheightshistory.com> and on Facebook.

**Visitors are always welcome!**







# Berwyn Heights Green Team



[bgreen.berwynheights@gmail.com](mailto:bgreen.berwynheights@gmail.com)

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

Facebook: @BerwynHeightsGreenTeam

Our next Green Team meeting will be / Nuestra proxima reunion del Equipo Verde sera

Thursday, 4/11/24, 7:00 pm, G Love Room, Town Center.

All residents of Berwyn Heights are welcome. / Todos los residentes de Berwyn Heights son bienvenidos.



Let flowers bloom in  
your yard to give pollinators a boost:

Join us for No Mow April!

You won't be fined for long grass.

Deje que las flores florezcan en su jardín  
para estimular a los polinizadores:

¡Sugerimos no podar el cesp ed en abril!

No se aplicar an multas por cesp ed alto.

Spring wildflower walk!

 Caminata de primavera con flores silvestres!

**10 am, Saturday, Apr 13**

On Woods Trail / en Woods Trail

More details /

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## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH/ EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS



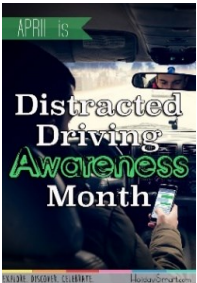
Join us April 3 at 7:00pm in the G. Love Room

Visit us on Berwyn Heights Day (May 4) and sign up to receive information on future training classes.

Look for the Neighborhood Watch/Emergency Preparedness Trailer!

### APRIL IS:

#### Distracted Driving Awareness Month



April is Distracted Driving Awareness Month. Driving distracted is one of the most dangerous things you can do. It may seem like it's not a big deal to answer a text or check your emails while you drive, but it can be deadly. Make a pledge not to use any technology as you drive to reduce distractions and keep the road safe. Learn more from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration: <https://www.nhtsa.gov/april-distracted-driving-awareness-month>

#### Defeat Diabetes Month

April is Defeat Diabetes Month. It is a month to educate yourself on the best ways to prevent diabetes and to support people with diabetes. An easy way to celebrate is to donate money to a diabetes foundation. Learn more through the Defeat Diabetes Foundation: <https://defeatdiabetes.org/>



#### Pet First Aid Awareness Month



April is Pet First Aid Awareness Month. There are many pet injuries that you can treat at home. This month is all about learning when to treat your pet at home and what to do in many common scenarios. Learn more at:

<https://nationaltoday.com/national-pet-first-aid-awareness-month/>



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



**100 Years of Service 1924 - 2024**



## Recent Working Incidents

**Feb 4th-** Ladder Truck 14 was alerted to as the first due truck to the 5400 block of 54th Pl. in Riverdale for the reported house on fire. Units arrived on the scene to find fire showing from a side bravo base-ment window & started the working fire dispatch. Truck 14 operated in the basement, completing searches, opening up for the engine company, and laddered the exterior.



**Feb 8th-** Ladder Truck 14 was dispatched as 1st Due Truck to Strawberry Glen Ln in Glenn Dale for a reported house on fire. Companies arrived to find a bedroom fire on the second floor. The truck crew completed searches, opened up, and laddered the structure. The fire was contained to the room of origin.

**Feb 13th-** County Fire/EMS units were dispatched to the old Fairmount Heights High School in Company 38's first due for the reports of a building fire. Units arrived to find multiple fires set throughout the vacant school. Ladder Truck 14 was dispatched to the scene on the Working Fire Dispatch arrived and assumed duty as the Rapid Intervention Team, but was redeployed working with companies on the roof to ventilate and completed numerous fireground tasks including removing window bars and overhaul.

**Feb 14-** Companies were dispatched to the 100blk of Swiss Gap Road in Largo for the reported townhouse fire with people entrapment. First arriving companies arrived to find fire showing and rescued one adult and one child from the second floor by ground ladders. Ladder Truck 14 operated at the 3rd due Truck Company on the assignment.

