



# Berwyn Heights Bulletin

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December 2: Craft Fair! Coco with the PoPo! Tree Lighting!

Dec 4: 9:30AM Senior Services Application Monday (all are welcome)

December 22, 25, and 29: Town Offices Closed

Santa on a Firetruck: December 24 7-9PM

Some content inside provided in Spanish and English

Algunos contenidos internos se proporcionan en español e inglés.



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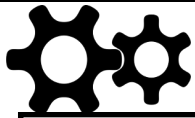
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# PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

## December Bulletin: Public Works News

### Holiday Lighting at Town Hall

Public Works will continue our tradition of assisting the Rec Council by putting holiday lights and a Christmas tree at Town Hall. The tree lighting ceremony will be held Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### Leaf Collection

- Week of Nov. 27- Dec. 1: North of Pontiac
- Week of Dec. 4-8: South of Pontiac
- Week of Dec. 11-15: North of Pontiac
- Week of Dec. 18-21: Town-wide as time allows.
- \*\*\*No leaf collection Week of December 25-29\*\*\*
- Week of Jan. 2-5: Final Curbside leaf collection. After January 5<sup>th</sup>, resume bagging leaves and put out to curb on normal yard waste day.

### Tree Inventory Next Steps

In October, the Town contracted a certified arborist and tree risk assessor to evaluate all the Town's Public Right-of-Way trees. If you would like information about any ROW trees that are in front of your residence, feel free to contact Public Works Director Brad Pudner at [bpudner@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:bpudner@berwynheightsmd.gov).

### Food Compost Bin Pilot Program

The Town is doing a pilot program to offer food compost bins. We have a 12-gallon option and a 1.85-gallon kitchen collector option. Delivery began in November and will continue until all 84 of each are distributed. If you would like to be added to the list, please contact Public Works Director Brad Pudner at [bpudner@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:bpudner@berwynheightsmd.gov).

### Winter Weather

Public Works will have plow trucks and equipment ready to keep Town streets accessible during any potential winter weather.

### Christmas and New Year Holiday Trash Schedule

- Monday, Dec. 25<sup>th</sup>: Closed for Christmas Holiday
- Tuesday, Dec. 26<sup>th</sup>: Town-wide Trash
- Wednesday, Dec. 27<sup>th</sup>: Town-wide Recycling
- Thursday, Dec. 28<sup>th</sup>: Town-wide Trash, second pick-up
- Friday, Dec. 29<sup>th</sup>: Closed for New Years Eve Holiday
- Monday, Jan 1<sup>st</sup>: Closed for New Years Day Holiday
- Tuesday, Jan 2<sup>nd</sup>: Town-wide Trash
- Wednesday, Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>: Town-wide Recycling
- Thursday, Jan. 4<sup>th</sup>: Town-wide Yard Waste
- Friday, Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>: Town-wide Trash, second pick-up

## Boletín de Diciembre: Novedades de Obras Públicas

### Iluminación navideña en el centro municipal

Obras Públicas continuará nuestra tradición de ayudar al Consejo de Recreación colocando luces navideñas y un árbol de Navidad en el centro municipal. La ceremonia de encendido del árbol se llevará a cabo el sábado 2 de diciembre.

### Colección de hojas

- Semana del 27 de noviembre al 1 de diciembre: al norte de Pontiac
- Semana del 4 al 8 de diciembre: Sur de Pontiac
- Semana del 11 al 15 de diciembre: Norte de Pontiac
- Semana del 18 al 21 de diciembre: en toda la ciudad, según lo permita el tiempo.
- \*\*\*No habrá recolección de hojas la semana del 25 al 29 de diciembre\*\*\*
- Semana del 2 al 5 de enero: Recolección final de hojas en la acera. Después del 5 de enero, reanude el embolsado de hojas y sáquelas a la acera el día normal de recolección de residuos de jardín.

### Próximos pasos del inventario de árboles

En octubre, la ciudad contrató a un arbolista certificado y un evaluador de riesgos de árboles para evaluar todos los árboles del derecho de paso público de la ciudad. Si desea información sobre los árboles del derecho de vía que se encuentran frente a su residencia, no dude en comunicarse con el director de Obras Públicas, Brad Pudner, en [bpudner@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:bpudner@berwynheightsmd.gov).

### Programa piloto de contenedores de abono alimentario

La Ciudad está llevando a cabo un programa piloto para ofrecer contenedores de abono alimentario. Tenemos una opción de 12 galones y una opción de recolector de cocina de 1.85 galones. La entrega comenzó en noviembre y continuará hasta que se distribuyan los 84 de cada uno. Si desea que lo agreguen a la lista, comuníquese con el director de Obras Públicas, Brad Pudner, en [bpudner@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:bpudner@berwynheightsmd.gov).

### Clima invernal

Obras Públicas tendrá camiones quitanieves y equipos listos para mantener las calles de la ciudad accesibles durante cualquier posible clima invernal.

### Horario de recolección de basura durante las festividades de Navidad y Año Nuevo

- Lunes 25 de diciembre: cerrado por vacaciones de Navidad
- Martes 26 de diciembre: Basura en toda la ciudad
- Miércoles 27 de diciembre: Reciclaje en toda la ciudad
- Jueves 28 de diciembre: Basura en toda la ciudad, segunda recogida
- Viernes 29 de diciembre: Cerrado por vacaciones de Nochevieja
- Lunes 1 de enero: cerrado por vacaciones de Año Nuevo
- Martes, 2 de enero: Basura en toda la ciudad
- Miércoles 3 de enero: Reciclaje en toda la ciudad
- Jueves 4 de enero: Desechos de jardín en toda la ciudad
- Viernes, 5 de enero: Basura en toda la ciudad, segunda recogida

# Berwyn Heights Seniors Club

Open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 10 A.M. to 2P.M.— Next to the Town Office  
on 57th Ave. Phone 301-474-5000

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

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

December 5	Joan Ahrens
December 6	Marlene Lucian
December 8	Kitty Hanlon
December 16	Kay Angell
December 26	Alan Sinclair
December 30	Patricia Savinski

## DECEMBER ACTIVITIES

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

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

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

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

**POTLUCK & MOVIE** – Second Saturday at 5PM  
**BREAKFAST** at the SILVER DINER third Thursday at 9:30

**MEETINGS**-Second Tuesday, December 12 at 11:00 A.M. This is the Christmas Party and Potluck. No meeting on the 26th.

HAVE A NICE HOLIDAY!



## WASHINGTON FOOTBALL

WE ARE WATCHING ALL 1:00 P.M. GAMES ON THE BIG TV.  
JOIN US!

**Hello Seniors and Berwyn Heights Residents!! The Senior Services Program is having our Application Monday Event, whereby attendees will be able to sign up for either Energy/Water Assistance, Property Tax Credit and/or Medicare Open Enrollment. The event will take place on Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup> from 9:30am-2pm in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor of the Town Center. For more information or questions/concerns, please contact Pamela Aluvale at (240)-583-0602 or [paluvale@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:paluvale@berwynheightsmd.gov)**

**\*\*please note that Medicare Open Enrollment is open until December 7<sup>th</sup>\*\***

## Worksession Minutes

October 2, 2023 | 7:00 pm

### Call to Order

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

### Approval of the Agenda

CM Hemby moved to approve the agenda. CM Menjivar seconded. With no discussion the motion passed 4:0:1 with MPT Brittan-Powell abstaining.

### 1. Mayor

#### a. Announcements

There were no announcements beyond noting that MPT Brittan-Powell was attending remotely.

#### b. Calendar

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy highlighted the Rec Council events, Indigenous Peoples' Day and the welcome reception for TM Snyder. She also noted the upcoming PGCM meeting for Council as well as the Four Cities Meeting. There was discussion regarding moving the November 20th Worksession. It was concluded that it would not need to be moved as it is a routine worksession, and will remain on November 20th.

