



# Berwyn Heights Bulletin

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**June 10– Seniors' Memorial Gathering**

**June 18– Town Wide Yard Sale**

**June 23– Lake Artemesia Concert**

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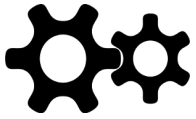
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# PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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## Streetsweeper

The streetsweeper will be in town June 27<sup>th</sup> to July 1<sup>st</sup>. Please park your car off the street when you see the streetsweeper in your area.

## Holiday Trash & Recycling Pick-up Schedules

### **MEMORIAL DAY (Closed Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup>)**

Tuesday 5/30: Town-wide Trash  
Wednesday, 5/31: Town-wide Recycling  
Thursday, 6/1: Town-wide Yardwaste  
Friday, 6/2: Town-wide Trash

### **JUNETEENTH HOLIDAY (Closed Monday, June 20<sup>th</sup>)**

Tuesday, 6/21: Town-wide Trash  
Wednesday, 6/22: Town-wide Recycling  
Thursday, 6/23: Town-wide Yardwaste  
Friday, 6/24: Town-wide Trash

## Barrendero

El barrendero estará en la ciudad del 27 de junio al 1 de julio. Estacione su automóvil fuera de la calle cuando vea al barrendero en su área.

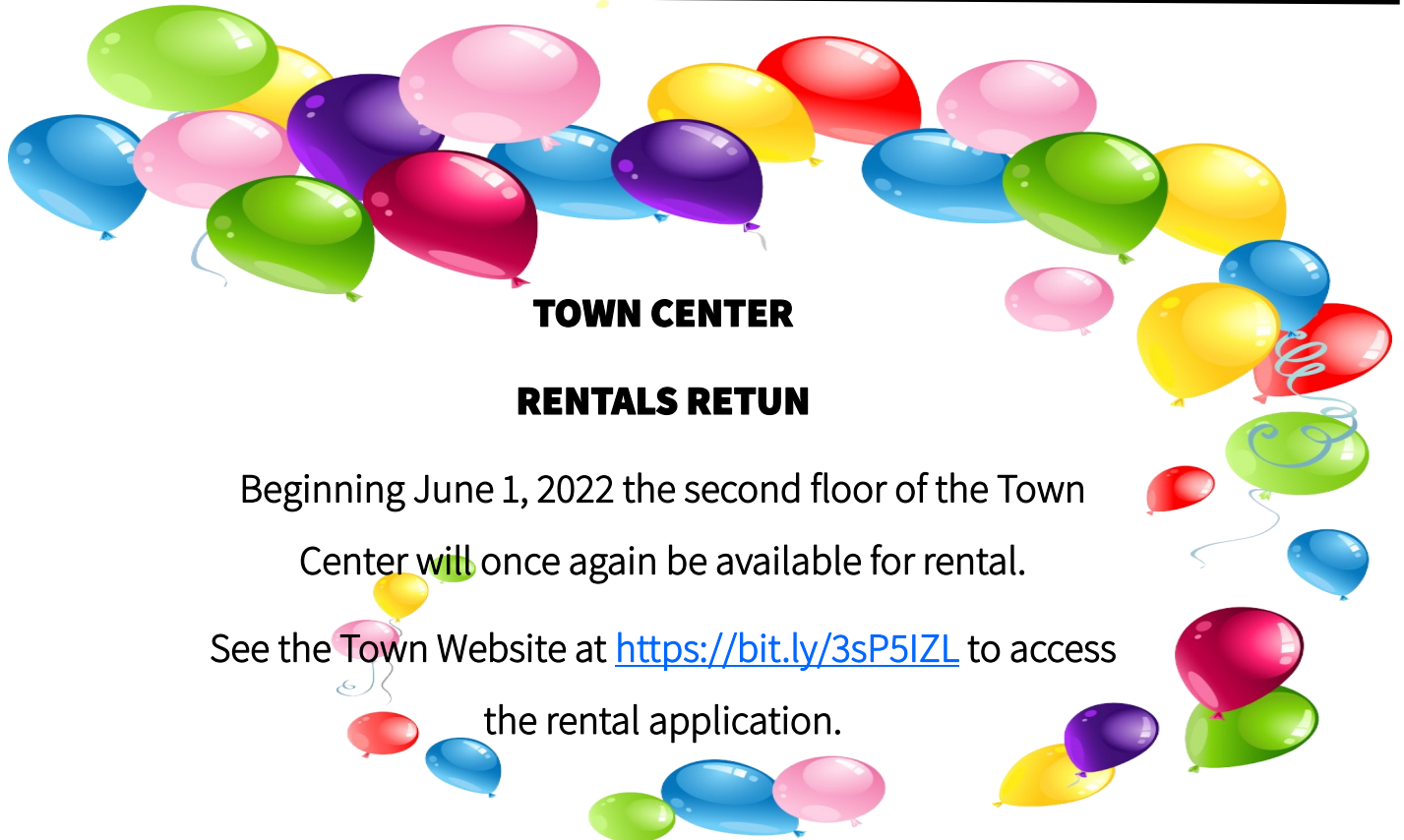
## Horarios de recolección de basura y reciclaje durante los días festivos

### **Día Conmemorativo (Cerrado el lunes 30 de mayo)**

- Martes 5/30: Basura en toda la ciudad
- Miércoles, 5/31: Reciclaje en toda la ciudad
- Jueves, 6/1: Desechos de jardín en toda la ciudad
- Viernes, 6/2: Basura en toda la ciudad

### **FIESTA DEL 19 DE JUNIO (Cerrado el lunes 20 de junio)**

- Martes, 6/21: Basura en toda la ciudad
- Miércoles, 6/22: Reciclaje en toda la ciudad
- Jueves, 6/23: Desechos de jardín en toda la ciudad
- Viernes, 6/24: Basura en toda la ciudad



## Town Meeting Minutes : April 13, 2022 | 7:00 pm

### [Call to order](#)

Mayor Amanda Dewey called the meeting to order at 7PM. Present were Mayor Dewey, Mayor Pro Tempore Jodie Kulpa-Eddy, Councilmember Jason Papanikolas, Councilmember Chris Brittan-Powell, and Councilmember Ethan Sweep, as well as Town Manager Laura Allen and Assistant to Town Manager Yvonne Odoi. Also present were Angie Wolfinger, Dave Wolfinger and Matthew Huddle of Berwyn Heights Volunteer Fire Department (BHVFD).

Pledge of Allegiance

### Announcements

No announcements.

### Approval of Agenda

Mayor Dewey asked the Council to approve the agenda: CM Brittan-Powell moved; CM Papanikolas seconded. After no discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

### Public Hearing

Introduction & First Reading: Ordinance 183 A-Amend the FY 2022 Budget to add ARPA projects for FY22, add the Thriving Earth Exchange grant revenue, add the State bond bill money

No public comment

Mayor moved to leave open for comment until the May Town meeting.

Introduction & First Reading: Ordinance 185 FY2023 Town Budget and Tax Rate. This proposed budget provides level funding for infrastructure, increases for Parks and Recreation, Education and Civic Affairs (PRECA) committees.

No public comment

Mayor moved to leave open for comment until the May Town meeting

Introduction & First Reading: Ordinance 186 FY 2023 Public Safety Taxing District Budget. The Commercial District Management Authority (CDMA) will be meeting virtually on April 27 to review and provide their comments.

No public comment

Mayor moved to leave open for comment until the May Town meeting.

### Consent

Discussed approval of the consent agenda without the inclusion of the minutes, which are delayed due to staffing constraints. CM Brittan-Powell moved; CM Sweep seconded. Discussed the addition of the "Fund Balance Calculation". This is required under the newly approved Reserve Fund Policy.

Motion carried unanimously.

