



# Berwyn Heights Bulletin

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### Operaciones del gobierno municipal de COVID-19

Para garantizar los protocolos COVID adecuados, la puerta del Ayuntamiento permanece cerrada. No dude en llamar al 301-474-5000 para hacer una cita o a tocar la puerta para recibir servicio.

- Reuniones públicas realizadas presencialmente en el Ayuntamiento, sujetas a cambios por COVID. Consulte la agenda de la reunión publicada en el sitio web de la Ciudad para conocer la ubicación.
- Las inspecciones de alquiler están en marcha con los protocolos COVID implementados
- Las solicitudes de licencias y permisos deben enviarse al Departamento del Código por correo de los EE. UU. O enviarse por correo electrónico a [code@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:code@berwynheightsmd.gov).
- Los servicios de notario están disponibles en el Ayuntamiento y el Departamento de Policía con cita previa. Llame al 301-474-5000 para comunicarse con el Ayuntamiento o al 301-474-6554 para comunicarse con el Departamento de Policía para obtener estos servicios.
- Todos los pagos se enviarán mediante cheque por correo de USPS a 5700 Berwyn Road, Berwyn Heights, MD 20740.

Visite el sitio web para obtener la información más reciente <https://www.berwynheightsmd.gov/>

### COVID-19 Town Government Operations

To ensure appropriate COVID protocols, the door to Town Hall remains locked. Feel free to call (301) 474-5000 to schedule an appointment or knock on the door for service

- Public meetings held in person at Town Hall, subject to change due to COVID. Check the meeting agenda posted on the Town website for the location.
- Rental inspections are underway with COVID protocols in place.
- Licenses and permit applications to be submitted to Code Department by US mail or e-mailed to [code@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:code@berwynheightsmd.gov).
- Notary services are available at Town Hall and the Police Department by appointment. Call (301) 474-5000 to reach Town Hall or (301) 474-6554 to contact the Police Department for those services.
- All payments to be submitted by check via US mail to 5700 Berwyn Road, Berwyn Heights, MD 20740.

Check Town website for the latest updates <https://www.berwynheightsmd.gov/>

## TUESDAY, May 3, 7am - 7pm

### *Become an Election Judge*

The Town of Berwyn Heights is accepting applications for positions on a 5-person Board of Election Supervisors for the next Town Council election to be held on May 3, 2022 The term of an election judge is for two years, starting from the date of swearing-in at the February 9 Town meeting.

#### Qualifications:

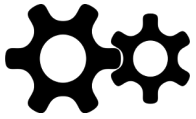
Resident of the Town, registered voter in Prince George's County or the Town of Berwyn Heights.

#### Responsibilities:

- 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.





# PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

[PublicWorks@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:PublicWorks@berwynheightsmd.gov) TEL: 301-474-6897

Happy New Year to all and a few reminders:

The street sweeper will be in town on Monday, January 10th through Friday, January 14th. Please park your car off the street when you see the street sweeper in your area. They will not be here again until February 2022.

The next time Greenbelt will be collecting your electronic recycling is Saturday, January 22nd from 9 am to 12 pm. Accepted items include CPUs, monitors, keyboards, mice, printers, laptops, recording equipment, speakers, scanners, surge protectors, wires & power cords, fax machines, cameras, flat-screen televisions, telephones, radios, DVD players, and VCRs. Also, block Styrofoam #6. Paint recycling – cost \$5 per container. DO NOT MIX PAINT in other containers. For info call 240-542-2153.

This link may be very helpful when you have questions or concerns about Public Works, such as trash days for your neighborhood, what we pick up, etc.: <https://www.berwynheightsmd.gov/public-works-department>

In addition, the town will observe the New Years holiday on January 3rd and Martin Luther King holiday January 17th. Therefore, the trash schedule changes to the following:

## **NEW YEARS HOLIDAY – January 3rd New Year's day**

Tuesday, January 4th – Town-wide trash/bulk

Wednesday, January 5th – Town-wide recycling

Thursday, January 6th – Town-wide yard waste

Friday, January 7th – Town-wide trash

## **MARTIN LUTHER KING HOLIDAY – January 17th Monday**

Tuesday, January 18th – Town-wide trash/bulk

Wednesday, January 19th – Town-wide recycling

Thursday, January 20th – Town-wide yard waste

Friday, January 21st – Town-wide trash

Feliz año nuevo a todos y algunos recordatorios:

El barrendero estará en la ciudad el lunes 10 de enero al viernes 14 de enero. Estacione su automóvil fuera de la calle cuando vea la barredora de calles en su área. No volverán a estar aquí hasta febrero de 2022.

La próxima vez que Greenbelt recolectará su reciclaje electrónico es el sábado 22 de enero de 9 am a 12 pm. Los artículos aceptados incluyen CPU, monitores, teclados, ratones de computadora, impresoras, computadoras portátiles, equipos de grabación, parlantes, escáneres, protectores de sobretensión, cables y cables de alimentación, máquinas de fax, cámaras, televisores de pantalla plana, teléfonos, radios, reproductores de DVD y VCR. Además, bloquee la espuma de poliestireno n.º6. Reciclaje de pintura: cuesta \$5 por contenedor. NO MEZCLE PINTURA en otros contenedores. Para obtener información, llame al 240-542-2153.

Este enlace puede ser muy útil cuando tenga preguntas o inquietudes sobre Obras Públicas, como los días de recolección de basura en su vecindario, lo que recogemos, y más: <https://www.berwynheightsmd.gov/public-works-department>

Además, la ciudad observará el feriado de Año Nuevo el 3 de enero y el feriado de Martin Luther King el 17 de enero. Por lo tanto, la programación de la papelería cambia a lo siguiente:

## **VACACIONES DE AÑO NUEVO - 3 de enero Día de Año Nuevo**

Martes 4 de enero - Basura/bulto en toda la ciudad

Miércoles 5 de enero - Reciclaje en toda la ciudad

Jueves 6 de enero - Desperdicios de jardín en toda la ciudad

Viernes 7 de enero: basura en toda la ciudad

## **MARTIN LUTHER KING HOLIDAY - 17 de enero Lunes**

Martes 18 de enero - Basura/bulto en toda la ciudad

Miércoles 19 de enero - Reciclaje en toda la ciudad

Jueves 20 de enero - Desperdicios de jardín en toda la ciudad

Viernes 21 de enero: basura en toda la ciudad



*...from The Berwyn Heights Rec. Council*

Thanks to everyone who helped to make our December 4<sup>th</sup> craft sale, and tree decorating/lighting party a grand success. We had a great turnout for both.

***Coming up in January:***

**Regifting Party (Adults Only)**

**Saturday, January 15th, 2-4pm**

Receive any gifts that you can't use or just don't want? Join us for this White Elephant-style event featuring wine, cheese, other snacks and plenty of laughs! No room for another coffee mug? Are you Moose-Munched out? Here's the perfect opportunity to find a new home for any unwanted gifts, and maybe go home with a real gem! Please bring a **wrapped, new and unused gift** to participate, or if you prefer to just watch that is fine too! Adults Only. Party will be in the Senior Center or Upstairs Party Room at 5700 Berwyn Road.



Coming up in February, our Valentine Card making and Cookie decorating event returns on Saturday, February 12, 2-4. This is a family friendly event. Stay tuned for more details.



Next Rec Council Meeting, Tuesday, January 11, 7pm in the Love room. Zoom link available if requested in advance.

