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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
Introduction of ORD 118,
Roads & Public Rights-of-Way
August 14, 2013
8:00 pm
Town Administration Bldg.

The Town Council of the Town of Berwyn Heights will hold a public hearing on the introduction of Ordinance No. 118 – Roads & Public Rights-of-Way. The revised Ordinance enacts new standards for construction, maintenance work and other activities that impact the Town's roads and rights-of-way. The Ordinance also establishes a formal process of permitting, inspection and acceptance of work performed on Town property by public utilities and/or private contractors, as well as penalties for violating the standards or the permit requirement.

The Public Hearing is open to the public, and public testimony or comments are encouraged. You may also e-mail your comments to contact@town.berwyn-heights.md.us.

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MEET PGCPs' NEW CEO, KEVIN MAXWELL
AUGUST 8, 6 - 8 PM at DUVAL HIGH SCHOOL

Earlier this year, the Maryland Assembly enacted important reforms for Prince George's County Schools (PGCPs), giving the County Executive more control over its leadership. As a result, the PGCPs Board of Education has been expanded with 4 appointed members, including a new

chair and vice chair. Segun Eubanks, who is the director of teacher quality at the National Education Foundation and has 2 children in the public schools, will lead the reconstituted school board.

County Executive Rushern Baker also appointed a new school superintendent, or CEO, Kevin Maxwell. Maxwell led Anne Arundel County Schools until his appointment, and is a former Prince George's County teacher and principal. The Board of Education will host a meet and greet for Dr. Maxwell on Thursday, August 8, 6-8 pm at DuVal High School, 9880 Good Luck Road, Lanham. For more information please visit <http://www1.pgcp.org/>.



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RICHARD F. MYERS †

Richard F. Myers, retired archivist at the National Archives and longtime resident of Berwyn Heights, passed away on July 15, 2013, at age 69, after a long battle with cancer. He is survived by his wife Tricia, sons Kevin and Pete, daughter Tamra and grandchildren. Richard was an active participant in the community, including as coach of the Boys & Girls Club, and as a member of the Ethnic Commission and the Mens' League. He was also instrumental in establishing the Berwyn Heights Historical Committee, and served as chair from 2005 to 2006.

MARGERET HOPPER SMITH †

Margeret "Peggy" Hopper Smith, retired registered nurse at Holy Cross Hospital; beloved wife of 46 years to Raymond Smith; mother of Michael Smith and Patricia McVicker; sister of Monica A. Hopper and Elaine H. Harris, and five grand children; passed away on July 13, 2013. She will be interred at Mt. St. Benedict Cemetery in Bloomfield, CT.

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Worksession

June 3, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Calvo, Mayor Pro Tem (MPT) Wilkinson, Councilmembers (CM) Almoguera, Dennison and Kulpa-Eddy. Also present were Town Administrator (TA) Murphy, Clerk Harper and Budget Assistant Kyle Snyder.

1. Mayor

Agenda: An executive session regarding a personnel matter was added.

Announcements: The Greenbelt Middle School Festival Band, Concert Band and Chorus participated in a music festival at Hershey Park and won 2 superior ratings and 1 excellent rating.

Calendar: The Council reviewed the calendar. Councilmembers were requested to submit agenda items for discussion during the summer.

Minutes: On a motion by MPT Wilkinson and second by CM Kulpa-Eddy, the May 20 worksession minutes were approved 5 to 0. The May 8 Town meeting minutes were distributed.

Department reports: Mayor Calvo reported that he visited Berwyn Heights Elementary School (BHES) for the *If I Were Mayor* contest last week. He will announce the winners at the June Town meeting. He also had a chance to talk with Principal Singer about new grade level benchmark tests the school plans to implement during the next school year. The assessments for common core are based on standards developed by the National Governors Association and the Gates Foundation and provide a better measure of student performance. Dr. Singer would like to get a trailer that would house a classroom dedicated to test taking. The trailer would be placed on a concrete pad next to the cafeteria if the Town has no objections. Mayor Calvo said he supports that location because it would be easily accessible and out of the way. MPT Wilkinson said that it may block deliveries to the cafeteria. A better place might be the grassy area behind the community center, where the trailer would not be visible from the road.

Mayor Calvo said that he continues to explore the possibility of setting up a computer lab in the community center to serve students after school that do not have a computer at home. BHES would provide Wi-Fi internet access, the community center staff could supervise the activities, and the Town would help finance the equipment. Further, he and

Dr. Singer plan to have a meeting with PGCPs staff responsible for maintaining the fields. They hope to get a commitment on mowing the grass around the tennis and basketball courts at regular intervals. Lastly, Mayor Calvo noted that the drive to petition the recently enacted PGCPs reforms to referendum failed. Since then County Executive Baker has made new appointments to the school board. Segun Eubanks will be the new chair. Mr. Eubanks has 2 children in public schools and is the director of teacher quality for the National Education Association.

CM Kulpa-Eddy announced that Delegate Alonzo Washington is sponsoring a health care town meeting at Eleanor Roosevelt High School on June 12. MPT Wilkinson said that the State Highway Administration (SHA) has postponed the *Safe Routes to School* grants announcements to the end of June. He asked if there had been more complaints from residents about the oily tracks left by the street sweeper along Osage Street and Natasha Drive. He would like to know if it is necessary to perform a manual cleanup. Mayor Calvo did not think it necessary to have Public Works clean up.

MPT Wilkinson asked if the Council had arrived at a decision about setting aside a handicapped parking space at the south entrance of Pop's Park on Quebec Street, and about a 'no parking' area opposite of the north entrance of Pop's Park. The Council did not think a decision was made about the handicapped parking space and added the item to the Public Works agenda. However, a decision was made to paint the curb yellow along Cunningham Drive, southbound, between the stop sign and the first driveway. Public Works can proceed to paint that stretch of curb.

Mayor Calvo asked if Public Works can purchase lids for the tall recycling bins separately because the lids often get lost or broken. Public Works may also try to figure out a way to attach the lids to the bins to prevent them getting blown away. MPT Wilkinson did not think it was possible to purchase the lids separately. However, he will have the Public Works director look into it, as well as attaching the lids.

CM Almoguera reported that the demolition of the old Pop's Park playground has begun. It is hoped that the installation of the new equipment will take place early July. TA Murphy added that the FY 2013 audit will begin tomorrow. He has set up a special meeting to resolve questions about the audit process and handling of the fund balance. The Town received a

\$75,000 check for the 3rd quarter income tax disbursements.

Citizen comments: Mayor Calvo received a thank you message for helping a boy scout obtain a citizenship badge, and several comments about property tax increases in surrounding jurisdictions. He also received a comment from a resident whose brother was denied a visitor's visa to attend her daughter's promotion ceremony. Mayor Calvo and his wife visited with Mary Reese over the weekend; she is in hospice care for cancer. CM Dennison received a complaint from a resident with young children about the absence of sidewalks around Pop's Park. CM Almoguera received several comments on the new Pop's Park playground being focused on toddlers. She noted that at this point there is not enough money to add components for older children but that she may write another grant for that in the future.

Ordinance No. 118 – Roads & Rights of Way: TA Murphy explained that he and CM Kulpa-Eddy each provided a revised draft of the Ordinance in which sections were rearranged to achieve an order that makes more sense. CM Kulpa-Eddy rearranged the Ordinance chronologically to mirror the permitting process: beginning with the application for a permit, then proceeding to payment of permit fee, inspection of work, and acceptance of work or enforcement of violations. She also combined sections that had similar content. TA Murphy focused on making the Ordinance flow better while taking into consideration the Council's previous comments. He did not as yet attempt to rewrite sections or consolidate information.

Mayor Calvo commented that he likes CM Kulpa-Eddy's chronological approach. He also agrees with putting all standards in one section, but not necessarily the violations section. Standards are not the same thing as violations; they are a breach of a standard. Therefore, the violations section should begin with a general statement that any breaching of a standard with or without a permit is a violation of the Ordinance and can be fined. Mayor Calvo further proposed to establish different categories for violations committed with a permit, and for violations without a permit. He commented that TA Murphy's approach is similar to CM Kulpa-Eddy's but that some sections seem out of place. For example, the section on liens should be placed after the fines section because it is a way to fine violators who fail to pay promptly. As with other ordinances, fees and fines should be set by resolution. It might be useful to have different permit

fees for large, commercial projects and for smaller, residential projects. One question that needs to be resolved is whether to charge public utilities a permit fee and how much. Greenbelt charges utilities \$1,000 permit fee, with the exception of WSSC, a quasi-public entity, which has a court-ordered exemption.

CM Almoguera noted that *construction & repair standards* are defined twice, once in Section 3 and again in Section 4.1 as part of *definitions*. MPT Wilkinson said that Section 17.1 is incomplete. It should read: ...in case of emergency work, a public utility will be required to notify the Town not more than 12 hours *after the commencement of work*.

At 8:15 p.m., the Council took a 5 minute break.

In response to Mayor Calvo's question on what the next steps should be, CM Kulpa-Eddy proposed to proceed by first resolving the sequence of sections of the Ordinance, then eliminating duplication and conflicts and then setting fees and fines. As part of the later cleanup process, the definitions should be reviewed for relevance, and strike terms not used in the Ordinance.