**Feb 23rd-** Rescue Squad 14 and Ambulance 14 were alerted to SB Kenilworth Ave after Pontiac Street for a reported car into the woods. Units arrived to find a crash with the driver deceased. The scene was turned over to the County Police for accident investigation.

## Bike Trail Emergencies

It's that time of year again and BHVFD volunteers have been busy responding to emergencies in our "First Due" along the bike trails of Lake Artemisia, Greenbelt Station Parkway, Greenbelt National Park, and Anacostia Tributary Trail System to name a few. With the complex trail systems in our area, BHVFD needs all the help we can get when responding to these calls. Below are some tips to help us

- **Be as specific as possible when reporting the emergency's location to 911.** What trail are you on, what mile marker, closest road/trail intersection, and even check for the round Park Police trail emergency markers. In most cases BHVFD has to request more specific location details prior to committing to a specific trail entrance point, and our response is delayed.
- Send help to guide Fire/EMS units. Ask a bystander to head to a park/trail entrance or trail intersection to help show responders the way. If you pass a trail emergency and then see Fire/EMS units, please help direct them to the scene as well!
- If you are out alone, be sure to carry identification (which includes name, phone number, and pertinent medical information) in case you become unconscious. Before leaving home, share the route you plan to run, walk or cycle with a family member or friend, and include the time you plan to return.

### **What units does BHVFD send on Trail Emergencies?**

A typical BHVFD response to a bike trail emergency will include the Ambulance (of course), the Rescue Squad (for man power or if special rescue is needed), and our Utility truck (pickup truck able to go off-road and along most trails). You may also see the College Park VFD "Cart 12" which is a EMS transport ATV unit used for events at the University of Maryland. This unit is often requested as it can easily navigate the trails and pedestrian bridges.



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14



Cart 12 -->





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**Learn more about what is  
available in Berwyn Heights!**

Visit the Community tab on the Town  
Website to learn more about

- ◇ County Community Resources
- ◇ Area Recreation
- ◇ Town Groups and Assemblies
- ◇ Bee City USA
- ◇ And so much more!

[https://www.berwynheightsmd.gov/  
home/pages/community](https://www.berwynheightsmd.gov/home/pages/community)

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| 1 Month                   | \$200.00   | \$288.00     |
| 6 Months                  | \$1,080.00 | \$1,536.00   |
| 12 Months                 | \$1,536.00 | \$2,688.00   |



## January Incidents

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2024 AT 10:00 AM, 'THEFT.'

On February 2, 2024, at about 10 am PFC Lowndes #1456 and Sgt Krouse # 1447 Berwyn Heights Police Department responded to 6201 Greenbelt Road Suite U7 for a report of a stolen handgun. The responding Officers arrived on the scene and met with the listed victim. She stated between the listed dates and times of Jan 24, 2024, 6 pm and Jan 31, 2024, 5 pm the unknown suspect took and removed a black .380 caliber Carl Walther CCP semi-automatic handgun with 8 round magazine capacity serial # WM016265. The handgun is legally registered in the state of Maryland. The handgun was last seen inside an unsecured office closet on the bottom shelf that was kept in a black vinyl zipper bag. Further investigation revealed, there were no signs of forced entry into the office space and there were no working surveillance cameras. The stolen handgun information was entered in NCIC by Prince George's County teletype operator Boyd # C1369.

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2024 AT 11:26 AM, 'THEFT FROM AUTO.'

At 1126 hrs, 2/2/2024, the AGENT/reporting person notified Sgt. T. Hollowell, #1449, Berwyn Heights Police, that a rear license plate was stolen. The investigation indicated the listed vehicle, parked overnight at the LOI, "SHORB" LANDSCAPING, had a rear tag taken off a new work vehicle. The tag just obtained had been securely affixed to the vehicle. During a morning check of the lot and equipment, the tag was discovered gone. No investigative leads exist and there were no surveillance cameras posted.

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2024 AT 11:27 PM, 'ARMED SUBJECT.'