#### c. Ordinance 109 (Elections) Final Draft Review

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy requested to take some time to do wordsmithing on the Ordinance. She noted changes in format that needed to take place. Council reviewed the elections ordinance in some detail, noting a few substantive changes that should be made before sending the ordinance to the Town Attorney for review. There was a longer discussion regarding who was authorized to establish an early voting day, with determination that it would be the Council in consultation with the Board of Elections Supervisors.

#### d. Review Final Draft Bulletin Policy

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy reviewed that points from the last discussion on this topic have been incorporated. There was a desire to have a minor point clarified on the "Council Corner", which will be included and then presented for passage at the Town Meeting.

#### e. "Time to Care Act" Report

TM Snyder gave background on the new law that will affect all employers in the State with over 15 employees. He summarized that the Town has three options: buy into a partnership with Maryland Municipal League, join the State program, or self-administer a plan. Mayor Kulpa-Eddy

shared her rough calculations and expressed an opinion that joining the State plan would likely be the most economical, as the MML program has a \$3,000 non-refundable annual membership fee. CM Papanikolas expressed that he believes it will be easier to begin with MML and move to the State plan if that did wind up being the more economical choice. Town Treasurer Mike Lightfield will be asked to produce a more accurate estimate of what the options will cost the Town. TM Snyder will find out the date by which the Town must decide on joining the MML plan.

#### f. Review Updated Ord 189A- ARPA Budget Amendment

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy asked staff to double check the math on the additions to the amendment. She also shared that in conversation with the principal at the elementary school, she learned that the school had a greater need for new soccer goals than a shed. Discussion led to the inclusion of \$4,500 for new soccer goals for the school. The proposed \$600,000 for stormwater management was discussed in detail and was determined to be reduced to \$400,000 with that amount being itemized for clarity. MPT Brittan-Powell asked about setting aside funds at this time for building. CM Papanikolas stated that he was comfortable setting aside funds for stormwater management as educated estimates from the County had been given but that there have not been any estimates on what will be needed for a building and he would prefer to wait until the assessments have been completed.

CM Hemby asked about the funding set aside for residential stormwater mitigation grants. She would like to make several changes, including changing the hold-harmless agreement as some residents have stated that they believe it would prevent them from holding the Town accountable for any future actions of the Town. She would also like to remove the necessity for permitting and would also like to accept bank statements instead of receipts for items purchased for the program. There was discussion regarding mitigation vs replacement and repair. She encouraged residents to speak to staff and Council themselves, indicating that interpreters will be provided as needed. There was also discussion about the cost of flood insurance and how some residents have found this problematic, as well as if there were ways to help offset this cost for residents. Council discussed the possible creation of a program to help residents who needed help to repair their homes after the floods, not just those who mitigate against future events.

#### g. Resident Comments

Resident Paul Kavanaugh thanked Town staff for their participation in sustainable projects including the school garden project and Sustainable Maryland application renewal. He was glad to see an arborist funded as part of the ARPA budget. He would like to see the Shade Tree Board reactivated as a separate entity from the Green Team. He also reviewed the ways that the Environmen-

tal Finance Center at the University of Maryland could help the Town with stormwater engineering.

### 2. Public Works

CM Menjivar asked residents to review the Bulletin for changes to the trash schedule for Indigenous Peoples' Day. He stated that Public Works is upgrading curb painting and reminded residents to not park closer than 15 feet from stop signs or in front of fire hydrants.

#### a. Road Repair Report

TM Snyder reviewed the road repair report as well as options for the repairs and drainage problems to address the top priority locations. Mayor Kulpa-Eddy asked if the proposed costs included any engineering and design for those solutions. TM Snyder replied that it did not, but that would also increase the costs and timeframe for the repairs. There was discussion on the source of the water at 57th and Osage. Ultimately it was decided to make the repair the first priority of the stormwater engineer, and direct them to determine the best solution.

#### b. Highway User Revenues (HUR) Discussion

CM Papanikolas reviewed that at a meeting with the Transportation Secretary for the State, the possibility of HUR being eliminated by 2030 was discussed. He suggested that the Town begin to explore ways to fund road projects should this funding source be eliminated by the State.

### 3. Administration

MPT Brittan-Powell asked TM Snyder to give an update on the positions open for the Town. TM Snyder reviewed the 4 open positions, including the possibility of bringing on a temp to help out in the Town Office until a permanent employee for administration has been hired.

#### a. Update: UMD-SPH Partnership-Community Advisory Team

TM Snyder and Mayor Kulpa-Eddy reviewed that the CAT should have had a meeting last week and that there will be a meeting with UMD-SPH this week to review how that went. There are seven residents on the CAT, who are diverse in occupation and about equally split on male/female. It was noted that there are no Hispanics on the team, but as there are still open positions, increasing diversity is desired.

### 4. Code Compliance

CM Hemby reviewed that all long-term and short-term rentals require a rental license. Short term rentals also need to have a license from the County.

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

CM Papanikolas reviewed the upcoming



events for October, including the Multicultural Event, Trunk or Treat, and the Sensory Friendly Glow Party. He noted that the Town does not sponsor Halloween, but that the Police Department will be out to help oversee the safety of trick or treaters.

#### 6. Public Safety

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy shared more information on the Multicultural event. She reviewed a County event for free disposal of scrap tires. She shared about Breast Cancer Awareness month and an event where uninsured residents can get mammograms for free. MPT Brittan-Powell appreciated the increased police patrols at Sports Park.

#### 7. Adjournment

CM Papanikolas moved to adjourn. CM Hemby seconded. With no discussion, the motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 9:27PM.

### **Town Meeting Minutes :** **October 11, 2023 | 7:00 pm.**

#### Call to Order

Mayor Jodie Kulpa-Eddy called the meeting to order at 7:01PM. Present were Councilmember Shinita Hemby and Councilmember Jason Papanikolas. Councilmember Faustino Menjivar had an excused absence. Also present were Town Manager Kyle Snyder, Town Clerk Melanie Friesen and residents of the Town of Berwyn Heights.

#### Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Public Hearing: Ordinance 189A: 18 Month ARPA Budget Amendment

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy reviewed the ARPA budget amendment, both the history of the process as well as the itemized list of the projects to be funded by the amendment. She then opened the Public Hearing at 7:05PM.

Resident Dave Wolfinger of Ruatan Street asked about the arborist consultant and wanted to know why they were being hired. TM Snyder replied that the consultant was doing a study of the tree canopy in the public right-of-way. They were also noting trees on private property that might affect the right-of-way. Mr. Wolfinger asked if there would be any aid in helping residents with these trees. TM Snyder stated that it was not a part of this project, but there may be grants to pursue that could help individual residents.

With no other comments, the Public Hearing closed at 7:09PM.

#### 1. Announcements

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy reviewed that CM Menjivar had an excused absence. Mayor Pro Tem Chris Brittan-Powell arrived at 7:10PM.

#### 2. Approval of Agenda

CM Papanikolas moved to approve the agenda. CM Hemby seconded. After no discussion the motion passed unanimously.

#### 3. Consent

CM Papanikolas move to accept the consent agenda. CM Hemby seconded. In discussion Mayor Kulpa-Eddy reviewed the contents of the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

#### 4. Mayor & Councilmember Reports

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy announced that this is Fire Prevention Week. She stated this year's theme is cooking safety and she shared a few kitchen fire safety tips. A Hispanic Heritage Celebration will be held at the Berwyn Heights Elementary School on October 12th, and the event is open to the public. The BH Police Department's Multicultural event has been cancelled due to predicted high winds and heavy rain but will be rescheduled for April 20, 2024. She also shared about her meeting with State Delegate Alonzo Washington, attending the "Hello Huskies" night, and the Prince George's County Municipal Association meeting. She and TM Snyder met with Greenbelt regarding the joint initiative for an aging-in-place program and resources for seniors. She also reviewed attending a webinar that covered the changes to the County's municipal tax differential rate proposal, which will be covered in greater detail at the next worksession.