Mayor Calvo said in the next draft, new language should be underlined and deleted parts should be struck-through. Regarding the sequence of sections, he suggested to combine all Town standards for working in the right-of-way in one section, possibly following the section on Prince George's County standards, which the Town plans to adopt. CM Kulpa-Eddy said that some Town standards apply to activities that do not require a permit, such as cleaning the road after driving on it with a dirty truck. This raises the issue of whether the subtitle and introduction of the Ordinance needs to be changed, because it states that the purpose of the Ordinance is to establish a permit framework for activities taking place in the Town right-of-way. Mayor Calvo agreed and added that the broader purpose of the Ordinance is to maintain the roads and rights-of-way in a manner consistent with Town standards. Maintenance may or may not require permits.

Greenbelt Station construction trailer:

TA Murphy explained that the developers of Greenbelt Station have requested permission to place a construction trailer in the Town right-of-way along the former All Star property on Branchville Road. It would serve as an office for the engineers and site supervisors when construction commences sometime this summer. Construction trucks would not enter the development from Branchville Road but on the Greenbelt Station Park-

way. However, there is a dirt road that goes into the development from Branchville Road that might be used as a shortcut to the development by those working in the trailer.

Mayor Calvo said that he sees no problem with giving permission to park the trailer there while construction is underway but would ask them to get a permit. CM Kulpa-Eddy proposed to treat it like a POD permit and charge a comparable fee. She moved and MPT Wilkinson seconded to require a POD permit for one year, with extensions as needed. Mayor Calvo noted that a permit would come with a regulatory framework under which violations, such as parking in the roadway, could be enforced. The motion passed 5 to 0.

Nothing was discussed under **2. Parks and Recreation**

3. Public Safety

Police car authorization to purchase:

TA Murphy explained that in April the Council authorized a letter of intent to purchase a police vehicle, to reserve a Dodge Charger for later purchase. Now the Council is requested to authorize the purchase of the vehicle at a cost of \$23,500. The outfitting would cost another \$10,000. Total costs would not exceed the \$33,800 that is budgeted for the car in FY 2014. MPT Wilkinson moved, and CM Dennison seconded, to authorize the purchase of the vehicle. The motion passed 5 to 0.

Police Mutual Aid Agreement: TA Murphy said that the police departments of the Town of Berwyn Heights, the Town of Edmonston and the City of Greenbelt drafted an agreement providing for mutual assistance when additional police resources are needed. The Council discussed but postponed approval of the agreement until TA Murphy could clarify the following 1) whether a signatory jurisdiction has the option to decline a request for assistance if no resources are available; 2) whether the agreement authorizes a participating municipality to enforce traffic offenses in another municipality; and 3) whether the agreement includes or should include a requirement for the Chief to notify the Council when assistance has been requested.

TA Murphy explained that Article IV, Section 3.b. provides for the police department receiving an aid request to consider request in the context of the resources necessary and available. It can be inferred that a municipality can decline an aid request if the resources are not available. Second, Chief Antolik elaborated that only serious traffic offenses could be enforced in another ju-

risdiction. Article II, Section 2.a. describes a serious traffic offense as one in which there is a wanton disregard for the safety of persons or property and persons may be in imminent danger of death or serious injury. Third, the notification of the Town Council when assistance has been provided or requested is a Town policy matter and should be included only in the adopting resolution, not the agreement itself. The Chief can readily notify the Council as part of his weekly and monthly police reports.

CM Kulpa-Eddy said that she prefers the language used in the slide show presentation that was included in the background documents with regard to the sections in the agreement in question. She asked where the agreement originated, and suggested that MML might be asked to draft a better general police mutual aid agreement, as they have done for municipal public works departments in Maryland. Mayor Calvo thought that it probably originated with the Chiefs Association and is intended to serve as the framework for other municipalities that want to enter into mutual aid agreements. Personally, he does not want to make any changes to the agreement because it would require approval from all parties involved. He also does not want extend the agreement to other municipalities at this point, as he does not want to stretch the Town's police resources too thin.

MPT Wilkinson asked if University of Maryland (UMD) police might be a good candidate for this agreement since a lot of UMD students live in Town. Mayor Calvo thought that UMD police is set up differently and may require State approval to join in. With no further comments, TA Murphy was asked to draft a resolution to adopt the agreement at the June Town meeting.

Emergency generators plan: TA Murphy said that the Town needs to find an electrical engineer who can write bid plans and specifications for emergency generators that are to serve the Senior Center and the municipal building. The plans must accompany a grant application the Town needs to submit to the State Board of Public Works to obtain the \$80,000 the legislature approved for the project in next year's budget. The Town has to front the money for the bid plans, which will come taken from the funds the Town set aside to match the State grant. Mayor Calvo said that the Town still needs to decide what type of backup generators to get. The Town has already received different quotes for natural gas and diesel fuel generators. But he would also like to look at solar energy.

CM Kulpa-Eddy said it is her understanding that natural gas would work best in this area. Solar generators would not be able to produce energy during a storm-related outage because the sun would be blocked by clouds, and solar backup batteries would provide only a limited supply of electricity. Solar energy might be considered as an adjunct system. Mayor Calvo said that he does not necessarily want to get solar generators but would like to look at them as one of the options, along with natural gas and diesel fuel. CM Kulpa-Eddy said that this would likely delay the project but she agreed that the Council could look at the options. One of the factors for comparing the different systems should be length of time for which they can supply energy during a power outage.

TA Murphy was instructed to use up to \$15,000 in matching funds set aside for the generators to get bid specifications for the different options. Mayor Calvo will provide him with names of solar energy experts. CM Kulpa-Eddy said that the Towns of Upper Marlboro and Rising Sun recently installed backup generators and may be able to furnish references.

School zones: Mayor Calvo said that MPT Wilkinson had asked the Council to add the 8600 block of 63rd Avenue, which borders the school soccer fields, as a school zone, and to extend the school zone hours during which the speed limit is lowered from 25 mph to 15 mph beyond the 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. time frame. State law allows school zones to be in operation between 6 a.m. and 8 p.m. when school is in session.

MPT Wilkinson said he would like the time for which the school zone is in effect to start earlier because Greenbelt Middle and Parkdale high school students are on their way to school before 8 a.m. Many students can be found waiting at the bus stops on Pontiac Street starting around 7 a.m. including UMD students. Further, he would like school zone hours to apply when school is out because kids continue to use the community center as well as school facilities during vacations. Mayor Calvo thought that this would be a violation of State law, which allows school zones and speed limits to be in effect only when school is actually in session. He wants to be careful about overstepping the rules because the State legislature is actively looking into gutting the speed camera enforcement law. However, he supports an extension of school zone hours to start at 7 a.m. and to end at 6 p.m. on days when school is in session. He also supports designating part of 63rd Avenue as a school zone.

MPT Wilkinson moved to change the

hours the school zone is in effect to start at 7 a.m. and end at 6 p.m., and to designate the 8600 block of 63rd Avenue as a school zone. CM Almoguera seconded. TA Murphy said he believes these actions require a resolution. Mayor Calvo thought that only the establishment of a school zone requires a resolution. He asked TA Murphy to check. The Council voted 5 to 0 to expand the school hours for school zones already in effect. TA Murphy was asked to contact SHA about changing the hours of the Greenbelt Road school zone to 7 a.m. as well.

4. Public Works

Pop's Park parking (added item): MPT Wilkinson said that the Council discussed creating a handicapped parking space on Quebec Street west of the no parking area in front of the gate. This would help the neighbor opposite the park back out of her driveway. CM Dennison so moved. CM Almoguera seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0.

5. Administration

Budget amendments: TA Murphy gave an overview of the FY 2013 budget amendments to be adopted at the June Town meeting. A total of \$142,000 will be added to revenues. This includes a State grant to pay for the Pop's Park renovation and PEG cable TV reserve to pay for the BHTV upgrade. In expenditures, amendments will be made to the *Town Center maintenance & repair* budget to pay for rewiring of the automatic doors and lights in the Senior Center and for the meeting room renovations. Line item accounts in the Administration, Code, and Police Department budgets will be adjusted for IT and furniture purchases.

Mayor Calvo recalled that TA Murphy was to draft a Town-wide IT plan that includes an inventory of all computers and a schedule for their replacement. This will serve as record for the next Town Administrator to work from. He asked if there is sufficient money in the *Mayor & Council* budget to pay for the hours of budget assistant. TA Murphy said there is and that he will continue to work with Mr. Snyder over the summer to finalize a budget manual and an audit manual.

Bulletin cover: The following items were approved for the July Bulletin cover: 4th of July theme, headlines for National Night Out and Purple Line Presentation.

Nothing was discussed under **6. Code Compliance.**

7. Executive Session (added item; 10:03 p.m. - 10:17)

On a motion by MPT Wilkinson and second by CM Dennison, the Council went

into an executive session to discuss a personnel matter. With the matter discussed, MPT Wilkinson moved and CM Dennison seconded to end the executive session.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:18 p.m.