On 02/02/2024 Sgt Roberson #1445 and PFC Herriott #1454 were dispatched to 62\*\* Ruatan St. Berwyn Heights MD, for an in-progress assault call with a weapon. Upon arrival and checking the area a subject was located walking in the 6200 block of Ruatan ST. The subject was identified as a 29 Y/O/M and he was interviewed as to why he was in the area and if he was involved or observed an altercation. He said he was involved in a fight but did not live in the area. The subject appeared to be under the influence of an unknown CDS. The subject matched the description of a participant of the assault with a weapon call, being under the influence of CDS and indicating he was involved in an altercation, a stop and frisk was conducted for officer safety with negative results. The subject did have a visible scrape on his right hand that was slightly bleeding. The subject did not want an ambulance and stated he did not live in the neighborhood. Not being able to locate a victim the subject was sent on his way. Further investigation via case search revealed that the subject has used 62\*\* Ruatan ST Berwyn Heights as a home address. He has pending criminal charges using that as a listed address. Upon discovering that he had used this address, officers responded to 62\*\* Ruatan ST for a check on the welfare. There was no answer at the door.

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2024 AT 4:15 PM, 'DEATH INVESTIGATIONS.'

On 2/05/2024 at 1615 hrs BHPD units along with BHFD responded to 85\*\* 63RD Ave Berwyn Heights MD for a check on the welfare call. Once on the scene, Sgt Roberson #1445 made contact with BHFD firefighter West # 27611 Ambulance 814. Firefighter West reported that he pronounced the resident deceased at 1610 hrs and indicated the subject had been deceased for several days. He stated, "No foul play suspected" The listed witness reports that she cleans the house where the deceased rents the bottom part of the house. She further reported that she discovered the resident was unresponsive in his bed and contacted EMS. She further reports that she has found him on other occasions passed out and contacted EMS. The deceased has extensive medical conditions including diabetes and heart problems. Sgt. Rober contacted the ME, FI Truesdell. ME OCME # 24-01776 The case was declined by the ME. Homicide contacted, LLOYD # 3922 M-25 notified. The next of kin was notified. The daughter resides in San Francisco. The MD anatomy board was contacted and they will respond in 4 to 6 hours to recover the body. MD state anatomy board responded and secured the body at 2230 hrs. The daughter was informed that the anatomy board had custody of the body and was instructed to contact them in the am.

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2024 AT 7:00 AM, 'THEFT FROM AUTO.'

On February 7, 2024, at about 7:00 am PFC Lowndes # 1456 Berwyn Heights Police Department responded to 58\*\* Berwyn Road for a report of theft from auto. PFC Lowndes arrived on the scene and met with the listed victim who stated to PFC Lowndes between the dates and times of February 6<sup>th</sup>, 4:30 PM, and February 7<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 AM. The unknown suspect broke the victim's front driver-side window of his 2016 blue Lexus GS 350 bearing Maryland license plate # 9FE4644. The unknown suspect took the following items from the victim's vehicle: 1 dark brown wallet containing 500 U.S. dollars, 10 credit cards, and (1) a Maryland driver's License including (1) a 13-inch MacBook with a gray computer bag. At the time of the theft report, the victim was unable to provide or give the Mac Book laptop computer serial number. The listed victim will ask his landlord if his ring door camera captured any video of the incident.

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2024 AT 8:00 AM, 'VANDALISM.'

On February 7, 2024, at about 8:00 AM PFC Lowndes Berwyn Heights Police responded to 8900 block 57th Ave for report of a vandalism. PFC Lowndes arrived on the scene and discovered a blue 2019 Mazda bearing Maryland license plate # 4EZ2871 with a damaged front passenger side window. PFC Lowndes located the owner of the vehicle who stated between the date and times of February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2:30 AM and 7:30 AM the unknown suspect damaged and broke the front passenger window of his 2022 blue Mazda bearing Maryland license plate # 4EZ2871.

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2024 AT 11:56 PM, 'WARRANT SERVICE / CPS.'

