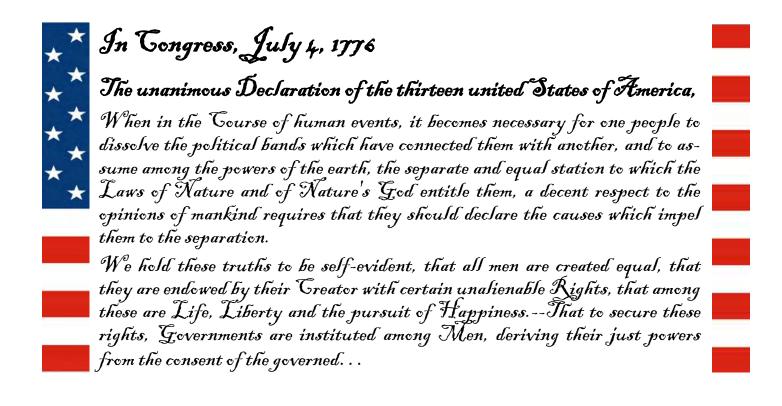


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## HOLIDAY REFUSE SCHEDULE

#### **Independence Day**

| Mon | 07/05/21 | Offices Closed - NO PICKUP |
|-----|----------|----------------------------|
| Tue | 07/06/21 | Town-wide Trash & Bulk     |
| Wed | 07/07/21 | Town-wide Recycling        |
| Thu | 07/08/21 | Town-wide Yard Waste       |
| Fri | 07/09/21 | Town-wide Trash            |

Please Do NOT Leave Trash out
Over the Weekend

# G. LOVE ROOM & SENIOR CENTER OPEN TO VACCINATED RESIDENTS

The Senior Center and G. Love Conference Room have been reopened in June. Town organizations may resume holding in-person meetings. Users must register at Town Hall in advance and show proof of vaccination. The 2nd floor of the Town Center is still undergoing maintenance and repairs.









## Four Cities Meeting

July 28 | 7:30 pm Berwyn Heights Town Center 5700 Berwyn Road

Request Zoom link to Participate: <a href="mailto:mfriesen@berwynheightsmd.gov">mfriesen@berwynheightsmd.gov</a>

## CoVID-19 Town Government Operations

Town Hall remains closed to the public. Administration and Code Compliance are working in shifts in the Town office and from home. Police and Public Works continue to provide services in person in a safe manner.

- Public meetings held by video conference, broadcast on Comcast 71 or FiOS 12 and streamed on website.
- Licenses and permit applications to be submitted to Code Department by US mail or e-mailed to code@berwynheightsmd.gov.
- Rental inspections suspended until further notice
- Emergency notary service performed by BHPD at 5411 Berwyn Rd. Call 301-474-6554 to inquire.
- 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 <a href="https://www.berwynheightsmd.gov/">https://www.berwynheightsmd.gov/</a>

## Operaciones del gobierno municipal de COVID-19

El ayuntamiento permanece cerrado al público. Departamentos de Administración y Cumplimiento del Código están trabajando en turnos en la oficina de la ciudad y de forma remota. La policía y las obras públicas están de servicio con personal completo.

- Reuniones públicas realizadas por videoconferencia, transmitidas en Comcast 71 o FiOS 12 y transmitidas en el sitio web;
- Las solicitudes de licencias y permisos deben enviarse al Departamento del Código por correo de los EE. UU. O enviarse por correo electrónico a zbell@berwynheightsmd.gov.
- Inspecciones de alquiler suspendidas hasta nuevo aviso;
- Servicio notarial de emergencia realizado por BHPD en 5411 Berwyn Rd. Llame al 301-474-6554 para preguntar.
- 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/



PublicWorks@bewynheightsmd.gov TEL: 301-474-6897

#### Feliz verano y algunos recordatorios:

#### Barrido de calles

El barrendero estará en la ciudad del lunes 26 de julio al viernes 30 de julio. Estacione su automóvil fuera de la calle siempre que sea posible.

La recolección de basura se ajustará durante la semana del 4 de julio. Consulte el calendario de recolección de vacaciones en la página opuesta.

#### Reciclaje electrónico:

#### 24 de julio, de 9 am a 12 pm

Traiga sus materiales electrónicos reciclables al Departamento de Obras Públicas de Greenbelt en 555 Crescent Road. Consulte el <u>sitio web de Greenbelt</u> para ver los artículos electrónicos aceptados. También se acepta, bloquee la espuma de poliestireno n. ° 6 y pinte a un costo de \$ 5 por contenedor. NO MEZCLE LA PINTURA.

#### **Enjoy the summertime & a few reminders:**

#### **Street Sweeping**

The street sweeper will be in Town Monday, July 26th to Friday, July 30th. Please park you car off the street where possible.

**Trash collection** will be adjusted during the week of 4th of July. Please see the holiday collection schedule on opposite page.

#### **Electronic Recycling:**

#### July 24, 9am-12pm

Bring your electronic recyclables to Greenbelt's Public Works Department at 555 Crescent Road. Please check <u>Greenbelt's website</u> for accepted electronic items. Also accepted, block Styrofoam #6 and paint at a cost \$5 per container. DO NOT MIX PAINT.

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## **COVID-19 VACCINATIONS**

Vaccinations continue to be widely available through hospitals, local health departments and pharmacies. Find a location near you with the:

Prince George's County Vaccine Locator



#### **Vacunemonos Todos!**

Las vacunas también están disponibles a través de hospitales, departamentos de salud locales y farmacias. Encuentre una ubicación cerca de usted en:

Localizador de vacunas del condado de Prince George

#### Worksession Minutes May 3, 2021

This meeting was held by videoconference due to the ongoing COVID-19 health emergency.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Amanda Dewey, Mayor Pro Tempore (MPT) Jodie Kulpa-Eddy, Councilmembers (CMs) Christopher Brittan-Powell, Jason Papanikolas and Ethan Sweep. Also present were Town Manager (TM) Laura Allen, Town Clerk Kerstin Harper, BHEAC Co-Chair Allison Holmes, Anacostia Trails Heritage Area (ATHA) Director Meagan Baco and former ATHA Director Aaron Marcavitch.

#### 1. Announcements

Mayor Dewey announced that Berwyn Heights offers rides on a shuttle to the Greenbelt Metro Station vaccination site this coming Friday and Monday. Interested residents can contact the Town office. MPT Kulpa-Eddy announced that resident Howard Johnson will celebrate his 100th birthday on May 9.

CM Brittan Powell said he receives inquiries from residents about the reopening of Town facilities and lifting of Covid-19 restrictions. He asked if the Town is making plans for reopening. Mayor Dewey replied that the Town has followed Prince George's County in imposing and lifting Covid-related restrictions. The County in turn follows the Governor's actions. The County still has restrictions on gatherings and indoor dining but has lifted the outdoor mask mandate for vaccinated people if they are not in a crowd.

In Berwyn Heights, the Town's emergency manager TM Allen makes decisions on lifting restrictions in consultation with Chief Antolik. Next week, she will meet with the Senior's Club about the reopening of the Senior Center. Resumption of community activities such as litter cleanups should be discussed with the Town manager, who may decide whether to permit an activity on a case- by-case basis.

TM Allen said she has begun the reopening process in conformance with CDC and OSHA guidance. A hazard assessment has been completed with each department. Next, the Town office may reopen by appointment only and drop-ins on some days. She is waiting to hear from the County as to reopening of Senior Centers, but preparations are being made to get the facility ready.

#### 2. Approval of the Agenda

On a motion by CM Brittan-Powell and second by CM Papanikolas, the agenda was approved 5 to 0.

#### 3. Discussion Items Anacostia Trail's Heritage Area (ATHA)

presentation: Mayor Dewey welcomed the newly elected and former ATHA directors Meagan Baco and Aaron Marcavitch. Mr. Marcavitch began with a brief overview of the organization. He said ATHA is a tourism program that promotes history, culture, and nature in this region. ATHA has a grant program from which Berwyn Heights has benefitted in the past and should consider in the future if it undertakes projects related to history, arts or trails. ATHA also offers technical assistance for such projects.

Mr. Marcavitch said ATHA's directors visit member municipalities once a year in the spring to report on what the organization has accomplished and to answer any questions. This year, ATHA worked hard on the County's Civil Rights Trail, the Battle of Bladensburg master planning process, trail tourism initiatives and hiring a new executive director. The new Director, Meagan Baco, has worked in preservation in Maryland for many years, focused on digital marketing, communications, and advocacy. In particular, she has been involved with the restoration of the Greenbelt theater and the preservation of the Glenn Dale Hospital.

Director Baco said that she plans to follow in the footsteps of Mr. Marcavitch and provide the same level of service. She can be contacted using the same phone number and general email with questions about grants and partnerships on any heritage-related issues. Director Baco said Mr. Marcavitch has done outstanding work as ATHA's executive director and thanked him for his 10 years of service.

Mayor Dewey said the Town recently stood up a task force that produced a report with recommendations on improving walkability and bikeability in Town. They may soon connect with ATHA to seek advice and funding. Director Baco said she would be happy to talk with the task force members and asked to send her the report.