Kerstin Harper, Town Clerk

Town Meeting

June 12, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Calvo, Mayor Pro Tem (MPT) Wilkinson, CMs Almoguera, Dennison, and Kulpa-Eddy. Also present were Town Administrator (TA) Murphy, Chief of Police Antolik, Treasurer Lape, ATHA Executive Director Aaron Marcavitch and citizens. Clerk Harper had an excused absence.

Mayor Calvo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Minutes

TA Murphy read a summary of the May 8 Town meeting minutes. On a motion by MPT Wilkinson and second by CM Dennison, the minutes were approved 5 to 0.

2. Treasurer's Report

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

3. Mayor's Report

Mayor Calvo gave an overview of the Council's summer agenda. The engineering of sidewalks is moving forward slowly; Greenbelt Station is poised to commence construction; a significant rewriting of Ordinance No. 118 – Roads & Rights of Way is under way; different options for the engineering of emergency generators, including solar backup batteries, are being prepared; a decision by the Council to extend the hours for school zones and designate a part of 63rd Avenue as a school zone are being reviewed by the Town attorney for implementation; the old computer room in the Senior Center is being renovated; and a memorandum of understanding with Prince George's County regarding on street parking of commercial vehicles is planned.

Mayor Calvo continued that Pepco has confirmed that it will plant holly trees along the east side of Edmonston Road this fall to complete the restoration of the buffer zone. The Prince George's County Municipal Association (PGCMA) recently amended its bylaws to establish a non-profit education fund to replace the old

scholarship fund. Mayor Calvo was elected as the chair. He was also re-elected to the PGCMA Board of Directors.

During the last month, Mayor Calvo visited with the Berwyn Heights Elementary School 4th graders to guide them through the annual "If I Were Mayor" essay contest. He also had the honor to give the 6th grade commencement address. The promotion ceremony was organized by teacher Bret Goldstein, capped by a photo shoot in the school's new peace garden. The peace garden, which was finished this spring with a patio and benches, has become a favorite spot for students, and an ideal place for school related celebrations.

Mayor Calvo read the winning "If I Were Mayor" essay by Julia Groen. She wrote:

"If I were Mayor I would bring the arts to Berwyn Heights by doing these things to improve Berwyn Heights and other communities surrounding it. Every first Saturday in July, I would host an arts festival to learn, teach and donate [to] the arts. It would be free to learn, but you would have to have the Mayor's approval to teach. There would also be a place where you could donate your work to either a charity or a raffle, which would cost: a dollar. Also, there would be sale of professional work, and the supplies needed for some activities. There would also be a performance for anyone that participated in certain classes could be in. There would be regular classes for kids and adults, beginning and advanced. Also, I would create Skype accounts so that people could get answers when they need them. Sometimes though, I would have normal sales to fund the classes and to pay the people managing the Skype accounts. And every now and then I would have performances for fun. And, there would occasionally be clinics for some stuff. If I were Mayor, Would do these few things to make Berwyn Heights and other communities surrounding it a kinder, more creative and musical place to live."

Mayor Calvo noted that there were 3 worthy runners-up in the contest: Michelle Garcia wrote an essay on composting; Nichole Montero wrote an essay on how to fix up the Town's ball fields; and Alexander Swisdak wrote an essay on beautification.

Mayor Calvo said that he spoke with Principal Singer and agreed to meet with PGCPs maintenance personnel about maintaining the school grounds. Lastly, on behalf of the Council, he sent condolences to the Rojas family on the death of Manuel Rojas of Ruatan Street, and congratulated the Denali-Bronto Family of

Edmonston Road on the birth of a daughter.

4. Department Reports

Administration: CM Almoguera reported that the FY 2013 audit has started and the renovation of the old media center/library is in progress. When completed, the Town will have another meeting room for Town organizations to use. The demolition of Pop's Park will be finished by the end of this week. Next week, she will meet with the vendor to set a date for installation. The completion of the new playground will be celebrated with a grand opening and family potluck.

Code Compliance: CM Kulpa-Eddy announced that tipping day is scheduled for June 27. Residents can dispose of yard sale leftovers, bulk trash and appliances for free. However, hazardous materials such as paints, solvents, batteries, empty propane and helium tanks, insecticides and other poisons are not accepted. Residents may take those to the Brown Station landfill, which has a free hazardous waste drive-through. It is open from 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Thursday – Saturday. Seniors and handicapped persons can schedule an at home pickup of hazardous materials by calling 301-883-5045. Medications also require special handling. They should be crushed and mixed with sand or a similar substance before throwing them in the trash, or they can be returned to CVS and certain other pharmacies for disposal.

Parks and Recreation: CM Dennison reported that Prince George's County Public Schools closed on June 7 for summer vacation. Greenbelt Middle School successfully completed its first year in the new building. She also noted that the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner will take place on June 19 and that long-time resident Edna Waters died at age 102. A funeral service will be held on Friday.

Public Safety: Chief Antolik gave the police activities report for May. There were 6 Part I offenses, which is slightly below the 5 year average of 6.1. The year-to-date total is 24, well below the 5 year average of 34.6. Speed camera citations for May totaled 398, with 73 issued in the 5900 block of Pontiac Street, 109 in the 6200 block of Pontiac Street and 216 on Greenbelt Road. In addition, 211 citations were issued in May, of which 91 were State citations and 44 Town citations; this is slightly above the previous month's totals. Chief Antolik concluded by thanking TA Murphy for helping with the application for a COPS grant, which funds part of an offi-

cer's salary for his first 3 years of service. In this case, the grant would help fund the 9th officer position the Council eliminated in the FY 2014 budget, and to maintain a fully staffed police department.

Mayor Calvo commented that citations for May, with 1.5 citations issued per 10 hour shift, are low. Chief Antolik replied ticket writing often depends on circumstances including other calls for service and the weather. CM Kulpa-Eddy noted that 57 warnings were also issued, which probably should be taken into account when computing the citation average.

Public Works: MPT Wilkinson reported that drivers should be on the lookout for children playing in the street with school out for the summer. The announcement for the Safe Routes to School grants has been postponed to the end of June. The street sweeper will be in Berwyn Heights from July 8 – 19, and will be inspected prior to use. The Boys & Girls Club is getting ready to install a new pad for a storage shed on the Pontiac Street field. Public Works has been assisting the Club. Public Works was also busy with the demolition of the old media center and Pops Park playground, saving the Town money on hiring contractors. June 27 is tipping day when Public Works will collect bulk trash after the Town-wide yard sale and take it to the landfill free of charge. It will also collect regular trash for the entire Town and drop south side trash collection on Friday. The next electronics recycling day is on July 27 and residents can drop off their old electronics equipment at the Berwyn Heights Public Works yard the week prior.

MPT Wilkinson continued that he and Greenbelt's Mayor Pro Tem Emmett Jordan founded a new organization during the MML conference: the informal association of mayor pro tems, vice mayors and deputy mayors (IAMPTDMVM), which will meet sometime in the next few months. Former Councilmember Tom Reynolds assisted in compiling the list of deputy mayors for Maryland municipalities. Further, Berwyn Heights will host the next Four Cities meeting on July 24 at which the Purple Line outreach team will make a presentation.

6. Committee Reports

Historical Committee: No report.

Green Team: No report.

Neighborhood Watch/ Neighborhood Preparedness: CM Kulpa-Eddy announced that the NW/EP will hold its next meeting on July 3, and will continue to plan for National Night Out.

Parks and Recreation, Education and Civic Affairs: CM Dennison announced that the Town-wide yard sale will be held on June 22.

5. Presentation

ATHA update: Executive Director of the Anacostia Trails Heritage Association (ATHA) Aaron Marcavitch was present to give an update on the Maryland Milestones and ATHA program. This is done as part of an annual visit to all ATHA member communities to explain how their membership dollars are spent.

Mr. Marcavitch said, currently, ATHA activities are focused on the War of 1812, and next year will be a big year. One of the many planned activities is a parade of small tall ships on the Potomac River starting at Fort Washington in September. If any ATHA community has an idea for an event or program related to the War of 1812, ATHA can help finance it with grants of between \$500 - \$1,000.

Beyond the War of 1812 programming, ATHA is planning to promote bicycle tourism in connection with the extension of the Anacostia trail system into D.C. When the trails are finished, Washington will have one of the largest urban hiker/biker systems in the country. Among the plans to increase use and usability of the trail system, is an expansion of a bike share program based on the College Park model to include other ATHA communities. In addition way-finding tools and an index of services available are being developed for the Anacostia trails. Over the longer term, there are plans to establish a campus at which students will be trained to work as bicycle tour guides and take tourists to interesting destinations.

ATHA is also working with the University of Maryland to better connect those who work and study there with the surrounding communities. Berwyn Heights is well situated to be a part of these programs and become a destination for bicyclists. ATHA continues to promote and support events taking place in ATHA communities, such as Berwyn Heights Day. They are publicized with social media, which recently has begun to generate inquiries from abroad.