We will start planning for Berwyn Heights Day. Please join us, or email your ideas and suggestions to [violindreams@verizon.net](mailto:violindreams@verizon.net)



## Worksession Minutes

October 4 2021 | 7:00 pm

This meeting was held by videoconference due to the ongoing COVID-19 health emergency and was broadcast on Berwyn Heights cable TV channels and streamed on the Town website. Residents could comment by calling (301) 474-9570 or e-mailing Mayor Dewey at [adewey@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:adewey@berwynheightsmd.gov)

### Call to Order

Mayor Dewey called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. Present at the meeting were Mayor Amanda Dewey, Mayor Pro Tempore Jodie Kulpa-Eddy, Councilmember Chris Brittan-Powell, Councilmember Jason Papanikolas, and Councilmember Ethan Sweep. Also present were Town Manager Laura Allen, Chief of Police Kenneth Antolik, Code Compliance Director Hollyce Goodwin, and Town Clerk Melanie Friesen.

### Announcements

Mayor Dewey stated that Prince George's County is close to the CDC threshold for changing recommendations on indoor mask wearing and that the County may be reevaluating the mandate. However, the mandate remains in place. She also stated that vaccine boosters are readily available. She reminded residents that November 11 is Veterans' Day, and that Town Offices will be closed. MPT Kulpa-Eddy stated that November 2<sup>nd</sup> is Election Day and while Berwyn Heights doesn't have any elections, neighboring communities do.

### Approval of Agenda

CM Sweep moved to approve the agenda. CM Brittan-Powell seconded. After no discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

### Discussion Items

#### Vaccine Requirement Policy

TM Allen shared her staff report with Council stating that the draft vaccine requirement policy presented is based on Greenbelt's policy. She reviewed several differences in policies, highlighting that Greenbelt's policy includes Council, but not volunteers and that the County policy includes volunteers but not elected officials. She asked for feedback on the draft policy. CM Papanikolas stated that he felt that Council should lead by example and be included in the policy, but that he had less concern about requiring volunteers to be vaccinated. CM Sweep also stated that he agreed that Council should be included in the requirements but suggested that he would like to see safety protocols in place for volunteers. Mayor Dewey agreed that Council should be included in, however CM Brittan-Powell

stated that he had concerns that including Council in the requirements would prevent some residents from seeking elected office. MPT Kulpa-Eddy asked if this would be a policy that would affect new hires in perpetuity and about how testing would work for employees who choose testing over vaccination. CM Papanikolas suggested that the policy be reviewed annually. CM Sweep agreed that the policy should be reviewed on a timeline rather than health metrics that could swing wildly making the policy confusing and difficult to follow. Mayor Dewey stated that she understood the Council had general support for Councilmembers to be included, but not volunteers; for there to be specificity on the policy review timelines; and to look for policy implementation to happen in late February.

#### In-person Council Meetings- verbal discussion

There was general support from the Council for a return to in-person meetings. CM Papanikolas stated that MML led him to believe that successful hybrid meetings were nearly impossible given the technology the Town has access to. Mayor Dewey expressed concerns about room capacity. CM Brittan-Powell suggested that meetings outside might be a consideration. CM Sweep suggested that perhaps it might be best to keep meetings fluid, considering what might happen if one or more CMs became ill. TM Allen expressed concerns about having proper notice of the change if meeting were to change formats. There was support for the Council attempting to return to in-person meetings for December.

#### Listening Session Review from October 26-verbal discussion

Council discussed the Listening Session that was held on October 26, 2021, in the Senior Center. For approximately an hour and half Council revisited several topics presented in the listening session. Areas of concern and consideration included conduct and procedures of both Code Compliance and the Police Department, concerns about engagement and accessibility of Council with residents, and concerns about staffing both in Administration and in Public Works. Council had the opportunity to directly ask Director Goodwin and Chief Antolik questions about their departments (for example, the Code citation and appeals processes; Police enforcement of loud mufflers and speeding).

#### Review of Signs at Town Hall-verbal discussion

Council reviewed the signage in the Town Hall Parking Lot. TM Allen stated that the signs were implemented after several small children were playing in the parking lot without supervision. Staff had concerns about the safety of the children. The signs were purchased after a conversation with

the Town Attorney and Chief of Police in order to allow for enforcement. CM Brittan-Powell expressed concern that the language is off-putting and not friendly. Chief Antolik agreed that the signs are not friendly but reiterated that notice must be given. TM Allen explained that the signs were not personalized for the Town but were rather canned verbiage. Resident Mike Attick called to ask if the parking lot is public property, as was stated in a previous meeting. CM Papanikolas stated that the parking lot of Town Hall is a public parking lot but that doesn't mean rules in the public trust can't be made for it. Mayor Dewey summarized the Council's desire to have TM Allen speak with the Town Attorney to see if there are signs that could be posted that have a more welcoming tone as well as pursue a community bulletin board that could be used to post a "Code of Conduct" regarding the use of the parking lot.

#### Redistricting Update-verbal discussion

Council reviewed the issues with the redistricting map presented by the County Council, and the fact that they had already signed on to the letter from College Park and the 4 Cities coalition. Discussion focused on the issue of transparency in the process and MPT Kulpa-Eddy expressed that she had difficulty determining the proposed County Councilmanic boundaries for Berwyn Heights. Mayor Dewey will draft a letter for Council to vote on during the November Town Meeting.

### Department Reports

Mayor Dewey highlighted the upcoming ARPA Spending and Budget Community Meetings. She encouraged the participation of residents at one of the meetings. She also reviewed that masks will be required at the in-person meetings provided that the County is still mandating masks at that time. She invited TM Allen to add anything, and TM Allen stated that the facilitators will be putting together a summary report of the sessions which will provide guidance. Mayor Dewey reviewed eligibility for Covid vaccine boosters and encouraged everyone who is eligible to make an appointment. She congratulated the Rec Council and the Police Department for successful Trunk-or-Treat and Halloween events. In upcoming events, she stated that there are community meetings almost every night. She reminded residents that the Town offices will be closed on Thursday, November 11 for Veterans Day.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy reviewed the Prince George's County Municipal Association meeting that occurred on October 21<sup>st</sup>,

and featured presentations on Rental Assistance and the United Way, as well as the issue of redistricting the County. She also spoke briefly about the 4 Cities Coalition meeting that had presentations from District 22 representatives, the office of Prince George's County State Attorney Aisha Braveboy, and Scott Hancock, Executive Director for the Maryland Municipal League. She also reviewed the Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement prepared for the I495/270 corridor toll road project. Berwyn Heights is not directly affected. She also encouraged participation with the Prince George's County Public Schools draft boundaries conversations. Information on how to join will be posted on the Town's website. She reminded residents of the red-light camera public hearings that will be occurring during the November Town Meetings and requested residents comment on what kind of education the community would like in order to understand these proposed changes.

CM Papanikolas stated that Code had been thoroughly discussed earlier in the meeting and wanted to highlight the Code article in the October Bulletin. He also reiterated that he's available for residents to reach out to him about their concerns.

CM Brittan-Powell stated that he's continuing to have conversations with residents and will be reaching out to fellow Councilmembers for discussion. He will be traveling for about a week and a half and then plans to have conversations with the Town Manager when he returns.

CM Sweep began by highlighting the Prince George's County Department of Public Works Snow Summit that will be held virtually on November 18 at 6 PM. He also reviewed November trash schedules for the Town with the two holidays in the month. The street sweeper will be in Town the last week of November. Leaf collection has begun and CM Sweep reminded residents to put out leaves only, not sticks.

Mayor Dewey reviewed the Town Wide trash clean-up and pumpkin smash. MPT Kulpa-Eddy highlighted the Rec Council food drive. Both events will be occurring on Saturday, November 6 from 10 am-1 pm.