**Event policy:** Mayor Dewey said the Council had several discussions about event planning in connection with the Covid-19 pandemic that hadn't been considered before. TM Allen has drafted an event policy pertaining to both private and public events with consideration given to exceptional circumstances, such as a pandemic.

TM Allen gave a synopsis of the event policy. She said this version, as opposed to the one presented in December 2020, includes a policy for events hosted by Town organizations. It designates staff authorized to make the decision on whether an event can be held, adds a process for keeping people safe, and a process for holding block parties. The revised policy incorporates another municipality's event policy that has been updated to address the circumstances of the pandemic, as well as guidance from the Town's liability insurance carrier, LGIT.

TM Allen said Section 5 and 6 deal specifically with Town organizations, and enable the Council to:

Designate recurring events hosted by Town organizations as taking priority over other events.

Exempt Town organization events from permit requirements.

Require Town organizations to comply with LGIT's event manual and risk control check list.

Require Town organizations to submit an event plan 2 months prior to the event.

In addition, Section 9 of the revised policy authorizes the Town Manager to cancel or modify an event for reasons of public health, safety or welfare and includes an appeal process whereby any person or organization can appeal a decision about the cancellation, denial of a permit and other event-related matter to the Town Council. A process for block parties was not included, as they don't appear to occur very often and may be handled as a community event or Town organization hosted event.

In discussion, councilmembers raised the following concerns:

- Are permits required for certain block parties? Definition needed of private vs. public property.
- Are permits required for business celebrations (e.g. Grand Opening)?
- Complicated 10-page event planning form may deter Town organizations' volunteers from holding events.
- Recreation Council should have the opportunity to give feedback on the event plan process.
- Non-refundable deposit requirement might be waived for Town organizations.
- Are animal adoptions prohibited under section 7 (e) - Sale of Animals?
- Is a license required for serving of alcohol at events under Section II -Permits (3) (b)?
- Scheduling to hear appeals may be difficult with Town Council meeting only once a month.
- Requiring an event plan submission 2 months prior to an event may deter holding of some events.

TM Allen responded that the pandemic has raised new questions and required more planning ahead than is usual. But, in general, it is a good idea for the Town to have a written document stating who is planning what type of event to avoid misunderstandings. Town staff stands ready to assist Town organizations with filling out the event form, which should become easier after the first time. She also suggested adopting an annual events calendar for recurring events to

facilitate the planning process. TM Allen will revise and clarify the policy with respect to deposits, animal adoption events, and timing of event registration and appeals process for the next review by the Town Council.

Education Advisory Committee - scholarship program: Education Advisory Committee (BHEAC) Co-Chair Allison Holmes presented the BHEAC's summer scholarship program proposal. She said the BHEAC is proposing to use \$300 of its budget to fund 3 scholarships for the Berwyn Heights Community Center's STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Mathematics) summer camp program. The camp for ages 6-12 will run from June 28 – July 30 and offers activities to stimulate participants' intellectual and creative sides by building simple machines and exploring science and art. Interested families that have a financial need are requested to fill out a simple application form, published in the May Bulletin and on the Town website.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy suggested that participants of the program be given the option to describe their experience at the August Town meeting or submit a written report anonymously. There were no objections. Mayor Dewey noted that the Council is requested to consider funding 5 additional scholarships if seats are available for this program. Council expressed support for appropriating \$500, from the Council's education line item. After some discussion, Council agreed not to fund additional summer camp scholarships as the STEAM camp at the Community Center already has a waitlist and there is not enough time to complete an application process for alternative programs.

Education Advisory Committee – education grant process: Mayor Dewey explained that the Council heretofore has awarded education grants on a first-come, first-served basis. Per request by the Council, the BHEAC has developed a formal grant process to award grants in a more thoughtful, accessible, and transparent manner.

Ms. Holmes explained that the BHEAC has designed a grant process that would publish requests for proposals twice a year in July and December. Education is broadly defined to encourage innovative proposals and be as inclusive as possible. Any organization that serves the community is eligible, with priority going to 501 (c) (3) organizations, such as PTAs/ PTOs and teachers serving Berwyn Heights. Awards would range between \$250 -\$2500 at the discretion of the Town Council. The application would require the applicant to provide detailed information about the proposal, including its purpose, connection to Berwyn Heights, partnerships, and beneficiaries, as well as a budget justification and measures of success.

Ms. Holmes said proposals would first be submitted to the BHEAC for review and scoring. Once all proposals are received and scored, the BHEAC would present them to the Town Council with recommendations. The Council would make the final selection and determine funding levels. Then notifications of grant awards would be sent to the applicants, the entire process taking about 2 months. Finally, funding recipients would be asked to submit documentation on their project as well as a presentation or report of outcomes. The project report would be an opportunity for students to engage with the Town Council and support justification for the grant program.

In discussion, the following points were made:

- Many PTAs are currently not functioning because they are required to elect their representatives in-person every two years.
- Parkdale High School's PTA appears to have dissolved, and the Town needs to identify a good contact.
- A webpage might be created to post the grant documents.
- The grant application season should be publicized as soon as possible, before the end of the school year.

TM Allen said staff will look into posting the grant proposal documents on a webpage. Further, the Town Manager's Assistant Yvonne Odoi will be the intake person for grant proposals, but she will not be in a position to answer any qualitative questions. Any questions about the grant details will be forwarded to the BHEAC. Grant questions should be submitted in writing and could be posted with answers to the Town website. Mayor Dewey thanked the BHEAC for developing a grant process that will help make the grant award process more rational.

#### 4. Department Reports

Mayor Dewey thanked everyone who participated in the Berwyn Heights Day parade. She announced an upcoming NW/EP meeting, a free shuttle to the Greenbelt Metro Station vaccine site on May 7 and 10, and walk-in availability at many vaccination sites. Further, Mayor Dewey attended an American Rescue Plan information session hosted by the MML, and this topic is going to be on the Town Council's agenda in the near future; the Town's FY 2022 budget is up for adoption at the May 12 Town meeting, and everyone is encouraged to comment.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy reported that she attended the Prince George's County state of the economy virtual address, at which County Executive Alsobrooks was the keynote speaker. Her administration is focusing on creating a healthy County, which prioritizes access to food, healthcare and education. Councilmembers attended an April 22 Four Cities Meeting hosted virtually by Greenbelt, at which the Maglev project, Beltway widening, Purple Line and the Greenbelt Road corridor were discussed. CM Sweep gave a presentation on the progress made by the Greenbelt Road working group.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy announced that the County re-opened a cultural arts survey initially released in December 2020 in the hope that more residents will provide feedback. The survey has been extended to June 25 and can be accessed at http://www.mncppc.org/4860/Cultural-Arts-Study. The Council will take up its comment letter on the Maglev Draft Environmental Impact Statement at the May 12 Town meeting. Residents can also comment individually until May 24.

The Recreation Council will meet on May 4 and NW/EP on May 5. Residents can still complete the Berwyn Heights Day scavenger hunt that was published in the Bulletin and email it to Susan Jones or drop it off at the Town office for a prize. Residents can also check out the Berwyn Heights Day mystery jigsaw puzzles published in the electronic newsletter.

CM Papanikolas reported that TM Allen and Treasurer Lightfield have set up an electronic bill pay system which should make this process much more efficient.

CM Brittan-Powell reported the Code Department is working with the County and residents to manage new construction on recently subdivided lots and is doing a good job.

CM Sweep said the street sweeper is in Town this week and asked residents to park off the street if possible. He reminded everyone to drive slowly as many pedestrians are out walking.

## **5. Resident and Community Comments** Councilmembers talked about the emergence of the 17-year cicadas. They re-

gence of the 17-year cicadas. They reminded residents they can protect young trees by enclosing them in fine netting. TM Allen said she asked Pepco to postpone tree planting until fall. Residents may also want to hold off on planting trees.

On a motion by CM Sweep and second by MPT Kulpa-Eddy, the meeting was adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

#### own Meeting May 14, 2021

This meeting was held by videoconference due to the ongoing COVID-19 health emergency.

#### Call to Order 7:00 p.m.

Present were Mayor Amanda Dewey, Mayor Pro Tempore (MPT) Jodie Kulpa-Eddy, Councilmembers (CMs) Chris Brit-

tan-Powell, Jason Papanikolas and Ethan Sweep. Also present were Town Manager (TM) Laura Allen, Town Clerk Kerstin Harper, Ethics Commission Appointees Diane Beckam, Taylor Hahn and Alex Lopatka, Historical Committee Chair Debby Steele-Snyder and Recreation Council President Susan Jones.

#### Pledge of Allegiance

#### 1. Announcements

Mayor Dewey announced that the Greenbelt Metro vaccination site no longer administers 1st shots but continues to give 2nd shots for those who have received their 1st shot, as well as the Johnson & Johnson single shot vaccine. A vaccine-a-thon is scheduled for the coming weekend at the Sports & Learning Complex.

#### 2. Approval of the Agenda

CM Sweep moved, and MPT Kulpa-Eddy seconded to approve the agenda. The agenda was approved 5 to 0.

#### 3. Ceremonial Items

Howard Johnson 100th Birthday Proclamation: Mayor Dewey said that the Town is very pleased to celebrate Howard Johnson's 100th birthday, which was May 9th. She played a video produced by the Historical Committee of Mr. Johnson playing the harmonica and then read a proclamation honoring his milestone birthday.