MPT Brittan-Powell asked Mayor Kulpa-Eddy to share more of the resources that would be available through the joint program with Greenbelt. She reviewed the pamphlet about the program which includes resources on nutrition, memory care, adaptive equipment, and much more.

MPT Brittan-Powell highlighted the availability of positions in the Town, noting that all the job advertisements are on the website. He reviewed the open positions, including a grant writer, a community outreach person, and the assistant to the Town Manager/Office Coordinator. TM Snyder also gave a brief description of each posting. MPT Brittan-Powell and TM Snyder reviewed the status of the Stormwater Engineer search. They also reviewed the replacement Electric Vehicle chargers, WSSC's non-invasive sewer line work, and the ARPA relief programs. TM Snyder stated that word-of-mouth is the best way to let residents know about the relief programs, and that there is ongoing information in the Bulletin about these.

CM Hemby thanked TM Snyder for reaching out to residents who lost things in the storm of last summer and letting them know about these programs. She asked about the license for the commercial kitchen in the Town Center. TM Snyder shared that the permit process is underway, as is a capacity certificate for the upstairs space. CM Hemby asked residents to be kind to their neighbors and communicate when you host a party. CM Papanikolas asked that people remem-

ber Berwyn Heights has a significant Jewish and Palestinian population and to be considerate during the unrest occurring elsewhere. He shared that it is Disability Employment Awareness month. There are many resources available and CM Papanikolas is happy to share those with residents who reach out to him.

#### 5. Committee Reports

a. Green Team: CM Papanikolas reviewed that the Green Team is enthusiastically supportive of the curbside food scrap composting program. He also reviewed the pollinator garden planting will take place at the elementary school on October 21st. The Green Team expressed their belief that it should be a priority the Town hire a stormwater engineer.

b. Historical Committee: Historical Committee Chair Debby Steele-Snyder shared that at the last meeting she was re-elected as Chair, Lee Fuerst was re-elected as Vice Chair, and Brittany Jacoby was elected as Secretary. She reviewed the upcoming walking tour which will cover some of the lesser-known historic homes in Town, highlighting that no homes will be entered, just viewed from the street. The tour will be on October 29th at 2PM. She asked that people make sure to register. She stated the November and December meetings will be held on November 15th and December 20th to allow for the holidays.

c. Neighborhood Watch/ Emergency Preparedness: Mayor Kulpa-Eddy shared that the Police Department and the NW/EP team will be out on Halloween helping to ensure the safety of trick-or-treaters. There will be a trailer clean-out on October 28th with excess items being offered to the County and other emergency response teams. She added that they are still looking to reschedule the CPR and AED training class.

d. Recreation Council: Dave Wolfinger shared that he is the new treasurer for the Rec Council this year. He reviewed the elections results of Susan Jones as Chair, Angie Wolfinger as Co-chair, and Leslie Wolfinger as the Secretary. He also mentioned the cancellation of the Multicultural event. He reviewed the Trunk-or-Treat event as well as the Sensory-Friendly Halloween party. He shared information about the "Day of the Dead" presentation on November 2. The tree lighting ceremony is scheduled for December 2.

#### 6. Old Business

a. Ordinance 189A: 18 Month ARPA Budget Amendment

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy reviewed the public hearing that happened earlier tonight. MPT Brittan-Powell moved to adopt 189A. CM Papanikolas seconded. MPT Brittan-Powell commended the Council for all the work that they did to get this done. Mayor Kulpa-Eddy shared that she had heard positive feedback from residents about the Aging-in-Place program. Mayor Kulpa-

Eddy also shared that the Pollinator Program will not actually need any funding, as all the plants have been donated and the work will be done with volunteer help. There is a request from the BHES PTA for educational beautification. There was discussion about amending the \$5000 pollinator funding to include the possibility of its use for other beautification projects at the Elementary School. MPT Brittan-Powell moved to amend the ordinance to repurpose the Account Category for "Educational and Environmental Beautification". CM Papanikolas seconded. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously, and the ordinance was adopted as amended.

## 7. New Business

a. Swearing in of Town Manager Snyder: Mayor Kulpa-Eddy swore in TM Snyder.

b. Introduce updated Ordinance 109 Mayor Kulpa-Eddy reviewed that the Council is introducing an updated Ordinance 109 which is the Election Ordinance. She reviewed the updates, including: aligning compensation for Election Judges to State law HB1200; allowing for early voting; adding a location on town property for election signs; and adding a section on non-binding ballot questions. She also stated there have been discussions on moving the election date to the second Tuesday in May, allowing for non-citizen voting, and reducing the voting age to 16 years old. While these other items are not included in the amended ordinance, they may appear as non-binding ballot questions next year. CM Papanikolas moved to introduce and waive the first reading of amended Ordinance 109. MPT Brittan-Powell seconded. MPT Brittan-Powell asked about announcing the elections earlier to encourage more residents to consider running. TC Friesen reviewed that we begin advertising for Judges in December and Candidates in January. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

c. Resolution to Adopt Bulletin Policy: Mayor Kulpa-Eddy stated it has been some time since any kind of Bulletin Policy has been reviewed. There is only limited guidance provided by the "Town Organization and Assemblies Resolution" and the goal is to provide standards for the Bulletin as well as to introduce a "Council Corner" feature. CM Hemby moved to adopt Resolution 10-2023. CM Papanikolas seconded. MPT Brittan-Powell asked about offering a more "newspaper" like paper but acknowledged that would be a future conversation. TC Friesen read the resolution and the motion passed unanimously.

## 8. Resident & Community Comments

Resident Dave Wolfinger shared that he has noticed a slight increase in stop sign

violation enforcement but also a slight increase in violations. He stated that a couple of years ago he asked to have an open meeting with the Chief about the details of enforcement in Town. He also asked why the EV chargers are free. He noted that these vehicle don't pay road tax and expressed concern about the Town giving away electricity, especially when the Town is not on 100% renewable energy.

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy shared that there will be a presentation at the next worksession by the Chief to discuss many of the issues that Mr. Wolfinger expressed concern about. She also stated that the EV chargers will be discussed at a future worksession to determine if they should remain free.

## 9. Adjournment

CM Papanikolas moved to adjourn. CM Hemby seconded. With no discussion, the motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:06PM.

## Worksession Minutes October 16, 2023 | 7:00 pm

### Call to Order

Mayor Jodie Kulpa-Eddy called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. Present were Mayor Pro Tem Chris Brittan-Powell, Councilmember Faustino Menjivar, and Councilmember Jason Papanikolas. Councilmember Shinita Hemby had an excused absence. Staff present were Town Manager Kyle Snyder, Chief Kenneth Antolik, Lieutenant Dan Unger and Town Clerk Melanie Friesen. Also present were residents of the Town of Berwyn Heights.

### Approval of the Agenda

CM Menjivar moved to approve the agenda. MPT Brittan-Powell seconded. With no discussion, the motion passed unanimously 4:0.

### 1. Mayor

#### a. Announcements

There were no announcements.

#### b. Calendar

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy reviewed the October and November calendars, highlighting an upcoming PGCA meeting for Town Council, Good Neighbor Day on October 21st and Greenbelt Electronics recycling on October 28th. She added that the Town does not sponsor Halloween, but that October 31 trick-or-treating usually runs from 6-9PM and to please turn off your porch lights if you are not participating. CM Papanikolas reviewed the upcoming Rec Council events including "Trunk or Treat" and the Sensory-Friendly Glow Party.

