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NOTICE OF CHARTER AMENDMENT RESOLUTION

At the Town meeting on December 21, 2018, 7:00 pm, the Town Council plans to adopt Resolution 13-2018 to amend the Town Charter. As required by State law, the Resolution will be posted for 40 days until January 21, 2019 at the Town Administration Building and on the Town website at <https://www.berwynheightmd.gov>. The Charter Amendment will become effective 50 days after its passage on January 31, 2019, unless a referendum petition is filed with the Town on or before the 40th day after initial passage of the Resolution. Further, a fair summary of this Resolution, as given below, shall be posted in the Town Hall and shall be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the Town, no fewer than 4 times at weekly intervals, within the 40 days following its passage by the Town Council.

CHARTER AMENDMENT RESOLUTION 13-2018

Resolution 13-2018 amends Section 306.2 of the Charter of the Town of Berwyn Heights, MD to clarify when the Mayor is absent and the Mayor Pro Tempore should assume all or a part of the Mayoral Duties.

The purpose of the Amendment is to enable the Mayor Pro Tempore to sign documents and perform other Mayoral duties on behalf of the Town when the Mayor is absent, where absence is defined as: a) The Mayor notifies the Council that he or she will be absent or is unable or unwilling to perform all or a part of the duties of the office; or b) the Mayor is unable or unwilling to sign legislation duly adopted by the Council or those documents necessary to give effect to said legislation; or c) a majority of the Council determines by a public vote that the Mayor is unable or unwilling to perform all or a part of the duties of the office.

For information, please contact Town Manager Maria Broadbent at mbroadbent@berwynheightsmd.gov or Town Clerk Kerstin Harper at kharp@berwynheightsmd.gov



Wallace Rossmiller (92)

Long time resident of Berwyn Heights, Wally Rossmiller, died September 29, 2018. He and his wife, Carolyn, who passed in 2005, bought their home in College Knolls in 1961, where they raised their children Richard and Ruth Ann.

Wally served on the Recreation Council for 24 years, mostly as treasurer, and helped coordinate activities and parties for the community. Upon his retirement in 1994, the Maryland Parks and Planning Commission issued a Proclamation thanking him for his service and the town planted a tree in his honor at Berwyn Heights Elementary School. In the early 70's he performed in the annual Father's Play comedy at the elementary school's fair.

Wally was also a member of the Boy Scouts of America for over 50 years. He became a scout at age 13 in Milwaukee, WI, where he earned the rank of Eagle Scout. Wally re-entered Boy Scouts in 1969 when his son, Richard, became a cub scout in Troop 714. For the next forty-five years Wally contributed his time to lead the Troop. He worked his way up the ranks of the Scouting organization and ultimately became a District Commissioner for the Patuxent District. He received the Silver Beaver Award for his lifetime of service. Wally also received the Lamb Award, a national recognition by the Lutheran Church, for his distinguished service to the Boy Scouts.

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LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS

At November 14 Town Meeting

1. **ORD 175-A—Amending the FY19 Budget to Purchase a Salt Spreader—Introduction**
This Ordinance reallocates money for the purchase of a new dump body to a salt spreader. Adoption is planned at the December 12 Town meeting.
2. **Resolution 11-2018—MOU with Electric Vehicle Institute regarding Vehicle Charging Station**
The Resolution approves an agreement enabling EVI to install at no charge a 2-plug charging station at the Town Center. The station will be used to charge the Town's hybrid vehicle as well as any electric or hybrid vehicles owned by residents.
3. **Resolution 12-2018—MOU with WSSC for Repayment of Street Repairs**
The Resolution approves an agreement by which WSSC will reimburse the Town for repairs made to Town streets by the Town's contractor on WSSC's behalf.
4. **Resolution 13-2018—Introduction of Charter Amendment Clarifying the Mayor Pro Tems' Authority**
The Resolution clarifies when the Mayor Pro Tem shall assume all or part of Mayoral duties. See notice on page 2.
5. **Resolution 14-2014—Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the State Aid for Police Protection Fund Application**
The Resolution authorizes the Mayor to apply for State funds that support the operations of local police agencies.

For Additional Information

Please contact Town Manager Broadbent at mbroadbent@berwynheightsmd.gov

HOLIDAY REFUSE SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS

Mon	12/24/18	Offices Closed - NO PICKUP
Tue	12/25/18	Offices Closed - NO PICKUP
Wed	12/26/18	Recycling - Entire Town
Thu	12/27/18	Trash, Bulk - Entire Town
Fri	12/28/18	Yard Waste

NEW YEAR

Mon	12/31/18	Offices Closed - NO PICKUP
Tue	01/01/19	Offices Closed - NO PICKUP
Wed	01/02/19	Recycling - Entire Town
Thu	01/03/19	Trash, Bulk - Entire Town
Fri	01/04/19	Yard Waste

Please Do **NOT** Leave Trash out
Over the Weekend

JOB OPENING PUBLIC INFORMATION AIDE

The Town is accepting applications for a part-time (16 hours/week) Public Information Aide to assist in publicizing information about Town services, Town regulations, and community events via social media, the Town website, and the Berwyn Heights Bulletin. Pay is \$15.30/hour. A detailed position description is posted at www.berwynheightsmd.gov/employment-center.

Please submit your application to HR Manager Michelle Rodriguez, 5700 Berwyn Road, Berwyn Heights, MD 20740. Closing date is Friday, December 21, 2018.

Happy Holidays!

from the Berwyn Heights Rec. Council

**Join us Saturday, December 8th, 6-8pm
for our Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Party
at the BH Senior Center!!!**

A family friendly night filled with holiday crafts, hot cocoa, cookies, music by Phil Ventura, Christmas caroling, tree lighting & a visit from good Ol' Saint Nick himself!



Toys for Tots Drive

We ask that you consider donating a new, unwrapped toy to the Toys for Tots drive sponsored by the US Marine Corps Reserve. Donations can be made at the Holiday Party or at the Town Office now through December 14th.

TRIVIA NIGHT RECAP:

We had a great turnout for our 1st-ever Berwyn Heights Team Trivia Night on November 2nd! Teams were asked for the 3-word motto for the BHPD (Pride, Courage and ?) as well as the only avenue in town that is also a prime number. Congratulations to the "Dream Team" (Jim McGinnis, Mary Lou Milstead, Nora Snyder, Bob Catlin, Kyle Snyder and Gene Snyder) for taking home 1st Place. Watch for this event to be held again in 2019!
(Answers: *Compassion and 59th Avenue*)

Upcoming Events:

Re-gifting Party - Sun. Jan. 13th at the BH Town Center (Adult Event)
Valentine Card Making & Cookie Decorating Party - Sat. Feb. 9th, 1-3pm.
...stay tuned for more details in next month's bulletin!

Next Recreation Council Meeting:

Tuesday, December 4th | 7:30 pm | G. Love Room. All are welcome!
Suggestions? Want to Join? Email Susan at violindreams@verizon.net



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



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

In Case of Emergency Call 911!

Christmas Tree Fundraiser Sale!