**Ethics Commission Appointment:** Mayor Dewey asked the Ethics Commission appointees to introduce themselves.

Diane Beckam said she and her husband have resided in Berwyn Heights around 40 years and raised their children here. She returned to work when the children were grown. Having now retired she hopes to get back to volunteering for the Town.

Taylor Hahn said he and his partner moved to Berwyn Heights two years ago and have quickly fallen in love with the community. He is interested in getting more involved and the Ethics Commission seemed to be good opportunity to do so.

Alex Lopatka said he and his partner have lived in Berwyn Heights since 2016. As dog owners they regularly crisscross the Town on foot, which led him to get involved with the Walkable, Bikeable Berwyn Heights (WBBH) Task Force. He enjoyed participating in the committee and was looking for another opportunity to contribute. The Ethics Commission seemed to fit the bill.

Mayor Dewey swore in the Ethics Commission members. She advised that the Town will be in touch about setting up an informational meeting. CM Sweep thanked the appointees for volunteering.

#### 4. Public Hearings FY 2022 General Fund Budget & Tax

Rate: Mayor Dewey said tonight the Council is holding the second portion of the public hearings on the FY 2022 General Fund and Public Safety Taxing District (PSTD) budgets. The hearings were kept open from budget introduction at the April Town meeting and residents are invited to offer further comments. Without any comments, CM Sweep moved and CM Papanikolas seconded to close the hearing.

FY 2022 Public Safety Taxing District Budget & Tax Rate: Mayor Dewey said this budget funds one Berwyn Heights police officer and his vehicle to enhance public safety in the Town's commercial district. Residents were invited to offer comments.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy noted that the staff report on the PSTD budget adoption mistakenly references the reopening of the public hearing.

Mike Attick, 62nd Avenue, commented via telephone. He said he believes no one has commented so far because this budget was not discussed in as much detail as budgets in previous years. Further, the special tax rate for the commercial district should have been raised because the district takes up a large amount of the police officers' time.

CM Papanikolas moved and CM Sweep seconded to close the hearing. The motion passed 5 to 0.

#### 5. Consent Agenda

CM Sweep moved and MPT Kulpa-Eddy seconded to approve the consent agenda. MPT Kulpa-Eddy noted an incorrect date in the title of the April 14 Town meeting minutes. MPT Kulpa-Eddy moved, and CM Sweep seconded to adopt the consent agenda as amended. The motion passed 5 to 0.

#### 6. Mayor's Report

Mayor Dewey reported that the MML Legislative Committee on which she served this year held its wrap-up meeting last week. On April 22, the Council attended a Four Cities meeting, at which the Greenbelt Road Task Force gave a presentation. This Monday, the Council received the long-awaited guidance document on how American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds may be spent. The Council has two years to spend the money and will take its time to make a careful decision.

On May 4, she, MPT Kulpa-Eddy and senior Town staff met with representatives of the Commercial District Management Authority (CDMA) to discuss the budget and Town matters in general. Also on May 4, the mayors of Prince George's County and Montgomery County held a joint meeting to discuss inter-jurisdictional concerns, in particular transit related issues, such as the Maglev project, Beltway widening and Purple Line. She and TM Allen attended an energy efficiency meeting with Pepco.

Pepco agreed to share the recording with all attendees. TM Allen will have the recording posted to the website so it can be shared with Town residents and businesses.

Mayor Dewey continued that tomorrow, the Paint Branch Golf Course will hold a community outreach meeting to reenvision the future of the golf course. Stormwater management will be an important aspect of the discussion. She thanked TM Allen and Chief Antolik for preparing the Town for reopening, which will follow Prince George's County guidelines. Lastly, she noted that no Town residents signed up for shuttle rides to the Greenbelt Metro Station vaccine site which may mean that most residents already made provisions. Vaccinations are now taking place at various County facilities and commercial pharmacies. Free rides are available to vaccine clinics on The Bus, Lyft and Uber.

#### 7. Councilmember Reports

MPT Kulpa-Eddy noted she was impressed with the presentations Chief Antolik, Code Director Goodwin and TM Allen gave at the CDMA meeting. She was gratified to learn about the many ways in which the Town tries to support its businesses community. She said she also attended the Pepco energy efficiency seminar, which provided useful information about residential energy programs, such as free home energy checkups and free recycling of old appliances. Useful information for commercial customers was also provided.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy said the Prince George's County cultural arts study has been extended to June 25 in the hope that more people will provide feedback. On May 18, Delegate Washington will host a virtual discussion on state of our schools, including summer schools, virtual learning, direct tutoring and use of Federal funds for County schools. PGCPS CEO Dr. Monica Goldson will be in attendance.

CM Papanikolas reported that the Administration Department is working diligently on reopening plans so that it can be done safely and efficiently. The first set of bills have been paid through the online bill pay system which works great. He can review, comment, and approve all bills online, which greatly streamlines the process. Vaccination of 12- to 15-year-olds is available at the Beltsville Senior Center.

In response to MPT Kulpa-Eddy, Mayor Dewey and TM Allen said in planning for the reopening of Senior Center, the Town is waiting for guidance and procedures from Prince George's County. TM Allen met with a group of Seniors last week and informed them of some improvements that are being made to the Senior Center. Hand sanitizing stations and a mounted

thermometer have been installed. Chairs and lounge furniture will be replaced due to mold issues.

CM Brittan Powell reported that the Code Department has worked on a number of residential issues and is currently focused on the issue of car repair shops being run out of a home. The City of Greenbelt will not hold its regular Memorial Day parade.

CM Sweep reported that the refuse schedule will be adjusted for the week following Memorial Day. He is happy to hear that stormwater management and climate change projects will be eligible for ARPA funds. Residents are encouraged to share ideas on possible projects. Lastly, residents are requested to walk their dog on the leash. Drivers have difficulty safely driving around dogs that are running free.

#### 8. Committee Reports

Education Advisory Committee: MPT Kulpa-Eddy reported that the BHEAC finalized the education grant application process, which is on the agenda for approval later tonight. The BHEAC is also sponsoring 3 students for an educational summer camp at the Community Center from June 28-July 30

Green Team: Mayor Dewey reported that several Green Team members have attended Sustainable Maryland webinars to learn about new actions members' cities can complete for recertification. Members have also submitted comments on State environmental legislation and the Pepco filing. The Green Team participated in the Berwyn Heights Day parade and is discussing strengthening its litter adopt-a-block program by purchasing signage to indicate adopted areas. Also discussed were the Bee City USA program and the Thriving Earth Exchange initiative.

CM Brittan Powell said that residents have suggested the Green Team think about the need for bushes and thickets as bird habitat in addition to the tree canopy. Mayor Dewey replied she will pass it along and noted that the Green Team has a member interested in conducting naturalist walks and may be offering one in the near future.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy said that applications for the Maryland Sustainable Growth Award will be open until July 23. The grant is open to individuals, businesses, organizations, and local governments.

Historical Committee: BHHC Chair Debby Steele Snyder reported that the Historical Committee will next meet on May 26. The BHHC website features a new post "To be Known as Berwyn" about the naming of Berwyn Heights. The first 2 quiz questions about Berwyn Heights history have been published in the May Bulletin with answers to be given in the next issue. This year's magnet featuring a drawing of the historic

Traver-Williams House by the current owner and former BHHC member M. David Williams is on order, and the touch screen computer in the History Museum has been upgraded with a keyboard. The BHHC continues to gather oral histories, from which the Howard Johnson clip has been produced.

Neighborhood Watch/ Emergency Preparedness: NW/EP Co-chair Randy Fortwengler was present but had no report because he was unable to attend the last NW/EP meeting. Mayor Dewey reported that the Committee discussed its mission, how to engage residents, and the Police monthly reports. A topic discussed at length were cars with loud mufflers and speeding. MPT Kulpa-Eddy added that the Committee also discussed the police non-emergency phone number, which is increasingly difficult to reach. It was suggested to invite someone from the County's dispatch service to give an update.

Mr. Fortwengler commented on the elevator inspection process and the need to have the Town Center elevator inspected. As a third-party elevator inspector for the State of Maryland, he attended a recent meeting at which he learned that local governments have 30 days after the lifting of the State of Emergency on June 1 to become compliant. The certificate for Berwyn Heights' facility is listed as expired. Steep fines will be assessed for elevators found to be out of compliance.

TM Allen said that the Town Center elevator was inspected recently but the process is not complete because the County inspection could not be scheduled yet. The reopening of the 2nd floor may be delayed if the County cannot sign off on the inspections.

Mike Attick, 62nd Avenue, commented that he would like to restart CERT training after the reopening, but he believes CERT was suspended with the adoption of the new Town organizations policy and subordination of NW/EP to the Police. He was told that CERT could not meet because it was not covered by the Town's insurance program. Mayor Dewey said she thinks CERT activities could be resumed under the new structure if members want to do it. She suggested a meeting of NW/EP with the Police to talk through the issues.

Recreation Council: Recreation Council President Susan Jones reported that the Berwyn Heights Day parade worked out well and she hopes many residents got to watch it. The scavenger hunt published in the Bulletin was conceived as a fun way to learn more about the Town, but no responses were turned in. Most of the Berwyn Heights Day T-shirts have been sold, but there are a few spares still available. Ms. Jones then announced the winners of the house decorating contest:

8422 57th Avenue – most creative, 8508 Cunningham – most festive; 5802 Swarthmore and 5804 Ruatan – most unique.