### Resident & Community Comments

Resident Mike Attick called and suggested that the Senior Center could hold overflow from in-person meetings, where they could watch the meeting on the TV but be able to comment in person during resident comment time. He also expressed gratitude for the Council that came to the listening session and stated that the reason the Council is hearing the same comments from residents repeatedly is be-

cause residents don't feel their comments are being responded to. He also asked if any member of Council had met the new Public Works Director. Mayor Dewey confirmed that Council had met the Director. He continued and expressed that there has been a lot of changes in Director positions since the Town Manager title change in 2014 from Town Administrator. He also stated that while Council can be reached by phone, residents are directed to contact the Town Manager. He continued that the street markings at Edmonston and Pontiac are confusing. He stated his belief that the Ethics Commission should look into more than just the financial aspects of Candidates. Mayor Dewey stated that the markings at Edmonston and Pontiac are part of the "Don't Block the Intersection" ordinance amendment. CM Sweep responded that as the CM over Public Works, he was kept abreast for the entire hiring process for Public Works Director. Mayor Dewey stated that the decision to hire was made unanimously by Council vote. CM Papanikolas stated that it was a closed session because of HR law.

### Adjournment

CM Sweep moved to adjourn the meeting. CM Papanikolas seconded. After no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:06PM.

### Town Meeting November 10, 2021 7:00PM

This meeting was held by videoconference due to the ongoing COVID-19 health emergency and was broadcast on Berwyn Heights cable TV channels and streamed on the Town website. Residents could comment by calling (301)474-9570 or emailing Mayor Dewey at [adewey@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:adewey@berwynheightsmd.gov).

### Call to order

Present were Mayor Amanda Dewey, Mayor Pro Tempore Jodie Kulpa-Eddy, Councilmember Chris Brittan-Powell (attending via telephone), Councilmember Jason Papanikolas, and Councilmember Ethan Sweep. Also present were Town Manager Laura Allen, Town Clerk Melanie Friesen, and Lieutenant Daniel Unger. Susan Jones was present for the Rec Council and Debby Steele-Snyder was present to represent the Berwyn Heights Historical Committee.

Pledge of Allegiance

### Announcements

Mayor Dewey reported that Council had met in Executive Session prior to the meeting in order to discuss a personnel matter. She also expressed thanks and gratitude to the Berwyn Heights Police Department, and especially Officer Krouse in the rescue and recovery of two missing children. She

followed by reporting on a walk-up vaccine clinic on November 13 aimed at children 5 and above at the Wayne Curry Sports and Learning Complex. She finished off the announcements by reading the *Municipal Government Works Proclamation*.

### Approval of Agenda

CM Sweep moved to approve the agenda. It was seconded by CM Brittan-Powell. After no further discussion the motion passed unanimously.

### Public Hearing: Red Light Camera Ordinance 149 Amendment

Mayor Dewey opened the public hearing on the Amendment to Ordinance 149 allowing for red-light cameras to be placed within the Town. TM Allen reviewed the Staff report for the red-light camera Amendment to Ordinance 149. Lt. Unger was available to help respond to any questions regarding technical aspects of the program. Resident Angie Wolfinger asked what intersections and which directions would be covered by the cameras. Mayor Dewey replied that two intersections were being primarily considered, but that the ordinance does not specify which intersections would receive the cameras. She continued that the currently considered intersections are Greenbelt Rd and 58<sup>th</sup> and Greenbelt Rd and 63<sup>rd</sup>. Ms. Wolfinger requested clarification as to whether traffic on Greenbelt Road would be monitored or just traffic from the "town side". Lt. Unger clarified that if the ordinance change passed, there would be a study to help determine the best intersections for placement. Resident Susan Jones echoed Ms. Wolfinger's question and asked if it was possible to add more speed cameras in Town. Lt. Unger expressed that new legislation at the State level may make that possible. Resident James Wilkinson expressed that it was good to hear that 63<sup>rd</sup> was being considered as a spot for a red light camera for the safety of the Town children that cross the street there to get to Greenbelt Middle School. There were no further comments. CM Sweep moved to close the hearing. MPT Kulpa-Eddy seconded the motion. After no discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

### Public Hearing: Fine and Fee Amendment Resolution 09-2021

Mayor Dewey opened the hearing on the Fine and Fee Amendment Resolution. TM Allen reviewed the staff report and established that this resolution would set the fine associated with running a red-light at \$75. CM Papanikolas asked what is the maximum allowable fine by State law. There were no public comments. CM Brittan-Powell moved to close the hearing. CM Sweep seconded. During

discussion, Lt. Unger reported that the maximum allowable fine by State law is \$75. After no further discussion the motion passed unanimously.

### Consent Agenda

MPT Kulpa-Eddy requested that the Public Works report and the minutes from Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> be removed from the consent agenda. MPT Kulpa-Eddy moved to approve the consent agenda as amended, with the minutes from Oct 13<sup>th</sup> and the Public Works report to be considered separately. CM Brittan-Powell seconded. After no further discussion the amended consent agenda passed unanimously.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy inquired why one of the suggested edits in the October 13<sup>th</sup> minutes was removed. The suggested edit identified that the Council planning session that CM Brittan-Powell had inquired about during his report happened in 2016 by a previous council. TC Friesen clarified that minutes reflect the meeting as it happened and that in the meeting there was not a mention of the planning session happening in 2016. With the understanding that the minutes from this meeting will reflect that the planning session was conducted by a previous council, MPT Kulpa-Eddy moved to approve the minutes from Oct 13. CM Papanikolas seconded. After no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously. Regarding the Public Works report, MPT Kulpa-Eddy questioned the statement that the issue on Seminole Street has been resolved. TM Allen reported "resolved" means the County has accepted responsibility for the repair. MPT Kulpa-Eddy moved to accept the report with clarifying information. CM Sweep seconded. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

### Mayor & Councilmember Reports

Mayor Dewey reported that she had attended the two Community meetings and was grateful to all who attended for their input. She reminded everyone that the final opportunity to attend will be virtually on Monday the 15<sup>th</sup> at 7PM. She also reported meeting with students from the University of Maryland who are working on a platform for municipalities. The goal of the meeting was to give information on the Town to the students. She attended the Town Clean-up, Pumpkin Smash and Food Drive over the weekend. She will be attending National League of Cities conference as a part of her day job. There will be a reception for elected officials hosted by Dannielle Glaros on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. She shared reminders that the Town offices will be closed for Veterans Day as well as Thanksgiving. She also shared the Climate Action plan for the County has been released for public comment. She discussed booster eligibility and the vaccine clinic at the Sports and Learning Complex. Finally, all students in grades

K-5 are eligible for reading tutoring through BookNook at Prince George's County Public Schools. Contact details for the tutoring and Climate Action Plan are available on the Town's website. She closed her report by congratulating those elected in the recent Greenbelt and College Park elections.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy shared information about the Prince George's County Cultural Arts Study. A virtual meeting will be held on November 18, 2021 to present the Draft Cultural Arts Study to residents. The County Department of Parks and Recreation virtual Town Hall will be held on November 16 for residents to weigh in on the future of Parks and Recreation in the County. Every 5 years, the County updates its Land Preservation Parks and Recreation Plan to improve countywide opportunities. Sessions will be held at 11AM and 6:30PM.

CM Papanikolas started his announcements by wishing the Marine Corps a Happy 246<sup>th</sup> Birthday. He reviewed the Code Compliance Report encouraging others to read page 4 of the report to view how Code responded to a situation at [Checkers](#). He highlighted that over the last several months, policy implementation has been a focus in Code. He expressed that residents have interest in knowing about the jurisdiction on yard (clean lot) issues. He reported that the county says that Code can do what is needed but he believes they should inform residents that they are on their property. Finally, he reported on the number of rentals in Town and that between 17-18% of housing units were rentals, when the average in PG County is almost 40%.

CM Brittan-Powell attempted to start his report but his call dropped at 7:40PM and he was unable to rejoin the meeting due to a loss of phone service.

CM Sweep began his report by stating he believes the number of rentals has been reduced since 2020. CM Papanikolas confirmed that there has been a slight reduction in rentals. He reported on the leaf collection process and getting the signs indicating collection periods kept current. He reviewed the trash collection schedule for the holidays and that the Street Sweeper will be in Town between November 29-Dec 3. He also reviewed Winter Weather Preparedness.