Mayor Calvo commented that ATHA could be an excellent vehicle to introduce people, who may have a negative image of Prince George's County, to this area. The promotion of places and events that can be accessed by the trails is a great service. One of the upcoming events that would benefit from ATHA publicity is the 2nd annual Lake Artemesia concert planned for September 21.

Last year's concert by the Susan Jones Jazz Ensemble was very well received and drew many people who happened to be in the area.

Mayor Calvo noted that Berwyn Heights missed out on the ATHA signage program, and was not listed as a member community when the signs were first posted. He hopes this might be corrected in the future. He further suggested that the possible relocation of the FBI headquarters to Greenbelt Station presents a great opportunity to rebrand the area and give it an economic boost.

Mr. Marcavitch replied he will make sure that the Lake Artemesia concert is advertised on ATHA's website and through e-blasts. ATHA can make funds available to support it, if needed. He agreed that the FBI headquarters relocation would present a great opportunity. When the trails connect to Greenbelt Station, bicyclists can ride all the way from the D.C. waterfront to Greenbelt and take the Metro back. Since becoming ATHA's executive director, he has led an effort to rejuvenate the organization's image and lead it into a new direction. The *Maryland Milestones* slogan was adopted to reflect the new direction and discard old stereotypes of Prince George's County. As part of the re-branding, new and better signage will be created. It will show how to get from one place to another and it will include Berwyn Heights.

Further, ATHA has plans to add old Bowie to the heritage area with a transportation theme. This, too, will need to be reflected in new ATHA maps and signage. Another concept ATHA is exploring is the creation of a parks district that would include the communities of Berwyn Heights, College Park, University Park and Greenbelt with a trail connection to Greenbelt National Park and its camp site.

Mayor Calvo said that he likes the parks district idea. Berwyn Heights is in the process of adding sidewalks to the streets that people could use to get from the Indian Creek trail to Greenbelt Park, and SHA has recently improved the pedestrian crossing at Kenilworth Avenue and Pontiac Street. However, a better trail from Westchester Park into Greenbelt Park may have to be built. Mr. Marcavitch thought that there is money available to implement the concept, and he is happy to meet with the Council to discuss it further.

In response to CM Almoguera, Mr. Marcavitch said that a schedule for War of 1812 events, including the "small tall" parade, can be found at the Prince George's War of 1812 website and at

www.MarylandMilestones.org, where one can sign up for e-blasts. In response to MPT Wilkinson, Mr. Marcavitch said that the best way to bike to Franklin's restaurant and brewery from Berwyn Heights is to use the Indian Creek trail to Riverdale Road, then go on Riverdale Road to the Town Center and from there use the old trolley trail, which should be completed by this fall. Mayor Calvo added one can also bike to Edmonston, and then use Decatur Street to get to Franklin's. He thanked Mr. Marcavitch for the update.

6. Unfinished Business

Ordinance No. 162 - 2nd Reading & Adoption of FY 2013 Town Budget Amendments: TA Murphy read the Ordinance. MPT Wilkinson moved to adopt it. CM Dennison seconded. Mayor Calvo gave an overview of the budget amendments. He said most of the changes deal with distributing \$24,000 in merit increases to the departmental budgets. The largest change is the addition of \$91,000 in grant money to the PRECA budget for the Pop's Park renovation. However, this should be added to the capital budget instead. Other changes were made in the reserves and the capital budgets to pay for cost overruns in Town Center renovations, BHTV upgrades and Public Works vehicles.

Mayor Calvo asked for a motion to amend Ordinance No. 162 to add the Pop's Park's grant money to the capital operating budget. CM Almoguera so moved. CM Dennison seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0. MPT Wilkinson commented that he has received many positive comments about the improved quality of the TV broadcasts and the renovation of the Council chamber, funded with the PEG cable reserve. The Council voted 5 to 0 to approve the FY 2013 budget amendments.

Ordinance No. 163 - 2nd Reading & Adoption of FY 2013 Public Safety Taxing District Budget Amendments: TA Murphy read the Ordinance. MPT Wilkinson moved to adopt it. CM Dennison seconded. Mayor Calvo explained that this Ordinance amends the PSTD budget to pay for cost overruns of \$4,800 in outfitting a police vehicle that was purchased last year. The Council voted 5 to 0 to approve the Ordinance.

7. New Business

Resolution No. 5-2013 – Police Mutual Aid Agreement: TA Murphy read the Resolution. MPT Wilkinson moved to adopt it. CM Dennison seconded. Mayor Calvo explained that this Resolution formalizes mutual aid arrangements already in existence between the Town of

Berwyn Heights and the City of Greenbelt, whose police officers jointly patrol Greenbelt Road and back each other up when needed. Berwyn Heights also has a cooperative relationship with the Town of Edmonston, where 2 former Berwyn Heights officers now work, in fire arms training and other areas. Initially, the agreement was planned to be county-wide, but the Council thought it was better to start small and see how it works. The Resolution adds a provision that requires Chief Antolik to report whenever police assistance is given or received. This should give the Council a sense of how often it occurs.

Chief Antolik commented that he is pleased the Council is adopting this agreement, which he proposed, and thinks it is great way to share police resources. With no further comments, the Council voted 5 to 0 to adopt the agreement.

8. Citizens Discussion

Mayor Calvo noted that a severe weather warning has been issued and advised residents to be prepared for a possible power outage. If a large scale power outage occurs, the Town will open an emergency center at the Town Center. MPT Wilkinson advised that people should charge their wireless devices, get gas for their cars and ice for refrigeration before the storm hits.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:39 p.m.

Kerstin Harper, Town Clerk

Worksession June 17, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Calvo, Mayor Pro Tem (MPT) Wilkinson, Councilmembers (CM) Almoguera, Dennison and Kulpa-Eddy. Also present were Town Administrator (TA) Murphy, and Clerk Harper.

1. Mayor

Announcements: CM Dennison attended the funeral of long-time resident Edna Waters, who died on June 8, 2013 at age 102. Summer solstice is coming up on June 21.

Calendar: The Council reviewed the calendar. Topics submitted for the Council's summer agenda include completing the revision of Ordinance No. 118 – Roads & Rights-of-Way; a memorandum of understanding with the county regarding commercial parking enforcement, for

which the Director of the Department of Environmental Resources (DER) and the Town's Code Department Director should be invited; and sidewalks design and engineering.

Minutes: None

Department reports: CM Kulpa-Eddy announced that the Code Department has hired Kyle Snyder as a part-time code officer. MPT Wilkinson reported that he asked the Public Works Director to look into the possibility of purchasing lids for the recycling containers separately. The Boys & Girls Club U-18 soccer team lost the championship game to Beltsville. CM Almoguera reported that she will learn Wednesday when the new playground equipment can be installed. TA Murphy added that it still has to be determined whether there is a spring at Pop's Park that causes the ground to be very wet and soft. This might delay the installation. CM Dennison announced that the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner is coming up on June 19 and that the Boys & Girls Club is fielding baseball and softball teams for the summer. Mayor Calvo reported that the new police car has been picked up from the dealer and is now being outfitted.

Citizen comments: Mayor Calvo received multiple communications about a loud party on 59th Avenue last weekend, including some complaints that the non-emergency number was not working. He ended up calling Chief Antolik at home to send an officer to the location, who eventually shut the party down. The home's owner came into the Town office today to complain about the police shutting the party down and gave her side of the story. He also received an email from a resident who was not happy about the playground being dismantled during the summer vacation.

Legislative action requests: The Town Council did not have any legislative action requests.

ATHA presentation follow-up: Mayor Calvo said that Aaron Marcavitch, Executive Director of the Anacostia Trails Heritage Association (ATHA), shared some interesting ideas about marketing this area at the last Town meeting. He liked the concept of designating Berwyn Heights, College Park, University Park and Greenbelt as a park district because these communities have a lot of green space, which includes several larger parks. He also liked the plans to use bike trails to better connect ATHA communities and their recreational areas. He wondered if there is way to get from Westchester Park to the main road and camp ground in Greenbelt National Park. MPT Wilkinson said that there is a well-

used footpath leading from the far end of Westchester Park into the park, but it is not suitable for road bikes. Mayor Calvo said that better bicycle infrastructure may have to wait but establishing share lanes on existing streets could be an inexpensive way to create bike connections.

Mayor Calvo continued that College Park recently launched a website marketing itself as a university town and as a place for University of Maryland faculty, staff and students to live. Berwyn Heights may want to consider investing some money to produce a professional brochure to advertise the Town to visitors and new residents. MPT Wilkinson thought that a marketing brochure should drive traffic to the Town's website, where people can find out more information about the Town. However, this may require an overhaul of the Town's website to include information about realtors, restaurants and shops. Mayor Calvo agreed that the website should be the focus of marketing the Town and that it should have a broader focus than just Berwyn Heights.

Green Team: Mayor Calvo said that he would like to invite the Green Team to come to a worksession and brief the Council on their efforts to obtain *Sustainable Maryland* certification. The Green Team has done a number of things that earn points toward certification, particularly in the area of gardening, local food production and energy savings. However, they do not yet have a plan to get certified.