The Berwyn Heights Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad is once again holding our Annual Christmas Tree Fundraiser Sale in the rear parking lot of the Firehouse, starting Saturday, November 24. This is one of our most important fundraisers of the year, and we would like to thank everyone in advance for your support!

*We accept cash and checks. **Live in Town? We will deliver your tree for FREE!***

Sale hours:

Monday – Friday 5:00pm to 9:00pm

Saturday & Sunday 9:00am to 9:00pm

Tree prices:

5-6ft Fraser Fir - \$35

6-7ft Fraser Fir - \$45

7-8ft Fraser Fir - \$55

**Be sure to get your tree early!
we usually sell out a week or two
before Christmas even though
we order more trees every year!**



**These are tentative prices. Please check our website at www.BHVFD14.org for updated prices.*

Santa on a Fire Truck- Christmas Eve



BHVFD volunteers will once again escort Santa around Town on **Monday December 24th, 2018**, between approximately 7 to 9 PM. We try our best to ensure Santa visits all streets in Berwyn Heights, College Park Estates, and Westchester Park, **but we will still be responding to emergency calls during this time** which may affect our rounds. Just listen for our sirens on Christmas Eve! Missed your house in the past? Email: ksnyder@BHVFD14.org.

Worksession October 1, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Pro Tem Stephen Isler, presiding, Councilmembers (CMs) Amanda Dewey, Jason Papanikolas, and Ethan Sweep. Mayor Lynn White had an excused absence. Also present were Town Manager (TM) Maria Broadbent, Clerk Kerstin Harper, and Andrew Fellows, University of Maryland Community & Outreach Program Manager.

1. Citizen Comments

There were none.

2. Announcements

Mayor Pro Tem Isler said he will chair tonight's meeting as Mayor White is unable to attend. He announced that the Council changed the agenda format to allow citizens to comment at the beginning of a meeting. When they do, they are requested to be recognized and come to the podium to state their name and street on which they live.

3. Presentation

MPT Isler welcomed former Mayor of College Park and UMD Community & Outreach Program Manager Andrew Fellows for a briefing on the University's campus community connection initiative (c3). Mr. Fellows said as Mayor of College Park, he made it a priority to improve collaboration between the city, the University and Prince George's County. This mission expanded to include all communities surrounding UMD when he was tapped by President Loh in 2015 to head the c3 program. Berwyn Heights joined the program in 2017 and submitted 10 projects for collaboration with the University. CM Dewey, who is a UMD graduate student and chair of the Green Team, assisted in developing the project list. The new Council is encouraged to review the projects and make any desired changes.

Mr. Fellows reported on progress made on some of the projects on Berwyn Heights' list, including

- engagement with the business-

es along the Route 193 corridor by starting a conversation with the managers of the Silver Diner and Beltway Plaza;

- launching of a smart cities initiative in spring of 2018, which seeks to develop opportunities for collaboration around smart technology and data analytics; and
- pursuing grant funding for a variety of collaborative projects, such as the small watershed grant Berwyn Heights supported that would fund technical assistance to restore the Anacostia watershed.

In discussion, the Council expressed interest in assistance with storm-water management and raingardens, a signage/ billboard to advertise community events, and historic preservation. Mr. Fellows suggested a number of ways to utilize University resources, from publicizing community service opportunities to students, to identifying 'capstone' projects, to seeking assistance through UMD programs, such as 'Engineers without Borders' or 'Good Neighbor Day'.

4. Discussion Items

Council Rules 1-5: MPT Isler explained the Council decided to update the 19 Council Rules (CRs), which define procedures of the Council and the organization of the Town government. The review will be broken up into smaller segments, with 5 Council Rules reviewed at each of the next 4 worksessions. The following changes were made:

- CR 1 Council Meetings and CR 2 Town Meeting agenda were combined and reordered into one Rule setting forth procedures for conducting Council meetings.
- CR 3 Minutes: section on verbatim minutes and appendix of common abbreviations were deleted;
- CR 4 Charter Amendments deleted as procedures for amending the Charter are covered by State law and the Town Charter;
- CR 5 Passage of Ordinances was changed to replace adoption by resolution with a statement of

purpose for adoption; adoption by absolute majority was replaced with adoption by simple majority; requirement for fiscal impact note was added; required signature by Mayor was added.

Canopy Rule: TM Broadbent said she was able to confirm that the County requires a building permit for pop-up canopies, although the canopies are temporary structures. When a building permit is obtained, a zoning review may also be triggered. Further, TM Broadbent plans to place a resolution on the next Town meeting agenda, which would enact a new building permit fee. The fee would more accurately reflect the effort the Town expends in reviewing permits. She is also working with the Code Compliance Department on combining the residential and commercial Clean Lot Ordinances into one Property Maintenance Ordinance and adopt the standards of the International Property Maintenance Code.

5. Minutes

The Council reviewed the September 5 worksession minutes. On a motion by CM Papanikolas and second by CM Sweep, the minutes were approved 4 to 0. the September 13 Town meeting minutes were distributed.

6. Department Reports

MPT Isler reported that he has been signing checks and continues to gather information for a new welcome packet. CM Papanikolas said he is trying to help the PTA locate a list of Town businesses the Town office reportedly maintains. CM Dewey said the Police officially kicked off its anti-bullying month and attended an assembly at Berwyn Heights Elementary School. She encouraged residents to vote in the mid-term elections and offered to give people a ride to the polls if needed. TM Broadbent reported that she has been familiarizing herself with the FY 2019 budget and is working on a couple of changes to the Employee Handbook.

7. Town Council Schedule

The Council reviewed the calendar of upcoming meetings and events. No changes were made.

On a motion by CM Sweep, seconded by CM Papanikolas, the meeting was adjourned at 9:34 p.m.

Town Meeting Minutes October 10, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. Present were Mayor Pro Tem (MPT) Stephen Isler, Councilmembers (CMs) Jason Papanikolas and Ethan Sweep. Mayor Lynn White and CM Amanda Dewey had excused absences. Also Present were Town Manager (TM) Maria Broadbent, Clerk Kerstin Harper, Chief Kenneth Antolik, Detective Daniel Unger, Sgt. Thomas Moroney, Cpl. Scott Krouse, Police Clerk Mercy Muralles and Officer in Training Christiane Rufino, her family and friends, as well as members of the Quality of Life Commission.

1. Announcements

MPT Isler said he will be acting as Mayor while Mayor White is absent. Mayor White is attending to a personal matter and is expected to return on October 12.

2. Citizen Comments

Phil Ventura, 57th Avenue criticized the management of the road repair project. He said the project includes an excessive amount of cement work, i.e. sidewalks, curbs and gutters that did not need to be replaced, and inadequate preparation of the road sub-base, i.e. not milling (scraping) the old asphalt to sufficient depth for resurfacing. He also criticized Public Works staff for cutting grass in the wrong places and marking crosswalks and stop lines with thermoplastic strips.

Meg Miller Shane said that the Quality of Life Commission advised that residents contact the Public Works Department directly rather than talking to the crews on site, if they want to report problems, such as weeds growing in sidewalks. Public Works is responsive to such reports.