#### c. BHPD Presentation

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy reviewed that, instead of reading their monthly reports at the Town Meetings, the directors of Town Departments will be invited to come in once a quarter on a rotating basis (beginning with the Police Department) to present on department activi-

ties. Lt. Unger shared a PowerPoint presentation that included the broad scope of duties of the BHPD. As traffic concerns have been discussed recently, he shared data from the three data-collecting speed signs in Town. These showed that the majority of drivers are driving at or below the speed limit with only around one quarter exceeding the speed limits, and very few reaching speeds that would be ticketed. Chief Antolik stated that he will be in discussion with TM Snyder on ways to purchase more of these signs. Lt. Unger shared about HB619 which would present the possibility of adding 24/7 speed cameras in Town. MPT Brittan-Powell asked about handheld technology that could issue a ticket at below the 12mph limit for a speed camera. Chief Antolik shared that frequently tickets issued for speeds in this range are thrown out in court when challenged, as they not considered to be "serious". MPT Brittan-Powell asked if there was a special designation that some streets could be given to make it less likely tickets would be thrown out if the tickets were given for speeds under 12mph over the speed limit. Chief Antolik stated there is not, that it would be dependent on the testimony of the officer to justify the ticket. Lt. Unger shared there are essentially 5 patrol officers and 300 stop signs in Town. With crime on the rise across the county, officers are not necessarily available to do traffic enforcement. CM Papanikolas asked about the number of hours of training that are required for officers annually. Lt. Unger estimated that between 2-3 weeks of training are required and recommended annually. He advised that engineering is going to be more effective than enforcement for reducing speeding in Town. He also shared tips on preventing carjacking, auto theft and theft from autos. He highlighted that Kia and Hyundai are the most vulnerable vehicles to steal. MPT Brittan-Powell asked about adding security cameras in Town. Chief Antolik shared that in the early 2000s, the question of security cameras had been presented to Council and they had decided that they did not want to have "big brother" cameras in Town at that time, but the subject could be discussed again. Lt. Unger also reviewed some of the changes in Maryland law that present challenges when investigating juveniles. Lt. Unger closed his presentation with a video made from actual BHPD body camera footage, showing some of the day-to-day situations faced by the officers. Chief Antolik highlighted that retention and recruitment is salary focused for younger officers.

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy opened the floor for questions from residents. Resident Dave Wolfinger of Ruatan Street stated he has said before that while he sees a slight uptick in enforcement for traffic violations, he has also seen an increase in violations. He said he understands the staffing and funding issues, but would like to see the police focus on a single area for a period of time and then move to another area. He added that stop sign enforcement needs to happen for cyclists as well as motorists. Lt. Unger stated there has been an increase in traffic violations over time and that there has also been an overall decline in respecting the law since Covid. Mayor Kulpa-Eddy suggested that a traffic study would need to happen to evaluate where engineered solutions might

be most effective in assisting enforcement. Chief Antolik encouraged Mr. Wolfinger to do a ride-along with police officers to show where he feels enforcement needs to take place as well as to see what happens on a daily basis. MPT Brittan-Powell emphasized that overall, these are pretty nice problems to have in Town. There was a larger discussion on traffic studies and the aspects of engineered enforcement that would require input from stakeholders.

#### d. Review Stormwater Engineer Proposals Received

TM Snyder reviewed that so far the Town has received only one proposal, but that others are expected shortly. The current proposal is from the Low Impact Development Center who has partnered with Charlie Griffith, formerly of the Prince George's County Stormwater Division. There was discussion regarding the proposal and how it did not meet expectations. Mayor Kulpa-Eddy would like to review proposals side-by-side and it was determined that greater discussion would take place when more proposals could be reviewed.

#### e. PGCMA Legislative Request Survey

The Prince George's County Municipal Association has distributed an online survey for municipalities to submit their legislative priorities. Mayor Kulpa-Eddy stated she plans to submit obtaining local authority to install both noise and stop sign cameras as priorities. She asked Council to let her know before October 25th if there are any additional priorities to be submitted.

#### f. Four Cities Agenda Items

Mayor Kulpa-Eddy asked Council for agenda items for the upcoming October 26th Four Cities meeting. She emphasized that if a Councilmember proposed an item, they needed to attend the meeting to present the

item to the Coalition. She briefly reviewed the webinar she attended with TM Snyder on the County's Municipal Tax Differential program and believed it should be discussed by the Four Cities. MPT Brittan-Powell asked about stormwater management and how what we do affects neighbors downstream. Mayor Kulpa-Eddy shared that a coordinating committee on that might be forthcoming from the PGC Mayors Association. CM Papanikolas suggested a discussion item about joint recreation possibilities for adults. He stated that he would work on it and let TC Friesen know.

#### g. Resident Comments

Resident Paul Kavanaugh of Berwyn Road came up to congratulate the Town on their "Sustainable Maryland" designation.

At 8:29pm, MPT Brittan-Powell read an email from CM Hemby stating that she was ill and would be missing the meeting.

Resident Dave Wolfinger asked about the stormwater studies that have been done in the past. He stated that it appears that each new administration does another study with a little bit of work done in between them. Mayor Kulpa-Eddy commented that each study has been building upon those done previously. She also highlighted that the previous studies were conducted by the County at no cost to the Town. Mr. Wolfinger commented that the results of the studies are not widely available and so it feels like the Town is always starting over.

#### 2. Administration

TM Snyder shared that over 50 resumes have been received for the Assistant to the Town Manager/Office Coordinator position, and that he will begin working through those in a couple of days. He is also working on some facility issues at the Town Center.

#### 3. Code Compliance

There was no Code Compliance report.

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

There was no PRECA report.

##### a. Town Organizations Policy

TM Snyder shared that the goal is to bring every organization under a cohesive umbrella. He has been trying to reach out to every committee and organization. He reviewed the Staff Report. Mayor Kulpa-Eddy added that if the Council has appointment power for a Committee, then there needs to be a formalized process to do so. There needs to be clarity on the roles and responsibilities of the organizations' officers, minutes, agenda, and similar items. TM Snyder reviewed his proposed timeline to revise Ordinance 113. CM Papanikolas added that we are not currently following the Ordinance, that we either need to update the ordinance or revise the organizations' procedures to follow the ordinance.

#### 5. Public Safety

There was no Public Safety report. Mayor Kulpa-Eddy noted that she is attending the Maryland Municipal League Fall Conference and it will wrap up tomorrow.

#### 6. Public Works

CM Menjivar noted that curbside leaf pickup begins on November 6th. Compost containers have been ordered and should be arriving in November as well. He added that residents can sign up to receive a compost container even before they are delivered.

#### 7. Adjournment

CM Papanikolas moved to adjourn. CM Menjivar seconded. With no discussion, the motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:50PM.

## JOIN THE SHADE TREE BOARD!

THE TOWN COUNCIL IS LOOKING FOR NEW VOLUNTEERS FOR THE SHADE TREE BOARD AS CALLED FOR IN ORDINANCE 122 (URBAN FOREST).

THE SHADE TREE BOARD ADVISES THE TOWN MANAGER AND COUNCIL ON PLANNING AND MAINTENANCE OF TREES AND SHRUBS IN PUBLIC AREAS, INCLUDING TOWN PARKS AND ALONG TOWN STREETS. SUBMIT A LETTER OF INTEREST TO TOWN CLERK MELANIE FRIESEN AT MFRIESEN@BERWYNHEIGHTSMD.GOV OR IN PERSON AT TOWN HALL 5700 BERWYN RD.