2. Parks and Recreation

MML banner city designation: CM Dennison said that she is interested in applying for a *banner city* designation with the Maryland Municipal League (MML). However, she does not have the information about the requirements at hand. CM Kulpa-Eddy thought that Berwyn Heights meets most of the criteria for banner city status but would need to pass a Municipal Government Works resolution and fly the municipal flag. Mayor Calvo said that those who have an interest in the designation are free to pursue it. He does not think that TA Murphy should be tasked with it.

MPT Wilkinson asked if Berwyn Heights is up to date with its *Tree City, USA* designation. TA Murphy said that the Town needs to submit an application to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), which the Public Works Director can do, and read an Arbor Day Proclamation. A proclamation required in the application is usually read on Berwyn Heights Day but can be read on any other day of the year.

3. Public Safety

School zones: TA Murphy said that Town Attorney Shay advised to pass any regulation having to do with school zones by ordinance rather than resolution. The Maryland General Assembly this year came close to passing legislation that would restrict the operation of municipal speed cameras. An ordinance carries greater weight and would provide better protection from a roll back.

Mayor Calvo disagreed with Attorney Shay's interpretation. He said that the Council is not planning to change any regulations relating to speed camera operations. Rather, the Council voted to change the hours during which a lower speed limit in the school zones is enforced from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. to 7 a.m. - 6 p.m. The Council needed clarification whether the school zone hours should be set by resolution or by simple Council action. TA Murphy said that school zones and the hours of operation were previously set by resolution. He advised to do the same now. The Town is given this authority by State law, TR § 21-803.1.

Mayor Calvo said that Attorney Shay's advice to enact a change by ordinance is based on political concerns, e.g. the State legislature's attempt to curb the improper use of speed cameras. There has been an abuse of this authority by some municipalities, such as assigning non-police personnel to issue tickets and operating speed cameras during non-school hours. The State legislature is now dealing with the backlash. On the other hand, the now ubiquitous speed cameras have reduced speeding and resulted in lower accident rates. Regardless, if speed camera legislation is passed to rule out contingency contracts with vendors, the Town would not be able to afford the cameras.

MPT Wilkinson said he finds it incredible that the State would impede municipalities' ability to keep their school children safe by rolling back the speed camera legislation. He suggested that the Town work with MML to lobby against such legislation if it comes up in the next session. Mayor Calvo said that MML has not been very effective in standing up to the State legislature on this, and should join forces with the Maryland Association of Counties (MACO). TA Murphy said that the Town might explore if the Town's speed camera vendor, OptoTraffic, would agree to another way of financing the cameras instead of a pro-rata share of ticket receipts. Mayor Calvo said that if the Town switched to paying the vendor a flat fee for the cameras, it could lose money, which he would oppose.

CM Kulpa-Eddy thought that the Four Cities might be able to purchase the cameras and move them around between the cities. CM Almoguera said that the Town should push MML to oppose changes to the legislation more vigorously and possibly submit a legislative action request. MPT Wilkinson thought that the legislature could be asked to establish an oversight panel funded with a percentage of speed camera revenue to prevent improper use of the cameras. The Council agreed to work through MML and the State delegation to oppose a roll back of speed cameras.

TA Murphy was asked to prepare a resolution to designate the section of 63rd Avenue that borders the school fields as a school zone and to adjust the school hours. TA Murphy asked if the 8900 block of 63rd Avenue, which leads up to the Greenbelt Road crossing, should also be designated a school zone. Mayor Calvo said that is a good point. He went on to suggest making all of 63rd Avenue north of Pontiac Street a school zone because it is the most used route to Greenbelt Middle school. CM Kulpa-Eddy disagreed, saying there is no justification to pick out this route over any other that students use. CM Almoguera agreed and thought it was better to stick with school zones that adjoin school property. The Council postponed a decision to the next worksession.

At 8:38 p.m., the Council took a 5 minute break.

3. Public Works

Purple Line presentation: TA Murphy said that the public outreach team for the Purple Line would like to know what the focus of the presentation at the upcoming Four Cities meeting should be. MPT Wilkinson said the focus should be the route from the University of Maryland campus through M-Square to New Carrollton and trolley crossings at the main traffic arteries. Mayor Calvo said he would like to know how the transportation funding plan affects the timing of the Purple Line project.

4. Administration

Ordinance No. 118 – Roads & Rights of Way: TA Murphy explained that he essentially rewrote the entire Ordinance to shorten it and to eliminate problems stemming from the reordering of sections undertaken in the previous draft. The Council needs to decide if the organization of the Ordinance is now acceptable and make any other changes it deems appropriate. Mayor Calvo thought the Ordinance flows better now but there are still some problems. For example,

there is no section 19, which will require renumbering; there are 2 sections, Section 22 and 23, entitled *Growth of Foliage*; and there are numerous instances where language is repetitious. The iterations of nouns, such as bridges, catch basins, culverts, curbs, gutters, manholes, sidewalks, storm water drainage, etc. can be reduced by defining them as infrastructure located in the Town right of way. The same is true for iterations of verbs. Once defined, the terms should then be used consistently throughout the Ordinance.

CM Kulpa-Eddy suggested that the subtitle of the Ordinance may have to be rewritten because it states that the purpose of the Ordinance is to provide for permitting of improvements and maintenance activities in the Town right of way. However, the Ordinance also deals with activities such as growth of foliage and clean streets that do not require permits. Mayor Calvo said for the same reason *Section 1 – Purpose and Authority* should also be rewritten: the broader purpose of the Ordinance is to maintain structures in the right-of-way in accordance with Town standards.

CM Kulpa-Eddy continued, there are still sections that contain duplicative content, such as *Section 3.1 – Construction Specifications*, and *Section 4 – Design, Construction and Repair Standards*, which both state that the Town will adopt County design and construction standards. Mayor Calvo said that provisions establishing standards should be in a section dealing with standards, not in definitions. The definitions themselves should be standardized and begin with the same phrase, such as "improve shall mean."

CM Kulpa-Eddy further suggested combining Sections 5 and 6 dealing with permit applications and permits, and to move up *Section 14 – Bonds, Letters of Credit or 3 Party Bank Deposit Agreements Required* to follow the permit section. Requiring bonds, etc. is part of the permit application process. TA Murphy noted that he has not yet resolved the issue of when a bond is required. Greenbelt only requires it for new construction. Further, *Section 15 – Liens* needs to elaborate that liens only apply to private owners who have infringed on the public right-of-way but not paid for damages. CM Kulpa-Eddy suggested to move the liens provisions to the penalties section. Mayor Calvo agreed, noting that it would give the Town the means to recover money if it had to fix a problem stemming from improper maintenance or improvements undertaken in the Town right-of-way by a utility or private party.

TA Murphy was asked to make the latest changes, which the Council will review at the next worksession.

5. Code Compliance

Code backup car replacement: TA Murphy said that the Police Department has a 2005 surplus police car that is in better condition than the one the Code Department now uses as backup. With the Council's permission, the Town would dispose of the current backup car and replace it with a newer one. Mayor Calvo said he has no objections, as long as the Town does not sink money into it for re-painting or repairs. CM Kulpa-Eddy so moved. MPT Wilkinson seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Kerstin Harper, Town Clerk



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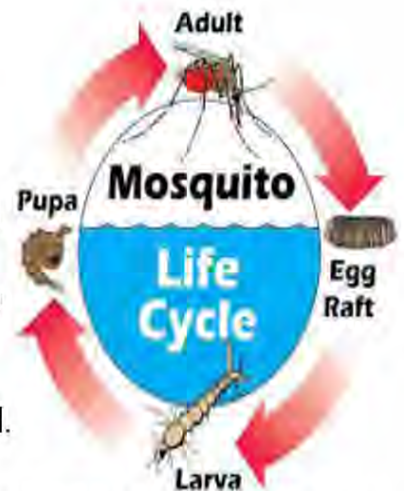
Code News

Mosquito Control

Help us reduce the mosquito population by eliminating standing water around your yard. Sources of stagnant water include bird baths, potting trays, watering cans, buckets, trash cans without lids, toys, tires, etc. It also helps to clean out the rain drains, to keep the grass cut short, and to treat ponds and water features with mosquito pellets or coils. Regardless, you may want to keep a bug repellent handy if you plan to be out in the yard for a longer period.

Mosquito control is performed by the Maryland Department of Agriculture through an integrated pest management program, which includes monitoring of larvae and adult mosquito populations, and targeted application of larvaecide and spraying for adult mosquitoes based on trap data.

Please visit (http://mda.maryland.gov/plants-pests/Pages/mosquito_control_program_description.aspx) for detailed information.



Code Activity for June 2013:

Top code violations: High Grass/ Overgrown Vegetation = 154; Trash/ Litter = 17; Vehicle Violations = 4; Yard Waste = 15; Miscellaneous Violations = 9;

Other activities: New Rental Properties = 1; Rental Inspections and Re-inspections = 14; Rental Investigations = 3; Building Permits = 1; POD Permits = 1; Roll-off Permits = 3; Abatements 4.

Receipts: All Permits = \$330; Fines and Late Fees = \$1,400; Liens = \$2,075; Code Fines, Cleanouts, Abatements = \$1,175; Liens mailed to the County = \$1,125.