Department Reports

Administration/ Treasurer

General Fund Reserve Report

Code Compliance

Police

Public Works

### Mayor & Councilmember Reports

Mayor Dewey – attended the MML Strategic Planning workshop with Town Manager Allen which included succession planning. She also attended the NW/EP, Green Team and Rec Council meetings. The mayor confirmed the PGC Municipal Association meeting is next Thursday followed by the Four Cities meeting hosted by the City of Greenbelt, location to be determined. She also shared the annual Maryland Assembly Legislative Session, which passed the Highway User Fund Revenue Bill, ended this week. Additional announcements are that the Crime Community Conversation, hosted by the County, can be attended via the county's zoom and YouTube platforms; College Park Church of the Nazarene is still hosting food distributions Saturdays @ 10am; and that the County is hosting hearings on their budget on 4/26 & 5/2. Lastly Mayor Dewey added that the public safety emergency phone numbers are as follows;

911 – in an emergency

301-474-6554 – BHPD - General questions

301-352-1200 – PG County; request a BHPD to respond

MPT Kulpa-Eddy started with the tax filing deadline that is coming up on 4/18/2022 for Federal and 7/15/2022 for the State. The ARPA provided tax benefits to some who may not usually file; you may want to consider doing so this year. She mentioned that PGC Public Schools are on Spring Break so please be vigilant while driving. The BH Community Center is sponsoring a "Dog-Gone Egg Hunt" for pet dogs. Dogs must be leashed and up to date on shots and attendees should be prepared to pick up anything your dog deposits. Registration is required and available on the PG Parks website at [pgparks.com/parksdirect](http://pgparks.com/parksdirect). The County Budget hearing will discuss a proposed tax bill increase of 4.5% on their portion of our property tax bills, primarily due to increased assessments.

CM Papanikolas shared that with the warmer weather and residents being outdoors working on their properties, they must ensure that all project material is properly stored or removed in a timely manner. Also ensure that all vehicles on your property are properly covered or registered and tagged. He reminded residents that the grass needs to be mowed and properly maintained. Code Compliance is available for questions and concerns about property standards. In other news, 6 new properties have gone from rental to owner-occupied; down a total of 10 rentals in this fiscal year. CM Brittan-Powell discussed the national movement of blocks of houses being purchased for rentals by companies. CM Papanikolas replied that in Berwyn Heights, sales are made to house flippers rather than investors. Lastly, CM Papanikolas is working on tracking vacant properties in Town.

CM Brittan-Powell shared that Administration is focusing on the FY 2023 Budget. He thanked Administration for their hard work in putting forth the Budget. MPT Kulpa-Eddy's question on the status of the elevator was answered by Town Manager Allen. The elevator passed the state inspection, and the Town is finishing up on documentations and signage. Candidates' Night will be held in the Town Center (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor) as scheduled and the BH Day Pancake Breakfast as well. Town Center maintenance is being completed by a combination of contractors and Public Works.

CM Sweep reminded residents that yard waste is collected on Mondays for the north side and Tuesday for the south side of Town. There are no schedule changes for refuse collection in April, but Town offices will close at 1pm on 4/15 in observance of Good Friday. Thank you to the City of Greenbelt for sharing their bucket truck to allow Public Works to hang the BH Day and Election Day street banners. The playground equipment supplier will provide a replacement tube for the slide at Pop's Park; the Town will be billed for installation only.

### Committee Reports

Education Advisory Committee. 3 members, including the Mayor and MPT, attended the last meeting; not enough for a quorum. The next meeting Monday 4/25 is hybrid, both in-person and via Zoom. The BHEAC received 1 application for the second grant cycle. The application did not meet the criteria and they are looking for an alternative use for the \$2,000 remaining in the grant budget line item. The committee will have a table at BH Day. Any questions can be directed to Allison Holmes [thebheac@gmail.com](mailto:thebheac@gmail.com) or asked at the upcoming meeting.

Green Team met last night. Planning for BH Day with fun giveaways and information on resources currently available to residents. Also looking to expand a tool library to include ivy removal tools. The group recapped the Route 1 Green Team Summit that was attended by team members. The next meeting 5/19 is in person; a Zoom link is available on request.

Historical Committee President Debby Steele-Snyder announced that their last meeting was in person. The next meeting is 4/27/2022 at 7:30 pm. They are focused on participating in the BH Day parade and having an informational booth with historical items. The 1950 U.S. Census is now available; there is a link to it on the BHHC Facebook page.

Neighborhood Watch/ Emergency Preparedness Committee met last week focusing on BH Day. They will participate in the parade with the new trailer and have giveaways and information at their booth. Officer Wright was selected for Special Training but will be leaving to go to another agency.



No Recreation Council member called in to give their report. MPT Kulpa-Eddy reviewed that the Rec Council is working on Berwyn Heights Day. This is the 126th celebration of the founding of the Town. They are bringing back all the past favorites: Pancake Breakfast served by Town Council, Senior Bake sale, games, kiddie rides, local vendors, and Town Organizations providing great resources for all attendees. Please support the Town Organizations (Seniors, Karate and the Boys & Girls Clubs) that are fundraising at this event. The parade will be back as well. The final BH Day planning meeting is on Sunday 5/1/2022 @ 4pm in-person and via Zoom. Lastly, the Town-wide Yard Sale is scheduled for June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022. CM Brittan-Powell suggested that BH Day banners be in Spanish as well as English; this was referred to the Rec Council.

### Old Business

The Audio Visual Quote Approval was recapped from the presentation of 4/4/2022. Council had requested that the presented quote be adjusted. WPS re-evaluated the proposal and made the needed adjustments to lower the quote. Town Manager Allen requested that Council approve the proposal as the current equipment is in dire need of replacement as parts of it are no longer under warranty or supported by our vendors. CM Brittan-Powell commented on the process that was taken to acquire the quote. Town Manager Allen gave background information that of the 2 responsive vendors, only one useable responsible quote is available. This quote provides for training and staff support. Mayor Dewey recapped that the decision before the Council is to accept or not accept the proposal. She also reviewed the portion of the Charter that allows for the Mayor to forego the formal advertising procedure for contracting. These are the 4 circumstances listed in the charter that allow for this exception:

In an emergency situation

Proprietary articles involved

When competition is precluded

When bids are solicited and insufficient responsive bids are received

CM Brittan-Powell followed up with additional questions on awarding WPS the contract. TM Allen explained that the current equipment has aged warranty and technical support. Staff is working on previous knowledge and learning by trial and error. TM Allen provided clarification as to the details of the contract with WPS. Mayor Dewey reiterated what the decision before the Council is. MPT Kulpa-Eddy explained that the process of acquiring this quote has been done prior with the generators. Mayor Dewey also confirmed that this process meets 2 of the 4 qualifications for making an exception in this contract.

Resident Question: Will this new video equipment have wireless capabilities to broadcast events and meetings in the Town Center?

Answer: No. There is a mobile cart that does allow some broadcasting option with a better quality than the current layout.

CM Sweep motion: to authorize the Town Manager to enter into contract with WPS for audio visual equipment services in an amount not to exceed \$148,000.00. MPT Kulpa-Eddy seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

### New Business

Ordinance 183 A – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading and Introduction of FY 2022 General Fund Budget Amendment

Comments: TM Allen clarified the State requirements for Budget adoption. Upon approval, the funds become available June 1, 2022. No public or Council comments.

CM Papanikolas moved to introduce and waive the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of Ordinance 183 A – amending the FY 2022 Budget. CM Sweep seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

The hearing is open for comment through the May 11<sup>th</sup> Town meeting

Ordinance 185 – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading and Introduction of FY 2023 Town General Fund and ARPA Budget

Comments: Mayor Dewey brought attention to the staff report that tracks evolution of this ordinance. TM Allen elaborated on the details and the process of this ordinance. MPT Kulpa-Eddy commented that the constant yield tax rate was not being maintained. She hopes that the next Council will alleviate the increase in property tax by adjusting the Town's homestead tax credit. CM Papanikolas proposes, just for FY2023, that the Council absorb the \$90 refuse fee for residents with surplus from the general fund balance, while the next Council tackles the larger issue of infrastructure and the HUR funds. CM Brittan-Powell wants landlords to pass this refuse fee credit on to their renters.