Ms. Jones further announced that the Town-wide Yard Sale will be held this year on June 19. Residents can register their yard sale to be placed on a list by sending her their address and contact information. Yard sellers will be asked to comply with any Covid guidelines in effect and hold the Town harmless. She is hoping that the summer concerts at Lake Artemesia can resume and is monitoring M-NCPPC's announcements.

#### 9. Old Business

Ordinance 183 – 2nd Reading & Adoption of FY 2022 General Fund Budget: Mayor Dewey said this is a largely status quo budget that leaves the real property tax rate unchanged at 54.4 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation. One notable feature is inclusion of funding for large purchases and projects that were put on hold in FY 2021 because of the uncertain economic impact of the pandemic.

TM Allen added that the Council engaged the community through surveys and a Budget Town Hall to identify the following funding priorities: 1) condition of streets and sidewalks; 2) recreation and parks; 3) sustainability; and 4) effective communication. The FY 2022 budget is balanced at a little above \$4 million, or 3% more than the FY 2021 budget. This is mainly due to a \$205,000 bond bill obtained from the State to finance improvements to the Town Center. Although tax rates were kept the same, additional revenue of \$100,200 will be generated due to increasing real property values.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy commented that she remains concerned that residents' property tax bills will go up by approximately \$150 because of rising assessments. Surprisingly, she has not received any comments about this and assumes residents are fine with the Town using the additional revenues to improve services. She thanked TM Allen for publicizing programs that help eligible homeowners pay their tax bills.

CM Papanikolas said he believes the lack of comments today may be related to the open budget process that has solicited public feedback throughout on where tax dollars should be spent. CM Brittan Powell extended his thanks to all staff that have contributed to the budget process. Mayor Dewey said she too appreciated this year's process. It ties budget priorities into the budget and appears to have given residents satisfaction that their ideas were heard.

Clerk Harper read a summary of the Ordinance. MPT Kulpa-Eddy moved to adopt it. CM Sweep seconded. The motion

passed 5 to 0.

Ordinance 184 – 2nd Reading & Adoption of FY 2022 Public Safety Taxing District Budget: Mayor Dewey said this is another status quo budget with an unchanged tax rate and a slight increase in revenue due to increased assessments. TM Allen added that the Town had a meeting with the Commercial District Management Authority (CDMA) to present the budget and give an overview of Town services. The CDMA approved the PSTD Budget at that meeting.

Clerk Harper read a summary of the Ordinance. CM Papanikolas moved and CM Sweep seconded to introduce the PSTD budget. The motion passed 5 to 0.

#### 10. New Business

Ordinance 181-C – 1st Reading & Introduction of FY 2021 Budget Amendment re: CARES Act: Mayor Dewey said this Ordinance amends the FY 2021 budget to account for \$183,000 in funding the Town received from Prince George's County through the CARES Act. TM Allen said that whenever the Town receives or spends funds not approved as part of the budget, an amendment is needed to adjust the budget. The CARES Act reimbursed the Town for Police overtime and other expenses related to the pandemic in 2020.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy moved, and CM Sweep seconded to introduce the budget amendment. The motion passed 5 to 0.

Maglev Comment Letter: MPT Kulpa-Eddy explained the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) and Federal Railroad Administration earlier this year released an Environmental Impact Statement for a Superconducting Magnetic Levitation (SMAGLEV) train that would operate between Baltimore and Washington. D.C. Comments are due by May 24. A trainset maintenance facility proposed to be built on Beltsville Agricultural Research Center land is most likely to impact Berwyn Heights, as the addition of 180 acres of impervious surface from this facility would affect streams that feed into Indian Creek. The letter also expresses concern about the effect of MAGLEV tunnels on neighboring Prince George's communities and the Green Team's stated preference for the use of existing railroad infrastructure. Only minor stylistic changes were made since the Council last reviewed the letter, and she hope it will be approved tonight.

Mayor Dewey said she agrees that preference should be given to improving existing railroad infrastructure that meets a broader demand for mass transit. CM Papanikolas asked about a survey that found 70% of Prince Georgians favor the project, which was sold as a highspeed

train connecting D.C. to New York. Mayor Dewey said she could not confirm who performed the survey or the methodology employed. With no further comments, MPT Kulpa-Eddy moved and CM Papanikolas seconded to approve the comment letter. The motion passed 5 to 0.

Education Grant Process: Mayor Dewey explained that the Council asked the Education Advisory Committee to devise a process that would allow a more rational distribution of Town education grants. The BHEAC drafted a process which was discussed at previous Council meetings. Heretofore education dollars were primarily awarded on a first-come, first-served basis. The new process would enable a more targeted award of these funds. CM Papanikolas added that when he was PTA president, he wished that there was a process that would make it easier to access the money. He thanked the BHEAC for coming up with the process.

On a motion by CM Papanikolas and second by CM Sweep, the grant process was approved 5 to 0.

#### 11. Resident and Community Comments There were none.

On a motion by CM Sweep and second by MPT Kulpa-Eddy, the meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

#### Worksession May 17, 2021

This meeting was held by videoconference due to the ongoing COVID-19 health emergency.

#### Executive Session (5:30 pm - 6:45 pm)

An executive session was held under General Provisions Article § 3-305(b) (1) to discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of an appointee, employee, or official over whom this public body has jurisdiction; or any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals.

#### Regular Meeting (starting 7:00 pm)

This meeting was held by videoconference due to the ongoing COVID-19 health emergency.

Present were Mayor Amanda Dewey, Mayor Pro Tempore (MPT) Jodie Kulpa-Eddy, Councilmembers (CMs) Christopher Brittan-Powell, Jason Papanikolas and Ethan Sweep. Also present were Town Manager (TM) Laura Allen and Town Clerk Kerstin Harper.

#### 1. Announcements

Mayor Dewey announced that the Council met in executive session prior to this meet-

ing to discuss a personnel matter. She also announced a number of changes in COVID -19 protocols. The latest CDC guidelines no longer recommend that vaccinated people wear masks except in certain congregate settings. The State of Maryland follows CDC guidelines, but Prince George's County still requires everyone to wear masks indoors in public settings. However, all capacity limits on businesses have been lifted. In Berwyn Heights, the Town is focusing on getting the Senior Center ready for reopening, following an updated guidance from the County. Hosting of community events remains subject to approval by the Town Manager and Chief of Police until further notice.

#### 2. Approval of the Agenda

On a motion by CM Sweep and second by MPT Kulpa-Eddy, the agenda was approved 5 to 0.

#### 3. Discussion Items

Fee & Fine Schedule review: Mayor Dewey said the Council in 2019 implemented the annual review and adoption of a comprehensive fee & fine schedule as part of the budget process. The fee & fine schedule will be reviewed tonight and voted on at the June Town meeting.

TM Allen said she has consulted with the department directors about any needed changes to fees and fines and proposes two changes: 1) raising the public notary fee from \$2 to \$4, the maximum allowed under Maryland law, to more accurately reflect the time it takes for staff to notarize documents: and 2) reducing the 'return check' fee from \$50 to \$35 to align with fees normally charged by commercial banks. No change is proposed in the \$300 rental license fee, which the Council had flagged in previous budget discussions. A public hearing will be held prior to voting on the fee & fine schedule resolution at the June Town meeting.

CM Brittan Powell sought clarification on the reason for keeping the rental license fee at \$300, which is higher than many other local jurisdictions. TM Allen replied that Chief Antolik advised the fee was raised to reflect the higher calls for service from rental properties as opposed to owner -occupied homes. She also learned that neighboring jurisdictions charge both higher and lower rental license fees than Berwyn Heights, according to a survey University Park's town manager conducted: Hyattsville charges \$225, University Park \$400, Riverdale \$200, College Park \$244, Greenbelt \$150, and New Carrollton \$200. Berwyn Heights fees are in same general range and seem appropriate considering its housing stock and calls for service.

CM Brittan Powell further asked why rooms rented in owner-occupied homes are subject to the same \$300 license fee. Clerk Harper and MPT Kulpa-Eddy said that an

exemption for owner-occupied rentals was ended in 2017 in conjunction with a revision of the Rental License Ordinance. New mandates for lead paint testing and egress windows in rental homes came into effect and required more staff resources to monitor.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy asked why businesses license fees for some types of businesses such as banks and professional organizations are fixed while others are assessed based on gross receipts. TM Allen said she is not familiar with how the fees were set but can look into it. MPT Kulpa-Eddy suggested the Council may want to review the Business License Ordinance later this year to determine if changes are needed. TM Allen said she raised the potential review of the business licensing process with the Commercial District Management Authority (CDMA), which could become part of a review of Ordinance 105.

American Rescue Plan Act guidance: Mayor Dewey said Berwyn Heights is slated to receive approximately \$2.75 million in COVID relief funds and has been waiting for U.S. Treasury Department guidance on how this money may be spent. The updated guidance was finally received last week and appears to be relatively flexible about the use of funds within certain parameters and exclusions. There are 5 broad categories for spending these funds:

- Support public health expenditure for COVID-19 mitigation.
- Address economic harm caused by the public health emergency.
- Replace lost public sector revenue due to the pandemic.
- Premium pay for essential workers.
- Investment in water, sewer and broadband infrastructure.