# Town Elections

**The Berwyn Heights Town Council will be on May 7, 2024.  
Candidate nominations will be accepted beginning  
January 9, 2024.**

**The Town is also accepting applications for the Board of Supervisors of  
Elections.**

The term of an election judge is two years, starting from the swearing in during the month of February. Qualifications include being a registered voter in Prince George's County or the Town of Berwyn Heights as well as being a resident of the Town.

Responsibilities include:

- Participating in a course of training to become familiar with the Town's election process and legal framework
- Staffing polling station (BH Senior Center) on Election Day, including:
- Setting up polling station;
- Checking in voters and verifying registration;
- Assisting voters as needed;
- Counting ballots
- Certifying election results
- Advising on election matters as needed.

Application: please submit a statement of interest and application form (available on Town website) to Melanie Friesen, Town Clerk at: [mfriesen@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:mfriesen@berwynheightsmd.gov) or drop off at Town office at 5700 Berwyn Road. Completed applications must be received by January 31, 5:00 p.m.





# Happy Holidays & Felices Fiestas

## Berwyn Heights Recreation Council



Join us **Saturday, December 2nd** for a full day of Holiday Cheer at the Town Center. Start working on your holiday shopping list with some great, handcrafted gifts from local vendors at our **Holiday Craft Fair from 11am-4pm** located in the upstairs party room.

Finish the evening at our **Annual Tree Lighting Party from 6pm-7pm**.

Grab one of our ornaments to help decorate and watch as we light the Town Christmas Tree. Hot cocoa, caroling, cookies & goodies for the kids... and maybe a visit from Santa! (Party will be outside of the Town Office. In case of rain, we will move inside)



Únase a nosotros **el sábado 2 de diciembre** para un día completo de alegría navideña en centro de la ciudad, 1er piso. Comience a trabajar en su lista de compras navideñas con excelentes regalos hechos a mano de proveedores locales en nuestra **Feria de Artesanía Navideña de 11a.m. a 4 p.m.** ubicada en el 2do piso. Termine la noche en nuestra **Fiesta Anual de Iluminación del Árbol de 6 a 7 p.m.** Tome uno de nuestros adornos para ayudar a decorar y observe cómo encendemos el árbol de Navidad de la ciudad. Chocolate caliente, villancicos, galletas y golosinas para los niños... ¡Y tal vez una visita de Papá Noel! (La fiesta será fuera de la Oficina del Pueblo. En caso de lluvia, nos trasladaremos al interior)

**HOLIDAY CRAFTS - Free Every Saturday 12-3pm**

at the Town Center, 1st Floor. All ages welcome!

Make holiday wreaths, wood-burn ornaments, cards and more!



**MANUALIDADES NAVIDEÑAS - Gratis todos los sábados de 12 a 3 p.m.** en el centro de la ciudad, 1er piso. Todas las edades son bienvenidas.  
¡Haz coronas navideñas, adornos de madera, tarjetas y más!

And coming in January, our Annual Re-Gifting Party. More details in next month's bulletin.

y próximamente en enero, nuestra Fiesta Anual de Re-Regalo.

Más información en el boletín del próximo mes

Our next in person meeting is **Tuesday 12/5 at 7pm** at the Town Center, 1st Floor. ALL ARE WELCOME! Have any suggestions? Email us at **violindreams@verizon.net**

Nuestra próxima reunión en persona es **el martes 12/5 a las 7 pm** en el Town Center, 1er Piso. ¡TODOS ESTÁN BIENVENIDOS!

¿Tiene alguna sugerencia? O envíenos un correo electrónico a **violindreams@verizon.net**





# *Historical Committee*



On Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, we admired some of the houses that will be added to the current Historic Walking Tour that debuted in 2013.

Paper brochures of “A Self-Guided Walking Tour” are available in the museum in the Town Office. An electronic version of “A Self-Guided Walking Tour” is available at [https://berwynheightshistory.files.wordpress.com/2013/01/2013\\_bhhc-walktour\\_web\\_2.pdf](https://berwynheightshistory.files.wordpress.com/2013/01/2013_bhhc-walktour_web_2.pdf)

For information on the mobile app <https://www.berwynheightshistory.com/2017/11/>

The next meeting will be on **Wednesday, December 20, 2023**, at 7:30 p.m. in the Love Room.

**All are welcome!**

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

**For more information visit our Website:**

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

***Visitors are always welcome!***



# CODE COMPLIANCE

## **Ordinance 107 Clean Lot** **Exterior Property Maintenance and Open Storage**

Exterior property maintenance violations are amongst the most common Town Code Compliance cases.

Properties are cited for the open storage of construction materials for unpermitted uses or other miscellaneous items improperly stored on the property such as boxes, crates, interior furniture, car parts, appliances, etc. These items are prohibited from being stored on the exterior property. No storage is allowed in the yard, on the front porch, or within carports.

Property grounds not kept orderly, sanitary, or in good repair may also be cited. Generally, property owners are given an initial Courtesy Notice of the violation for first time occurrences. The Notice may be in the form of a Door Hanger, Letter, or discussion with Code Compliance.

*Exterior property areas should not be utilized for the open storage of building materials, bathroom or kitchen fixtures, furniture, or lawn and garden equipment, irrespective of age or condition, except for routine garden maintenance equipment, outdoor lawn furniture, or materials used in construction or renovation projects with the appropriate Prince George's County and Town permits. per Ordinance 107.4G*

*All exterior property areas should be maintained in a reasonably clean and sanitary condition, free from any accumulation of Debris—which include litter, rubbish, garbage, tree limbs or branches, or motor vehicle parts Per Ordinance 107.4A3*

It is the goal of our office to communicate and work with residents to correct violations. If there are questions about exterior property maintenance and storage, or about Notices from Code Compliance, we welcome residents to contact us to discuss.

MERRY  
**CHRISTMAS**  
& HAPPY NEW YEAR





## November Events: Day of the Dead, Trivia and Veterans Day! Thanks to all who joined us!



## Free Karate Training!!!!

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

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

For more information, contact Theresa Beck 301-237-2829 ([becktheresag@gmail.com](mailto:becktheresag@gmail.com)) or Sensei Leon Swain at 301-728-2881



# Berwyn Heights GreenBee



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

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

Facebook: @BerwynHeightsGreenTeam

Our next Green Team meeting will be Thursday, December 14 at 7:00 pm

in the G Love Room, Town Center. All residents of Berwyn Heights are welcome.

Nuestra proxima reunion del Equipo Verde sera el jueves 14 de diciembre a las 7:00 pm  
en la sala G Love Room, Town Center. Todos los residentes de Berwyn Heights son bienvenidos.

## New: Compost Your Food Scraps With Your Yard Waste!

Email to request a free food scrap toter:

Nuevo:

¡Ponga Sus Residuos de Comida Junto con los Desechos del Jardin!

Envíe un correo para solicitar un contenedor de restos de comida:

[bpudner@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:bpudner@berwynheightsmd.gov)

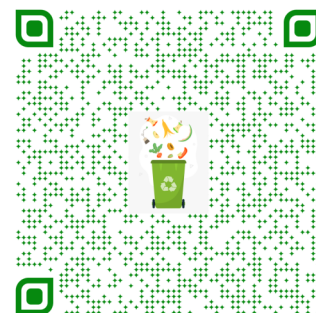


Include your name, address, and choose the 12 gallon toter, the kitchen pail, or both.

Incluya su nombre, dirección, y elija el recipiente de 12 galones, el bote de cocina, o ambos.

Find out more:

Obtenga más información:



Berwyn Heights is a Bronze certified Sustainable Maryland community!

¡Berwyn Heights es una comunidad sustentable de Maryland con certificación Bronce!







## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH/ EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS



Join us December 6 at 7:00 pm in the G. Love Room

### Holiday Shopping Safety Tips

Avoid accidents, theft and other holiday shopping pitfalls by reading this list and checking it twice.

When the busiest shopping weekend of the year arrives, if you'll be one of the millions of holiday shoppers, take some extra precautions with your personal information and purchases to [protect yourself](#) during the holiday. Be sure to check out these [holiday savings tips](#) too before you shop.

### Safe shopping

From fistfights to [identity theft](#), shopping at Black Friday sales brings a few safety risks. Consider these holiday shopping safety tips:

- Keep your purse close to your body or your wallet in an inside coat pocket or front pants pocket.
- Don't argue or fight over an item.
- Don't take your money out until asked and don't flash a lot of cash.
- Use only one credit card. [Data breaches](#) have occurred in the past at major retailers and credit card companies. Should something similar occur, you can reduce the risk of having multiple cards compromised.
- Save your receipts and monitor your credit card activity by reviewing your bill immediately or periodically checking the online app.
- Ask for help moving and loading large items if needed.
- If shopping with children, select a central location to meet in case you are separated. Teach kids how to ask a security guard or employee for help if they're lost.

### How can I be safer in the car?

With so many people out and about, you may encounter aggressive drivers on the road. Don't add to the problem: Remember to [drive defensively](#) and don't allow road rage to rise. [Parking lots can be dangerous](#) too, so be on guard:

Be patient when looking for a parking space. Don't speed up to catch that empty (or soon-to-be empty) spot and be cautious of other drivers who do.

- Park your vehicle in a well-lit area.
- Don't leave anything valuable in your car.
- Lock your vehicle.
- Make a mental note of where you parked.
- Have your keys in hand when walking back to your vehicle.
- Look around and under your vehicle before approaching it.
- Store shopping bags out of plain sight, in your trunk if possible.
- Look for other cars or people, and back out slowly.

### How to stay safe when shopping online

Opting to join Black Friday online or Cyber Monday from your couch? You still need to be on the lookout for holiday [scams and identity theft](#).

- Stick to retailers you know and, preferably, have shopped with before.
- Research a business you haven't purchased from before by checking customer reviews or complaints with the Better Business Bureau.
- Never commit to a deal that seems too good to be true.
- Avoid using a debit card since dispute reimbursements may be less than [credit cards](#).
- Refrain from using [public Wi-Fi](#) to make purchases, or use a VPN to avoid hackers intercepting your information.
- Check a webpage's security by looking for the lock icon in the URL field, and making sure the URL starts with "https", not just "http". The "s" means the site is safer and more secure.

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# BERWYN HEIGHTS

## Volunteer Fire Department & Rescue Squad, Inc.

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

*In Case of Emergency Call 911!*

### Recent Working Incidents

#### Oct 31st- Members Awarded County Bronze Medal of Valor

Senior Volunteer FF Sondai Bem and former member Connor Shank were awarded the County's Bronze Medal of Valor for their actions during an apartment fire at 8525 Greenbelt Road on 10/09/2022. Both volunteers were riding the rescue squad for an apartment fire they were met in the front yard by a resident who indicated they had not seen their neighbor exit the building. They forced entry into the fire apartment and proceeded to search ahead of the hose line, locating the unconscious victim in a rear bedroom. Working together, they removed the victim to the common stairwell and handed her off to other crews before re-entering to finish their search. Unfortunately, the victim would succumb to her injuries at the hospital at a later date. These members took decisive actions giving the victim her best chance of survival.



Nov 2nd- At approximately 1930 hours, Rescue Squad 14 and its volunteer crew were alerted to respond to the area of Adelphi Rd & Metzert Rd for the reported accident with entrapment. The Rescue Squad arrived on the scene and found one vehicle overturned with one trapped, with live wires sparking and igniting a small brush fire. An additional engine company was started to assist with the brush fire. The Squad crew worked to stabilize the vehicle and removed two doors and a B-post to extricate the patient.

Nov 3rd- At around 1700 hours, Rescue Squad 14 and its volunteer crew were alerted to respond to the reported building fire in the 4200 Blk of 58th Ave in the Bladensburg area. Units arrived on the scene to find fire in a second-floor apartment. The Squad crew was assigned the search group and completed searches throughout the structure.

Nov 12th- At around 11 am, Ladder Truck 14, Ambulance 14, and their volunteer crews were alerted to respond to the 5100 block of Lackawanna Street for the reported house on fire. Units arrived to find smoke showing and started the working fire dispatch. The crew from Truck 14 was assigned as the division one supervisor and completed searches, ventilation, overhaul, and laddered the house.

### Christmas Tree Sales 2023

The Berwyn Heights Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad is once again holding our Annual Christmas Trees Fundraiser Sale in the rear parking lot of the Firehouse. This decades-old tree sale is one of our most important fundraisers of the year, with trees being sold by our volunteer firefighters & EMTs. We would like to thank everyone in advance for your support! *We accept cash, checks, and credit cards.* Tree prices below:

5'-6' Frasier Fur \$60

6'-7' Frasier Fur \$70

7'-8' Frasier Fur \$80

#### Sale hours:

Monday – Friday 5:00pm to 9:00pm

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



### Santa on a Fire Truck Christmas Eve!!

Our volunteers will, per tradition, be escorting Santa around the area on **Sunday December 24th, 2023**, from approximately 7pm until around 9pm. We try our best to ensure Santa visits all streets in Berwyn Heights, College Park Estates, and Westchester Park. We will still be responding to any 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](mailto:ksnyder@BHVFD14.org)

#### **LIVE SANTA TRACKER:**

BHVFD will once again be broadcasting Santa and his emergency vehicle parade location live! Visit BHVFD's Facebook, Twitter, or Nextdoor pages for the link that will be posted by 6:30PM on Christmas Eve!





# BERWYN HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



BERWYN HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE FOLLOWING BUSINESSES FOR THEIR SUPPORT OF OUR HISPANIC HERITAGE NIGHT IN OCTOBER 2023. PLEASE CONSIDER PATRONIZING THESE BUSINESSES. LA ESCUELA PRIMARIA BERWYN HEIGHTS DESEA AGRADECER A LAS SIGUIENTES EMPRESAS POR SU APOYO A NUESTRA NOCHE DE HERENCIA HISPANA EN OCTUBRE DE 2023. CONSIDERE PATROCINAR ESTAS EMPRESAS.



TACOS A LA MADRE  
5010 BERWYN RD.  
COLLEGE PARK, MARYLAND  
20740

*Gracias* (240) 297-9546



*Thank you!*

## BHES PTA CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER / RECAUDACIÓN DE FONDOS DE CHIPOTLE DE LA PTA DE BHES

PLEASE JOIN US DECEMBER 6, 2023 AT CHIPOTLE  
FOR A PTA FUNDRAISER. A PORTION OF  
PROCEEDS WILL GO TO THE BHES PTA.  
5506 CHERRYWOOD LN STE G, GREENBELT, MD  
5:00 - 9:00 PM

ÚNASE A NOSOTROS EL 6 DE DICIEMBRE DE  
2023 EN CHIPOTLE PARA UNA RECAUDACIÓN  
DE FONDOS DE LA PTA. UNA PARTE DE LAS  
GANANCIAS SE DESTINARÁ A BHES PTA.  
5506 CHERRYWOOD LN STE G, GREENBELT,  
MD  
5:00 - 9:00 P.M.