Proposal: to suspend the current refuse collections fee for one year

CM Papanikolas Motioned: waive the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of FY2023 Town General Fund & ARPA Budget and to further direct Staff to remove the \$90 Refuse Collection fee for FY2023. MPT Kulpa-Eddy second. No further discussion Motion carried unanimously. Ordinance introduced. Open for comment through the May 11<sup>th</sup> Town meeting

Ordinance 186 – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading and Introduction of FY 2023 PSTD Budget

CM Sweep motioned to introduce and wave the 1<sup>st</sup> reading. CM Brittan-Powell seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Hearing is open for comment through the May 11<sup>th</sup> Town meeting

Resolution 8 – 2022 Town Organizations Policy

a. A resolution to update the Town Organization Policy for creation of a new assembly: the Immigrant Neighbors Committee. This assembly would grant immigrant neighbors access to town resources and services paid for by their taxes. The new assembly wants to start meeting in this fiscal year and has requested funds. TM Allen explained that funds will be distributed through a reimbursement process. Council discussed the issue of the actual name of the assembly including the wording 'committee' although they have not received that designation. Discussion on the intention of the action tonight that will give them a designation by the Council. Mayor Dewey read the section of the policy.

b. Designation by the Council gives the group access to funding, Staff resources and a potential line item in the budget.

CM Sweep motioned to approve Resolution 8-2022 CM Brittan-Powell seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Immigrant Neighbors Committee established as a Town organization.

### Resident & Community Comments

#### BH VFD

BHVFD gave stats on the previous month's activity. They also noted that the department does not fundraise via phone, and suggested residents call BHPD if they receive fraudulent calls. They are preparing for Berwyn Heights Day participation. With meetings in person, they will plan to attend future Council meetings and share contact info for new BHVFD leadership.

#### Resident Comments

None

#### Adjournment

8:33 pm

**W**orksession Minutes  
April 18, 2022 | 7:00 pm

#### Call to Order

Mayor Amanda Dewey called the meeting to order at 7PM. Present were Mayor Pro Tempore Jodie Kulpa-Eddy, Councilmember Jason Papanikolas, Councilmember Chris Brittan-Powell, and Councilmember Ethan Sweep. Also present were Town Manager Laura Allen and Town Clerk Melanie Friesen and residents of the community.

#### Announcements

Mayor Dewey shared that there will be a Prince George's County Municipal Association (PGCMA) meeting, in person on Thursday in College Park at the new municipal building. That meeting is open to the public.



## Approval of Agenda

Mayor Dewey shared that MPT Kulpa-Eddy had an item to add to the agenda, a discussion of a couple of matters that may be discussed at the PGCMA meeting. This item will be added to the agenda as Discussion Item D.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy moved to approve the agenda as amended. CM Brittan-Powell seconded. After no discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

## Presentation FY 2021 Audited Financial Statements – Bob Diss, CPA, Lindsey Associates

TM Allen introduced Mr. Diss and explained the purpose of the audit. Mr. Diss presented the highlights of the audit for Fiscal Year 2021. He shared that the first three pages of the document are the opinion letter, which gives the Town a clean or unmodified opinion, stating that the audit provides reasonable assurance that the statements are not materially misstated. The next section is the Management Discussion and Analysis, which is written by the Town and lets the reader know what the Town wants to highlight. He further explained the layout of the document, including the two sets of financial statements. He briefly reviewed the notes that are included in the audit and stated the final pages cover the “budget to actuals” of the Town as well as some recommendations. Mr. Diss also reviewed a few items that will look different in audits in the future due to changes in the law. Mayor Dewey reminded everyone that the audit is due to the State of Maryland by April 30, 2022, and that is why the Council will be taking a vote on it during a worksession, as this is the last meeting before the deadline. MPT Kulpa-Eddy asked a question about a detail on reserve funds being used to balance the budget. CM Brittan-Powell asked if Mr. Diss had any projections about the fiscal impact of Covid-19 on the Town. Mr. Diss shared that since most of the Town’s revenue comes from real property taxes, the impact will be less than on a municipality where there is significant tax revenue from businesses. CM Brittan-Powell also asked about having good financial housekeeping while not dampening the spirit of volunteerism that the Town has. Mr. Diss explained that there must be segregation of duties, even when there are volunteers. He further shared that oversight is necessary to keep people accountable. CM Sweep asked a question about the Management Discussion and Analysis. He wanted to know what the phrase “significantly impacted” meant in regard to the Town not being significantly impacted by Covid-19. TM Allen explained that it means there has been no real impact on the Town’s income. MPT Kulpa-Eddy asked if it would be possible to create reserve funds for areas other than the Vehicle Reserve Fund. Mr. Diss explained that reserve funds could be set up for any reason. MPT Kulpa-Eddy wondered if it would be possible to have a reserve fund created for end-of-the-year rollover money for Town Organizations. The Council discussed several possibilities for Town organizations to have easier access to funds they may need throughout the year.

Resident Angie Wolfinger expressed that the Rec Council has had access to extra funds through their checking account. She expressed concerns about the expediency for invoices being paid and concerns about reimbursement. TM Allen stated that there will need to be greater pre-planning and communication with the Town. She also stated that the Town is working on credit card options that would allow organizations to have access to a set amount of funding for purchases. She also wanted to draw attention to the recommendations on pages 61-62 and stated that they are working on cash handling policies for general purposes as well as specifically in relation to Berwyn Heights Day. Angie Wolfinger asked about the requirement for Town Organizations who only had one officer needing a secondary signature for purchases.

Mayor Dewey asks for a motion to accept the audited statements CM Brittan-Powell moved to accept the audited statements. CM Papanikolas seconded. After no discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

## Discussion Items

### Annual Review of Fines and Fees

Mayor Dewey reviewed that the Town looks at the Fines and Fees Schedule annually as part of the budget process. She stated that there are two changes in the schedule, both of which are related to roll-off containers. The first is to remove the late fees for permits for roll-off containers and portable storage units from the “Fines” schedule, as these are incorporated into the “Fees” schedule. The second is to reduce the roll-off permit fine. MPT Kulpa-Eddy expressed concern about wording in the resolution, requesting that the resolution be updated to express that the late fee would be removed because it is “extraneous”.

### Council Rule #2 – Council Member Papanikolas

CM Papanikolas shared that this Rule has some basic objectives: providing a basic job description for each role, providing residents insight into the roles of their elected officials, and addressing some differences between the ordinances and Charter. MPT Kulpa-Eddy asked where are the contradictions/differences; no examples were provided. CM Brittan-Powell raised questions about the role of the mayor in the document. Council discussed the role and ultimately decided that the best way to address the question about the relationship of the Mayor to the Town Manager would be to address the sections of the document one-by-one.

Section 1: Mayor Dewey expressed that the sources still need to be cited. CM Papanikolas shared that this section outlines generic terms for what the Council does and puts it into context for residents. MPT Kulpa-Eddy expressed that the Council has judicial functions as well as legislative and executive roles and that the language should be updated to reflect that. She also pointed out that there is no staff member assigned to PRECA and that needs to be clarified for residents and future Councilmembers.

Section 2: CM Papanikolas shared that this section is all about the role of the mayor and explains the weak mayor system of government that the Town has. Mayor Dewey asked about the Town’s practice that the mayor doesn’t make motions during the meeting and wondered if there should be policy about that. CM Brittan-Powell stated that it is a function of Robert’s Rules. Mayor Dewey also suggested changing the document to reflect that the mayor does not have veto power over the majority of the Town Council. Mayor Dewey also asked that this section use consistent language between sections regarding PRECA. She also requested a change to say that the mayor facilitates rather than leads as that is inclusive of both public and Council comment.