### Committee Reports

Education Advisory Committee: MPT Kulpa-Eddy reported that a short meeting would be happening on November 22 at 7PM. She mentioned the organization is still seeking volunteers. She reported on the final opportunity to join the County school boundary changes conversation on November 13. The group is also reviewing the Education Grant Applications and

feedback from the STEAM summer camp.

Green Team: Mayor Dewey reported that the group is planning quarterly Town cleanups and will be looking for ways to make those fun events as well. She reported on the Thriving Earth Exchange and that the next Green Team meeting will be focused on the next steps for that. She reviewed the Bee City Resolution and stated the Green Team will be meeting at a summit with Sustainable Maryland and other Route 1 Green Teams later this month.

Historical Committee: Debby Steele-Snyder shared a recap of the "Legends and Lore" walking tour. MPT Kulpa-Eddy said there had been requests for the notes from the tour and hoped to make them into a sharable format. Ms. Steele-Snyder reported they are looking to get a dedicated Historical Committee email. She also spoke on pausing the oral history project, as well as looking for volunteers for a video editing project. The Committee is in the early stages of planning a Spring wine and cheese event.

Neighborhood Watch/ Emergency Preparedness: MPT Kulpa-Eddy reported the most recent meeting included a focus on purchasing a generator for the trailer. She also reported that 26 vaccinations were given at the Police Department's Trunk-or-Treat event. There was discussion on the mission for the new trailer, including relevant equipment and training needed to use it.

Recreation Council: Susan Jones reported that there was a lot of food collected during the Food Drive that was held in conjunction with the Town Clean-up and Pumpkin Smash. She reported on the tree-lighting and decorating party on December 4<sup>th</sup>. There was a brief discussion on heating options for the area during the outdoor party and that there will be hot beverages available. Carol singing is still being finalized. On Dec 4<sup>th</sup> from 11 am -4 pm, there will be a craft sale in the Senior Center. A collection for "Toys for Tots" is being held during the season at the police department. The Rec Council is planning a January regifting party.

### New Business

#### Bee City USA Resolution 11-2021

TM Allen reviewed the staff report for the Bee City USA resolution. She stated that the program requires there to be a staff liaison and that would be the Director of Public Works. MPT Kulpa-Eddy expressed concern about language regarding habitat that may violate Clean Lot Ordinances, 107&134. TM Allen agreed to add language that would reflect that habitat would still be subject to the Clean Lot Ordinances. MPT Kulpa-Eddy



moved to adopt the resolution as amended. CM Sweep seconded. After no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously, 4-0 (CM Brittan-Powell was absent).

#### **Legislative Dinner- verbal discussion**

Council discussed when to hold the Legislative Dinner, that would invite every legislator that represents Berwyn Heights. There was concern about having the meeting before the State Legislators return to Annapolis for a Special Session beginning the week of December 6. Council decided that a virtual event held the week of November 29 would be their first choice, with the week of December 13 being the follow-up if Legislators were not available.

#### **Old Business**

##### **Red Light Camera, Ordinance 149 Amendment**

Mayor Dewey reviewed the history of the Ordinance amendment and the public hearing. MPT Kulpa-Eddy moved to adopt Ordinance 149. CM Papanikolas seconded. During discussion, MPT Kulpa-Eddy questioned what the Town had decided regarding education on the red lights, especially when making a right turn on red and the length of the stop required. TM Allen reviewed that there are several options for education: the Bulletin, the e-newsletter, website and signs. MPT Kulpa-Eddy asked Lt. Unger about speed cameras, seeking clarification on when the school zone speed cameras were active. Lt. Unger confirmed that school zone speed cameras are only issuing citations during "school hours" Monday-Friday for anyone exceeding 12 mph over the posted speed limit. MPT Kulpa-Eddy expressed a desire to revisit the speed camera issue at a later date. CM Sweep expressed a desire to have a clarification on section 2.A which states a warning will be issued for the first 30 days after a speed or red-light camera is placed in Town. He was seeking clarification on if that would be whenever the camera was initially placed in Town or when it was moved in Town. Lt. Unger stated he thought he expected that it would be whenever the camera was moved. CM Sweep expressed concern that since we already have speed cameras in Town and given the two types of cameras are bound in the wording of the ordinance, it would be useful to clarify that warnings would be issued for 30 days after any camera is moved within the Town. Mayor Dewey suggested amending the wording to state that "after a speed or red-light camera monitoring system is placed or moved within the Town". CM Sweep agreed. Council voted on the motion on the table and the motion did not pass, unanimously, 0-4. CM Sweep moved to approve Ordinance 149 as Amended to reflect that section 2 subsection A to reflect that the 30 day warning period is whenever a unit is moved. MPT Kulpa-Eddy second-

ed. There was no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously, 4-0, with CM Brittan-Powell absent.

#### **Fine and Fee Resolution Amendment**

MPT Kulpa-Eddy moved to approve Resolution 9-2021 the Fine and Fee resolution Amendment. CM Sweep seconded. MPT Kulpa-Eddy asked why there was not a speed camera fine in the schedule. Lt. Unger confirmed that the fine for the speed camera was set by the State. The motion to approve Resolution 9-2021 passed unanimously, 4-0, with CM Brittan-Powell absent.

Mayor Dewey released Lt. Unger from the meeting. Lt. Unger took the time to thank the State Attorney's Office for all their work during the week and the late nights worked with Detective Krouse.

#### **PAMC Grant Application and Resolution 10-2021**

TM Allen reviewed the staff report, stating that Parks and Planning had approached her about applying for the grant and that no one from Berwyn Heights had ever applied. The grant would offer up to \$68,000 in planning and implementation of some of the Walkable Bikeable Berwyn Heights Task Force recommendations. MPT Kulpa-Eddy had concerns about the wording in the application sections 3.C and 3.E regarding the budget and how much the application commits the Town to doing projects in perpetuity. TM Allen suggested adding language that would indicate that projects would be subject to the approval of the Town Council. CM Sweep moved to approve Resolution 10-2021. MPT Kulpa-Eddy clarified that the resolution was not being amended, but the application was. After clarification, MPT Kulpa-Eddy seconded. After no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously (4-0, with CM Brittan-Powell absent).

#### **Redistricting Letter**

Mayor Dewey explained the reason behind the Council writing a letter and the decision to send a Berwyn Heights specific letter to the County Council, even after signing onto the College Park and 4-Cities letters. MPT Kulpa-Eddy suggested a couple of edits to the letter, specifically that the County Council resolution be specified (to reflect it is CR 123-2021) and that the Berwyn Heights Town Council encourages them to revert back to the "least change map". MPT Kulpa-Eddy moved to approve the letter. CM Sweep seconded. After no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously (4-0, with CM Brittan-Powell absent).

#### **8. Resident & Community Comments**

9. Resident Leslie Wolfinger expressed a

desire to find a way to share the information that is provided in the reports (code and police) more with the public. Mayor Dewey responded that she will ask TM Allen to speak with Director Goodwin and Chief Antolik about Bulletin content. CM Papanikolas also stated that he is invested in increasing communication between Code and the community and will search out creative solutions. Ms. Wolfinger asked about why there was financial data in the Code report for 2022. Mayor Dewey replied that it is about Fiscal Year 2022. Resident Angie Wolfinger asked Mayor Dewey if she was doing any more "pop-up and talk" sessions. Mayor Dewey replied that it was a temporary project and she doesn't have other events planned. Ms. A. Wolfinger replied that if Mayor Dewey was interested in doing more, she'd be happy to host the Mayor in her driveway. There were no further resident comments.

#### **Adjournment**

CM Sweep moved to adjourn the meeting. MPT Kulpa-Eddy seconded. After no discussion, the motion passed unanimously (4-0, with CM Brittan-Powell absent). The meeting adjourned at 8:49PM.