## BHES NEEDS YOUR DONATIONS BHES NECESITA SUS DONACIONES



WE ARE ACCEPTING NEW AND GENTLY USED COATS,  
HATS, GLOVES, UNIFORMS, AND SCARVES. WE ALSO  
HAVE AN AMAZON WISHLIST. ITEMS CAN BE DROPPED  
AT THE SCHOOL OR PICKED UP. ACEPTAMOS ABRIGOS,  
GORROS, GUANTES, UNIFORMES Y BUFANDAS NUEVOS  
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DE DESEOS DE AMAZON. LOS ARTÍCULOS SE PUEDEN  
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FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR ASSISTANCE, PLEASE REACH OUT TO:  
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6200 PONTIAC STREET BERWYN HEIGHTS, MD 20740  
240-684-6210







## October Incidents

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2023 AT 8:40 PM, 'MISSING.'

On 10/01/2023 at approximately 08:40 PM Cpl. Rufino received a station call for a missing Juvenile. The officer arrived at 89\*\* 59th Ave and spoke with the family. According to the family the 16 Y/O left the house on Saturday 09/30/2023 at an unknown time. The family believes she left with someone, but they do not know who the person might be. The 16 Y/O has run away previously. The family cannot provide any friend contact for Suane and Suane does not have a cell phone. The 16 Y/O is about 5'4" tall, thin, and has long black hair. The family says she has a history of using substances.—Suane attends Parkdale High School. The family was provided with officer information and advised to call the Berwyn Heights Police Department with any information that would help us find Suane. Teletype was notified C-1125

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 03, 2023 AT 2:30 AM, 'CARJACKING.'

On October 3, 2023 at approximately 0230 hours, PGPD responded to 88\*\* 60th Ave, Berwyn Heights, in regards to a carjacking. Upon my arrival, officers made contact with the victim who stated he just got home from work when he was standing outside of his ex-girlfriend's vehicle smoking a cigarette. Two unknown suspects were walking up 60th Ave when the unknown male approached the victim and asked for a cigarette. After asking for a cigarette the male suspect pulled out a knife and demanded the victim's car keys, wallet, money, and debit card with the pin number. The male suspect took \$150 from the victim. The victim gave the male suspect everything he requested and both suspects fled in the victim's vehicle. Notifications to a carjacking Det. Welcome #4091 CJ24 who responded to the scene and spoke with the victim.

\*\*\*\*\*On 10/03/2023 at approximately 1700 hours, CIU detectives were notified by MPDC officers that the listed carjacked vehicle was parked in the 1400Blk of Quincy St NW Washington, DC Detectives responded to the scene and met with MPDC, as well as the Victim. The Victim stated that he was driving around and found his vehicle at this location, then called the police. The keys to the vehicle were on the front seat. The vehicle was impounded by Ryon towing to the ID bay, to await processing.

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 04, 2023, AT 10:00 AM 'FRAUD' On 10/04/2023

A victim came to the Berwyn Heights Police Station to report fraud. The person reported on 07/23/2023 they placed a check in the mailbox for payment to the Washington Gas Company For \$97.00. The victim was reviewing statements and found a discrepancy. The check that was written for the Washing-

ton Gas company for 97.00 was altered to pay a suspect \$7,257.54 and was cashed at a SECU at 33 E. Padonia Rd. in Timonium Maryland on 09/12/2023 at 3:20 p.m. the victim contacted his bank and has started the fraud recovery process with them. The victim was given the detective's information to forward to the Truist Bank Fraud Department for further investigation.

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 05, 2023, AT 7:46 AM, 'VANDALISM-ATTEMPT AUTO THEFT'

Sgt. T. Hollowell, was dispatched to 5600 block Ruatan Street, Berwyn Heights, Maryland for a reported vandalism to auto. Hollowell arrived at the location and saw the listed vehicle with a broken rear right passenger window. The victim explained coming out and noticing glass was broken on the ground, and the ignition console had been ripped out. It appears suspect(s) could not engage the system due to security upgrades to the vehicle. Nothing was taken from the vehicle according to the victim.

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 05, 2023, AT 1:50 PM, 'VANDALISM-ATTEMPT AUTO THEFT'

Sgt. T. Hollowell, responded to the area of Quebec Street and 58th Avenue, for vandalism and attempted auto theft. Upon inspecting the vehicle, the right rear passenger window was broken out. The suspect(s) tampered with and damaged the ignition system to steal the vehicle. Nothing else could be determined as missing. The vehicle battery was dead not leaving options for the victim(s) to inventory.

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2023 AT 8:20 AM, 'EPS.'

On 10/7/2023 approximately 08 20 hours. PFC. Herriott#1454 received an instantation call from \*\*\* who lives at 57\*\* Nevada Street Berwyn Heights Md. 20740. Reporting person states that her son \*\*\*\*\*, who deals with mental health issues, was yelling screaming obscenities out the window and also hitting the window. Officer responded to the house along with Fireboard and PG County Officer. Officer observed the subject yelling out of the window and hitting it with an aluminum stick. Officer later removed the stick for his safety and the subject's. Officer then asked if he wants to hurt himself and he screamed no. He then left the bedroom area and walked into the kitchen to get a glass of water, that's when he stepped out on the back porch broke the glass, and attempted to cut his wrist. The officer then took the subject into custody for an EPS and he was later transported to Laurel Hospital by Fireboard, where he was evaluated. All events occurred in Prince Georges County MD.

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2023 AT 11: AM, 'STOLEN AUTO.'

On 10/7/2023 PFC. Herriott #1454 was approached by resident \*\*\*\* who lives at 89\*\* 58th Avenue Berwyn Heights Md. 20740 He states that he parked his 2023

black Dodge Durango MD Tag #6fJ0757 running and when he returned to his vehicle, he discovered it missing. The victim also states that he began to track the vehicle on his Dodge App. After tracking the vehicle on the App., he discovered it at Greenway Shopping Center located in Greenbelt MD. He did contact the Greenbelt Police Department, however, they were unsuccessful in making contact with the vehicle because they could not verify the tag number. Officers later recovered the stolen vehicle in Greenbelt, MD.

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 09, 2023 AT 5:39 PM, 'ATTEMPT STOLEN AUTO / ARRESTS.'

On 10/09/2023 Cpl. Rufino along with Sgt. Roberson were dispatched to a call for attempted auto theft located at 61\*\* Ruatan St Berwyn Heights, MD 20740. Upon arrival, officers met with victim who stated that he saw three juveniles inside and around his vehicle. When the juveniles saw the (V) they fled on foot Northbound on Cunningham Drive. (V) informed officers that he examined his vehicle and discovered a window broken and the steering column destroyed. (V) provided a description of the three juveniles. One is a light-skinned tall female with African American features, the second juvenile in the driver's seat is a heavier Latino male, and the third is a thin black male. (V) states that the juveniles looked like they were around the age of 17 years old. Approximately 45 minutes later while canvassing the area, three juveniles were observed fitting the description provided by the Victim. Juveniles were stopped with the assistance of the Greenbelt Police Department. The victim was brought to the scene and positively Identified all juveniles. Juveniles were then transported to the Greenbelt Police Department and parents/legal guardians were notified. The victim's vehicle sustained approximately \$2,000 or more worth of damages. The victim was provided with a case number and officer contact information. See J-1 (two) and J-2(one) same case number. Charging documents pending. All events occurred in Berwyn Heights Prince George's County Maryland.

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2023 AT 2:11 AM, 'ROBBERY.'

On 10/09/2023 at approximately 0211 hours officers responded to the 7-Eleven located at 5815 Greenbelt Rd, College Park Maryland for a report of a commercial robbery. Upon arrival, officers met with the victim, who is a store employee. The victim advised that 3 unknown suspects forced entry into the front door of the store. Suspect 1 jumped over the counter and made the victim lie down. Suspect 1 then stated, "We are not going to hurt you". Suspect 2 then went to the back office where he ripped the video surveillance out of the store. He also located approximately \$5,000 in store funds that were in the desk that was from the safe. Suspect 3 then went

to the ATM and forced it open with a jaws of life tool, taking an unknown amount of funds. The suspects then fled the store in a black Jeep Cherokee with unknown registration. All follow-up will be handled by Major Crimes Robbery.