Section 3: This section lays out the roles of the Town Manager. CM Papanikolas made a correction that the Town Manager is not a political appointee, rather that they serve at the pleasure of Council. TM Allen further clarified that all other employees of the Town are at-will employees and that it is only the Town Manager who has a contract and reports directly to the Council. MPT Kulpa-Eddy had concerns about section B which states that the Town Manager helps the Council develop a long-term vision. She expressed that would prefer that the statement read that the Town Manager implement the long-term vision of the Council. Council agreed to change the word to assist rather than help. TM Allen asked where the description in the document came from and suggested that it would be beneficial to look at her job description approved by the Council rather than using ICMA’s job description.

Section 4 of the presented document focused on the relationship between Council and the Town Manager. The general phrase that CM Papanikolas expressed he was trying to convey was “praise in public, chastise in private”. MPT Kulpa-Eddy raised questions about the sentence stating “a Council undermining a Town Manager could erode trust of other Town employees”. Council discussed scenarios in which this could occur. They also discussed how to differentiate when a Councilmember is speaking to other residents in Town between when they represent themselves, and when they represent the Town. Mayor Dewey reminded Council that the Town Attorney would say as a public official, they always represent the Town when speaking to residents. TM Allen reminded Council that the Town has Ordinance 124 on Code of Conduct. Mayor Dewey raised questions about the word “publicly” in the sentence “publicly commenting on rumors and unsubstantiated allegations is frowned upon and may subject the individual to a vote of censure”. Council discussed if publicly meant at a meeting, club event, or even out with friends. Resident Angie Wolfinger weighed in on her thoughts about what constitutes public/private. Mayor Dewey suggested “as a public official, commenting on rumors and unsubstantiated allegations...”. This received general consensus. MPT Kulpa-

Eddy asked that this be compared to Ord. 124 to ensure that there is no conflict. TM Allen reminded Council that as a body, they are the employer for all the employees of Berwyn Heights. CM Brittan-Powell thanked CM Papanikolas for all his work on this rule, however as he feels that the change in structure from Town Administrator to Town Manager was a process that was mismanaged, he will be abstaining from the vote. He clarified that the process was legal and above board, but he believed that the decision should have been a vote by the Town, not by the Council.

#### 4 Cities Agenda Items

Mayor Dewey reviewed that the 4 Cities meeting will be coming up on April 28<sup>th</sup> and that it is still undecided if the meeting will be held in person or virtual. She asked Council for agenda items to be sent to Greenbelt. CM Sweep asked if it would be possible, when Berwyn Heights hosts, to do a summary agenda where an item is only addressed once even if multiple municipalities ask for the same item. Council submitted the following items:

Greenbelt Road Corridor Visioning/ planning update

Continuing Bus Driver shortage

School Boundary initiative

Collaborative Watershed/stormwater projects

#### PGCMA meeting (amended agenda item)

MPT Kulpa-Eddy stated that PGCMA officers were supposed to be sending language on policies discussed at the previous meeting, to be voted on at the upcoming meeting, but this language hasn't yet been received. PGCMA proposed that their logo be available for municipalities/entities to use, provided that the events are fully open to the public and permission is obtained in advance. After brief discussion, the Council generally supported this item. The second item was that PGCMA wanted to add a category of honorary membership for elected officials. The purpose of this proposal was to ease transition in PGCMA if an officer loses an election or resigns their position while holding a position at PGCMA. After brief discussion there was general support for this item as well.

#### Department Reports

Mayor Dewey shared again the PGCMA meeting in College Park on Thursday. She shared that the BHEAC meeting is Monday the 25<sup>th</sup> and CDMA meeting is Wednesday the 27<sup>th</sup>. She shared that she and TM Allen have a check-in with Denise Ross, County liaison. She also shared about the Congressional District change to District 4 instead of 5. She mentioned webinars presented by the County Office of Homeland Security. Upcoming modules include hurricane preparedness and flood mitiga-

tion. She also reminded everyone to check the county website for Covid vaccine and testing sites as those are changing.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy shared that Park and Planning summer camp programs will be opening April 20<sup>th</sup> and that some day camps will have virtual options. She also shared about the PGCPs student transfer season being open until May 13<sup>th</sup>. Parents will need to log on to their SchoolMAX accounts, call 301-507-8751 or email [students.transfers@pgcps.org](mailto:students.transfers@pgcps.org) to request changing to another school. She also shared that all redistricting maps made as a result of the 2020 census are finalized. Federal Congressional level changes place Berwyn Heights in a new district with an open seat. She also shared about upcoming meetings for the BHEAC, Historical Committee and Rec Council, which will have a meeting on Sunday May 1 at 4pm. She shared that the focus remains on Berwyn Heights Day.

CM Papanikolas stated that he had an answer to a question that has been asked several times- there are currently 9 vacant homes in Berwyn Heights. He also shared that he received an elected officials invitation to the Mormon Temple and would be attending that function. CM Brittan-Powell asked about the "no-mow April" initiative and if residents would be cited for participating. There was discussion about making no-mow April an event for future years and the practicalities of the citation process making it unlikely that anyone would receive a citation this year.

CM Brittan-Powell shared a thanks to administration team for surviving budget season. MPT Kulpa-Eddy reminded residents that Candidates Night is April 26<sup>th</sup> and the League of Women Voters will be hosting.

CM Sweep shared that there is not a lot happening in Public Works at the moment. He shared that the Greenbelt electronics recycling is scheduled for April 23 from 9-12. He also reviewed that the street sweeper will be in town the first week in May.

#### Resident & Community Comments

MPT Kulpa-Eddy shared about some park issues that needed to be dealt with, giving thanks to Parks and Planning for their response to the Indian Creek Playground issues and thanks to Public Works for responding to issues at Pops Park. CM Brittan-Powell asked that tree issues be evaluated at Sports Park. There were no other resident comments.

#### Adjournment

CM Sweep moved to adjourn the meeting. CM Brittan-Powell seconded. After no discussion the motion passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 9:13PM.

## ARPA RESIDENTIAL RELIEF PROGRAM

The ARPA Residential Relief Program will be available beginning June 1, 2022.

The purpose of this program is to provide financial assistance to eligible Berwyn Heights individuals and families who have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Payments will be sent directly to the related vendor. Assistance for groceries will be in the form of gift cards to local stores.

**Eligibility requirements:** Resident of the Town of Berwyn Heights. Show evidence of need and that need was due to circumstances related to COVID-19 pandemic. Show necessity of payment for eligible expense, Town of Berwyn Heights property taxes, and other Town bills/obligations are not eligible.

Complete the Application form and attach requested documentation of residence and hardship. Attach copies of bill (s) requested to be paid and documentation such as rental/mortgage delinquency; past due notices; and other related documentation pertaining to a particular emergency expense request.

Assistance funds are limited and payments for assistance awards will be made bi-weekly, until available funds are depleted. In general, eligibility is determined by residency in Berwyn Heights and a financial hardship as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The application form is intended to provide 1) proof of residency and 2) proof of hardship/need. Questions?  
Email: [mfriesen@berwynheightsmid.gov](mailto:mfriesen@berwynheightsmid.gov)

All questions are required, and the application will not be considered without all responses.

Access the application by visiting <https://www.berwynheightsmid.gov/home/pages/arpa-residential-relief-program>

Once completed, please send the application and all relevant documentation to Melanie Friesen at [mfriesen@berwynheightsmid.gov](mailto:mfriesen@berwynheightsmid.gov) You may also drop off the application in paper form at Town Hall during regular business hours.

### Tree Care Tips!

The trees in our neighborhood are important for the health and wellbeing of Berwyn Heights! Ensure that the trees on your property are properly maintained by:



- Removing invasive vines from trunks.
- Using 2 to 4 inches of non-cypress mulch under young trees to keep weeds and grass that compete for nutrients and water away.
- Consult an ISA Certified Arborist when considering pruning a tree to ensure that pruning is done properly. Confirm that they avoid harmful, extreme pruning practices such as “topping”.