Mayor Dewey asked Councilmembers to help identify high-level priorities for using ARPA funds. Appropriations need not be finalized until 2024.

TM Allen said the current guidance is only an interim final rule and may be supplemented by a final rule in July. The Town of Berwyn Heights is considered a 'non-entitlement' unit of government, meaning the Town will receive its funds from the State of Maryland, which will in turn request the funds on behalf of non-entitlement units from the federal government. Funding to individual jurisdictions is limited to 75% of their budget and will likely not be received before the end of May.

Non-eligible uses of funds include tax revenue offsets, pension fund contributions, debt service, legal settlements, or deposits into reserves. The money is intended to help people to get through and recover from the pandemic now, not for future use. In addition, funds may not be used for general infrastructure expenses, such con-

structing new buildings, but can be spent on water and sewer improvements, including stormwater infrastructure. Additional clarification is needed as to whether funds can be used for road repairs. Jurisdictions are also waiting for guidance on where this money may be held until it is spent. Funds must be committed by December 2024 and expended by December 2026. Reports on how the money is spent are due to the State once a year, with the first report due by the end of October 2021.

TM Allen recommended that the Council discuss not only areas of spending but also a process for determining how the money should be spent. One option is to use the priorities developed as part of the FY 2022 budget process. TM Allen cautioned against spending one-time ARPA funds on creating new programs or addons to existing programs that require ongoing financial commitments. If hazardous duty pay for employees is considered it should be given as a lump-sum payment (s). The Town may also consider partnering with neighboring cities to implement assistance programs or services for which it does not have staff capacity. Finally, TM Allen recommends to take the time available to develop a plan to spend this money in the most impactful way possible, as it is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

Mayor Dewey added she believes, in talking with other mayors and government leaders, there is an interest in remaining informed about what each jurisdiction plans to do with the money with an eye to collaboration, or at least not duplicating efforts

In discussion, the following points were made:

- Town should conduct another survey of residents, similar to the FY 2022 budget survey, on how ARPA money should be spent. The survey should be broadly advertised for an extended period to get as many responses as possible.
- The survey should invite open-ended suggestions within the parameters set by the U.S. Treasury.
- The survey might proceed in phases, first asking for input on broad categories, such as assistance to Town businesses, and then invite more specific suggestions.
- Other modes of soliciting input besides a survey should be tried, e.g. talking to Town organizations directly, setting up a whiteboard for suggestions, or hosting events similar to Coffee with a Cop.
- Established priorities, such as WBBH recommendations and improvements to communications, should be considered.
- Preference might be given to 'transformational' projects that would

- have a big impact in an area, such as stormwater drainage or park improvements.
- Projects that require partnering with another municipality might be considered, such as improvements to Lake Artemesia park.

Mayor Dewey and CM Papanikolas offered to draft an engagement process document that lays out modes, steps, and timelines for obtaining community input. Residents' input on process is welcome.

Council briefly identified several top-level areas of interest, including communications, stormwater drainage/ stream restoration/ climate change issues, Town Hall/ police station upgrade, compensating employees and supporting the business community.

Zoning change questions: TM Allen explained that CM Brittan-Powell inquired about the feasibility of changing lot setback requirements in Berwyn Heights in order to limit the building of new homes on subdivided properties. She understands Prince George's County went through an extensive zoning review process but believes that the public comment period is closed. She also asked Code Director Goodwin to find out how many vacant lots there are in Town. Ms. Goodwin believes there are only a handful of lots left that might qualify for development.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy confirmed that the County's zoning rewrite process has been completed, with the exception of approving the County-wide map amendment. The new regulations include standards regarding setbacks for residential properties. Berwyn Heights would need zoning authority to change such standards. CM Brittan-Powell said he just wondered if this was something worth looking into.

CM Papanikolas said that College Park had commissioned a study about establishing a multi-jurisdictional planning and zoning department, which was interrupted by the pandemic. The interest was mainly in getting around the County's long and confusing process for issuing permits. Berwyn Heights is still waiting to hear what became of the study.

#### 4. Department Reports

Mayor Dewey reiterated that Covid restrictions are changing quickly due to the recent decline in Covid cases and encouraged everyone to get vaccinated. She also urged residents to be kind and considerate with neighbors about wearing or not wearing masks in light of the changing guidance.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy reported that she attended a virtual White House briefing on ARPA at which some broad guidance on the use of ARPA funds was given. She also at-

tended a community conversation on the Paint Branch Golf Course project, which is a partnership between Park & Planning and the University of Maryland (UMD). There are proposals to convert the current golf course into a 'golf experience' and use a portion of it to build UMD's new track and field facility. Updates are available and comments can be submitted at M-NCPPC's webpage http://arts.pgparks.com/5114/Paint-Branch-Golf-Complex-Development.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy continued that the I-495/ I -270 managed lane study has been narrowed to a section of highway between the I-270 spur and the American Legion Bridge. If this alternative is selected, Prince George's County would not be affected by the project. Seniors welcome the reopening of the Senior Center and have expressed interest in having other appliances replaced in addition to the stove.

The BHEAC is trying to get the word out on 3 available scholarships for the STEAM summer camp at the Community Center, which is advertised in Bulletin and on the website. At its last meeting, the Green Team discussed a Pepco sustainable communities grant and is seeking input on how it might be used. A video of Howard Johnson produced by the Historical Committee on his 100th birthday has been posted to the website's video archive. The NW/EP Committee discussed problems with reaching the County's non-emergency phone number. The Town might invite a representative from the County's Emergency Dispatch to discuss it. Also discussed was the issue of car racing and loud mufflers and what might be done about it.

CM Papanikolas reported that the Town completed paying its first bills through Bill.com, which works great. TM Allen noted that a panel of employees conducted interviews of applicants for the Town Clerk position, which will become available following Clerk Harper's retirement.

CM Brittan Powell reported that the Code Department continues to stay on top of the various issues coming before it. Mayor Dewey added the Code Department is doing a great job with its monthly report, which residents are encouraged to check out

CM Sweep reported on the revised trash collection schedule following Memorial Day weekend.

**5. Resident and Community Comments** MPT Kulpa-Eddy asked whether the Town

office still has stickers to designate bins as yard waste. TM Allen believes so and will check on it. Residents should contact the Town Office if they need something from Public Works.

On a motion by MPT Kulpa-Eddy and second by CM Sweep, the meeting was adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

Signed: Kerstin Harper, Town Clerk



## MEALS ON WHEELS SEEKS VEGETABLE GARDENERS

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We are prepared to help you get started with a small stipend. If there is anyone who would like to contribute to the funding of this project, please let us know. If we truly have an overwhelming amount of produce, we will can share with the College Park Food Bank or other kitchens.

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| July 10  | Bobby Luftman     |  |  |
|          | Judy Montgomery   |  |  |
| July 12  | Bob Kovalchik     |  |  |
| Juley 14 | Tinam Valk        |  |  |
| July 23  | Diana Agonoy      |  |  |
| July 25  | Lori Young        |  |  |

#### **JULY ACTIVITIES**

**BINGO** - Every Tuesday at 12:30 pm **MEETINGS** - No meetings in July and August **CLOSED** - July 4-5 to celebrate the Nation's Birthday





#### **HISTORY QUIZ, CONTINUED**

#### Two more clues:

| 1. | The only house in Berwyn Heights on the National Historic |
|----|---|
|    | Register is called  |
|    | (Hint: Occupants served as Town Commissioners)            |

 Eugenia Washington purchased a twin Victorian on Waugh Avenue in 1892. Who were her famous relatives? \_\_\_\_\_\_ (Hint: Founders)

Send you answers to BHHC Chair Debby Steele Snyder to receive a prize.

#### Solutions to June Bulletin Quiz Questions:

- 1. Pop Hudgins was Awarded Carnegie Medal of Honor for Heroism for risking his life to save another fire fighter.
- 2. Sportland Arena hosted boxing matches.

## NEXT MEETING (VIRTUAL) JULY 28, 2021 | 7:30 PM

To participate, please contact Sharmila Bhatia at <a href="mailto:sharmila\_bhatia88@hotmail.com">sharmila\_bhatia88@hotmail.com</a>

All other inquiries to <a href="mailto:dsteelesny@yahoo.com">dsteelesny@yahoo.com</a>
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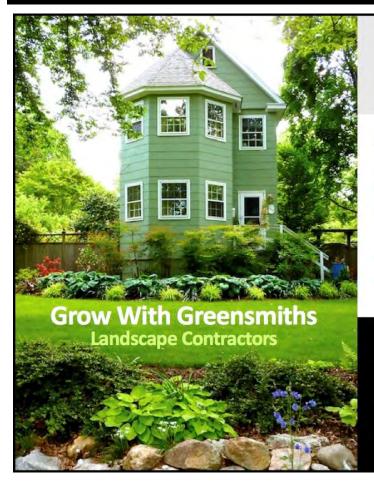
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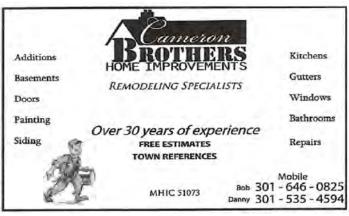
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#### Únete a nosotros: Reunión Virtual 26 de julio de 2021 | 7 pm

El Comité Asesor de Educación discutirá la declaración de misión de la EAC y las actualizaciones sobre las actividades recientes de la EAC. La reunión virtual está abierta a todos los residentes y personas interesadas en la educación a lo largo de su vida.