Berwyn Heights National Night Out
Tuesday, August 6th, 2013
6 - 9 pm

Dear Berwyn Heights Residents,

It gives me pleasure to invite you to Berwyn Heights' 30th Annual National Night Out. This is a celebration of the long-standing cooperation between Berwyn Heights Police, merchants and citizens in fighting crime in our community. Berwyn Heights Police is fully committed to the public safety of the Town's businesses and residents but needs your help and support. So, please come out and join us for another wonderful National Night Out. Thank you for your continued support in keeping our community safe.

Chief Kenneth Antolik

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

- ◆ Cookout and summer snacks;
- ◆ Kids games and contests;
- ◆ Martial arts demonstration;
- ◆ Exhibits and visits from other police and sheriff departments

National Night Out is designed to:

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

We thank the following donors for helping make National Night Out free:

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Sold	6216 Quebec Place - 5 Bdrm, 2 Bath	\$209,000
Sold	8419 57th Avenue - 3 Bdrm, 2 Bath	\$186,000
Active	5907 Pontiac Street - 3 Bdrm, 2.5 Bath	\$269,900
Contract	8906 59th Avenue - 4 Bdrm, 2 Bath	\$189,900
Contract	5609 Seminole Street - 3 Bdrm, 2 Bath	\$259,000

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Come join the Playgroup families for the ribbon-cutting of the new playground at Pop's Park, and for our 3rd annual BBQ. Please bring a dish to share as this a potluck cookout. Playgroup will provide plates, utensils, charcoal and beverages.

Please contact Rose Almoguera (rose.almoguera@yahoo.com) for more information.

PLAYGROUP MEETINGS

New Infants Playgroup is meeting periodically. Please contact Rose.Almoguera@yahoo.com about meeting times.

Preschoolers Playgroup meets Thursdays, 10:30 am to 12:00 pm at Indian Creek Playground.

Berwyn Heights NW/EP Committee reminds you to be "StreetSmart" this summer. School is out, and drivers—please be watching out for pedestrians and bicyclists!



Stop by the Berwyn Heights Emergency Preparedness Trailer at National Night Out: Tuesday, August 6!

IMPORTANT SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS FROM NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH/ COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

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Street Safety Tips
For Pedestrians, Bicyclists and Drivers

For Pedestrians:



Cross the street
at marked crosswalks and intersections.



Watch for turning vehicles.
Before crossing, look left, right,
then left again.



Use pedestrian pushbuttons.



Begin crossing
the street on the "walk" signal.



Stay visible after dark
and in bad weather.



Watch out for trucks & buses
backing out of parking spaces
and driveways.

For Bicyclists:



Obey all regulatory signs
and traffic lights.



Never ride against traffic.
Ride with traffic to avoid
potential accidents.



Use hand signals
to tell motorists what you intend to do.



Ride in a straight line
at least a car door's width away
from parked cars.



Always wear a helmet.
Helmets dramatically reduce the risk for
head injury in a bicycle accident.



Use lights at night
and when visibility is poor.

For Drivers:



Stop for pedestrians
at crosswalks and be careful when
passing stopped vehicles.



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BERWYN HEIGHTS POLICE BEAT



"Police Beat" includes crimes and accidents that occurred during the month of June 2013. It is not a complete listing of every crime and/or accident that occurred in the Town. Incidents are

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

06/03/2013 at 10:45 am, Pfc. Roberson impounded a 1995 GMC Truck and a 1997 Nissan Truck from the 7700 block of Edmonston Road. Both vehicles were unregistered.

06/06/2013 at 9:45 am, Pfc. Krouse impounded a 2004 Ford Truck from the 6200 block of Seminole Street. Driver of the said truck was unlicensed.

06/10/2013 at 12:10 pm, Pfc. Roberson responded to the USA Fuel located at 5901 Greenbelt Road for a report of theft. Victim, a 46 y/o, b/f left her wallet unattended on the counter when it was

stolen. CCTV revealed that it was taken by a b/m in his 20's.

06/12/2013, at 9:50 am, Pfc. Krouse responded to the 6201 Greenbelt Road Science Park medical Center for a report of a hit and run to a 2012 Toyota. Victim, a 60 y/o, b/m stated that an unknown person damaged the headlight and bumper to his car.

06/12/2013 at 1:40 pm, Pfc. Krouse and Chief of Police observed two w/m walking and acting suspicious in the 8900 block of 58th Avenue. Both subjects were identified, a 19 y/o, w/m and 21 y/o w/m. They were sent on way.

06/12/2013 at 6:28 pm, Pfc. Ignowski responded to the 5700 block of Quebec Street for a report of a van jumping the curb and coming to rest in a residential backyard. Driver, a 34 y/o, b/m stated that he experienced a mechanical problems with his company van and unable to stop, struck a curb and drove on to a residential lawn. The van was impounded.

06/13/2013 at 2:00 pm, Pfc. Krouse responded to the 7600 block of Charleston Avenue for a report of a telephone misuse. Victim, a 45 y/o, b/f stated that she received several explicit calls through her cellphone.

06/14/2013 at 12:05 am, Pfc. Ignowski responded to the 5900 block of Natasha

Drive for a report of a tree that fell on to a house. No one was hurt

06/14/2013 at 11:46 pm, Pfc. Thompson responded to the 7600 block of Marietta Lane for a report of an attempted suicide. A 26 y/o, b/m, slashed his wrists in an attempt to kill himself. He was transported to Laurel Hospital for evaluation.

06/15/2013 at 11:25 pm, Pfc. Thompson responded to the 8900 block of 59th Avenue for a loud party complaint. The party was shut down by BHPD officer and officers from Prince George's County.

06/17/2013 at 11:05 am, Pfc. Roberson impounded an abandon 1994 GMC Truck from the 7700 block of Edmonston Road.



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August 2013

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August 19th - First Day of School

August 27th - Hello Husky Family Fun Night

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Welcome Back Students and Staff

Box Tops = Free Money!

Find out about the latest sweepstakes and Bonus Box Tops opportunities by going to www.btf.com. It's like free money! Remember! The more Box Tops collected, the more money we receive to go to bigger and better programs sponsored by your PTA! The first collection date is October 10th - mark your calendar!

Membership Corner

Membership is currently \$12.00/Single Adult or \$20.00/Two adults. When the parent/guardian of the student joins the PTA the family is eligible to participate in the PTA events for free. Fill out the form below and return with your child prior to Hello Husky Night.

Some of the events in the planning stage: Hello Husky Night, Walk-A-Thon, Trunk or Treat, Pumpkin Patch, Skate Night, End of Year Pool Party.

PTA Membership. \$12.00/Single Adult or \$20.00/Two Adults

Child(ren)'s name: _____ Grade(s): _____

Child(ren)'s name: _____ Grade(s): _____

Teacher(s): _____

Adult's name: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____

☐ I do not wish to receive emails from the PTA

Telephone #: _____

Check out our BHES PTA Website! BHESPTA.org Contact us at: Officers@BHESPTA.org



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TIPS FOR KEEPING YOUR "COOL" IN THE SUMMER HEAT:

1. Change your outdoor exercise routine to early am or after 7pm.
2. Wear loose cotton light color clothing.
3. Fill a spray bottle & keep in fridge for those times when you come in from yardwork/outside activities to spritz yourself.
4. Circulate additional air in your home with fans/ even with the AC on.
5. If you must pack an outdoor lunch, freeze a water bottle or sip drink to act as an "ice pack" under a sandwich.

- FREE MARKET ANALYSIS
- HELP WITH STAGING
- NATIONWIDE WEBSITE/ADVERTISING
- YEARS OF TOWN REAL ESTATE EXPERIENCE
- LISTING AND SELLING "BY THE YARD"

LISTED/SOLD this month by Sharon:

UNDER CONTRACT-6213 Seminole Pl-3BR,brick rambler.....low \$200s
UNDER CONTRACT-7403 Sweetbriar Dr-3 BR all brick rambler.....mid \$200s
NEW LISTING- 6021 Berwyn Rd-4BR/2.5BA split lvl..... \$299,900
SOLD-6004 Westchester Park Dr- 2BR/1BA condo..... \$127,000
SOLD-8608 Edmonston Rd-5BR/3BA brick colonial..... \$375,000
SOLD-8824 Edmonston Rd-2BR/2BA bungalow..... \$224,900
The "true measure" of real estate success....listing and selling "by the yard".
I have many other listings and sales not in BH or 20740...ask me about those!

If your property is currently listed with another broker, this is not a solicitation of that listing.



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August 24, 2013

8:30 PM

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BULLETIN BOARD

Rooms for Rent: \$450.00 - \$500.00. Please call (301) 237-2829.

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

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.

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

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

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

NON-EMERGENCY POLICE DISPATCH PHONE NUMBER

(301-352-1200)

1. Call 301-352-1200 (P.G. County Police).
2. Give dispatcher your name, address where you are, a phone number where you can be reached, and explain why you need a police officer.
3. Critically Important: Tell the dispatcher you want the on-duty Berwyn Heights police officer to respond.
4. In an emergency, Call 911.