Berwyn Heights Shade Tree Board

Next meeting: June 9th, 2022, 7 pm

Contact: Amanda Dewey, [amandamdewey@gmail.com](mailto:amandamdewey@gmail.com)



## Congratulations, Graduates!!!

**The EAC celebrates this milestone with you:  
your hard work and persistence are true gifts.**

**Be proud!**

**Thank you, families and educators, for  
supporting all our learners!**







Congratulations to the 2nd recipient of the Berwyn Heights Education Grant: Parkdale High School, Class of 2022. The Senior Class celebrates its graduates and honor awardees with a banquet at the end of May. The pandemic presented several challenges for these scholars both to complete high school and to fundraise, but every learner deserves to be recognized and celebrated. Kudos, graduates!



### **Workgroup Members Needed!**

**Goal:** Develop an advocacy and training video series for schools and other organizations to raise awareness, enhance learning, and a sense of belonging for students with special needs

**Timeline:** Meetings and production for 6 months

**Who:** Anyone, including youth (great for service hours!)

**How to volunteer:** email [jkulpaeddy@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:jkulpaeddy@berwynheightsmd.gov) and [arez86@me.com](mailto:arez86@me.com)



# Berwyn Heights Elementary School PTA

-- June 2022 --

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Come to the BHES Health and Wellness Fair on **June 2nd from 6-7:30 pm** in front of the school. There will be local community groups providing resources, tips and tools, so come join us!

The PTA will be having elections for the 2022-2023 PTA Board at our June meeting, **please consider joining the PTA Board** to help us and help the school! Positions are: President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Come to the meeting to learn more, or contact Lilly Ridge at [president@bhespta.org](mailto:president@bhespta.org) for information. The meeting will be **June 14th at 7 pm on Zoom**, check ClassDojo for the link.

The **last day of school is June 23rd**, we are excited for summer and we will see everyone again **August 29th** for the first day of the next school year!

If your child is an incoming Kindergartener or other new student please register them for school at <https://www.pgcps.org/about-pgcps/registration-enrollment>



## Important Dates/

### Fechas Importantes

#### June 14th

PTA Meeting and Elections  
Reunion de PTA y Elecciones

#### June 20th

Juneteenth Holiday - No School

Día festivo del Juneteenth - No hay clases

#### June 22nd

2-Hour Early Dismissal  
Salida temprana de 2 horas

#### June 23rd

2-Hour Early Dismissal and Last Day of School  
Salida temprana de 2 horas y último día de escuela



## Join Us

Please join the PTA for the 2021-2022 school year!

Membership is \$12/person or \$20/family. Membership forms will be sent home with your student, please fill out and return.

Visit our PTA Facebook Page:

Berwyn Heights ES PTA

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**June is**

## National Pollinators Month

**June 20-26 is Pollinators Week**

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You can learn more about Bee City, USA on the Town  
Website at [https://www.berwynheightsmd.gov/home/  
pages/bee-city-usa](https://www.berwynheightsmd.gov/home/pages/bee-city-usa)

When planting this spring, think about the importance of  
helping our pollinators do their jobs!

Plant Maryland Natives such as the sunflower, bluebell,  
aster, milkweed, and purple cone flower.

The Black-Eyed Susan is both Maryland's State Flower  
and is a pollinator beloved by butterflies, blooming in mid  
to late summer.

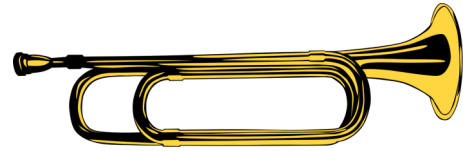
Creeping Phlox is a Maryland Native and a good ground  
cover that flowers in early spring. Native ground covers  
reduce large lawns, block weeds, help keep moisture in  
the soil all while providing essential habitats for pollina-  
tors.







# The Bugle



June 2022

Our next meeting is Thursday 6/2 at 7pm via ZOOM.

**Registration begins this month for our Fall 2022 Soccer Season.  
Register early to ensure your player's spot!**

*La inscripción comienza este mes para nuestra temporada de fútbol de otoño de 2022. ¡Regístrate temprano para asegurar el lugar de tu jugador!*

**Please register online at  
[www.berwynheightsbgc.org](http://www.berwynheightsbgc.org)**

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**The Berwyn Heights Boys & Girls Club welcomes children of all skill levels and abilities and currently offers Track and Soccer Programs for ages 4 & up.**

*El Club de Niños y Niñas de Berwyn Heights da la bienvenida a niños de todos los niveles y habilidades y actualmente ofrece programas de atletismo y fútbol para niños de 4 años en adelante.*

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

*Interesado en ser miembro? ¿Tienes sugerencias o ideas? ¿Quiere ser voluntario?*

**Contact us at:** [info@berwynheightsbgc.org](mailto:info@berwynheightsbgc.org)

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# Historical Committee

**Thank you for visiting us on Berwyn Heights Day!**



Members of BHHHC at the information booth in the Love Room during a rainy BH Day.

**Congratulations to Connie Hanlon for winning the wine basket raffle!**

**The next meeting of the BHHC is on Wednesday, June 29, 2022 in the Love Room.**

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

**For more information visit our Website:**

<https://berwynheightshistory.com>

**and on Facebook.**

***Wine and Cheese Event coming soon, and see on Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> for National Night Out at the Town Center!***



## Free Karate Training!!!!

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**Mondays and Fridays from 5:15 pm – 5:55 pm**

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

# Berwyn Heights Recreation Council...

## *Where the fun happens!*

Coming up in June:

**Saturday, June 18—Town Wide Crafts & Yard Sale!** Register by emailing your address and up to (3) types of items you will be selling to [violindreams@verizon.net](mailto:violindreams@verizon.net) no later than June 11th to be included on list / map, **OR** to reserve a spot at the BH Community Center Lower Lot.

**Thursday, June 23, 6-8pm— Susan Jones Jazz Quartet at Lake Artemesia.** Come kick off our Summer Concert Series at Lake Artemesia. We will try to have a monthly Concert June through October, please check the town bulletin for schedule & upcoming bands.

Our goal is to have a fun event in our community each month. Activities include our **Ice Cream Social** in September, **Trunk-or-Treat** in October, **Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Party** in December, **Re-Gifting Party** in January, **Valentines Card & Cookie Decorating Party** in February, **Pot 'o Gold Pot Luck** in March, and our Annual **Berwyn Heights Day** in May— just to name a few!



**Would you be interested in new, FREE, activities? We want to know!**  
**Dates and times are TBD, so please check for details in the upcoming town bulletin.**  
**(Offerings are subject to change based on response/interest.)**

**Game Night** - Come play Card Games, Board games, and Trivia

**Craft Time** - Work on a wide selection of fun craft projects

**Book Club (Monthly)** - Read and discuss cool and interesting books. First 3 selections:

The Complete Stories by Flannery O'Connor, The Shining by Stephen King,

The Abolition of Man by C.S. Lewis (free to read on Internet Archive)

**Educational Classes** - Attend classes and workshops put on by residents and learn new skills

**Walking/Outdoor Club** - Get outside, exercise, and talk with your neighbors both at local parks (such as Lake Artemesia and Greenbelt Park) and special day trips to exciting natural locations in the area

**Email your feedback to [violindreams@verizon.net](mailto:violindreams@verizon.net) or stop by our monthly meeting**

Our next two meetings will be **Tuesday, May 31st & Tuesday, June, 28th at 7:30pm in the G. Love Room at the Senior Center.** (\*These have been rescheduled from our normal 1st Tuesday schedule) New members are always welcome! If you'd like to make a suggestion or ask a question but can't make it to our meetings, your emails can be sent to [violindreams@verizon.net](mailto:violindreams@verizon.net)



# VECINO/A YA TE ENTERASTE?

El pasado mes de mayo se eligió dos nuevos concejales del municipio de Berwyn Heights, y uno es Inmigrante como nosotros/as.

**DESEAMOS FELICITAR a:**  
**Faustino “Tino” Menjivar**  
**Shinita Hemby**

Con tan grato motivo queremos organizar un gran festejo este fin de mes de Junio, Con mucha humildad y agrado les pedimos que participen y se apunten al grupo de WhatsApp, o se contacten por Facebook.