On 2/09/24 at 2356 hrs. Sgt Roberson #1445 was dispatched to 6051 (Checkers Restaurant) Greenbelt RD for a check on the welfare type call of an intoxicated woman with young children. On the scene, Sgt. Roberson observed Checkers restaurant employees with two infant children sitting on a bench in the cold. They informed me that the mother was highly intoxicated staggering around the parking lot and into traffic. Sgt. Roberson observed the described female yelling and wandering around the parking lot in an intoxicated condition. EMS was immediately notified to check on the children who were reportedly out in the cold for an hour and a half. Branchville V.F.D responded, and Sgt. Roberson instructed the fire personnel to transport the children for a check-up. The mother, 32 Y/O female was intoxicated and in possession of a tequila bottle. A wanted check on the mother discovered that she had an open bench warrant with P.G. Sheriff for traffic charges (driving while suspended). The mother was arrested and transported to U.M. DOC for processing. The children, described by the intoxicated mother f/3 and m/1 y/o. The children were transported to Holly Cross Hospital. Holly Cross Hospital staff reports that the children were medically cleared, and he would contact CPS. Det Krouse was notified.

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2024 AT 8:42 AM, 'THEFT.'

On 02/16/2024, PG County Dispatcher received via telephone about a theft that occurred at Devine Intervention, 6201 Greenbelt Road Unit #3, Berwyn Heights, Maryland. The victim advised that he was the director at Devine Intervention and that on 02/15/2024, an employee stole \$32,624.87 from Devine Intervention's Navy Federal Credit Union bank account, account number 7158727052. The victim advised that the suspect was an employee of Devine Intervention who had access to the company's bank account. The victim stated that the suspect electronically transferred the funds in a single transaction to her personal Navy Federal Credit Union bank account.

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2024 AT 12:15 PM, 'EPS.'

At 1215 hrs, 2/17/2024, Police units were dispatched to the LOI with reports of a subject running in the house with a knife and acting uncontrollably. Sgt. T. Hollowell, Berwyn Heights Police, #1449 arrived on the scene along with Prince George's County officers. Hollowell made contact with the mother. The subject identified as \*\*\* ran screaming threats of harm into his room closing and locking the door. According to the witness he had tried setting his hair on fire and slashing his wrist. Hollowell was able to get the door open and along with county officers took control of \*\*\*. His behavior was combative, erratic, and threatening. He was repeating over and over for someone to kill him. He was resisting and was placed in hand irons and legs subdued to stop him from harming himself and the officers. While awaiting the fire department ambulance he would continue banging his head against the wall in the living room area. \*\*\* was taken by Greenbelt Ambulance 835 to White Oak Hospital. Based on information and observation from Hollowell he was admitted to the psychiatric facility for observation and treatment. Documents for evaluation were completed and submitted to White Oak staff. No other police actions are pending.



**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2024 AT 3:39 PM, 'DISPUTE.'**

An officer was flagged down by \*\*\* at 6095 Greenbelt Road, Greenbelt, Maryland. \*\*\* approached the officer with a complaint related to a civil dispute that she had with the Nail Art store located at Greenbelt Mall. According to \*\*\*, she had paid for certain services at the Nail Art store, which resulted in a severe health issue with her right eye. \*\*\* was extremely concerned about the matter and wanted immediate assistance. Upon assessing the situation, the officer advised \*\*\* that this was a civil matter and that she should seek legal counseling to address her grievances as per the law.

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2024 AT 8:17 PM, 'FRAUD.'**

On February 18, 2024 at 1717 hours the Berwyn Heights Police Department received an online submission form from the victim who advised that a cloned Navy Federal Credit Union debit card was used at an ATM located at 6001 Greenbelt Road Berwyn Heights Maryland 20740 (SHELL Gas Station). DS Krouse made phone contact with the victim, and he advised that he received a notification from NFCU regarding unusual activity or transactions with his Debit Card at the listed location. The suspect(s) used a cloned card and Personal Identification Number (PIN) to withdraw \$60.00 (SIXTY DOLLARS) from his bank account. The victim contacted his bank and shut the compromised account down. Contact was made with the Shell Station employee requesting video surveillance footage on 02/27/2024 and waiting for a response.