Child Care: Loving, licensed child care in BH, Monday thru Friday, 6:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M. Call 301 (313) 9131.

Computer Repair: Having computer problems? Want files moved from an old computer to a new one? Flat rates cheaper than any store around. Call Jason 301-919-9980.

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

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

Dog Walking: 30 minutes, \$15.00 per walk. Special offers for multiple pets. Local trustworthy neighbor. Pet first aid and CPR certified. Call 240-605-2745.

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

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

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

www.npgcra.com/pages/BHR.html

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

[-646-6938](tel:646-6938)

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

Jimmy Taylor will cut grass. To schedule, please call 301-982-1137.

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

Do you need an affordable daycare? Hi, my name is Carol and I would like to help you. I'm CPR certified and I have three children on my own. Give me a call if I'm the one you need. (301) 474-0963.

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.

Attention Seniors: Kind, compassionate Berwyn Heights resident available to go grocery shopping, run errands, etc. Please call Mary Ann at (301) 982-9295.

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

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







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BERWYN HEIGHTS SENIORS CLUB

“Celebrating 30 Years in Town”

The Senior Center is open from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M., Monday through Friday. Drop in and meet your neighbors. Also check the boards for special activities. Drop in to the Center, or attend the meeting, and find out what's going on. There is always something to do even if it is just getting together.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

August 1	Bing-Yee Lam
August 4	Henry (Hank) Becker
August 8	Wilson Hayden
August 14	Marilyn Pula
August 21	Chsndrica Handunge
August 24	Mary Hudak
August 30	Darlene Erickson
	Laura Waltz

AUGUST ACTIVITIES

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



BUS DRIVER WANTED

We are looking for a volunteer driver for the bus. If interested, leave name and phone number at Center. Center is open from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. Mon—Fri. Telephone 301-474-0018.

Our 2012-13 Wii Bowling League was over on June 26. We had a season of fun and laughs. Team Winner Predictable (Ron Hand and Peggy Smith). Tournament Winner-Train Gardeners (Alan Sinclair and Mary Lou Milstead).
 High Average Men - 220 - Alan Sinclair
 High Average Women - 189 - Shirley Dewhurst and Martha Baxter.

SENIORS TRIPS

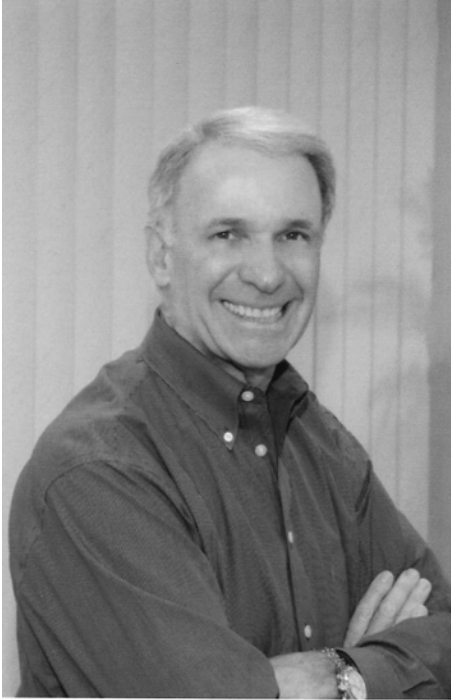
September 21 — Hooper Island Crab Feast

December 8 — Shreck the Musical, Old Oprey House, Charles Town, WVA. Show and Dinner—\$95.00.

Contact Margritt Vausse for info (301-356-5566)

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Berwyn Heights Historical Committee

What Are You Doing This Summer?

The BHHC does not meet in the month of August, but that doesn't mean the fun takes a vacation! As our heritage area approaches the 200th year anniversary of the War of 1812, we can boast that most of the

War's battles took place right here in Prince George's County! Top-notch reenactments of the battles, arts and culture of the times are within your reach through our partnership with the Anacostia Trails Heritage Area.



Encampment at Riversdale

Hit Us With Your Best Shot!

Annual ATHA Photo Contest

Maryland Milestones/ATHA Inc. continues its successful annual photo contest to capture the beauty, history, people and distinctive character of the Anacostia Trails Heritage Area. Winning images are printed in a beautiful yearly calendar that showcases what makes our Area a unique place to celebrate and preserve!

Deadline for entries is September 6th

A panel of judges selects first, second and third place photographs in four contest categories. In addition, judges select twelve honorable mention images.

CATEGORY	WHAT TO PHOTOGRAPH...
"Rivers to Rockets"	Distinctive architecture, unique constructed landscapes, historic downtowns, sites that showcase unique history
"For the Fun of It"	People having fun at community related events and activities, e.g., cycling the Tributary Trail, fishing, festivals, concerts, etc.
"Expressions of Art"	Performing and visual arts, residents experiencing arts and culture, arts festivals, cultural programs
"Nature of the Area"	Landscapes, waterscapes, wildlife, plants, the natural rivers, the beauty of the seasons . . .

Questions? Contact Aaron Marcavitch at: (301) 887-0777
or, email: aaron@marylandmilestones.org

EVENTS

August 24, 2013

Battle of Bladensburg Encampment

(Saturday) 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Riversdale House Museum
4811 Riverdale Rd, Riverdale Park

Bring the family to join British and American War of 1812 troops as they camp on the lawn to prepare for battle during this FREE event. Enjoy children's activities and live music throughout the afternoon. The Riversdale Kitchen Guild will sell period-inspired refreshments. All ages. Scouts, call for info on earning a badge! 301-864-0420; TTY 301-699-2544

September 1, 2013

No Food, No Army

(Sunday) 11 a.m. – 12 noon
Fort Washington Park, Fort Washington Rd, Ft Washington, MD 20744

Come experience the Civil War through the belly. This program led by Ranger Trey and some of our Civil War volunteers will demonstrate how the soldiers prepared their food and what they ate from day to day during the Civil War. \$5 per car. For info call: 301-763-4600.

The BHHC welcomes new members and volunteers who are interested in working on events and projects that highlight our Town's unique history. The BHHC meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. The BHHC will hold its next meeting on September 24th at the Town Office.

CHECK OUT OUR NEW "BHHC BLOG": <http://berwynheightshistory.wordpress.com>

VISIT THESE LINKS: The Berwyn Heights Historical Committee (BHHC) www.berwyn-heights.com/orgs/
Anacostia Trails Heritage Area (ATHA)- www.anacostiatrials.org; Prince George's Historical Society- www.pghistory.org



Free Karate Training!!!!

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

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

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The Bugle – August 2013

The Berwyn Heights Boys and Girls Club

Too much of this:



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- 3 Out of 10 kids are overweight. 80% of club alumni said the Boys and Girls Club had a positive impact on their attitude towards fitness and health!! Here are some of the alumni who got their start from the Boys and Girl Club!!!

Shawn White-
Professional Skateboarder



Usher Raymond-
Singer/Actor



Edward James Olmos-
Actor/Activist



Kerry Washington-
Actress/Activist



To read more about their accomplishments and to see other famous club members, please visit the Boys and Girls Club of America website www.bgca.org. The Berwyn Heights Boys and Girls Club are looking for role models, mentors, coaches, and volunteers. If you are interested, we would love to meet you. Please contact Shinita Hemby at (202) 531-6066 or by email at hembygirl@yahoo.com.

Motivation is what gets you started; Determination is what keeps you going!



Who will receive the *Traveling Garden Award?*

In the next several months, dozens of unique awards will be bestowed upon those residents who have created the loveliest gardens & yards in Town. And the award itself, is a book!

The Curious Garden by Peter Brown, is an inspirational, and beautifully illustrated tale about making a real difference in your world

Play & WIN!

participants become
eligible to win
a gift certificate to

The Behnke Nursery!



If you receive a copy of this book, that means someone has chosen your garden and/or yard as their favorite spot of beauty in all the Town! As the recipient, it's now your turn to pass the "award" along to another Berwyn Heights resident whose garden and/or yard inspires you

In early 2014, the Recreation Council will host a
Wine & Cheese Reception to honor the
lucky winners of the "**Traveling Garden Award**"

Call 301-474-5000 for more information



Berwyn Heights Green Bee



The GreenBee is your monthly guide to tips and resources from the Green Team! If you'd like to share your ideas, please email us at bgreen.berwynheights@gmail.com, or contact Therese Forbes, outreach coordinator, at 301-982-7115. Our next Green Team meeting is August 15th at 7:00 p.m. (Town Office).

Meet the Green Team at Upcoming Events: National Night Out on 8/6 & Hello Husky Night on 8/27

Visit the Green Team informational booths at two August events—National Night Out on August 6, from 6-9 p.m. at the Town Center, and Hello Husky Night on August 27th from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Berwyn Heights Elementary School, an event for students and their families. Come learn more about what it means to be “green”—we hope to see you there!

GreenBee Gardening Tips: Container Gardening or Edible Landscaping

If you don't have a lot of yard space for a full garden, you can still grow fresh vegetables with container gardening or by including edible plants in your landscaping.