**¡Así organizamos un GRAN FIESTON!**

Somos un grupo comunitario de vecinos inmigrantes que refleja la diversidad en Berwyn Height, Maryland. Buscamos crear una comunidad activa para expandir el bienestar de nuestras familias, en nuestros idiomas, y culturas.

We are a community group of immigrant neighbors reflecting the rich diversity of Berwyn Heights, Maryland. We seek to create an active community to expand the well-being of our families, among our languages, and ethnic cultures.

If you need language assistance, please make note of spoken language and contact:

Claudia Barragan (301) 458-0288 o [info@incbh.org](mailto:info@incbh.org)



Para participar en el grupo de vecinos inmigrantes favor manden mensaje con su nombre completo al:

grupo de WhatsApp:

(301) 458-0288

grupo de email:

[info@incbh.org](mailto:info@incbh.org)

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## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH/ EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

**Join us June 1, 7pm. To participate contact BHPD at 301-474-6554**  
 Or email [mmurales@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:mmurales@berwynheightsmd.gov)

June consists of many days / months' long awareness days for learning techniques to save lives. It starts on National Heimlich Maneuver Day, June 1 as we gear up to honor an important method that can help save someone from choking. The Heimlich maneuver is essentially an abdominal thrust where you place your fist slightly above the navel of a person who is choking. Then, with your other hand, you grasp your fist and shove it inward and upward to expel the object on which the person is choking. To learn more about the Heimlich Maneuver, click on the link found here: [NATIONAL HEIMLICH MANEUVER DAY - June 1, 2022 - National Today](#)

June is also Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month. Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month is observed in June as an opportunity to spread the word about and discuss Alzheimer's disease and other dementias. Throughout the month, the Alzheimer's Association encourages people around the globe to support the movement by wearing purple and training their brains to fight the disease. To learn more about Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month, click on the link found here: [ALZHEIMER'S AND BRAIN AWARENESS MONTH -June 2022 - National Today](#)

June is also Cataract Awareness Month. Cataract Awareness Month is celebrated in June. The awareness campaign promotes information about the eye condition that is the leading cause of blindness in the U.S. While this is a scary fact, fret not because cataracts are treatable with a simple surgery procedure, which has a 95% success rate. This common eye condition mostly affects people over 40, but newborns can also suffer from cataracts either due to complications during pregnancy or the mother contracting diseases like German measles and chickenpox. The causes for cataracts in people above the age of 40 can range from diabetes, long-term eye diseases, and eye injury/inflammation, to factors like intense heat, hereditary influences, smoking, intake of certain oral steroids, and so forth. To learn more about Cataract Awareness Month, click on the link found here: <https://nationaltoday.com/cataract-awareness-month/>

June is also Child Vision Awareness Month. This Child Vision Awareness Month in June, make it your mission to ensure no child around you is suffering from vision issues. This is necessary since children have no idea whether they can see clearly or not. In fact, if they have problems with their vision, they tend to accept their blurred version of the world, assuming it is reality. They can't figure out why they can't see the board from the back of the classroom, nor can they understand why they are unable to spot their friends during lunchtime. Yes, a weak vision can cause a child to suffer academically and socially. However, this June, you can make a difference. All you have to do is spread awareness for the cause. To learn more about Child Vision Awareness Month, click on the link found here: [CHILD VISION AWARENESS MONTH -June 2022 - National Today](#)

June is also known as Fireworks Safety Month. In Fireworks Safety Month throughout June authorities like the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission reiterate safety measures when fireworks are set off. Summer months in the U.S. are filled with the festivities of summer vacations and Fourth of July celebrations. Backyards and lawns are rife with barbeque sessions as people indulge in music, game nights, and general merriment. But many celebrations in America are incomplete without fireworks. From fireworks that burst into intricate design spectacles to the ones that simply bloom across the dark sky canvas, you can find all sorts being sold around the country this time of the year. However, it is also to be noted that fireworks safety is a matter often taken lightly. Most fireworks injuries are reported between June 16 to July 16. Many of these injuries could have been prevented had safety measures been applied. To learn more about Fireworks Safety Month, click on the link found here: [FIREWORKS SAFETY MONTH -June 2022 - National Today](#)

June is also National Fresh Fruit and Vegetables Month. Celebrate National Fresh Fruit and Vegetables month this June with these colorful and tasty foods. Fruits and vegetables provide a variety of nutrients, vitamins, minerals, and fiber — while remaining naturally low in calories, fat and sodium. In addition, they lower your risk of developing certain chronic diseases — and help you maintain a healthy weight. Whether you fancy a market, or just grow the fruits and veggies at home, enjoy any combination of these delectable delights to kick off your summer right. To learn more about National Fresh Fruit and Vegetables Month, click on the link found here: [NATIONAL FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLES MONTH -June 2022 - National Today](#)

June also is known as National PTSD Awareness Month. National PTSD Awareness Month is observed in June and it ushers in an array of awareness campaigns run for the benefit of PTSD survivors. PTSD, which stands for post-traumatic stress disorder, occurs in people after they have experienced a particularly traumatic event like war, violent physical/sexual/verbal assault, accidents, and so forth. Symptoms include depression, anxiety, nightmares, paranoia, insomnia, disturbing thoughts, and much more. Many people recover from PTSD after a few days, weeks, or months. Yet, for others, the recovery road might mean one year or more. This mental disorder is highly treatable, but due to the lack of knowledge around it as well as the stigma attached to seeking mental help, many choose to ignore the problem and suffer through it. To learn more about National PTSD Awareness Month, click on the link found here: [NATIONAL PTSD AWARENESS MONTH -June 2022 - National Today](#)

The Week of June 19 – 25 is Lightning Safety Awareness Week. Lightning Safety Awareness Week is observed every year in the third full week of June — June 19 to June 25 this year. An estimated 1,000 people get struck by lightning each year in the U.S. Lightning strikes cause several deaths and people who are struck by lightning often suffer from neurological issues. Thus, it is important to be aware of the dangers of lightning to keep yourself and your loved ones out of harm's way in a thunderstorm. To

learn more about Lightning Safety Awareness Week, click on the link found here: [LIGHTNING SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK - June 19-25, 2022 - National Today](#)

Other June dates that are of importance are:

June 6 – D-Day

June 14 – Flag Day / Army Birthday

June 19 – Father's Day / Lightning Safety Awareness Week

June 21 – Summer Solstice

June 27 – Nat'l PTSD Awareness Day / Nat'l Sunglasses Day

June 4 – National Black Bear Day\*

To learn more about any of the above dates / topics, please click on the link here: [June Holidays & National Days | 2022 Calendar \(nationaltoday.com\)](#)

\*Look for more information in the July Bulletin!!!!!!!

Happy Father's Day to all of the Father's in Town!!!!!! Happy Flag Day!!!!!!