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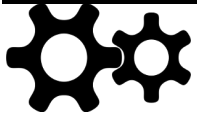
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# PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT



## LEAF COLLECTION CONTINUES

Residents can continue to put leaf piles at the curb through Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup>. Public Works will continue to vacuum up residents' leaf piles placed at the curb by January 9<sup>th</sup> the week of January 10<sup>th</sup>- 14<sup>th</sup>. The following is our holiday and new year/ final leaf collection schedule:

- Week of December 13-17: Leaf Collection- North of Pontiac
- Week of December 20-23: Leaf Collection- South of Pontiac
- Week of December 29-30: **No Leaf Collection**
- Week of January 4-7: Town-wide leaf collection
- Week of January 10-14: Final week of leaf collection. **Please have any final piles out by Sunday, January 9th so that we can make sure to pick up any final piles by Friday 1/14.**

After January 9th, leaves must be bagged and left at the curb on normal yard waste days.

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# CODE COMPLIANCE

## and Residential Property Maintenance

### Code's Role

The Code Compliance Department is responsible for investigating violations of the Town's Code of Ordinances, encouraging cooperation with the provisions of the Code, and taking further enforcement actions when necessary due to non-compliance.

\*For violations of County and State Code regulations, Code Compliance may refer to other agencies or appropriate enforcement authorities for further investigation and handling.

Code Compliance aims to support life safety and wellness by ensuring that properties within Berwyn Heights are maintained in a safe and sanitary manner in accordance with the Town's property maintenance standards. In general, standards apply to existing residential and accessory structures, their premises, and vacant lots as well. These code provisions constitute minimum standards.

### Compliance Process

The Department initiates investigations based on inquiries or observations of a Code Officer.

### Inspection

An inspection can be triggered by a complaint; by an observation made while on patrol or investigating a complaint; or by a referral from another agency. For Rental Properties, inspections are conducted as part of the licensing process. Code Inspectors conduct general property maintenance code inspections as well as interior and exterior rental housing inspections.

### Courtesy Notice

When an inspector or Code Official has identified minor property maintenance code violations and has not previously addressed the property for this violation, generally, a Courtesy Notice will be issued.

The Code Official may knock and attempt to speak with you about the violation. A Courtesy Notice, a simple door hanger or letter, may be placed at the property. A Courtesy Notice will list the code violation(s) observed and encourage the owner to contact the inspector if they have any questions. Code Compliance will return to the property within 1 to 7 days (depending on the nature of the violation) to re-inspect. If the violation(s) have been corrected, the case is closed. If one or more items remain unresolved, a Notice of Violation is issued.



### Notice of Violation

If violations are observed when the property is re-inspected, if there are repeat violations, or in instances when a code violation is more severe or hazardous, the Code Inspector issues a Notice of Violation. The owner is given a specific deadline to take corrective actions. The property will be reinspected on or shortly after the deadline. If the owner has made the required repairs, the case is closed. If work to correct the violation is underway or circumstances, such as weather, have prevented the owner from fully addressing the violation, the owner may request additional time to make corrections. Requests for extensions are reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

### Notice of Fine and Abatement

If the owner has not been responsive and the violations remain, the property will receive a fine. Notice of Fine's may be appealed within 10 days of receipt. Failure to pay the fine and correct violations can result in additional fines and abatement by the Town. Abatement consists of the Town entering onto the property to remedy violations. E.g., cutting tall grass, tow of an inoperable vehicle, boarding up of a hazardous structure.

If abatement takes place, fine payment(s) and costs of abatement must still be paid to the Town for the violation to be considered resolved and closed.

**The Code Compliance Department aims to communicate and work with property owners when a violation exists; With the goal of bringing each property into compliance with Town regulations. If you have questions about the Code Compliance process, or you have received a Notice from our office and have concerns or need additional time to correct a violation, we encourage you to contact us to discuss.**



# *Historical Committee*

## **Highlights of the Legends and Lore of Berwyn Heights Walking Tour**

Jonathan T. Walker donated 1 acre of land in what is now known as Berwyn Heights. This 1 acre is currently bordered by 60<sup>th</sup> Ave., Greenbelt Rd., Cunningham Dr. and Seminole St. A structure was erected in 1874 and is described as being “built of pine lumber with a brick foundation.”

Read the rest of the story in the February Bulletin.

**The next virtual meeting of the BHHC is on Wednesday, January 26, 2022, at 7:30 pm.**

**To attend this virtual meeting contact Sharmila Bhatia at [sharmila\\_bhatia88@hotmail.com](mailto:sharmila_bhatia88@hotmail.com).**

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

**For more information visit our Facebook Page at BHHC Website.**

### **Take the Pumpkin Quiz!**

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**How many seeds does a typical pumpkin contain?**

**Which European explorer first named it “pumpkin”?**

**Pumpkins grow or are grown on every continent except\_\_\_?**

**About how many pounds of pumpkins are produced every year in the U.S?**

***Answers in the February Bulletin!***

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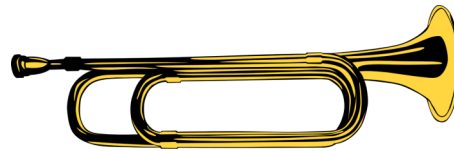
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# The Bugle



January 2022

Our next meeting is Thursday 1/6 at 7pm via ZOOM.

**Registration for Spring Soccer Opens on January 10<sup>th</sup>!!!**  
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Meetings are normally held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month at 7pm in the Love currently). All are invited to attend.

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**POOL**—Every Thursday at 7:00PM  
**LATE LUNCH & MUSIC VIDEO**- First Friday at 12:30PM  
**POTLUCK & MOVIE** – Second Saturday at 5PM  
**BREAKFAST** at the SILVER DINER third Thursday at 9:30AM  
**MEETINGS** - Second and Fourth Tuesday at 11:00AM. The Fourth Tuesday is also a Potluck.  
**CRAFTS**— Last Friday at 11:00

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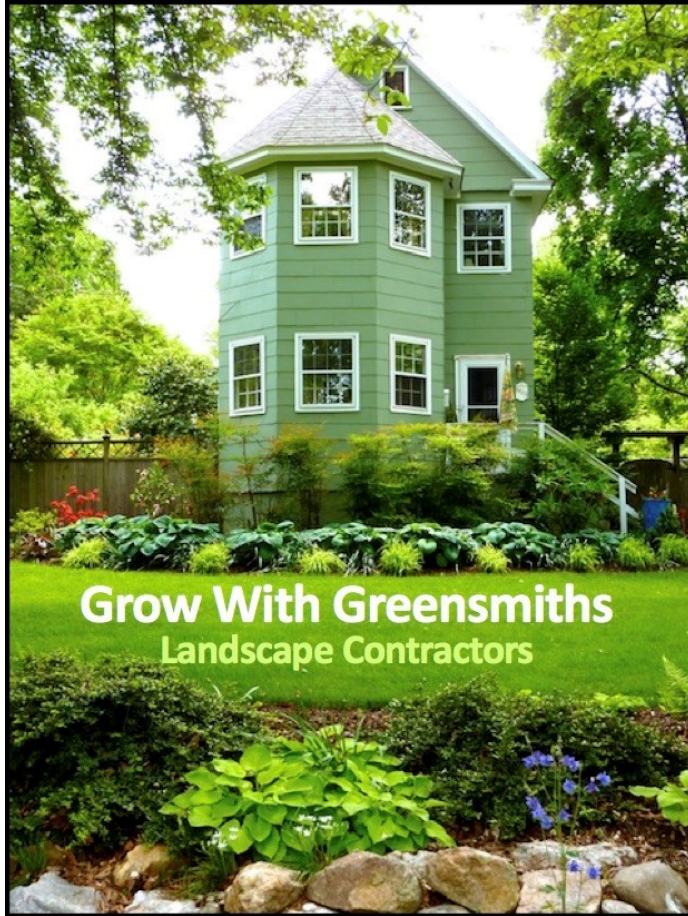
Join the committee! Come to a meeting! Share your ideas! We would especially love to hear from students. Help plan our 2022 activities!