Póngase en contacto para la invitación a la reunión.

Comuníquese con Allison Holmes para la invitación a la reunión virtual en: allison@alumni.nd.edu



#### Join Us: Virtual Meeting July 26, 2021 | 7:00 pm

The Education Advisory Committee will be discussing the EAC mission statement and updates on recent EAC activities. The virtual meeting is open to all residents and persons interested in education across the lifespan.

Please contact Allison Holmes, BHEAC Chair, for the virtual meeting invite at:
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Meetings are normally held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month at 7pm in the Love Room (ZOOM currently). All are invited to attend.

Interested in becoming a member? Have suggestions or ideas? Looking to volunteer?

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Website: <u>www.berwynheightsbgc.org</u>



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# We are planning to offer Fall sports! Please Complete our survey!

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## CONGRATULATIONS, 2021 TREES OF DISTINCTION



**Age or Size:** Magnolia at 5716 Nevada. Home to many a feathered friend, spot for squirrels, weathered hurricanes, blizzards and hot summer days. Just fun to have and a stalwart on the street"

**Unusual Growth Habit or Form:** Oak at 5607 Ruatan. Nominated for a nose-shaped bump on the trunk.

**Historical Significance:** Magnolia at 5913 Pontiac. "It's very old, huge, and beautiful"

**Beauty:** Holly at 8800 58<sup>th</sup>. "There is so much space in the middle that grandchildren climb up without getting pricked. It is loaded with berries in winter...and has fragrant blossoms in early summer"

Berwyn Heights Shade Tree Board Next meeting: July 8, 2021 | 7 pm, Virtual

Contact: Mayor Amanda Dewey, adewey@berwynheightsmd.gov

## Berwyn Heights Rec. Council

# Wishing you a Safe & Happy 4th of July!

### Let's Get Together!!!

After a long time of not being able to get together (and now that most of us are vaccinated) let's celebrate with a town social!



Join us on **Wednesday, July 21st, 6-8pm** outside of the **Berwyn Heights Community Center** (6200 Pontiac Street)

and enjoy a night with your neighbors.

(Rain date, Thursday, July 22nd, also 6-8pm.)

The lower parking lot has plenty of room for cars and people, so if we are not right out outside the building, we'll be in the parking lot. Light refreshments (some prepackaged) will be served.

Social distance protocols are in place.

Mask wearing is encouraged.

Let's spread good cheer, not Covid-19.

Next Recreation Council Meeting will be on Tuesday, July 6th, at 7pm. In person (hopefully) or by zoom—TBA.

To join in or share ideas about future activities, please contact <a href="mailto:violindreams@verizon.net">violindreams@verizon.net</a>.

#### BERWYN HEIGHTS EDUCATION GRANT REQUEST

#### Overview

The Berwyn Heights Education Grant was created to support, enhance, and improve learning opportunities and outcomes for the children and families of Berwyn Heights. Learning and education are inclusively and broadly defined to encourage innovation and creativity among respondents. We strongly support the learning goals of all members of our community and seek proposals that elevate the voices and opportunities for those historically underrepresented.

#### Eligibility

Organizations serving members of the Berwyn Heights community may submit proposals; priority will be given to established 501C3 organizations, teachers, and PTAs/PTOs serving Berwyn Heights.

#### Award

Funding of the grant is at the discretion of the Berwyn Heights Town Council and is based on the availability of funds. Number of grants awarded and amount per grant will vary each year. Awards typically range from \$250 - \$2500.

#### **Proposal Specifications**

Proposals must include all information below. The maximum length of proposals is 5 pages. Proposals should be emailed in pdf or word format to yodoi@berwynheightsmd.gov. Write "Berwyn Heights Education Grant proposal" in the subject line.

#### Proposal Details:

- What are the objectives for this project?
- How is this project connected to the community of Berwyn Heights?
- When will this project take place? (Begin Date/End Date)

#### BERWYN HEIGHTS EDUCATION GRANT REQUEST

- Describe the project plan. Be specific and include planned activities, partnerships, and timelines.
- Who will benefit from this project? How many individuals will benefit?
- Provide a budget justification. How does the expenditure support the project objective?
- How will you measure the success of this project? How will you know you have achieved the outlined objective?
- Describe yourself/organization and all key partners involved for implementing this project. What are the capacities, skills, and attributes that make you well suited to accomplish the objectives of the project?

#### **Key Dates**

Applications submitted after the deadline will be considered on a rolling basis dependent on remaining funding.

Round 1 Proposal Questions Due Date: July 20th

Round 1 Application Due Date: August 15<sup>th</sup>
Round 1 Notification Date: October 15<sup>th</sup>

Round 2 Proposal Questions Due Date: December 15th

Round 2 Application Due Date: January 15th

Round 2 Notification Date: March 15th

**Post Award**: Awardees are expected to provide copies of any documentation associated with the grant work (e.g. invoices, report on activities/results, etc.) upon completion.

Questions about applications should be sent to yodoi@berwynheightsmd.gov by the above deadlines. Write "Berwyn Heights Education Grant question" in the subject line.

#### Selection Criteria

| Section  | Points |
|--|--------|
| Impactful program for the Berwyn Heights community, particularly those historically underrepresented | 25     |
| Strong, specific, achievable plan for implementing program   | 25     |
| Capacity to collect and describe success metrics for program   | 25     |
| Effective and trusted organization/key partners able to implement program                            | 25     |
| Total points:  | 100    |

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#### **Recent Working Incidents**

May 26th-Truck 14 and Ambulance 14 were alerted to the 5700Blk of Nevada Street in Berwyn Heights for a reported House Fire. BHVFD arrived and isolated the fire to a faulty appliance in a bedroom.

May 27th- Rescue Squad 14B and its volunteer crew were alerted to the 6100Blk of 62nd Place in Riverdale for a Street Alarm, investigation of smoke. The first arriving engine advised they had 2-story single family dwelling with smoke showing from the basement, and requested the assignment be upgraded to a box alarm and the Working Fire Dispatch started. Squad 14B arrived shortly afterwards and operated as the search company for a fire in the walls. The crew conducted searches of the structure and assisted companies checking for extension.

June 3rd – Truck 14 and Ambulance 14 were alerted to the 5800Blk of Seminole Street in Berwyn Heights for a reported House Fire. BHVFD arrived and determined the cause of the smoke to be from an outside fire on Ruatan Street.

June 5th— Ladder Truck 14 and its volunteer crew were alerted to the 8300Blk of Baltimore Ave in College Park for a reported hotel on fire. College Park VFD arrived to find smoke showing from the roof of a 6-story hotel, and the assignment was upgraded to a high-rise fire. BHVFD reported to the roof and accessed the mechanical room to find insulation on fire. Units operated for several hours to remove smoke and check for extension.

June 6th— Rescue Squad 14 and Technical Rescue Support 14 were alerted to the 13440Blk of Baltimore Ave in Laurel for a reported High-Angle Rescue. With other County specialty rescue units unavailable, BHVFD was the only Technical Rescue team available to respond. Laurel VFD arrived at the indoor Urban Air Adventure Park, and found 1 juvenile & 1 adult trapped on a zip line 15' from ground. BHVFD volunteer rescue technicians arrived and established a plan. Using 35ft extension ladders, rescue techs placed the child in a rescue harness, built a new pully system on the zipline, cut the zipline harness, and lowered the unharmed child to the ground.

#### All Fireworks Illegal in Prince George's County

From the County Fire Marshall's Office: All consumer purchased fireworks are illegal to purchase, posses, transport and use in Prince George's County. This law has help to reduce the number of injuries and fires typically experienced during this festive time of year.



If you have purchased your own backyard fireworks and were not aware of the County Law, call 301-583-2200 and request a Fire Investigator to come by your residence to pick them up. You will not be charged with a crime if you use this method of surrendering fireworks.

## Join the Berwyn Heights Volunteer Fire Department!!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! The Berwyn Heights Volunteer Fire Department is seeking Town residents to become volunteer firefighters/ EMTs to help serve their community! The COVID-19 pandemic has severely impacted our recruiting efforts over the past year.

#### Some Benefits of Volunteering with Us:

- · Free uniforms, equipment, and training
- Fitness equipment use including stair machine and weight center
- · Tuition reimbursement
- \$5,000 annual Maryland State income tax credit
- Retirement benefits through the County's Length of Service Award Program (LOSAP)
- · Ages 16 and up!
- No experience necessary

## Reach Out to us today!

Visit www.bhvfd14.org/join/



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You and the family ready to get out of the house? Here are a few great local places to travel in MD for a weekend and enjoy nature

- 1. Assateague Island
- 2. National Harbor
- St Michaels
- 4. Deep Creek Lake
- 5. Black Water Refuge (Cambridge)
- 6. Point Lookout (Southern MD)
- 7. Annapolis
- 8. 4th of July Spirit of Baltimore Cruise

- FREE MARKET ANALYSIS OF YOUR HOME
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- TOWN RESIDENT

Just a few of my Listings/Sales last 30 days!!
"Homework" is what I do best, let me do your "Homework" too!