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

**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.

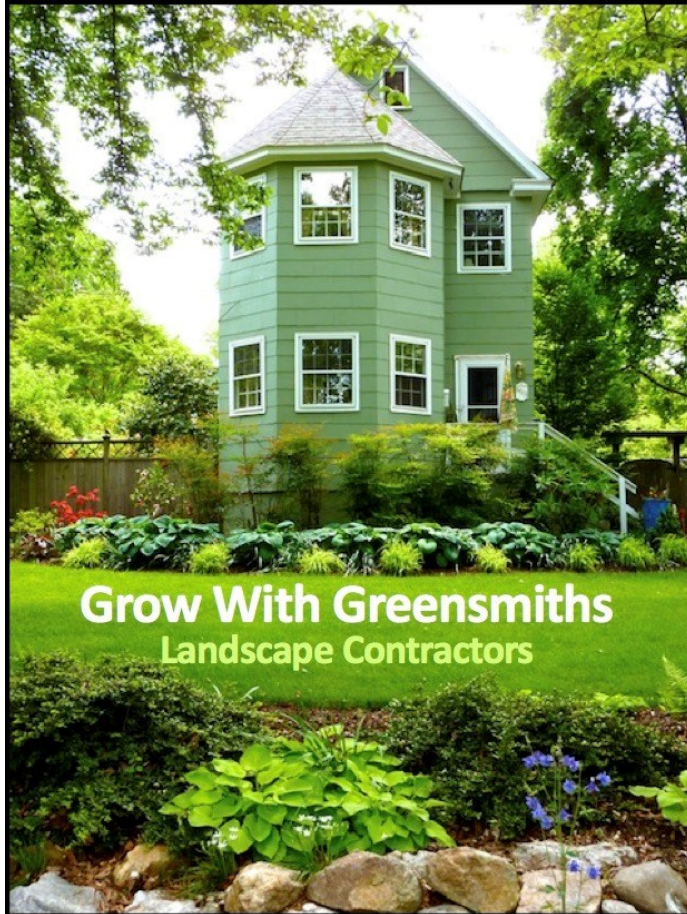


## JUNE 10, 11:30AM

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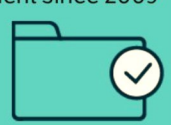
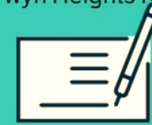


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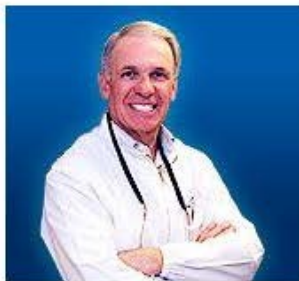
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## Volunteer Fire Department & Rescue Squad, Inc.

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*In Case of Emergency Call 911!*

### Recent Working Incidents

April 19th— Truck 14 responded to the 9400Blk of Fontana Dr for a reported House Fire. Units arrived to find smoke and fire showing.

April 30th— Truck 14 responded to and operated at a working House Fire in the 5800Blk of Lundy Dr in Lanham.

May 9th— Truck 14 was alerted to the 8300Blk of Donoghue Dr in Lanham for a reported House Fire. Units arrived to find a house with fire showing, and discovered hoarding conditions inside which hampered extinguishing an searches.

### Berwyn Heights Day 2022

BHVFD Volunteer were kept busy on Saturday May 7th during Berwyn Heights Day 2022. First off volunteers staffing Utility 14 supported the annual Fun Run around Lake Artemisia. Afterwards, volunteer staffing Rescue Squad 14, Rescue Squad 14, Truck 14, Ambulance 14 and Ambulance 14B for the parade down Pontiac Street. For the festival volunteers set up a fire prevention booth at the Town center discussing fire safety with residents.



*BHVFD Apparatus lined up for the BH Day Parade*



**Never use candles for emergency lighting.**

Use flashlights and stock up on extra batteries.



### Bike Trail Emergencies

It's that time of year again and BHVFD volunteers have been busy responding to emergencies in our "First Due" along the bike trails of Lake Artemisia, Greenbelt Station Parkway, Greenbelt National Park, and Anacostia Tributary Trail System to name a few. With the complex trail systems in our area, BHVFD needs all the help we can get when responding to these calls. Below are some tips to help us

- **Be as specific as possible when reporting the emergency's location to 911.** What trail are you on, what mile marker, closest road/trail intersection, and even check for the round Park Police trail emergency markers. In most cases BHVFD has to request more specific location details prior to committing to a specific trail entrance point, and our response is delayed.
- Send help to guide Fire/EMS units. Ask a bystander to head to a park/trail entrance or trail intersection to help show responders the way. If you pass a trail emergency and then see Fire/EMS units, please help direct them to the scene as well!
- If you are out alone, be sure to carry identification (which includes name, phone number, and pertinent medical information) in case you become unconscious. Before leaving home, share the route you plan to run, walk or cycle with a family member or friend, and include the time you plan to return.

#### ***What units does BHVFD send on Trail Emergencies?***

A typical BHVFD response to a bike trail emergency will include the Ambulance (of course), the Rescue Squad (for man power or if special rescue is needed), and our Utility truck (pickup truck able to go off-road and along most trails). You may also see the College Park VFD "Cart 12" which is a EMS transport ATV unit used for events at the University of Maryland. This unit is often requested as it can easily navigate the trails and pedestrian bridges.



←-- Utility 14



Cart 12 →





## Berwyn Heights GreenBee

Email us your ideas at [bgreen.berwynheights@gmail.com](mailto:bgreen.berwynheights@gmail.com)

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

Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/BerwynHeightsGreenTeam](http://www.facebook.com/BerwynHeightsGreenTeam)

Our next Green Team meeting will be Thursday, June 9 at 7:00 pm

at the G. Love Room at the Town Center.

All residents are welcome to attend and contribute their priorities!

# Spring Cleaning? Make It Green!



Tom has been picking up litter to keep Berwyn Heights beautiful—thank you!

- ⇒ **Donate it!** Give back via programs like Freecycle and Community Forklift
- ⇒ **Sell it!** Town-wide yard and craft sale on June 18
- ⇒ **Recycle it!** Recycle your electronics at Greenbelt Public Works on July 23



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#### **June Happenings around us.....**

Tour the Mormon Temple- open to the public through June 11.

Brookside Gardens Tours and summer concerts (Wheaton)

Juneteenth Celebration June 19<sup>th</sup>

National Harbor Rose all Day June 11th

Lake Artemesia Yoga- Saturdays in June 9:15am

Jazz on the Lawn- Riversdale Mansion June 29

1st day of summer June 21st

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- TOWN RESIDENT

**Just a few of my transactions last month.....will your address be on my list next month???**

**NEW LISTING- 10101 52<sup>nd</sup> 3 BR, 2 BA, sunroom, garage \$400,000.**

**SOLD- 7307 Baylor Av (Yarrow) 3BR 3 BA rambler with carport and fireplace.**

**SOLD- 6210 Quebec St 3 BR rambler with lower level inlaw suite, shows well, under contract in days! \$428,000**

## BULLETIN BOARD

### Help Wanted: Spanish Translator

**\$12/hr (Part-time)** Mon, Tue, Wed,  
Thurs 3pm-8pm & Sat 7am-12pm.  
Open Interviews Monday- Thursday at  
11:30am. 6103 Greenbelt Rd.

### 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 [karunaemeldaroz-ario@outlook.com](mailto:karunaemeldaroz-ario@outlook.com).

**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 volunteers 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 [jeunekanyudo@gmail.com](mailto:jeunekanyudo@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.

**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.

**Estate Sale** at 5610 Berwyn Rd. Berwyn Heights. Nice furniture, pictures, mirrors, piano, and organs. Appointment only, please call 301-474-2128 or 410-643-0326.



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301-980-8567

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Services**






## HOLY REDEEMER

Catholic Church


**Weekend Masses:**  
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*Sunday 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 n.*  
*Sacrament of Reconciliation - Saturday 3:30 p.m.*

4902 Berwyn Road • College Park MD 20740  
Tel: 301-474-3920 • Web Site: [holy-redeemer.org](http://holy-redeemer.org)  
Email: [parish@holy-redeemer.org](mailto:parish@holy-redeemer.org)

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Hi, I'm Don Bunuan. As your Berwyn Heights neighbor and long-time 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*.

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- Virtual Open Houses
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– Patty Galati and Karen Jung



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## April Incidents

**Wednesday, April 6, 2022, at 12:32 pm, 'FRAUD'**

On 4/6/2022, the victim reported she was notified by Valerie, Fraud representative, 1 Main Financial Bank, 844-859-4928, that she was overdue on a loan payment. According to the victim, she did not open an account with 1 Main Financial. It was reported to the victim that \$12,000.00 was obtained on the account opened in her name. The unknown suspect is alleged to have walked into 1 Main Financial Branch, 7905 Malcom Road, Clinton, Prince George's County, Maryland, on Jan 19, 2022. The victim reports she had never opened an account with that branch and has no knowledge of any withdrawal. The victim is due to receive documentation from 1 Main Financial to document the declination of any transactions with the aforementioned banking institution. Currently, there are no leads to identify a possible suspect pending further information.