3. Swearing-in of Officer Rufino

MPT Isler congratulated Officer Rufino for graduating from the Police Academy in the top of her class and then swore her in. He also read the Law Enforcement Code of Ethics, which Officer Rufino pledged to uphold. Officer Rufino thanked the Council, the residents, Chief Antolik and the BHPD for their vote of confidence and giving her the opportunity to become a police officer in this community. Chief Antolik said he is proud to lead a very talented group of officers to which Officer Rufino will be a wonderful addition.

The Council took a 10-minute break.

4. Minutes

MPT Isler said the Council decided to drop the reading of minutes at its last worksession and asked for motion to consider the minutes read. CM Sweep so moved. CM Papanikolas seconded. The motion passed 3 to 0. MPT Isler said the Council has reviewed the Town meeting minutes and submitted corrections, which are tracked in the version available tonight. CM Papanikolas moved and CM Sweep seconded to approve the minutes as amended. The motion passed 3 to 0.

5. Mayor's Report

No report.

6. Department Reports

Administration: MPT Isler said the Administration has worked on a couple of changes to the Employee Handbook and created a position for a Public Information Aide, which the Council will consider for approval under New Business later tonight. The Town Council has embarked on a comprehensive review of Council Rules, last updated in 2001, to ensure they conform with the Town's Charter and Ordinances and serve this Council's preferences for conducting business.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Rodriguez gave the report for September 2018. The Town received payments for real and personal property taxes, Highway User Revenues and State Police Aid. BHPD received two grants from the Town's liability insur-

er that will help fund body cameras and tuition for the police academy. The main expenditures were related to the road project and tree maintenance.

Town Manager's Report: TM Broadbent reported she is reviewing the Council's priorities with a view on how to move forward. She and Chief Antolik met with the Neighborhood Watch/ Emergency Preparedness Committee (NW/EP) to discuss its organization and will make recommendations regarding its status in the near future. Prince George's County plans to make improvements to the storm water outfall at the Nevada Street trail and will brief residents about the project at the November 8 Green Team meeting. She is working with the Code Department on re-calibrating several processes. A change to the building permit fee will be on the agenda tonight.

In response to questions, TM Broadbent said the electric vehicle is expected to be delivered within next few weeks. She is also working on a grant contract for the electric charging station she intends to bring before the Council in November.

Code Compliance: Code Supervisor Glass gave the code activities report for September. CM Papanikolas reiterated that he and TM Broadbent had been in repeated contact with the County regarding the pop-up canopies. It was learned that a permit is required. It may be useful to clarify this and a couple of other issues in the Town's code. TM Broadbent added that any resident who has a problem with a canopy issue should contact her. The Town will work with the County to resolve these issues.

Parks, Recreation Education & Civic Affairs: No report.

Public Works: Public Works Director Hall gave the monthly report. The Department continued to oversee the road repair work, helped set up for Hello Huskies Night and the Community Garden Party, cut grass and trimmed branches along roadways. Next month, Public Works plans to

repaint crosswalks, stop lines and 'sharrows' along bicycle routes, and prepare the equipment for the leaf season. Director Hall also reported the refuse collection totals and gave an update on the road project and vehicle maintenance activities.

CM Sweep reported a citizen commented that a sign on Pontiac Street was mounted too low on the pole. Public Works has fixed this and all traffic signs with similar issues. MPT Isler suggested Director Hall and TM Broadbent meet with Mr. Ventura to discuss his concerns about the road project.

Public Safety: MPT Isler read a report submitted by CM Dewey, who was unable to attend this meeting. CM Dewey will be available to transport anyone who needs help to the polls on November 6, mid-term Election Day. The UMD Transportation Department replied to her inquiries about cuts in shuttle service to Berwyn Heights that no changes will be made during a semester. She will try to find out how to give input on changing the schedule for the next semester.

Chief Antolik reported that Cpl. Krouse and an intern spoke to BHES students about bullying. On November 10, BHPD will host a 'Coco with a Popo' community event. In September, Part I offenses came in at the new low of 1. The 5-year average is 6.8. The year to date total was 36. The Police also issued 141 state and municipal citations and 22 speed camera tickets. Chief Antolik cautioned residents to be prepared for Hurricane Michael should it impact Maryland.

MPT Isler said he received a citizen comment about surveyors entering private property without permission and asked if they should notify the Police. Chief Antolik said they should report anything unusual or suspicious. Door-to-door vendors must have a solicitors' permits issued by BHPD.

7. Committee Reports

Quality of Life Commission: Chair

Meg Miller Shane thanked the Commission members for their investment of time and effort in producing actionable recommendations for improving community living. Councilmembers were provided binders containing recommendations from three sub-committees dealing with code enforcement, traffic and parking, and beautification. Additional information regarding outreach and inclusion of minorities, as well as the 2020 Census will be forthcoming. Some concerns the Commission raised were already addressed by the Town government. Code enforcement remains a key area for improvement and a number of traffic concerns remain unresolved. The Commission is considering meeting on a quarterly basis to review what progress is being made.

MPT Isler said he is very appreciative of the Commission's work and looks forward to studying the materials provided. This type of input from residents is what makes him want to serve on the Council. Maria Newsom thanked Ms. Miller Shane for her leadership and keeping the Commission on track.

Education Advisory Committee: No report.

Green Team: No report.

Historical Committee: Chair Richard Ahrens reported that the Historical Committee held elections at its last meeting and elected him as chair. At the same meeting, Jodie Kulpa-Eddy was present to inform everyone about Team Trivia Night, to be held on November 2. The Historical Committee will field a team. For its fall reception on November 11, the Committee will host Susan Pearl for a presentation on the Taverns of Prince George's County.

Neighborhood Watch/ Emergency Preparedness: TM Broadbent reported that she and Chief Antolik met with the NW/EP members and explored different options for the Committee to interface with the Town. One option is for the Committee to become an official Town organization which would be activated

by the Town's emergency manager. As such, it would be covered by the Town's liability insurance. Another option could set the Committee up as an independent non-profit organization that activates on its own accord but would not necessarily have access to the full range of Town resources.

Recreation Council: MPT Isler reported upcoming events, including the new Team Trivia Night on November 2, Trunk or Treat on October 20, Halloween, and the annual Tree Lighting on December 8. On October 23, the Town will host a flu shot clinic. He thanked the Boys & Girls Club for a wonderful fall fest.

7. Unfinished Business

There was none.

8. New Business

Resolution 07-2018 Amending the Building Permit Fee: Clerk Harper read the Resolution. TM Broadbent explained that this Resolution would enact a lower, two-tiered building permit fee that more closely reflects the effort expended in reviewing the building plans. This responds to many complaints about Berwyn Heights charging the same building permit fee as the County while not performing the same technical review of building plans. The proposed fees of \$75 for construction valued under \$25,000 and \$125 for construction valued above \$25,000 would result in less revenue. An accurate estimate of the fiscal impact requires information about the value of construction projects, which the Town currently does not collect, but would start to collect after enactment.

CM Papanikolas commented that he has advocated for revising the Town's building permit fee and supports the proposed fee structure. It is in line with what other Prince George's municipalities charge. He thinks the permit fees should not be set to raise revenue but should reflect the Town's efforts in ensuring construction projects are carried out safely and in conformance with the plans. CM Sweep and MPT Isler also expressed support for the proposed fee structure.