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2024 AT 7:46 AM, 'THEFT FROM AUTO.'**

On 2/19/2024 at approximately 0746 hours. PFC. Herriott #1454 responded to the Shell gas station located at 6001 Greenbelt Road Berwyn Heights MD. 20740 for a theft from auto. Upon arrival, he spoke with the victim, who advised she was inside the store purchasing gas. An unknown person removed her burgundy Coach purse from the front passenger seat of her 2015 Toyota SUV bearing MD. Tag #5BE1890. The victim states that there was \$300 in Canadian currency and \$165 in US

Currency inside her purse along with her Samsung phone # 240-755-\*\*\*\* and Wells Fargo checkbook. The victim also states that she did not see anything but heard something and realized it was her car door. The officer viewed CCTV and could not determine who went inside her vehicle because of the placement of the cameras. The victim was advised to call the bank and report her checks stolen. This report will be forwarded to SGT. Krause of CID. All events occurred in Prince George's County Maryland.

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2024 AT 1:46 PM, 'ARMED ROBBERY.'**

On 2/19/2024 at approximately 1346 hours, PFC. Herriott #1454 responded to the Shell gas station located at 5550 Greenbelt Road Berwyn Heights MD. 20740 for a citizen robbery. Upon arrival, he met with (victim) who stated he was walking eastbound on Greenbelt Station Parkway an unknown black male wearing all black with a black mask and, a thin build, got out of a sandy brown Infinite unknown license plate and year vehicle, pulled a black handgun pointed the gun at him. The unknown black male then tells the victim to give him his black goose-down jacket and his white X5 Max iPhone. The unknown black male subject entered the car along with another unknown black male subject wearing all black who was driving and fled the area driving westbound on Greenbelt Station Parkway. The area could not be searched due to a limited description of the vehicle. The listed witness, \*\*\* also traveling eastbound on Greenbelt Station Parkway witnessed the incident. The victim was not injured or hurt during the incident. The Shell gas station did not have any working surveillance cameras at the time of the report. This report will be forwarded to CID Detective SGT. Krouse. All events occurred in Prince Georges County MD.

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2024 AT 6:41 AM, 'VANDALISM.'**

At 0641 hrs, 2/27/2024, Sgt. T. Hollowell, #1449, was dispatched to the LOI for a vandalism to auto. On meeting with the victim, the vehicle was parked in the LOI driveway. The right rear passenger window was shattered. Fragments of the glass were on the ground below and inside. Nothing was determined to be taken according to the

victim. There are no investigative leads.

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2024 AT 7:40 AM, 'VANDALISM.'**

At 0740 hrs, 2/27/2024, Sgt. T. Hollowell, #1449 responded to the LOI for vandalism to auto. Hollowell met with the victim at the LOI, observing the listed vehicle in the driveway. The driver's window was shattered, but nothing was taken from the vehicle according to the victim. There currently are no investigative leads.

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2024 AT 3:20 PM, 'THEFT FROM AUTO.'**

On February 27, 2024, at about 3:20 PM PFC Lowndes # 1456 Berwyn Heights Police Department responded to 60\*\* Osage Street for a report of theft from an auto. PFC Lowndes arrived on the scene and met with the listed victim who stated to PFC Lowndes between the dates and times of February 26, 3:00 PM, and February 27<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 AM. The unknown suspect broke out the victim's front passenger side window of her black 2015 Honda CRV bearing Delaware license plate # PC260258. The unknown suspect took and removed the victim's black nylon zipper Nike bag containing miscellaneous consumable food snacks that was left inside the vehicle's front passenger floorboard.

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2024 AT 9:26 AM, 'THEFT FROM AUTO.'**

At 0926 hrs, 2/28/2024, Sgt. T. Hollowell, #1449, was dispatched to 89\*\* 63rd Ave, Berwyn Heights for theft from auto. Hollowell met with the victim who explained they may have left their vehicle unsecured during the listed time. The vehicle was parked on the street in front of their home. The victim indicated she had \$100 in cash in the vehicle and her SOFI debit card. Those items were missing. The victim states she received notifications the card was used online several times. The purchases were based in California via online services. The card was canceled immediately by the victim. There was no damage to the vehicle. The information is forwarded to CID for follow-up.