SOLD-5613 Berwyn Rd rambler,4BR,3BA, FP, sold over list \$422K Under Contract-5929 Natasha Dr 4 BR 2 BA Rambler.

Coming Soon-6102 Ruatan St cute bungalow 3BR2 BA \$359K.

NEW Listing-6100 Westchester Pk 3BR2 BA hi rise living \$215K.

NEW Listing-5717 Ruatan St 6BR1.5 BA Queen Anne Victorian one of the oldest in BH, amazing property,4FP, wrap porch \$450K.

Sale Lot-5717R Ruatan approx.. 9000 SF.......\$90,000.







#### **NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH/EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**

VIRTUAL MEETINGS 1st WED of month CHAIRS: Joan Hayden, Randy Fortwengler

#### Join us July 7, 7pm. To participate contact BHPD at 301-474-6554

Or email mmuralles@berwynheightsmd.gov

As I sit here writing this article for the July Town bulletin, I ponder the thought that the first half of the year is behind us already and we are staring at the second half just a stone's throw away. The Fourth of July holiday is just around the corner so this article is going to give information about what is legal in the way of fireworks for the Town of Berwyn Heights which follows Prince George's County guidelines.

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In Prince George's County, All consumer fireworks, including sparklers and poppers, are prohibited. Citizens and visitors that illegally sell, possess or use any type of fireworks in the County are subject to the confiscation of the fireworks and fines up to \$250.

Hand-held sparklers, which are the biggest illegal fireworks found, burn at approximately 1200 degrees Fahrenheit and can lead to permanent disfigurement and scarring. Statistics also show that illegal and poorly discarded fireworks cause approximately 20,000 fires a year.

The Prince George's County Code Section 11-267 - Fireworks: Use and Possession of Fireworks, stipulates that it is illegal for anyone to manufacture, possess, store, offer for sale, expose for sale, sell, discharge, use, burn, or explode any fireworks in Prince George's County, Maryland,

So leave the fireworks display to those who are experienced and have a Happy and Safe 4th of July!!!!! Enjoy the fireworks display from the Mall in Downtown Washington, DC, or other local jurisdictions.

Join the NW/EP group to learn how to keep your families and friends safe in an emergency. Contact us: Joan Hayden jimosley45@gmail.com; Randy Fortwengler bhnwep53@aol.com





## Saturday, May 1, 2021, at 5:15 pm, 'STOLEN VEHICLE'

The owner of a Honda automatic 300CC motor scooter reported that he advertised his scooter for sale on Facebook marketplace. He was subsequently contacted by someone via cellphone who said he was interested in purchasing the scooter and was in route from S.E Wash. D.C. The subject then appeared at his house to inspect the scooter. The victim said he does not know how the suspect arrived at his address. The victim started the scooter to give the suspect a demo ride. When the victim walked away to get his helmet the suspect drove away with his scooter. The victim described the suspect, who was wearing a mask, as a black male 25 - 35 y/ o. The victim believes the suspect's Facebook account with the username "Remy Blocks" was created for purposes of fraud/ theft. The Honda scooter is capable of 90 mph. It was not registered and was not displaying tags. Teletype notified 5/01/21 at 6:45 pm.

## Friday, May 7, 2021, at 7:00 am, 'GRAFFITI'

Unknown person(s) spray-painted the walls of the hockey rink located at Berwyn Sports Park. MD Park Police was notified. Investigation continues.

## Sunday, May 9, 2021, at 5:15 pm, 'ACCIDENT'

Sgt. P. Roberson responded to the 5800 block of Pontiac Street for an accident. Investigation revealed that Greenbelt City Police was in pursuit of a vehicle into Berwyn Heights. The fleeing vehicle lost control and crashed into a resident's car parked in front of his house. Subject fled on foot.

## Wednesday May 26, 2021, at 8:23 am, 'LOST WALLET'

5/26/2021 at approximately 11:06 AM officer Rufino was dispatched to 8900 Edmonston Road for a loss of property report. Upon arrival, she met with the victim who stated that he unknowingly dropped his wallet while dropping off a package inside the 7Eleven at approximately 8:20 am. The victim said that his vehicle has cameras, and he believes the person parked next to his vehicle picked it up. The victim was advised to notify his credit card companies and agencies issuina driver's license, social security number and insurance cards of the loss.

## Monday May 30, 2021, at 5:15 pm, 'STOLEN VEHICLE'

On 5/30/2021 at approximately 5:15 pm, victim contacted Berwyn Heights Police to report her vehicle stolen. Victim reported that she discovered her boyfriend was with another woman and located the vehicle at an apartment building in the Franklin Park apartment complex in Greenbelt. The vehicle being dual listed to the victim and her boyfriend, she moved the vehicle and parked it at 58th and Ruatan Street. Two hours later, the victim sought to retrieve the vehicle. but it was gone. The victim contacted her boyfriend and asked him where the vehicle was. The boyfriend said he did not know. A BHPD officer informed the victim that she and the co-listed would both need to come to the police station with identification to report the vehicle stolen, as there had been a domestic argument. On 5/31/2021 at 3:00 pm, both returned to the BHPD station with I.D. and reported that they did not know where the vehicle was. Both parties had their keys. The report was documented via body camera. The vehicle

was reportedly stolen on 5/30/21 between 2:45 pm and 5:00 pm. Teletype notified 5/31/2021 1710 C-1487

Homicide = 00 | Rape = 00 | Robbery = 00 | Assault = 00 | Burglary = 01 | Larceny/Theft = 00| Stolen Auto = 02

| MAY      | CITATIONS |
|----------|-----------|
| STATE    | 00        |
| TOWN     | 71        |
| WARNINGS | 03        |
| SERO     | 01        |
| TOTAL    | 75        |





For Emergencies CALL **301-352-1200**For Non-Emergency Police Assistance.

Tell the PGC Police Dispatcher the nature of your problem and ask that the on-duty BH Police Officer respond to your call.

Visit us online at: www.berwynheightsmd.gov/ police-department

#### Mark your Calendars Tuesday August 3



#### **BULLETIN BOARD**

**Help Wanted:** Spanish Translator (Part-time). Starting \$12/hr. Mon, Wed, Thurs & Sat. Call Brenda at 301-318-5285 for interview. (Dental Office Setting)

**Used Furniture, Free.** Please call to arrange pickup. 301-219-4471. Twin Bed Frame & Mattress, 5-Drawer Dresser, 2 Small Bookshelves. Square Coffee Table. Sofa. 2-Drawer Table. Small Storage Cabinet.

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

Approved Childcare of Essential Personnel Opening for infant to 12 years old. Licensed and approved by the State to provide childcare during COVID-19. Meals provided. Openings Monday-Friday from 6 AM to 6 PM. Please contact Karuna at 301-345-2939 or karunaemeldarozario@outlook.com.

**Piano Lessons** in your home. Former PGCPS music teacher, experienced private instructor. Students with special needs welcome. Ms. Liz 240-601-2825.quote today. Call 202-820-0771.

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

**Meals-on-Wheels** needs your HELP! This 45-year old program needs volun-

teers to help with their daily operations out of College Park location. Please call 301-474-1002 M-F, 8:30-12p if available.

**Need Yard Help?** Shawn and Jeremy have helped Berwyn Heights residents with mowing, raking, mulching, and more for several years. Call 301-310-3807.

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

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

**Loving, Licensed Child Care:** (CDA) credentialed in BH. M-F 6:30 AM to 5:30 PM. Ura Daley, 301-313-9131.

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

House Cleaning: Help with shopping,

cooking, etc. 40-year resident of Berwyn Heights. Very reliable and reasonable rates. Please call DJ at 301-345-1746.

New Home Brewing Club – Calling all homebrewers and mead makers in Berwyn Heights to help inaugurate a home brewing club. Let's get together to brew, taste, and exchange ideas. It doesn't matter if you're a novice or an expert. Just send me an email and let's get brewing. Contact: jason.michel@comcast.net

**Yard work:** My name is Gannon Forbes, a teenager in Berwyn Heights, who would like to help you with your yard work. CALL Gannon @ 301-982-7115 for a one time or weekly job.



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## Don Bunuan | Realtor

Hi, I'm Don Bunuan. As your Berwyn Heights neighbor and longtime area resident, I'm a big fan of the Route 1 Corridor and everything it has to offer.

As a Realtor®, I provide unparalleled service to my clients and am proud to have been named a "Top Agent" in 2020 by Washingtonian Magazine.

If you're thinking about making a move, now is actually a great time to consider your options. I offer:

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- 3D Matterport Home Tours
- Virtual Open Houses
- Free, no-obligation consultations

Call, email or text me today!





Hola, soy Don Bunuan. Siendo vecino de BERWYN HEIGHTS y residente del area hace mucho tiempo, soy un gran admirador del ROUTE 1 CORRIDOR y todo lo que tiene para ofrecer.

Como Realtor®, proporciono un servicio incomparable a mis clientes y estoy orgulloso de haber sido nombrado "Top Realtor" en 2020 por la revista Washingtonian.