Phil Ventura commented the Council might want to consider adopting a sliding fee structure for construction valued above \$25,000 to be able to recoup a commensurate fee in the event a very large project comes along. CM Papanikolas and TM Broadbent said there are very few projects valued over \$25,000 in a given year. In 2018, 2 out of 53 projects were in that category. If needed, another fee could be added for projects valued above \$100,000. CM Papanikolas moved and CM Sweep seconded to adopt Resolution 07-2018 revising the building permit fee schedule. The motion passed 3 to 0.

Resolution 08-2018 – Adopting Sick & Safe Leave Policy of the Maryland Working Healthy Families Act: Clerk Harper read the Resolution. TM Broadbent explained the General Assembly in February 2018 adopted the Maryland Healthy Working Families Act which requires employers to grant sick leave for incidents of domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking; caring for a family member to include grandparents, siblings and legal guardians regardless of whether they are members of the same household; part-time employees who work at least 24 hours per week; Maternity and paternity leave. The fiscal impact of this change in the sick leave policy will be minimal as there are only a couple of part-time employees who would become eligible for sick leave. CM Sweep moved and CM Papanikolas seconded to adopt Resolution 08-2018 adopting the new sick & safe leave policy. The motion passed 3 to 0.

Resolution 09-2018 Adopting an Adverse Weather Compensation Policy: Clerk Harper read the Resolution. TM Broadbent explained that this Resolution amends the Employee Handbook to compensate employees who must work when Town offices are closed at a rate of 1 ½ times their regular pay, primarily in the event of adverse weather or emergencies. This needed clarification as to which employees are exempt and not exempt from the work

requirement, when those employees must work and how they will be compensated. The revised policy also clarifies the circumstances under which liberal leave may be taken. CM Sweep noted that revised language refers to 'Town Administrator' rather than 'Town Manager', which should be changed. He moved to adopt Resolution 09-2018 as amended. CM Papanikolas seconded. The motion passed 3 to 0.

Resolution 10-2018 Creating the Position of Public Information Aide: Clerk Harper read the Resolution. TM Broadbent explained that the position of public information aide is intended to help the Town improve communications with residents. An aide would likely work on adding content to the Town website, improve social media presence and promote Town events and programs. The pay rate for the position would be \$15.50 per hour and funding would be shifted from other areas in the budget, i.e. the Parks & Recreation Aide position, which has not been filled, wages for cable operators and Bulletin publishing. The annualized cost of the position would be approximately \$12,800.

MPT Isler said, if the aide is to promote events and programs, he or she should be asked to attend the meetings of Town organizations to have direct knowledge of their event plans. The aide would be a link between the organizations and the Town Council. CM Papanikolas said the position supports the Council's goal to improve outreach with the community. He supports giving it a try. CM Sweep agreed that the position aligns with Council priorities. He thinks the aide may not need to attend all meetings but instead establish good relations with the chairs of the organizations.

Angie Wolfinger, Ruatan Street, commented the aide should attend at least the once-monthly Recreation Council meeting, which is an umbrella organization for all community groups. Phil Ventura added that attendance of the Recreation Council meeting should suffice, if attendance of the meeting were made mandatory for all organizations.

CM Papanikolas moved to adopt Resolution 10-2018 creating a Public Information Aide position. CM Sweep seconded. MPT Isler noted a spelling mistake. The Resolution was approved 3 to 0 as amended.

9. Citizen Comments

Phil Ventura announced that St. Hughes in Greenbelt will celebrate Oktoberfest the coming Saturday.

Mike Attick, 62nd Avenue, commented per telephone that 'citizen comments' were placed at the end of the agenda so that citizens could comment on any of the items discussed during the meeting. That would not be possible if 'citizen comments' are the first item on the agenda. MPT Isler replied that citizens will be able to comment both at the beginning and the end of a meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:42 p.m.

Worksession October 15, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. Present were Mayor Pro Tem Stephen Isler, presiding, Councilmembers (CMs) Amanda Dewey, Jason Papanikolas, and Ethan Sweep. Mayor Lynn White had an excused absence. Also present were Town Manager (TM) Maria Broadbent, Clerk Kerstin Harper, Chief Kenneth Antolik and Cpl. Scott Krouse.

1. Citizen Comments

There were none.

2. Announcements

Mayor Pro Tem Isler said Mayor White extended her leave to November 12. TM Broadbent announced that she has invited staff from the Department of Housing & Community Development (DHCD) to discuss the bond issuing process and Kap Kapastin to brief the Council on Beltway Plaza redevelopment plans at future worksessions. CM Dewey said she spoke with UMD's Department of Transportation and learned that shuttle service to Berwyn Heights was reduced for budget reasons.

3. Presentation

Chief Antolik noted that there were 4 incidents of airbags being stolen from Hondas over the last week. Residents are advised to purchase steering wheel locks to prevent such thefts.

Cpl. Krouse gave a presentation on what citizens should do during active shooter situations, which have seen a continued increase in the United States and around the world. An "active shooter" is defined as an individual who is engaged in killing or attempting to kill people in a confined and populated area. In most cases, active shooters use firearms(s) and there is no pattern or method to their selection of victims. Active shooters come from a variety of backgrounds and have a variety of motives. They may have military experience, but can be co-workers, neighbors or family.

If one is caught up in an active shooter situation, the first response should be to try to escape. If this is not possible, the second-best option is to hide out of the shooters view. As a last resort, if one's life is in imminent danger, it is better to attack the shooter than not. These options are summed up in the ["Run, Hide or Fight" instructions](#) of the US Department of Homeland Security

Cpl. Krouse said today police, who first arrive on the scene, will no longer wait for backup but confront a shooter as soon as possible to minimize loss of life. For that reason, they will not tend to any injured but seek to stop the assailant. If an officer is present, one should follow his instructions, raise one's hands and keep them visible, and avoid quick movements, pointing or yelling. Once in a safe place, those involved in the incident should remain nearby for questioning and identification by police.

Chief Antolik concluded by saying, if an active shooter incident were to occur in Berwyn Heights, his officers are trained ready to respond. They would give their lives to protect the citizens of the Town.

At 8:30 p.m., the Council took a 10-minute break.

4. Discussion Items

Feral cat spay and neuter fund: CM Dewey said she received a citizen comment regarding feral cat problems in Berwyn Heights. There are several known feral cat colonies in Berwyn Heights. The resident suggested Berwyn Heights set up a spay and neuter fund, as Greenbelt has done. Multiple residents have used their own funds to pay for spaying and neutering of cats. Alley Cat Rescue has performed spaying/ neutering for some residents who take care of these cats at a reasonable rate. They, or a similar organization, may be willing to work with Berwyn Heights to address this problem in a more systematic fashion. CM Dewey suggested the Council take this up again during the budget process.

Council Rules revision: The Council continued with a review of the Council Rules (CR). Additional minor changes were made to the revised CR 1 – Meeting Rules, refining the content of the Town Meeting agenda. The following changes were made to CR 6-10:

CR 6 – Passage of the Budget, Amending the Budget, Setting the Tax Rate: CR 6 was marked for deletion with relevant content to be moved to an ordinance. This may result in amending the current Budget Ordinance 103. A budget schedule should be set separately.