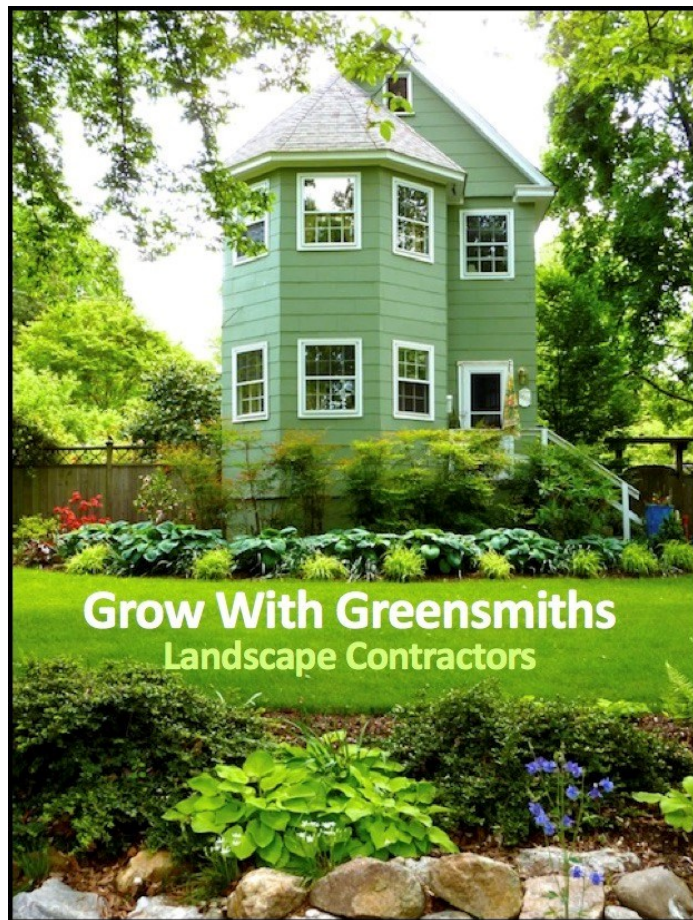
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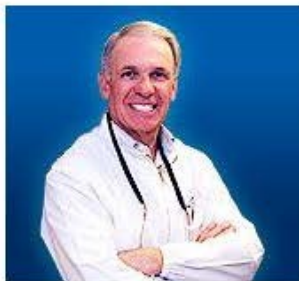
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### Pepco Tree Trimming

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Facilitator: Shira Francis

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[Bgreen.berwynheight@gmail.com](mailto:Bgreen.berwynheight@gmail.com)

### Historical Committee

Chair: Debby Steele Snyder

[dsteelesny@yahoo.com](mailto:dsteelesny@yahoo.com)

### Men's Basketball League

Jim McGinnis 301-651-8142

### Movie Club

Jonathan Loutsch

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

### Neighborhood Watch/ Emergency

#### Preparedness

Co-Chair: Joan Hayden

[jjmosley45@gmail.com](mailto:jjmosley45@gmail.com)

Co-Chair: Randy Fortwengler

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### Karate Club

Leon Swain 301-728-2881

Brett Bentley 240-678-9103

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### Quilter's Club

Coordinator: Janet Freitag

[quilttag1@yahoo.com](mailto:quilttag1@yahoo.com)

### Recreation Council









































President: Susan Jones

[violindreams@verizon.net](mailto:violindreams@verizon.net)