How to begin a container garden

- You can use almost anything that can hold soil, as long as it provides for drainage—5 gallon plastic buckets, gallon cans, tubs, wading pools, plastic storage containers, nursery pots
- The depth and volume of your container depends on the type of vegetable:
 - 4-6 inches deep: Salad greens, Asian greens, mustard greens, garlic, radish, and herbs such as basil, cilantro, thyme, mint and marjoram
 - 8-12 inches deep: Beans, beets, chard, carrots, cabbage, pepper, eggplant, tomato, squash, rosemary, parsley, lavender and fennel
 - For herbs, green onions, radishes, onion, chard, pepper, dwarf tomato or cucumber, use a 1-3 gallon pot; for full size tomatoes, cucumbers, eggplant, beans, peas, cabbage and broccoli, use a 4-5 gallon container
- Other container gardening tips:
 - Use commercial potting soils rather than soil from the ground—this can also include soil-less mixes and/or compost—also use fertilizer if potting soil isn't self-feeding
 - Water frequently, ideally in the morning, but avoid watering the leaves to prevent disease; another option is to use water-holding gels that slowly release water into the soil
 - Mulch to reduce evaporation—use gravel, crushed seashells, pebbles, bark or pine needles

Edible landscaping

You can also incorporate edible plants into your landscaping. Consider adding vegetables and herbs to your flower beds for a great way to add interesting textures & colors! Below are ways that you can combine edible and ornamental plants:

- Tuck lettuce, radishes and other short-lived greens into a flower bed
- In shadier areas, try a border of alpine strawberries and curly parsley
- Add a fragrant border of basil or colorful red-jewel cabbage or rainbow chard
- Interplant a border of lettuce & spinach with dwarf nasturtiums

GreenBee BuzzWorthy: Recycle & Reuse!

NEW!! Light Bulb & Battery Recycling Bins at Town Center & Elementary School

Do you have old light bulbs and batteries lying around your home? Don't trash them, recycle them! There are now recycling bins available outside of the Town Center and in the Berwyn Heights Elementary School office; come by and drop them off!

Looking for materials for a home improvement project? Visit Community Forklift

Consider visiting Community Forklift where you'll find surplus, salvaged and green building materials, furniture and other reusable items that are priced 25-75% below retail. Community Forklift is located at 4671 Tanglewood Drive, Edmonston, MD; visit <http://www.communityforklift.com/> or call 301-985-5180.

Check Out the Prince George's County Consignment Group for Children's Items and Household Goods

Join the Prince George's County Consignment Group on Facebook! Created by a Berwyn Heights resident, this group allows caregivers to buy, sell, trade, give and request children's items and household goods. Visit their Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/486205748139983/>



Berwyn Heights Volunteer Fire Department Company 14



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

Station Telephone: (301) 474-7866

In Case of Emergency Call 911!

RECENT WORKING INCIDENTS:

July 12th- Squad 14 responded to the intersection of 11th Ave & Ruatan St. in College Park for the accident with one trapped.

July 11th- Truck 14 responded to the 7900 Blk of New Hampshire Ave in Adelphi for a Commercial Building Fire that grew into a 3rd Alarm incident lasting for several hours. We would like to thank Glenn Dale VFD for transferring units to our Station to assist Ambulance 14B protect the community during this incident.

June 28th- Squad 14 responded to Laurel Bowie Rd near Muirkirk Rd in Laurel for the accident with people trapped. The Squad crew extricated two patients from two vehicles simultaneously.

June 27th- Squad 14 responded to the 5400 Blk of Landover Rd in Bladensburg for the accident with one trapped.

June 27th- Squad 14 responded to the 1300 Blk of University Blvd in Montgomery County for a Commercial Building Fire, fire in a store front.

June 26th- Squad 14 and Chief 14B responded to Northbound I-95 in the area of Powder Mill Rd for the accident with one trapped.

June 22nd- Truck 14, Ambulance 14B, & Chief 14A responded to the 9100 Blk of Springhill Ln in Greenbelt for the Apartment Fire. Truck 14 extinguished a kitchen fire while Ambulance 14B treated an injured resident.

Pictures and additional info about these incidents and others on our website: www.BHVFD14.org

Note to Members: The August company meeting has been moved from Tuesday August 6th to Tuesday the 13th in order to allow us to fully participate in National Night Out.

Fire Extinguisher Safety

Portable fire extinguishers are valuable for immediate use on small fires. They contain a limited amount of extinguishing material and need to be properly used so that this material is not wasted. For example, when a pan initially catches fire, it may be safe to turn off the burner, place a lid on the pan, and use an extinguisher. By the time the fire has spread, however, these actions will not be adequate. Only trained firefighters can safely extinguish such fires.



Use a fire extinguisher only if:

- You have alerted other occupants and someone has called 911.
- The fire is small and contained to a single object, such as a wastebasket;
- You are safe from the toxic smoke produced by the fire;
- You have a means of escape identified and the fire is not between you and the escape route
- Your instincts tell you that it is safe to use an extinguisher.

If all of these conditions are not present, you should NOT try to use a fire extinguisher. Alert other occupants, leave the building following your home escape plan. Go to the agreed upon meeting place, and call 911 from a cell phone or a neighbor's home.

Extinguisher Maintenance:

- The extinguisher is not blocked by furniture, doorways, or anything that might limit access in an emergency.
- The pressure is at the recommended level. Some extinguishers have gauges that indicate when the pressure is too high or too low.
- All parts are operable and not damaged or restricted in any way. Make sure hoses and nozzles are free of insects or debris. There should not be any signs of damage or abuse, such as dents or rust, on the extinguisher

Station Runs for 2013 Six Month Totals	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	6 Month Totals
Rescue Squads	143	99	117	137	149	140	785
Ladder Truck	68	72	66	83	70	73	4312
Technical Rescue Support Unit	3	2	3	4	6	2	20
Ambulances	180	160	153	157	187	153	990
Totals	395	333	340	376	413	368	2,225
Working Structure Fires	3	6	5	3	5	4	26
Vehicle Extrications	4	2	1	2	4	5	17

Station 14 Volunteer Support Utilization (VSU)

Days for August:

BHVFD will be 100% volunteer on
Thursday August 15th and Tuesday
August 27th

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August 2013

Town of Berwyn Heights Monthly Calendar of Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 Recycling Collection	Refuse Collection  North  South			 1  N	 2  S	3
Yard Waste  North  South	Bulk Pick-up  North  South					
4	 5  Worksession 7:00 P.M. Town Office Televised on Ch 71, FiOS 12	 6  NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 6:00 P.M. Town Center	 7	 8  N Recreation Council Meeting 7:00 P.M. Town Office	 9  S	10
11	 12 	 13 	 14 Town Meeting 8:00 P.M. Town Office Televised on Ch 71, FiOS 12	 15  N Green Team 7:00 P.M. Town Office	 16  S	17
18	 19  Worksession 7:00 P.M. Town Office Televised on Ch 71, FiOS 12 PGCPS BACK TO SCHOOL	 20 	 21	 22  N	 23  S	24 MOVIE IN THE PARK 8:30 P.M. Sports Park
25	 26  	 27  HELLO HUSKIES 6:00 P.M. School Entrance	 28	 29  N	 30  S	31



THE STREET SWEEPER WILL NOT BE IN BERWYN HEIGHTS THIS MONTH. DO YOUR PART — PLEASE DON'T LITTER.

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 Police (Non-Emergency) (301) 352-1200
 Police Administrative Office (301) 474-6554
 Code Compliance Department (301) 513-9331
 Public Works Department (301) 474-6897
 Email: publicworks@town.berwyn-heights.md.us
 Fire Department (301) 474-7866
 Senior Center (301) 474-0018
 Community Center (Gym) (301) 345-2808
 Town Office (301) 474-5000
 Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Call-A-Bus Reservations (301) 474-5000
 Maryland Relay Service (TTY)..... 1(800) 735-2258

Mayor and Council

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 Mayor — Public Safety and Health
 James Wilkinson (301) 982-5152 jwilkinson@town.berwyn-heights.md.us
 Mayor Pro Tem — Department of Public Works (please call before 8:30 p.m.)
 Rose Almoguera (301) 974-1777 ralmoguera@town.berwyn-heights.md.us
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 Patti Dennison (301) 404-2759 pdennison@town.berwyn-heights.md.us
 Councilmember — Parks and Recreation, Education and Civic Affairs
 Jodie Kulpa-Eddy (301) 345-1516 jkulpaeddy@town.berwyn-heights.md.us
 Councilmember — Code Compliance, Construction and Transportation

Regular Trash Collection Schedule

North of Pontiac..... Mondays & Thursdays
 South of Pontiac..... Tuesdays & Fridays
Heavy Trash Day:
 Weekly on Thursday for North of Pontiac
 Weekly on Friday for South of Pontiac
Recycling Schedule:
 Wednesdays for the entire Town.

Town Helpline

Do you have a suggestion or problem or a question on an ordinance, or have a historical question? Want to receive meeting agendas or minutes by email?
 Email Town at
contact@town.berwyn-heights.md.us
 Be assured that your communication will be answered promptly

Watch Council Meetings



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