CR 7 – Resolutions & Motions: There was a lengthy discussion of the process for adopting resolutions. No consensus was reached as to whether a resolution, or the topic addressed in a resolution should be discussed by the Council at a worksession(s) prior to being placed on a Town meeting agenda for adoption. Alternative processes discussed included public posting of a proposed resolution one week prior to adoption or, if a resolution is placed on a Town meeting agenda without notice, to leave open the possibility of tabling it for further discussion or a public hearing.

Other changes made to CR 7 included striking 'motions', setting a minimum notice of 24- hours for request-

ing a resolution be placed on the Town Meeting agenda, clarifying the definition of 'emergency proposal,' and designating the Town Clerk to read resolutions.

CR 8 – Council Rules: Changes to CR 8, describing the process for adopting and amending CRs, included deletion of 'for his own use' in Section A (3) and addition of 'in the form of a resolution' after 'New Business' in Section B.

CR 9 – Administrative Order: CR 9 was deleted as obsolete.

CR 10 – Departments: In Section A, the name of the 'Department of Construction, Code Enforcement and Transportation' was changed to 'Department of Code Compliance'. Section C providing for Councilmembers responsibility to oversee internal operations of a department was deleted, since Councilmembers now act as liaisons to a department per Ordinance 121. Section E providing for departments to work in conjunction on designated matters was deleted.

Budget calendar: TM Broadbent said she will provide a draft schedule for the FY 2020 budget process soon. The budget process will follow the previous process but will provide for department directors to present their budget requests to the Council prior to the presentation of the Town Manager's budget. As before, an all-day budget worksession will take place on a Saturday in March.

Council priorities review: The Council reviewed a memorandum from TM Broadbent containing an update on the progress made toward the priorities of the 48th Council. A number of priorities have been completed. The priority of hiring an economic development consultant carried over from previous Councils and should be discussed at a future worksession. CM Dewey and Sweep noted increasing the Town's tree canopy as a top priority. Councilmembers are encouraged to contact TM Broadbent individually to talk about priorities associated with their departments. TM Broadbent will provide continued updates on the priorities and add new items as warranted.

Quality of Life Commission recommendations: MPT Isler said the Quality of Life (QoL) Commission provided the Council with binders containing their recommendations on code enforcement, traffic, parking and beautification. The Code Enforcement Subcommittee recommended a flat building permit fee of \$25. The Council adopted a new building permit fee schedule at the last Town meeting which more closely reflects the Town's time and effort associated with issuing and enforcing building permits.

TM Broadbent said she plans to obtain editable files from the QoL and distill the recommendations from the reports to place them into a spreadsheet for better tracking. When a spreadsheet is available, the Council plans to return to discussing the recommendations. CM Sweep suggested checking whether any County legislation impacts the recommendations, as for Airbnbs. TM Broadbent noted she plans to reach out to the County to clarify the County's versus the Town's responsibilities regarding code enforcement. The County has Berwyn Heights listed as a place where they enforce the code, which may impact the tax differential due to the Town.

Monthly reports review: MPT Isler said department directors currently give monthly reports at Town meetings that often cite lengthy statistics. He thinks it would be more effective for directors to focus on giving updates on projects, problems and needs. After some discussion, the Council agreed that the written reports

should contain detailed data on departmental operations, but the spoken reports should focus on highlighting important accomplishments, trends or concerns. It was further agreed that Councilmembers should confer with their department directors about the content and format for monthly reports and/ or to supplement monthly reports themselves.

MML golf tournament donation: The Council agreed to donate \$100 from the Town Council budget towards a welcome sign for the MML golf tournament.

Four Cities agenda items: The Council added the following items to the next Four Cities meeting agenda: University of Maryland shuttle service reduction; M-NCPD Capital Improvement Process; 2020 Census Complete Count Committee.

5. Minutes

The Council reviewed the September 17 worksession minutes. On a motion by CM Papanikolas, seconded by CM Dewey, the minutes were approved 3 to 0.

6. Department Reports

CM Sweep reported that he toured the newly resurfaced streets with Director Hall. He believes that Berwyn Heights is lucky to have an experienced Director in Mr. Hall who has been doing a great job with the street project. He would like the Council to consider a take-home vehicle for the Public Works Department in light of the recently adopted weather policy. CM Dewey reported that Officer Rufino, who was sworn in at the last Town meeting, will officially graduate from the Police Academy this Thursday.

7. Town Council Schedule

The Council reviewed the calendar. The date of the flu shot clinic was corrected to October 23.

On a motion by CM Sweep, seconded by CM Papanikolas, the meeting was adjourned at 9:34 p.m.

Signed *Kerstin Harper*, Town Clerk

Interested in Knitting, Quilting, Other Needle Arts Projects?



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

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

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

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





Berwyn Heights GreenBee

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



Email us your ideas at bgreen.berwynheights@gmail.com.

Website: www.berwynheightsgreenteam.wordpress.com

Facebook page: www.facebook.com/BerwynHeightsGreenTeam

There will not be a meeting next month. See you in January!

10 ECO Friendly Holiday Tips

1. Use energy star qualified LEDs for holiday lighting. Set timers for both indoor and outdoor lighting to save electricity.
2. Use recycled paper and gift wrapping. If every American family wrapped just 3 presents in reused materials, it would save enough paper to cover 45,000 football fields.
3. Reuse the fronts of old cards as holiday postcards or gift tags
4. Instead of buying new décor, incorporate natural elements . Use your backyard as inspiration.
5. Do not bag your recyclable holiday waste in black trash bags. Place it right into the receptacle or use a cardboard box set next to your recycling bin.
6. Don't forget your reusable bags when doing you holiday shopping.
7. Carpool to holiday functions, it's more fun than driving alone!
8. Consider buying a living tree you can plant outside or miniature versions to keep as a houseplant after the holidays.
9. Serve food with washable utensils, plates, and glasses, rather than disposable items.
10. Buy local. Support your local economy by buying from local merchants, farmers, craft shows, or antique shops.

Town Clean-up

Saturday December 15th

(3rd Saturday of the month)

10am – 12pm

Meeting point at the Town Center

Take action as a proud Berwyn Heights resident and let's work together to keep our town beautiful and litter-free! We will provide instructions and clean-up supplies (safety vests, rubber gloves, trash bags and pickers). No need to pre-register. Dress warm!

Scoop That Poop

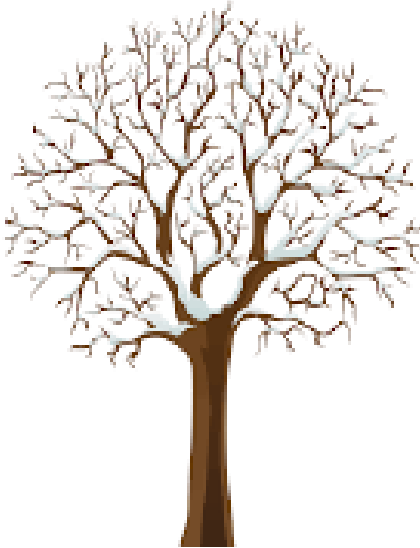
Children playing outside, and adults who do yard work and garden are most at the risk for infection from some of the bacteria and parasites found in pet waste.