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# Berwyn Heights Elementary School

PTA -- January 2022 --

## ANNOUNCEMENTS/ANUNCIOS

Our January meeting will be announced via ClassDojo, please look for details. Thanks to ZIPS Dry Cleaners in College Park for their assistance in dry-cleaning the coats that were donated for our students. Thanks to Dannielle Glaros, PG County Council Member, for sponsoring our Thanksgiving meal giveaway.

Nuestra reunión de enero se anunciará a través de ClassDojo, busque más detalles. Gracias a ZIPS Dry Cleaners en College Park por su ayuda en la limpieza en seco de los abrigos que fueron donados para nuestros estudiantes. Gracias a Dannielle Glaros, miembro del consejo del condado de PG, por patrocinar nuestro sorteo de comidas de Acción de Gracias.

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## Important Dates/

## Fechas Importantes

### January 17th

Martin L. King Jr. Day Holiday –  
Schools and Offices Closed

Día festivo de Martin L. King Jr. -  
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### January 21st

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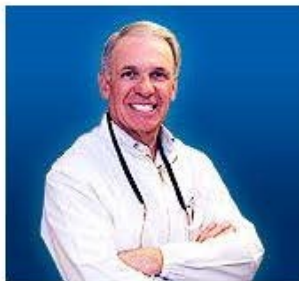
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### Recent Working Incidents

Nov 24th— Truck 14 was alerted to the 400Blk of Ridge Road in Old Greenbelt for a reported apartment fire. Truck 14 was first arriving, assumed tactical command, and located a fire in an apartment.

Nov 30th- Rescue Squad 14 was alerted to South-bound lanes of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway in the area of Powder Mill road in Beltsville for a reported vehicle crash. Units arrived to find a pick-up truck over-turned in the woods. The Squad crew worked to stabilize the vehicle, and remove the roof of the truck to extricate the driver.

Nov 30th- Truck 14 was dispatched as first due truck on a reduced assignment to the 8000 Blk of Greenbelt Station Pky in Greenbelt for a reported kitchen fire. Truck 14 arrived on scene and requested the Working Fire Dispatch for a working kitchen fire. Fire was controlled by the sprinklers until the engine could extinguish. Truck 14 ventilated, checked for extension, and conducted overhaul and operated for approximately an hour

Dec 9th- Truck 14 was alerted and operated as the first due truck to the 4800 Blk of Blackfoot Rd in the City of College Park (Co. 11s area) for the reported kitchen fire. First arriving units had a confirmed kitchen fire. The crew of Truck 14 laddered, searched, and conducted overhaul. Truck 14 operated for over an hour before returning in service

Dec 10th— Truck 14 was alerted to the 5600Blk of Hawthorn Street in Cheverly for a reported house fire. Units arrived to have fire showing from the roof with solar panels. Units extinguished a fire in the attic of the house.



### Winter Fire Safety Tips

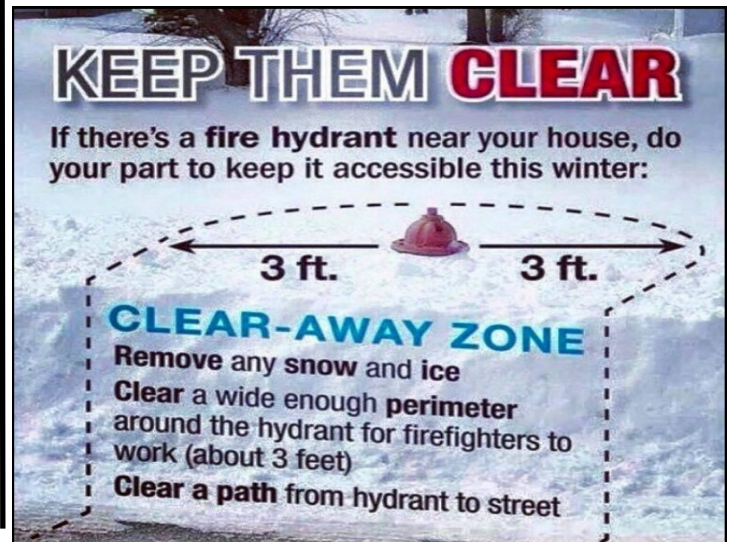
Heating, holiday decorations, winter storms and candles all contribute to an increased risk of fire during the winter months. Follow these basic tips to help prevent house fires:

- Plug only 1 heat-producing appliance (like a space heater) into an electrical outlet at a time.
- Keep anything that can burn at least 3 feet from any heat source like fireplaces, wood stoves, radiators or space heaters.
- Install and test carbon monoxide alarms at least once a month.
- Have a qualified professional clean and inspect your chimney and vents every year.
- Store cooled ashes in a tightly covered metal container, and keep it outside at least 10 feet from your home and any nearby buildings

For more information on how to prevent winter fires, visit [www.usfa.fema.gov/winter](http://www.usfa.fema.gov/winter) and [www.nfpa.org/winter](http://www.nfpa.org/winter).

### Fire hydrants and Snow

Snow-covered fire hydrants cost us valuable time when trying to respond and extinguish house fires. Have a fire hydrant in your yard? Please keep it cleared of snow to allow us to quickly help either you or your neighbors! Thank you!



## Winter Tree Maintenance



It's important to keep our BH trees healthy and strong to protect our tree canopy!

English ivy and other invasive species can kill trees if left unchecked. Use the winter season to remove any vines that may have climbed your trees this year. Simply snip the vine near the ground, wait a while for the vine to die, and tug it off your tree!

*Want to learn more about trees or share your perspectives?  
Join an upcoming Shade Tree Board meeting or send an email  
to join the Thriving Earth Exchange community science team.*

Next meeting: January 13th, 2022 at 7 pm via Zoom

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## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH/ EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Join us **January 5, 7pm.** To participate contact BHPD at **301-474-6554**

Or email [mmurales@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:mmurales@berwynheightsmd.gov)

Over the past few months, I have seen many posts on social media about pedestrians walking on the bike path that runs between Greenbelt Road and Anacostia in Washington, D.C., and around Lake Artemesia and bicyclists and potential accidents. Several people have posted that people riding bicycles don't share the path with pedestrians in a safe manner. Other people have posted about people walking at night in dark clothing from head to toe and not being able to see them until it is almost too late. Other posts were about bicyclists doing the same - wearing dark clothing at night and drivers not being able to see them.

I know - I have experienced this firsthand. I have had people on their bicycle ring their bell to let me know they are there only to have my dog bark at them as they pass by after they seem to stop or slow down. I have also had people walk by on the opposite side of the path do the same thing. So, this month, I thought I would write about bicyclists, drivers, and pedestrians safely co-existing on walking paths and streets.

In the United States, the number of traffic accidents that involve bicyclists or pedestrians have been increasing since 2009. In 2017, there were 5,977 pedestrians and 783 bicyclists killed in motor vehicle accidents. Three categories of issues contribute to traffic accidents involving bicyclists and pedestrians - motorist behavior, non-motorist behavior, and infrastructure; some of which overlap between categories.

**Motorist behaviors** include speeding, distraction, lack of traffic law awareness, non-compliance with traffic laws, and alcohol or drug impairment

**Non-motorist (i.e., pedestrian and bicyclist) behaviors** include lack of traffic law awareness, non-compliance with traffic laws, poor conspicuity, and alcohol or other impairment

**Infrastructure issues** include inadequate separation between motorists and non-motorists, lighting, and signage or crosswalks

### The Problems

**Poor compliance with traffic laws and improper use of facilities:** Drivers, pedestrians, and bicyclists are safer when they comply with traffic laws and correctly use roadway facilities. Common noncompliance includes motorists failing to yield; pedestrians and bicyclists failing to follow traffic signs and signals; and walking or riding in improper locations such as the wrong side of the road. These issues are often due to poorly designed facilities or misunderstanding of traffic laws/devices.