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2023 AT 12:53 PM, 'FRAUD.'**

At 1253 hrs, 10/12/2023, Sgt. T. Hollowell, #1449, Berwyn Heights Police responded to 62\*\* Seminole Place for a fraud report. Hollowell met with the victim who described on 10/7/2023, she placed a check into an outdoor standing mailbox at 5700 Berwyn Road, Berwyn Heights, Maryland. The check, in an envelope, was addressed to Berwyn Heights Fire Department in the amount of \$50.00. On 10/12/2023, the victim was contacted by Capital One Bank and told a check in her name dated 10/7/2023 was cashed for the amount of \$13,500. The location of the transaction was not immediately known by the victim. The victim could only recall placing the check in the mailbox and believed it may have been removed from the mailbox. The matter will be forwarded to Berwyn Heights CID for review. No suspect(s) are currently identified.

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2023 AT 6:43 PM, 'WARRANT SERVICE.'**

Sgt. Roberson and Cpl. C. Rufino responded to Osage Street and conducted a warrant service on ESPINOZA-MONROY, YONY AVIDAN, A 47 Y/O. ESPINOZA-MONROY was charged with Sex Abuse of a minor, 3<sup>rd</sup> degree Sex Offense, Assault, and 4<sup>th</sup> degree Sex Offense. He was arrested at his residence without incident and being held without bond.

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2023 AT 8:40 PM, 'HARASSMENT / THREATS.'**

October 19, 2023, at approximately 8:40 PM Pfc Lowndes Berwyn Heights Police responded to 57\*\* Berwyn Road for a verbal threats complaint. Officer arrived at the location and met with the resident. He stated to Pfc Lowndes that his neighbor \*\*\*\* was standing outside across the street on a public sidewalk talking to another individual and verbally stated he was going to do physical harm to his neighbor. After speaking with the victim, the officer met with the suspect the resident of 56\*\* Berwyn Road, and he stated that he didn't make any verbal threats that were directed to his neighbor. Pfc Lowndes obtained a written statement from the victim and gave a victim rights pamphlet with the assigned case number to all parties in-

volved containing information on how to attain a peace order.

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2023 AT 6:49 AM, 'THEFT FROM AUTO.'**

Pfc. Herriott responded to the 8500 block of 63<sup>rd</sup> Ave for theft from auto. Tools were taken from the vehicle.

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2023 AT 7:42 AM, 'THEFT FROM AUTO.'**

Pfc. Herriott responded to the 8500 block of 63<sup>rd</sup> Ave., for a report of theft from auto. An unknown person broke the rear window and removed item.

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2023 AT 5:20 PM, 'THEFT FROM AUTO.'**

Cpl. Rufino responded to the 8900 block of 56<sup>th</sup> Ave., for a report of theft from a vehicle. Tools were taken.

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2023 AT 2:00 AM, 'STOLEN AUTO.'**

At approximately 2:00 a.m. on 10/28/23, PFC Lowndes #1456 Berwyn Heights Police was dispatched to 58\*\* Pontiac Street for a report of a stolen vehicle. The victim stated her husband, heard a loud noise outside of their house and looked outside and saw the unknown suspect driving his wife's vehicle out of the driveway. The victim immediately ran outside and threw his cell phone into the grill of the vehicle, a 2016 silver Hyundai bearing Maryland license plate # 5ES4848. The victim and his wife were able to track the stolen vehicle by the cell phone that was inside the stolen vehicle grill. The stolen vehicle was tracked and located at 5707 Cherrywood Lane Greenbelt MD (Shell gas Station) Greenbelt Officer Skibicki was on the scene with the stolen vehicle at that location. The victim's stolen vehicle was still running and there was extensive damage to the key ignition. The victim took possession of their vehicle from where it was found at 5707 Cherrywood Lane, Greenbelt (Shell Gas station).

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[bhbgc2019@gmail.com](mailto:bhbgc2019@gmail.com)

Vice President: Nick Lorenz  
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Treasurer: Anna Branderska  
Secretary: Laura Bowers  
Athletic Director: Justin Van Denend

### Education Advisory Committee

Inactive

### Green Team/ Shade Tree Board

Facilitator: Shira Francis  
Co-Facilitator: Michael Bloom  
[Bgreen.berwynheight@gmail.com](mailto:Bgreen.berwynheight@gmail.com)

### Historical Committee

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

### Men's Basketball League

Jim McGinnis 301-651-8142

### Movie Club

Jonathan Loutsch  
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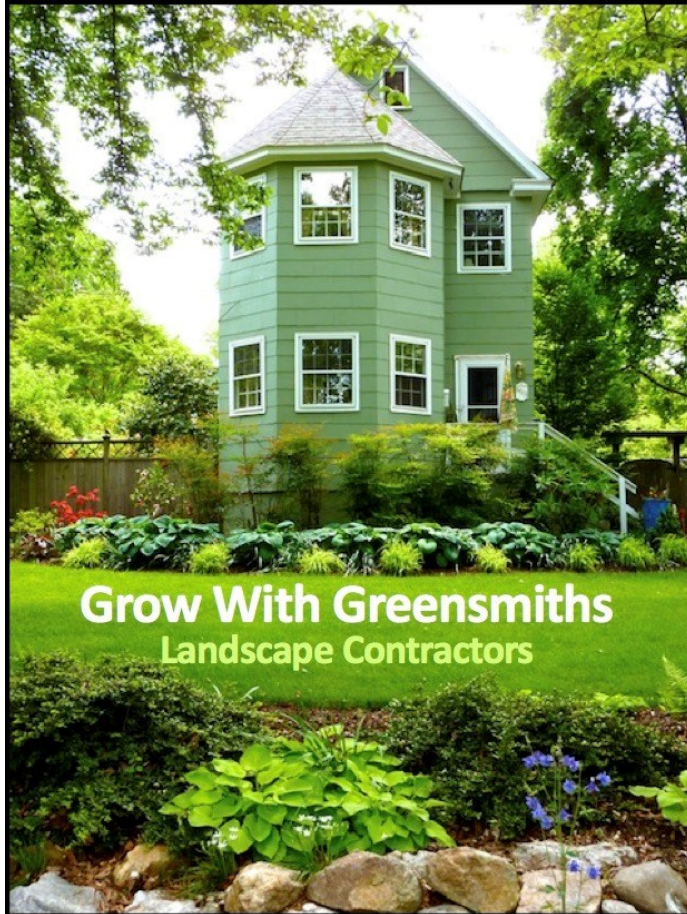
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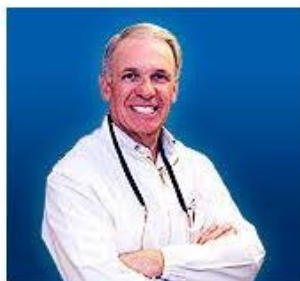
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					1	2 Holiday Fun All Day!!! See You beginning 11AM!
3	4 Worksession 7PM Council Chambers 	5 Rec Council 7PM G. Love Room 	6 NW/EP 7PM G. Love Room 	7 	8	9
10	11 	12 	13 Town Meeting 7PM Council Chambers 	14 Green Team 7PM G. Love Room 	15	16
17	18 Worksession 7PM Council Chambers 	19 	20 BHHC 7:30 G. Love Room 	21 	22 Christmas Eve Observed Town Offices Closed 	23
24	25 Christmas Day Town Offices Closed 	26 	27 	28 	29 New Years Eve Observed Town Offices Closed 	30
31	1 New Years Day Town Offices Closed 	2 	3 	4 	5 	6 

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