Keep our families safe!

Scoop It. Bag It. Trash It.

#doyourdoody

PROTECTING THE TREE CANOPY



Shade trees provide many benefits for our town.

Among other things, trees:

- Provide energy savings. Trees can block wind in winter and provide shade in summer, reducing utility costs.
- Reduce stormwater runoff that contributes to flooding and allows harmful substances to enter waterways.
- Beautify our neighborhood and make Berwyn Heights a better place to live!

Do your part by protecting trees in your yard, and consider planting native shade trees in the spring.

Are you interested in protecting trees and our urban forest in Berwyn Heights? Please join the Berwyn Heights Shade Tree Board at an upcoming meeting, or reach out.

Next meeting: January 10, 2019, 7 pm, G. Love Room.

Contact Amanda Dewey, adewey@berwynheightsmd.gov.



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For more information, contact Sensei Brett Bentley at 240-678-9103 (Brett.t.bentley@gmail.com) or Sensei Leon Swain at 301-728-2881



Neighborhood Watch/ Emergency Preparedness

Join Us on the First Wednesday of the Month at 7:00 pm | Town Center | G. Love Room

The NW/EP/CERT TEAM may become a thing of the past. Our meetings are currently attended by no more than 4-6 members out of a membership of 24. Additionally, changes to the Town's and County's participation rules have made continued operation more difficult.

Please attend our next meeting on Wednesday, December 5, 7:00 pm to give your input. While the board members have made up their minds we want to give everybody a voice in the decision.

Tips on Safely Heating Your Home this Season

Did you know that home fires are most common in winter? Heating is the second leading cause of home fires. This winter, use these tips to heat your home safely:



- Keep anything that can burn at least 3 feet from heat sources like fireplaces, wood stoves, radiators or space heaters. Never use an oven to heat your home.
- Have a professional inspect your chimneys once a year to make sure they are working safely.
- Make sure you have working carbon monoxide alarms. Test them once a month.

For more information on winter home fires and heating safety, visit <https://www.usfa.fema.gov/prevention/outreach/heating.html>. Follow @Citizen_Corps and @Prepareathon on social media and use #WinterFireSafety for more safety tips.

SENIORS EMERGENCY CONTACT LIST

Berwyn Heights Police maintains a contact list for Senior Residents so they may check on them in an emergency, such as a power outage, adverse weather, or accident. The information is also used to check on Seniors' homes if they are on vacation or in a medical facility. Seniors are encouraged to provide up to date contact information on the form below and submit it in an envelope addressed 'Berwyn Heights Police' to the Town Office at 5700 Berwyn Road.

NAME(S):

BH ADDRESS:

HOME/ MOBILE TEL #:

RELATIVE/ FRIEND CONTACT TEL #:

PETS IF ANY:



OCTOBER Police Beat

Monday October 1, 2018 at 2:46 pm, 'ATTEMPT BANK ROBBERY' Officers responded to the SunTrust bank on Greenbelt Road for a holdup in progress. Once on scene, Officers made contact with the Victim/Teller who advised that, an unknown male suspect entered the bank and posed as a customer. The unknown Suspect approached the teller counter and passed a note to the Victim. The Victim advised that the note stated "large bills only, do not hesitate, no dye packs". After a few moments passed, the unknown Suspect asked for the note back and exited the bank. The Victim advised that she observed the unknown Suspect enter a black taxi and flee towards Greenbelt Road making good on his escape. Officers canvassed the area for the Suspect with negative results. Further investigation will be handled by Criminal Investigations Division/Robbery Unit.

On 10/01/2018 this case was assigned to Det. Maxwell #2840. During the course of the investigation, Arrested: (Coles, Averill) was developed as a Suspect and subsequently an arrest warrant was obtained for robbery. Arrested (Coles) is currently at the Prince George's County Department of Corrections on unrelated charges.

Saturday October 6, 2018 at 7:21 pm, 'IDENTITY THEFT' Victim contacted the Berwyn Heights Police Dept., to report an identity theft. The victim reports that he received an AT&T phone bill in the U.S mail 10/04/2018. The bill is in the amount of \$2,006.62 and the phone number on the phone bill is unknown by the victim. Victim reports that his name was used but the phone number is not his. He does not know how his name or address was obtained to open an AT&T phone account. Investigation continues.

Thursday October 11, 2018 at 7:22 am, 'THEFT FROM VEH.' Pfc. T. Hollowell responded to the 7600 block of Marietta Lane for a report of theft from a Honda Civic. The victim reported she parked her vehicle on the roadway in front of her residence at approximately 22:00 hrs., 10-10-2018. When she exited her residence this morning to go to work, she found the front passenger window broken out. Further examination of her vehicle indicated the air bag in the steering wheel was taken. The victim indicated she had her purse and bag inside the vehicle at the time, but those items were not stolen.

Thursday October 11, 2018 at 8:37 am, 'THEFT FROM VEH.' Pfc. T. Hollowell responded to the 5800 block of Swarthmore Drive for a report of theft from a Honda Accord. The victim reported the listed 2014 Grey Honda Accord vehicle was found with the front passenger seat window busted in. The victim also noticed the steering wheel air bag was removed from the vehicle. There were no additional leads.

Thursday October 11, 2018 at 8:37 am, 'THEFT FROM VEH.' Pfc. T. Hollowell responded to the 5900 block of Osage Street for a report of theft from a Honda Accord. The reporting person, sister of the owner, notified the police the listed vehicle had its airbag stolen from the steering wheel. The vehicle was parked at the location of incident at approximately 18:30 hrs., 10/10/2018. The reporting person indicated an unknown witness walking by told her glass was broken out on the passenger window. That is when the reporting person saw the airbag was gone and notified the victim. Currently there are no investigative leads.

Thursday October 11, 2018 at 9:32 am, 'VANDALISM' Pfc. T. Hollowell responded to the area of Cunningham Drive and Pontiac Street for a report of vandalism. The victim reported their vehicle, a 2011 Honda Accord was parked at the corner Cunningham Drive. When they left their residence to drive to work they found the passenger front window smashed in. Nothing else was found taken from the interior of the vehicle. No investigative leads exist

Friday October 12, 2018 at 10:37 pm, 'FAMILY DISPUTE / MISSING RUNAWAY JUVENILE' Cpl. P. Roberson responded to the 5800 block of Bucknell Terrace for a report of a missing runaway 14 Y/O female. Reporting person reports that his 14 y/o daughter left the home through a bedroom window after yelling profanities at him. The missing teen, 14 Y/O Kamani Rachel Jordan, and her father have been having domestic problems for several months and the teenager has run away from home on numerous occasions. The father reports that he has no idea where his daughter might be or her destination. Officers who have had contact with the teen have had cordial and respectful discourse. The area was checked for the teen with negative results.