Si usted está pensando en tomar acción para buscar o vender su hogar, ahora es un buen momento para considerar sus opciones. Lo que ofrezco es:

- Muebles para decorar la escena de la casa (staging)
- Tours de la casa en 3D
- Open houses virtuales
- Consultas gratuitas y sin compromiso;

Llama, envía un correo electrónico o envíame un mensaje de texto hoy!

Don is awesome! He assured us a stress-free selling process and he delivered. He listened closely to our needs and put us at ease all the way through settlement, despite a pandemic! Our house was sold faster than he could put a "For Sale" sign on it! We highly recommend Don and his team and would give him a 10 star review if we could.

- Patty Galati and Karen Jung







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## Berwyn Heights GreenBee

Email us your ideas at bgreen.berwynheights@gmail.com.
Website: www.berwynheightsgreenteam.wordpress.com
Facebook page: www.facebook.com/BerwynHeightsGreenTeam



Our next meeting will be Thursday, July 13th at 7:00 p.m. via ZOOM All residents are welcome to attend, Please email Mayor Dewey for ZOOM information.

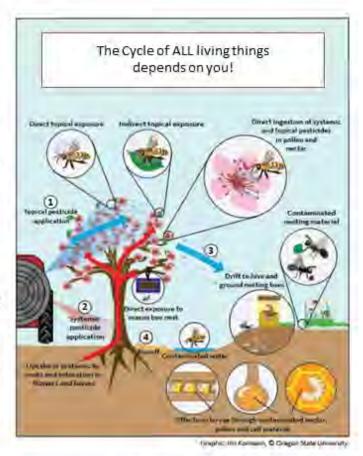
#### KNOW YOUR ENEMY!

...especially when it comes to pesticides.

If you hire a private company or spray mosquitoes yourself, which can harm many other beneficial insects, consider remove sources of standing water. Generally, mosquitoes do not travel very far from where they were born to bite you - so if you get rid of places where they can breed, so if you get rid of places where they can breed, you can make your yard a more pleasant place for summer afternoons.

If you are spending money to professionally spray for mosquitoes, please educate yourself first. In Maryland, insecticides registered for use to control adult mosquitoes may include the following active chemical ingredients: naled, piperonyl butoxide, tau-fluvalinate, bifenthrin, and permethrin. (Source: MD Dept of Ag) The latter three of these are in a class of chemicals called pyrethroids. They are broad-spectrum pesticides, meaning they do not target just one type of insect, and may kill or negatively affect bees and other beneficial insects. They are also toxic to fish and other aquatic organisms and should not be applied near a water.





#### Let's Talk Trash!

Lake Artemesia was often quiet before the pandemic. Nowadays, we have been getting reports of more trash around the lake, as well as the park becoming a "carry in and carry out" park.

We all love our once quiet lake so let's set an example by picking up others trash, and people may join in the efforts. Pick it up and throw it away even if it is not your trash.

Show our community some love & send us a photo with the hashtag #LiveLitterFree on our FB page!

## CODE COMPLIANCE

#### **Covid-19 Operations**

Please note, the Code Compliance Department continues to operate with modified procedures in response to the Covid-19 pandemic, as follows:

- Rental inspections cancelled until further notice;
- Rental license application due dates and applicable fees remain the same, but must be submitted via e-mail to <u>Code@berwynheightsmd.gov</u> or by U.S. mail with check or money order;
- All other license applications (building, roll-off, POD and right-of-way permits), must be submitted by e-mail to <u>Code@berwynheightsmd.gov</u> or by U.S. mail;
- All payments for licenses & permits, fees & fines must be submitted by U.S. mail to 5700 Berwyn Road, Berwyn Heights MD 20740. Drop-off payments are not accepted.

For additional information please call the Code Compliance Department at 301-513-9331.

#### **Noise Restrictions**

As we are throwing open our windows and spend more time outside, please be mindful of the Town's noise regulations, as set forth in <a href="Ordinance 153">Ordinance 153</a>. Lower noise limits are in effect during night-time:



#### 9pm-8am Monday-Thursday 10pm-9am Friday-Sunday.

Noises covered by the regulations include but are not limited to amplified music, shouting, dog barking, chainsaws, lawnmowers, power tools, automobiles and motorcycles.

If you have a concern about a noisy situation, please first reach out the person(s) making the noise, who may be unaware they are creating a disturbance. Otherwise contact the Code Compliance Department 301-513-9331 during regular office hours 8:30am-5:00pm or the police non-emergency number 301-352-12000 at night.

#### COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

#### **BH Elementary School PTA**

President: Marilyn King <u>President@BHESPTA.org</u>

Vice President: Sarah Jacobson &

Kimberly Bills Treasurer: Lilly Ridge

#### **Boys & Girls Club**

President: Brandon Batton bhbgc2019@gmail.com

Vice President: Jeremy Weiss <u>bhbgc2019@gmail.com</u>

Registrar: Tiffany Papanikolas <a href="mailto:bhbgc2019@gmail.com">bhbgc2019@gmail.com</a>

Treasurer: Sandra Zuniga Secretary: Shantel Williams Athletic Director: Vacant

Fundraising Chair: Brandi Cowgill

#### **Education Advisory Committee**

Chair: Allison Holmes thebheac@gmail.com

#### Green Team/ Shade Tree Board

Facilitaor: Jeffrey Knutson jbknutson@verizon.net

Public Outreach: Therese Forbes therese@celticclans.com

#### **Historical Committee**

Chair: Debby Steele Snyder dsteelesny@yahoo.com

#### Men's Basketball League

Jim McGinnis 301-651-8142

#### **Movie Club**

Jonathan Loutsch bhmovieclub@gmail.com

## Neighborhood Watch/ Emergency Preparedness

Co-Chair: Joan Hayden <u>jjmosley45@gmail.com</u> Co-Chair: Randy Fortwengler

bhnwep53@aol.com

#### Karate Club

Leon Swain 301-728-2881 Brett Bentley 240-678-9103 Brett.bentley@gmail.com

#### **Quilter's Club**

Coordinator: Janet Freitag <u>quilttag1@yahoo.com</u>

#### **Recreation Council**

President: Susan Jones violindreams@verizon.net

#### Seniors Club

Ray Smith 301-474-3482



## JULY 2021

| Sun | Mon  | Tue                                    | Wed   | Thu  | Fri | Sat                                     |
|-----|--|--|---|--|-----|---|
| 27  | 28 N   | 7:30 PM Rec. Council Meeting (VIRTUAL) | 30  | 1  | 2   | 3                                       |
| 4   | Independence Day, Observed TOWN OFFICES CLOSED | 6                                      | 7:00 PM NW/EP Meeting VIRTUAL                                     | 8  | 9   | 10                                      |
| 11  | 7:00 PM Worksession VIRTUAL                    | 13 👣                                   | 7:00 PM Town Meeting VIRTUAL                                      | 7:00 PM<br>Green Team Mtg.<br>VIRTUAL      | 16  | 17                                      |
| 18  | 7:00 PM Worksession VIRTUAL                    | 20 5                                   | 21  | 22 N 8 5 5                                 | 23  | 24 Electronics Recycling, Greenbelt DPW |
| 25  | 26 7;00 PM BHEAC Mtg. VIRTUAL                  | 27                                     | 7:30 pm<br>Four Cities Mtg.<br>7:30 pm<br>BHHC Meeting<br>VIRTUAL | 29 N 2 2 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 | 30  | 31                                      |



Please do not park in the street, where possible, when the street sweeper is in Town.

Trash, Bulk Trash, Yard Waste North-side Collection



Trash, Bulk Trash, Yard Waste South-side Collection



Recycling Collection



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#### **Town of Berwyn Heights Phone Nos.**

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#### **Regular Trash Collection Schedule**

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

Heavy Trash Day:

Monday for North of Pontiac Tuesday for South of Pontiac

Recycling Schedule:

Wednesdays for the entire Town

#### **Mayor and Council**

Amanda Dewey (314-322-1080) <u>adewey@berwynheightsmd.gov</u> Mayor — Public Health & Safety

Jodie Kulpa-Eddy (301) 345 1516 <u>jkulpaeddy@berwynheightsmd.gov</u> Mayor Pro Tem — Parks & Recreation, Education & Civic Affairs

Christopher Brittan-Powell (240) 786 2578 <a href="mailto:cbrittanpowell@berwynheightsmd.gov">cbrittanpowell@berwynheightsmd.gov</a> Councilmember — Code Compliance

Jason Papanikolas (240) 338-5191 <u>jpapanikolas@berwynheightsmd.gov</u> Councilmember — Administration

Ethan Sweep (218) 280-2273 <u>esweep@berwynheightsmd.gov</u> Councilmember — Public Works

Laura Allen — (301) 474-5000 <u>lallen@berwynheightsmd.gov</u> Town Manager

#### 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

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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.

Town of Berwyn Heights Website: https://www.berwynheightsmd.gov; Follow us on Twitter @BerwynHeightsMD

Questions — call Melanie Friesen, Administration at (301) 474-5000, or email <a href="mailto:kharper@berwynheightsmd.gov">kharper@berwynheightsmd.gov</a>
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Submission Deadline is the 15th of the month