**Friday, April 29, 2022, at 1:00 pm, 'THEFT'**

On April 29, 2022, Ofc Lowndes was dispatched to 8900 Edmosnton Road (7/11 store) for a report of a stolen wallet. This reporting Officer arrived on the scene and met with the victim. The victim stated to this reporting Officer prior to him entering the 7-11 store he dropped his wallet in the parking lot. Further investigation revealed, after reviewing the 7-11 parking lot surveillance camera the unknown suspect was a passenger of a black Nissan with unknown tags. The unknown suspect exited the black Nissan motor vehicle and picked up the victim's wallet off the ground, and fled the scene in the black Nissan motor vehicle towards Edmosnton road. The victim stated to this reporting officer he contacted

his financial institution to deactivate his Capital One checking debit card. The victim's wallet contained: \$200.00 dollars, (1) Maryland Driver's license, and, (1) a Capital One Visa Debit Checking card. Officer requests this case to be administratively closed. due to limited suspect information.

**Friday, April 29, 2022, at 4:00 pm, 'THEFT'**

The resident at the 8800 block of 63RD Ave Berwyn Heights MD contacted the police after he discovered his snowblower was stolen from his tool shed. The unlocked tool shed is not connected to the victim's house. He has three detached outbuildings in his yard and the shed that is hidden from sight was entered. Another one of his outbuildings was entered but the property was not stolen but moved.

A cursory security survey was conducted on the victim's property, and he was advised to consider installing lights in his large yard.

Teletype was contacted and the stolen item was entered



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NATIONAL NIGHT  
OUT  
IS AUGUST 2,  
2022  
WATCH THIS  
SPACE  
FOR MORE  
INFORMATION!



**For  
Emergencies**

**Call 911**

**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.



# CODE COMPLIANCE

## Town Businesses- Renew Your Business License for Fiscal Year 2023 by June 25, 2022

Per Town *Ordinance 105 Business Licenses*, a Town Business License must be obtained by all business entities, prior to the sale or offer for sale any goods or [professional] services (Home based businesses excluded). Business and Operating Licenses are valid for 1 year, from July 1 through June 30.

In May, Business License Renewal Requests Letters for Fiscal Year 2023 were sent out.

Businesses have at least 30 days to return the License Application, license fee, and additional required documents, as applicable to Code Compliance. After deadline June 30<sup>th</sup> or 30 days, a late fee of \$50.00 is assessed for the first month late, and \$25.00 each month or partial month thereafter.

Along with application, please submit a current Financial Statement (E.g. Income and Expense Statement, Profit and Loss Statement) to support gross receipts on which the license fee is based.

## Updated Tenant List

Property Managers please submit your current tenant list. (Including 6201 Greenbelt Road, 6215 Greenbelt Road, 8911 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 5711 Berwyn Road)

Throughout the year, when you have a new tenant, a tenant relocates to another space you're renting, or if a tenant has left and ceased their tenancy, please notify us within 30 days of the change taking place.

## COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

### BH Elementary School PTA

President: Marilyn King  
[President@BHESPTA.org](mailto:President@BHESPTA.org)

Vice President: Sarah Jacobson & Kimberly Bills  
Treasurer: Lilly Ridge

### Boys & Girls Club

President: Robin Harris  
[rcrestwell@yahoo.com](mailto:rcrestwell@yahoo.com)

Vice President: Brandi Cowgill  
[brandie9105@gmail.com](mailto:brandie9105@gmail.com)

Registrar: Tiffany Papanikolas  
[tif.papanikolas@gmail.com](mailto:tif.papanikolas@gmail.com)

Treasurer: Sandra Zuniga

Secretary:

Athletic Director: Darryl Harris  
[darryl.harris@aimdgroup.com](mailto:darryl.harris@aimdgroup.com)

Fundraising Chair:

### Education Advisory Committee

Chair: Allison Holmes  
[thebheac@gmail.com](mailto:thebheac@gmail.com)

### Green Team/ Shade Tree Board

Facilitator: Jeffrey Knutson  
[jbknutson@verizon.net](mailto:jbknutson@verizon.net)

Public Outreach: Therese Forbes  
[therese@celticclans.com](mailto:therese@celticclans.com)

### Historical Committee

Chair: Debby Steele Snyder  
[dsteelesny@yahoo.com](mailto:dsteelesny@yahoo.com)

### Men's Basketball League

Jim McGinnis 301-651-8142

### Movie Club

Jonathan Loutsch  
[bhmovieclub@gmail.com](mailto:bhmovieclub@gmail.com)

### Neighborhood Watch/ Emergency Preparedness

Co-Chair: Joan Hayden  
[jjmosley45@gmail.com](mailto:jjmosley45@gmail.com)

Co-Chair: Randy Fortwengler  
[bhnwep53@aol.com](mailto:bhnwep53@aol.com)

### Karate Club

Leon Swain 301-728-2881  
Brett Bentley 240-678-9103  
[Brett.bentley@gmail.com](mailto:Brett.bentley@gmail.com)

### Quilter's Club

Coordinator: Janet Freitag  
[quilttag1@yahoo.com](mailto:quilttag1@yahoo.com)



























### Recreation Council

President: Susan Jones  
[violindreams@verizon.net](mailto:violindreams@verizon.net)

### Seniors Club

Ray Smith 301-474-3482

# JUNE 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30 Town offices Closed 	31  Rec Council 7:30 G. Love Room (NOTE SPECIAL DATE)	1  NW/EP 7PM	2  Boys and Girls Club 7PM	3 	4
5	6  Worksession 7PM 	7 	8  Town Meeting 7PM 	9  Green Team 7PM G. Love Room	10	11
12	13 	14 	15 	16 	17	18
19	20 Town offices Closed 	21  Worksession 7PM 	22 	23 	24 	25
26	27  BHEAC 7PM G. Love Room Or Zoom 	28  Rec Council 7:30 G. Love Room (NOTE SPECIAL DATE)	29  BHHC 7:30PM G. Love Room	30 	1	2

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 June 27-July 1 Please park off the street whenever possible while the Sweeper is in Town.

Trash, Bulk Trash, Yard Waste  
North-side Collection



Trash, Bulk Trash, Yard Waste  
South-side Collection



Recycling



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Police Administrative Office ..... (301) 474-6554  
Code Compliance Department ..... (301) 513-9331  
**Email: [code@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:code@berwynheightsmd.gov)**  
Public Works Department ..... (301) 474-6897  
**Email: [publicworks@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:publicworks@berwynheightsmd.gov)**  
Fire Department ..... (301) 474-7886  
Senior Center ..... (301) 474-0018  
Community Center (Gym) ..... (301) 345-2808  
Town Office ..... (301) 474-5000  
Office Hours: MON - FRI 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

#### Mayor and Council

Jodie Kulpa-Eddy (301) 345-1516 [jkulpaeddy@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:jkulpaeddy@berwynheightsmd.gov)  
Mayor — Public Health & Safety  
Christopher Brittan-Powell (301) 345-1516 [cbrittanpowell@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:cbrittanpowell@berwynheightsmd.gov)  
Mayor Pro Tem — Administration  
Shinita Hemby (301) 771-0969 [shemby@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:shemby@berwynheightsmd.gov)  
Councilmember — Code Compliance  
Faustino (Tino) Menjivar (301) 474-5000 [fmenjivar@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:fmenjivar@berwynheightsmd.gov)  
Councilmember — Public Works  
Jason Papanikolas (240) 338-5191 [jpapanikolas@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:jpapanikolas@berwynheightsmd.gov)  
Councilmember — Parks & Recreation, Education & Civic Affairs  
Laura Allen — (301) 474-5000 [lallen@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:lallen@berwynheightsmd.gov)  
Town Manager

#### 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

#### 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