Saturday October 13, 2018 at 9:04 am, 'THEFT FROM VEH.' Sgt. T. Moroney responded to the 5800 block of Berwyn Road for a report of a theft from a Honda Accord. Victim stated that he had parked his car in the 5800 block of Berwyn Rd on 10/6/2018 and went on to state that he returned to his vehicle about 9 am,

today's date and discovered that his passenger side window was broken out of his 2017 Honda Accord. Investigation revealed that the airbag had been removed from the drivers steering wheel.

Sunday October 21, 2018, at 3:56 pm, 'DOMESTIC' Cpl. P. Roberson and Pfc. T. Hollowell responded to the McDonalds on Greenbelt Road for a domestically related incident. The initial call information was from the reporting person that his former wife would not exit his vehicle. As Officers pulled into the parking lot, they saw the suspect standing in the middle of the parking lot, west side of the building. The investigation disclosed the parties involved were at a birthday party for their 2 y/o daughter at Beltway Plaza Mall facility. As they were traveling in the Tahoe operated by the reporting person, while still arguing, both began hitting each other. The reporting person, in thinking he was defending himself, deployed pepper spray onto his former wife. At conclusion, both involved parties declined further into the matter indicated they were going to work things out between them. They declined any documentation that was provided for domestic violence incidents. On 10/23/18 at around 0900 hours Lt., from Maryland National Capitol Park Police contacted the BHPD investigator in regards to the assault. Lt. requested body cam footage and a copy of the report. She informed the investigator that all parties both filed protection orders against each other. Lt. came to the Berwyn Heights Police Department in person and was forwarded a disc containing the body camera footage of the incident response by BHPD officers, in addition to a copy of the incident report. Additionally, an emergency petition was filed and granted, and that they had served the reporting person last evening, seizing all his weapons for safekeeping. The case is inactive at this time.

Monday October 22, 2018 at 4:00 pm, 'RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY' Cpl. P. Roberson responded to the 8600 block of 60th Avenue for a report of a burglary. Victim contacted the Berwyn Heights Police Department to report that her house was entered and property was removed. The victim states that she left the house at 09:00 hours with her two children. Her husband had already left the home. The victim returned to her house at 1600 hours and, after having dinner, she noticed a door open (ajar) in one of the bedrooms. The bedroom door leads to the outside. The victim reports that firearms were removed from a bedroom closet and her ring was taken from a jewelry box. Preliminary investigation was conducted. All ground level win-

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dows and doors were examined and no sign of forced entry was discovered. The victim reports that she remembers locking the doors before she left the home. It appears that the suspect(s)

were familiar with the interior of the residence, as the firearms (shotgun and UNK type home-made pistol) were in a small closet which was blocked by cloths, boxes and refuse. The door that leads from the bedroom to the outside was partially blocked with various objects. Investigation continues.

Thursday October 25, 2018 at 6:32 pm, 'DAMAGE PROPERTY' Cpl. J. Ignowski responded to a call for service at 6201 Greenbelt Road for a hit and run vehicle crash. Victim reported that she parked her Jeep SUV in the north lot of the Medical Park at 6201 Greenbelt Road in parking spaces adjacent to the building front and that she backed into the space. Between 0900 and 1800 hours, the suspect damaged the left front fender of the SUV.

Thursday October 25, 2018 at 6:33 pm, 'FRAUD / SCAM' Cpl. J. Ignowski responded to a call for service for a theft at 8300 block of Cunningham Drive. Victim reported that at 13:24 hours she received a telephone call on her cellular telephone. Suspect identified himself as a representative of Pepco power company. [The suspect informed victim that she owes \$800.00 immediately to the power company. She must make a payment immediately, or a technician is coming to her house to turn off her electricity. She must go now to a store and purchase a Money Pak brand cash card. Upon purchase she must follow instructions for transferring the money value of the card to the caller]. The victim went to the CVS Pharmacy store at 5900 Greenbelt Road and purchased a Money Pak cash transfer card for \$395.00 plus \$5.95 purchase price. The victim followed the suspect's instructions and completed transfer of the card's value, \$395.00. At which time the victim later realized the suspect used a telephone scam to steal her money via a Money Pak cash transfer and she called police.

Tuesday October 30, 2018 at 12:00 pm, 'HALLOWEEN PARTY AT THE SENIORS' BHPD and The Town Manager attended the seniors Halloween costume contest party. Pfc. W. Duck, police clerk Mercy, police intern Al, Chief Antolik and Town Manager Maria were the guest judges during the event.

Wednesday October 31, 2018 at 6:00 pm, 'TRICK OR TREAT HALLOWEEN PATROL' BHPD all-hands-on-deck

Town- wide Halloween patrol. Neighborhood Watch Volunteers, PSA along with the police interns assisted the BHPD in keeping the trick or treaters safe during the festive event. Glow sticks and bracelets were given out to kids throughout the night between 6:00 and 9:00 P.M.

Wednesday October 31, 2018 at 5:45 am, 'THEFT FROM AUTO' Officers responded to the 5900 block of Osage Street., for a report of a theft of an airbag from a 2013 Honda.

Wednesday October 31, 2018 at 8:00 am, 'THEFT FROM AUTO' Pvt. C. Rufino along with Cpl. S. Krouse responded to the 8500 block of Cunningham Drive., for a report of a theft of an airbag from a 2018 Honda.

Wednesday October 31, 2018 at 8:44 am, 'THEFT FROM AUTO' Pvt. C. Rufino along with Cpl. S. Krouse responded to the 8500 block of 60th. Avenue for a report of a theft of an airbag from a Honda.

Wednesday October 31, 2018 at 7:37 pm, 'THEFT' Cpl. J. Ignowski responded to the T-Mobile located on 62nd. Avenue for a report of theft of a cell phone. Victim reported that two black males wearing black color clothing, and one with a gray hooded sweatshirt under a black jacket entered the store and posed as customers. One male requested to see an Apple electronic watch. While the first male inspected the watch, the second male created a distraction. When the victim turned his head, the first male became a looter and fled from the store with the watch. Both males were seen entering a motor vehicle (no further description) in the parking lot in front of the store, and the vehicle left the scene.

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COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

BH Elementary School PTA

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President@BHESPTA.org

Secretary: Velma Hamilton
Treasurer: Lilly Ridge

Boys & Girls Club

President: Brandon Batton
Vice President: Angela Wolfinger
angela.wolfinger@gmail.com
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240-338-5191

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

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Seniors Club

Ray Smith 301-474-3482

CODE NEWS

October Activities

If you have questions about property maintenance, rental licenses, or want to report a code violation, please call 301-513-9331 or email code@berwynheightsmd.gov

Property Maintenance Violations	17 of 28 CLOSED
High Grass/ Tree parts	5
Building Materials	6
Vehicle Storage	5
Motor Vehicle Parts	2
Parking Surfaces	1
Premise ID	1
Building Security	1
Refuse Containers	2
Non-Hazardous	1
Other	4
Permits Issued	TOTAL 8
Building	4
Dumpsters	4
Portable Storage Units	0
Rental Units	TOTAL 271
Active Rentals	218
Rental Licenses Issued	28
Rental Inspections	21
Rental Re-inspections	8



SORRY, SON...THERE'S NO APP FOR THAT

Clearing Snow & Ice from Sidewalks

Please be reminded that Prince George's County code requires property owners to remove accumulated snow and ice from abutting sidewalks within forty-eight (48) hours after snow has fallen to a depth of 2 inches, or ice has formed as a result of inclement weather or runoff from abutting surfaces. Property owners who fail to clear the sidewalks abutting their property within 24 hours will receive a Reminder Notice/Door Hanger. If the sidewalks are not cleared within 24 hours of being issued a Reminder Notice (or 48 from the end of the snow event), a fine of \$100 may be issued. Additional fines may be assessed for each subsequent 24 hour period during which accumulated snow and ice continues to obstruct the sidewalk areas.