**Speeding:** When speeding, drivers increase the risk for a collision with a bicyclist or pedestrian. The likelihood of a pedestrian dying from a collision with a motor vehicle increases from 8 percent at 31 mph to 50 percent at 47 mph.

**Inadequate separation:** Bicyclists and pedestrians are safer when they are separated from motor vehicles. When facilities are inadequate, there is dense traffic, or visibility is limited, pedestrians might walk in the roadway or cyclists may opt to ride on sidewalks or against the direction of traffic. All these behaviors increase the chances of an accident.

**Crossing locations:** The likelihood of an accident increases when pedestrians and bicyclists cross at locations not designed for crossing. Almost one-fifth (18%) of pedestrians killed and 30 percent of bicyclists killed were struck in intersections. Figures are greater in urban settings where crossing density is higher.

**Inadequate conspicuity:** When drivers can't see bicyclists or pedestrians, whether in light or dark conditions, an accident is more likely. Three-fourths (75%) of pedestrians killed and 45 percent of bicyclists killed in 2016 were struck in dark conditions. Many States have laws that require bicyclists to use lights/reflectors when traveling at night.

**Impairment and distraction:** Drivers, bicyclists, and pedestrians who are impaired —by alcohol or drugs—or distracted all increase the likelihood of an accident.

### Who's At Risk?

About 70 percent of those killed in traffic accidents are male, and injury rates are higher for males than for females. In 2016, the average age of pedestrians killed in traffic accidents was 47, and the average age of cyclists killed was 46. Both numbers have increased over the last 10 years.

### What is Bicycle Safety?

Americans are increasingly bicycling to commute, for exercise, or just for fun. By law, bicycles on the roadway are vehicles with the same rights and responsibilities as motorized vehicles. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA's) bicycle safety initiatives focus on encouraging safer choices on the part of bicyclists and drivers to help reduce deaths and injuries on our roads.

For more information, go to [Bicyclist and Pedestrian Safety](#). NHTSA has other resources listed at the above site pertaining to Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety. Let's share the bike path as well as our streets to reduce the number of accidents. Wear reflective clothing early in the morning and late at night if you walk or ride a bicycle. Obey the rules and regulations of the road to avoid accidents.

- U.S. Department of Transportation - National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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- SOLD-8603 60<sup>th</sup> Av 4 BR bungalow, FP.....\$415,000.
- SOLD- 5812 Pontiac St 3 BR Victorian w wood stove\$
- Under Contract- 6307 Tecumseh Pl 3 BR 2 BA Bungalow.
- Under Contract- 7504 Wellesley Dr 4BR 2.5 BA spl't lvl.
- NEW Listing- 6209 Ruatan St 3BR 2BA Rambler, addn \$425K
- Recuded-5804 Quebec St 3 BR 2.5 BA all new Kit,etc \$449K

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Our next Green Team meeting will be Thursday, January 13th at 7:00 pm

All residents are welcome to attend. Please email us for the virtual invitation.



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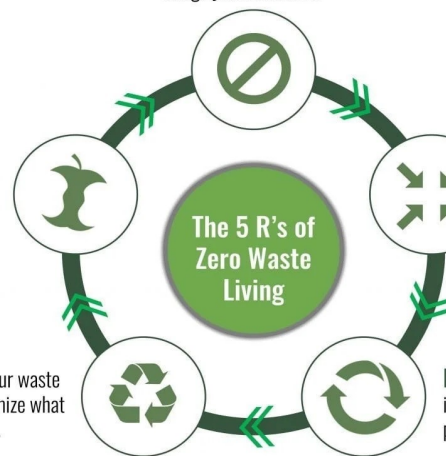
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**Recycle:** Sort your waste correctly and minimize what you send to landfill.

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**Reduce:** Donate or Sell - Let go of things that are no longer of use.

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You're setting up your holiday lights display and - oh no! - a string isn't working. Recycle it! Use the bin in front of the Town Center. String lights will be recycled via MOM's Organic Market.





## November- Incidents

### Monday, November 1, 2021 at 5:30 pm 'ASSAULT'

On 11/01/2021 at approximately 5:59PM Cpl. Rufino was dispatched to 5627 Ruatan St., for an assault report. Upon arrival she met with the complainant Mrs. Omolara Kafaya Bello who stated that approximately 5:30PM she was at the 711 located at 5815 Greenbelt Rd., Berwyn Heights, MD 20740 when she was approached by a light skin male wearing a cream-colored hoodie with red detail on the sleeve and dark washed jeans. The male whom she recognized from a previous similar encounter kept saying that she looked good and harassing her for her number. The male then tried to grab her buttocks at which point Mrs. Bello reached for her mace and sprayed it in his direction to keep him away from her. The male persisted on following her and she called the police. Mrs. Bello looked very upset, choked with her words and had tears in her eyes. She stated that she is four months pregnant. She felt very afraid. Based on Mrs. Bello's description of the person officer showed her a picture of a subject that in recent days has received many complaints by different resident of this type of behavior. Mrs. Bello identified the subject's picture as the individual who tried to grab her buttocks and harass her. Officer have asked Mrs. Bello for a statement and will forward this case to BHPD CID for further investigation on the identity of the individual. Officer have also requested video footage from 711 in reference to the incident. Complainant was provided with officer's information and case number.

### Wednesday, November 3, 2021 at 1:32 pm, 'THEFT FROM AUTO'

On 11/03/2021 at 1432 hours, Ofc Wright of the Berwyn Heights Maryland Police Department was on routine patrol in the area of 56th Ave and Ruatan St. A male approached his vehicle and stated that two vehicles were broken into in the parking lot at the intersection on Berwyn Rd and Ruatan St. As the officer pulled into the parking lot, he observed two Hondas that had visible damage to the windows, and pieces of broken glass on the ground. The male who flagged the officer down was identified as Mr. Jaemin Eun of College Park. Mr. Eun was accompanied by Ms. Eunsook Chung of Hyattsville. Ms. Chung stated that her brown Coach purse valued at \$250.00 was missing from the vehicle. Inside the purse was also her Apple iPhone 12 valued at \$899.00. Ms. Chung was unable to provide me a serial number for the phone but would get back to me with that information at a later date. Her Maryland driver's license was also in her purse which was stolen. The vehicle damaged was a 2021 Honda CRV bearing MD registration 9ES9681. The second vehicle damaged was a 2017 Honda Pilot bearing MD registration 74507HT. The registered owner Mrs Irma Garcia of Berwyn Heights was not on scene at the time of the call but showed up later to receive the case report number. Ms. Garcia stated that her black wallet valued at \$100.00 was taken from the vehicle along with her Maryland driver's

license. The rear driver's side window was shattered on the vehicle. Ms. Garcia stated that nothing else was taken from the vehicle. The owners of both vehicles were provided with case report numbers and told how to proceed with the incident. This case will be forwarded to Detective Sergeant Krouse #1447 for further investigation. No further information was able to be obtained on scene.

### Thursday, November 4, 2021 at 2:51 pm, 'FRAUD'

Ofc. Herriott received a station call to respond to 6300 Pontiac Street Berwyn Heights MD. 20740 for fraud. Upon arrival he spoke with residence James McGinnis who advised that on October 7, 2021, he received an alert from Norton Life Lock stating that an unknown person used his identity to open an account at USSA. Mr. McGinnis advises that he attempted to get into the account however was not able to because he did not have a pin number. Mr. McGinnis is in the processing of closing this account and needed a report. This incident will be forwarded to CID SGT. Krouse.

### Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at 7:30 pm, 'CHILD ABUSE'

On 11/02/2021 at approximately 4:30 PM BHPD 8.4

. The male was identified as Mr. De'Vonte E. Lucas DOB 05/11/1992 out of Greenbelt. Mr. Ali stated that he wishes that the male does not come back to the location. Mr. Ali was provided with options on how to press charges on Lucas since he has all of the required information but has failed to do so multiple times. He just wishes that he does not come back. Pictures of the suspect was uploaded to the case report. Mr. Ali requested no further action on today's theft.

### Tuesday, November 9, 2021 at 1:36 pm, 'STOLEN AUTO'

On 11/09/2021 at 1306 hours, Ofc. Wright was flagged down at 5923 Berwyn Rd. for the report of a stolen vehicle. Officer spoke with the owner of the vehicle Mr. Juan Sosa Ramirez, DOB 11/22/1983 of Berwyn Heights who stated his vehicle was missing. The vehicle missing is a blue 2015 GMC Acadia bearing Maryland registration 5EB2823. Mr. Sosa Ramirez stated that he last saw his vehicle in front of his house yesterday the 8th, around 1800 hours. Mr. Sosa Ramirez could not provide me any insurance for his vehicle, or any suspect information. The vehicle was placed into NCIC as stolen by teletype operator Thompson, Danielle #C1137. No further information was obtained about the incident.

### Tuesday, November 9, 2021 at 2:01 pm, 'THEFT FROM AUTO'

On 11/9/2021 At approximately 1401 hours Pvt. Herriott received an in station call to respond to 8400 Ballew Avenue Berwyn Heights Md. 20740 for theft from auto. Upon arrival he spoke with George Wages President of Petroleum Site Works. Mr. Wages advised that he parked his 2018 Peter Built work truck bearing MD Tag #183158X in the front parking lot on 10/18/2021 approximately 0630-0730 hours and noticed the tag missing. Mr. Wages stated that he thought the tag fell off the rear of the truck. Mr. Wages also advises that he received

a toll notice on today where he discovered MD tag#183158X from his work truck on the rear of an unknown vehicle traveling south bound through the Fort Mchenry Tunnel approximately 1034 hours on 8/17/2021. Teletype was notified. This incident is still under investigation.

### Wednesday, November 10, 2021 at 7:00 am, 'SEARCH WARRANT'

BHPD officers along with the PG County Police EST conducted a Search and Seizure warrant at the 8400 block of 57<sup>th</sup>, Avenue. The search warrant is in relation to the missing person, kidnapping and child abuse case.

### Friday, November 12, 2021 at 12:27 pm, 'SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY'

On 11/12/2021. Cpl. T. Hollowell, Berwyn Heights Police met with the witnesses (James McGinnis). He wanted to report suspicious activity involving an individual only identified as Hyun Whang, 7317 Summer Cypress, Elkridge, MD 21075, McGinnis states he met the individual twice at the Starbucks on route #1, College Park on two occasions, 09/29/2021 and 10/29/2021. The meeting was to exchange checks in the amount of \$100,000.00, from Whang to McGinnis which involved acquisition of properties. On both instances of obtaining checks from Whang, McGinnis went to his bank, Sandy Spring Bank, 6329 Greenbelt Road, Berwyn Heights, Maryland., for deposit into his business account. McGinnis was later notified by Sandy Spring Fraud unit that on two instances, neither of the uttered checks cleared. According to McGinnis he was notified to contact Baltimore Field office US Secret Service, poc: SA Ramon Moe, #443-263-1000, regarding potential wire fraud. The checks in the name of HALPO INC and Whang dated, 9/29/21 and 10/27/21 did not clear. The witness has not suffered any monetary lost directly or to his business accounts. PGPD Financial Crimes was notified and made aware of the incident.

### Tuesday, November 30, 2021 at 4:51 pm, 'THEFT FROM AUTO'

11/30/2021, Cpl. T. Hollowell, #1449, Berwyn Heights Police was dispatched to 5919 Greenbelt Road, Xtra Fuel gas station for a reported theft from auto. Investigation indicated the victim was pumping gas from pump #2 into her 2018 Black Mercedes GLA 250 SUV, Vin# WDCTG4GB1JJ41516393C, license tag# 823YN3 Arkansas. The victim indicates she was facing the gas pump as gas was dispensed into the vehicle. When she was done, she noticed her passenger front door was open. Looking further, she found her purse was gone. The victim had spoken with other unknown person(s) using the facility who told her a dark, possible Nissan, had driven passed her vehicle. The victim while police were present was receiving notifications that her credit cards were being used at various stores in the area. The victim was in the process of cancelling out all cards. A check of the store surveillance cameras did not capture any activity relative to the theft. The information is forwarded to BHPD for any potential follow up.

# Call 911

# WINTER WEATHER TIPS

## When a Major Snow Storm is in the Forecast

Make sure you have snow shovels and ice melting chemicals.  
Plan to Shelter in Place. Stock up on food, supplies and medicines just as for a hurricane or similar event..  
Plan to telework as much as possible.

## After the Snow has Fallen

Avoid using roads. Crews working to clear the roads need as much room as possible to maneuver vehicles and equipment. Vehicle traffic will compress the snow into a sheet of ice. Colder temperatures at night will re-freeze any melting snow, thus making the ice thicker. Once this happens, plows cannot remove the ice layer and will only "float" on top of the ice sheet. Removal of thick ice often requires back hoes and heavy equipment.  
Shovel snow in small amounts to avoid exhaustion and possible injuries.

## Berwyn Heights Snow Plowing

When snow or ice shows signs of sticking to the ground, Public Works begins applying salt/ ice-melt to roads and walkways. Plowing of roads begins once snow accumulation reaches 2". Residents can assist Public Works by moving their vehicles off the road during snow plowing operations, where possible.

Amount of Snow	Time to Make Roads Passable	Time to Fully Clear Roads
< 4 inches	4-6 hours	1 day
4-6 inches	6-8 hours	2-3 days
> 6 inches	8+ hours	3-5 days

## Be Aware of Fire Hydrants During Significant Snowfall

When fire hydrants are blocked by snow it is harder for the fire department to respond to emergencies. The Berwyn Heights Volunteer Fire Department gives some tips:

Remove any snow and ice from the hydrant.  
Clear a wide perimeter (3 feet) around the fire hydrant.  
Clear a path from the street to the fire hydrant.



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## Historical Committee

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## Men's Basketball League

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## Movie Club

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## Recreation Council

President: Susan Jones  
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## Seniors Club

Ray Smith 301-474-3482

# JANUARY 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 New Year's Observed. Town offices closed 	4  Worksession 7PM 	5  NW/EP 7PM Virtual	6  Boys and Girls Club 7PM	7 	8
9	10  	11  Rec Council 7PM G. Love Room	12  Town Meeting 7PM 	13  Green Team 7PM Virtual	14	15
16	17 	18  Worksession 7PM 	19 	20 	21 	22
23	24 	25 	26  BHHC 7::30 Virtual	27 	28	29
30	31					

A quorum of Town Council Members may be present at any community organization meeting. No action will be taken by Council at any community organization meeting. Location of meetings is subject to change after publication. To join community meetings, please contact the meeting organizers or use the contacts on page 26.

The Street Sweeper will be in Town Jan. 10-14. Please park off the street whenever possible while the Sweeper is in Town.

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Town Manager

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Monday for North of Pontiac  
Tuesday for South of Pontiac

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

#### Town Helpline

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

#### Watch Council Meetings



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

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

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**Questions —** call Melanie Friesen, Administration at (301) 474-5000, or email [mfriesen@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:mfriesen@berwynheightsmd.gov)  
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**Submission Deadline is the 15th of the month**