### Seniors Club

Ray Smith 301-474-3482

# APRIL 2024

| Sun   | Mon  | Tue   | Wed  | Thu   | Fri  | Sat                                |
|---|--|---|--|---|--|------------------------------------|
|   | <b>1</b> <br>Worksession 7PM<br>Chambers<br>  | <b>2</b> <br>Rec Council 7PM<br>G. love Room<br>      | <b>3</b> <br>NW/EP 7PM G.<br>Love Room<br>         | <b>4</b> <br>   | <b>5</b>  | <b>6</b>                           |
| <b>7</b>  | <b>8</b> <br>  | <b>9</b> <br>   | <b>10</b> <br>Town Meeting 7PM<br>Chambers<br>     | <b>11</b> <br>Green Team<br>7PM G. Love<br>Room<br>             | <b>12</b>  | <b>13</b>                          |
| <b>14</b>   | <b>15</b> <br>Worksession 7PM<br>Chambers<br>  | <b>16</b> <br>  | <b>17</b>   | <b>18</b> <br>  | <b>19</b>  | <b>20</b>                          |
| <b>21</b>   | <b>22</b> <br>   | <b>23</b> <br>                                    | <b>24</b> <br>BHHC 7:30 PM G.<br>Love Room<br> | <b>25</b> <br>Candidates<br>Night<br>8PM<br>Town Center<br> | <b>26</b>  | <b>27</b>                          |
| <b>28</b><br>Porch Concerts<br>2-5 PM 5701<br>Pontiac | <b>29</b> <br>   | <b>30</b> <br>Rec Council 7PM<br>G. Love Room<br> | <b>May 1</b>    | <b>2</b> <br>   | <b>3</b>   | <b>4</b><br>Berwyn Heights<br>Day! |
|   |  |   |  |   |  |                                    |

A quorum of Town Council Members may be present at any community organization meeting. No action will be taken by Council at any community organization meeting. Location of meetings is subject to change after publication. To join community meetings, please contact



The street sweeper will be in Town on April 1-5. Please park off the street whenever possible.

Trash, Bulk Trash, Yard Waste  
North-side Collection



Trash, Bulk Trash, Yard Waste  
South-side Collection



Recycling



# BERWYN HEIGHTS BULLETIN

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**Berwyn Heights, Maryland 20740-2799**

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### TOWN INFORMATION

#### Town of Berwyn Heights Phone Nos.

Emergency - Fire & Rescue ..... 9-1-1  
Police (Non-Emergency) ..... (301) 352-1200  
Police Administrative Office ..... (301) 474-6554  
Code Compliance Department ..... (301) 513-9331  
**Email: [code@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:code@berwynheightsmd.gov)**  
Public Works Department ..... (301) 474-6897  
**Email: [publicworks@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:publicworks@berwynheightsmd.gov)**  
Fire Department ..... (301) 474-7886  
Senior Center ..... (301) 474-0018  
Community Center (Gym) ..... (301) 345-2808  
Town Office ..... (301) 474-5000  
Office Hours: MON - FRI 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

#### Mayor and Council

Jodie Kulpa-Eddy (301) 345-1516 [jkulpaeddy@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:jkulpaeddy@berwynheightsmd.gov)  
Mayor — Public Health & Safety  
Christopher Brittan-Powell (240) 786-2578 [cbrittanpowell@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:cbrittanpowell@berwynheightsmd.gov)  
Mayor Pro Tem — Administration  
Shinita Hemby (301) 730-7134 [shemby@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:shemby@berwynheightsmd.gov)  
Councilmember — Code Compliance  
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Councilmember— Public Works  
Jason Papanikolas (240) 338-5191 [jpapanikolas@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:jpapanikolas@berwynheightsmd.gov)  
Councilmember — Parks & Recreation, Education & Civic Affairs

#### Regular Trash Collection Schedule

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

**Heavy Trash Day:**  
Monday for North of Pontiac  
Tuesday for South of Pontiac

**Recycling Schedule:**  
Wednesdays for the entire Town

#### Town Helpline

Do you have a suggestion or problem or a question on an ordinance, or have a historical question? Want to receive meeting agendas or minutes by email?  
Email Town at  
[contact@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:contact@berwynheightsmd.gov)  
Be assured that your communication will be answered promptly and in confidence.

#### Watch Council Meetings



**On Comcast channel 71**  
**FIOS channel 12**

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

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**Melanie Friesen, Town Clerk** [mfriesen@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:mfriesen@berwynheightsmd.gov)  
**Bulletin Submission Deadline is the 15th of each month.**