Loose Leaf Collection

Continues through December 28. Please rake leaves to the curb but not into the street. Do not include large sticks or debris with leaf piles and do not park in front of the piles you want picked up. Public Works requires approximately 2 weeks to make their way around the Town.

Refuse Containers

Please place all trash/bags in a heavy-duty container of no more than 45 gallon capacity with a tightly fitting lid. This prevents litter from being scattered by foraging animals.

New Town Building Permit Fees

Good News! On October 10th, 2018, the Town Council adopted Resolution 7-2018 to reduce the Town's building permit fee. A fee of \$75 will be charged for a permit with a value of construction under \$25,000 and \$125 for a permit with a value of construction over \$25,000.

For all Code inquiries or questions please feel free to contact us at (301) 513-9331 or by email at fglass@berwynheightsmd.gov.

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BULLETIN BOARD

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

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

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

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

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

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

Meals-on-Wheels needs your HELP! 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 and Jeremy have helped Berwyn Heights residents with mowing, raking, mulching, and more for several years. Call 301-474-2002.

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

HELP IS HERE. Do you need help grocery shopping, bill paying, pick up prescriptions, post office run, general household management, shopping and more...look no further...for \$20 per hour have your own personal concierge. Reliable, Dependable, Fast, and more importantly, TRUSTWORTHY. Call Jackie at 202-669-6297. I'll be there tomorrow.

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Infant or Senior Care: Nurse/midwife, recent US refugee, legal with work permit, looking for infant care or senior care. Full or part time. IRC internationally certified. Worked in Burundi and Tanzania. Special gift with babies, children with disabilities, and disabled adults. Intermediate English, fluent French. Does not drive. Contact: joselynkanyudo@gmail.com

FALL HOUSECLEANING? STUFF TO SELL OR GIVE AWAY? Call Yvonne at Town Office, 301-474-5500, before October 15 to claim this free space in the next issue of the Bulletin and dispose of your articles fast.

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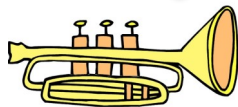
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Bugle—December 2018

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Berwyn Heights Elementary School PTA wishes you



Happy Holidays!



Walkathon Sponsors



Thank you to everyone who participated in the Walkathon for 2018! We almost met our goal of raising \$6,000.

The PTA would like to extend a big thank you to the following sponsors for their generous donations.

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PTA Meeting

December 4, 2018, 6:45 pm, Cafeteria

How do you think the PTA should spend our budget?
What contributions should the PTA make to the school?
Do you have ideas for activities or fundraisers? Come discuss these and other topics as we plan for the year.

Upcoming Events

December 4, Tuesday

PTA Meeting, 6:45

December 7, Friday

Early dismissal



December 24-January 1

Winter Break

January 8, Tuesday

Next PTA Meeting



You can benefit the school while you do your holiday shopping!

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December 5	Joan Ahrens
December 7	Russell Ricketts
	Dan Woodard
December 8	Kitty Hanlon
December 14	Dora D'Ambrosio
December 16	Kay Angell
December 26	Susan Jones
	Alan Sinclair
	Charles Thomas
December 30	Patricia Slavinski

DECEMBER ACTIVITIES

BINGO — Every Tuesday at 12:30 P.M..

WII BOWLING — Wednesday at 10:30 A.M.

POOL — Every Thursday at 7:00 P.M.

POTLUCK & MOVIE — First Saturday , December 8, at 5:00 P.M.,

MEETINGS — Second Tuesday , December 11, at 11:00 A.M. This is the Christmas Party and Pot Luck.

Upcoming Events

DECEMBER 3: Annual trip to Brookside Gardens to see the Garden Railway and, of course, go out to eat. You can always be sure there will be good food when the Seniors get together.



REDSKIN FOOTBALL

Come watch the game, and share a pot luck late lunch. Game time is 1:00 P.M.

DEC 9 — NY GIANTS

DEC 16 — @ JACKSONVILLE

DEC 23 — @ TENNESSEE

DEC 30 — @ PHILADELPHIA

**REMEMBER — YOU DON'T STOP
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YOU GET OLD WHEN YOU STOP
HAVING FUN!**

DECEMBER 8:
6:30 to 7:15 P.M.
Santa will be at the Senior Center to talk to all the kids.



Have a nice holiday!



Historical Committee

FALL RECEPTION ROUND-UP

The BHHC was happy to see a good number of people come out for this year's fall reception and our featured speaker, acclaimed Prince George's County Historian Susan Pearl. BHHC Chair Richard Ahrens led off with a thoughtful commemoration of the 100th Anniversary of Armistice Day, marking the end of hostilities in World War I. Then Ms. Pearl gave an edifying lecture on the "Taverns of Prince George's County" that was sprinkled with interesting anecdotes and quotes about the keepers of taverns and inns, their patrons and famous guests.

In one memorable episode she told how the Marquis de Lafayette came to stay in the nearby Rossborough Inn some 200 years ago. In 1824, the French aristocrat and General in the American Revolutionary War was touring the United States as a National Guest to help celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Revolution. Lafayette had just received a [hero's welcome in Baltimore](#) and was heading to Washington for a visit at the White House. His party had planned to stay at a large inn near today's Jessup that belonged to the Calverts of Riversdale but turned away offended upon learning its name was 'Waterloo'. The embarrassed George Calvert tried to make amends by offering his home to the travelers. They politely refused and stayed at the Rossborough. George Calvert felt compelled to write a lengthy apology in the newspapers. What a fun conversation starter for history buffs.



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NEXT MEETING Wednesday, December 19 | 7:30 pm | G. Love Room




































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December 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3   	4   	5 	6  	7	8 6:00 pm Tree Lighting Party, Town Ctr.
9	10   	11   	12  7:00 pm Town Meeting Council Chamber	13  	14 12:00 PM Town Offices Closed	15 10:00 am Town Clean Up
16	17    7:00 pm Worksession	18   	19  7:00 pm BHHC Mtg.	20  	21	22
23	24 Christmas Eve Town Offices Closed	25 Christmas Day Town Offices Closed	26 	27  	28 	29
30	31 New Year's Eve Town Offices Closed	1 New Year's Day Town Offices Closed	2 	3  	4 	5



No street sweeping scheduled for December. The machine visited us during the last week in November and will be back the first week in January.

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Community Center (Gym) (301) 345-2808
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2nd most recent mtg: M-S 3:00 P.M.
3rd most recent mtg:
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