

Berwyn Heights Bulletin

Incorporated 1896

March 2020



RUN FOR TOWN COUNCIL

FILING DEADLINE MARCH 3 - PAGE 3

- . Census Day April 1, 2020 PAGE 4
- PAGE 15



Public Hearing Notice

FY 2020 Budget Adoption of Amendments March 11, 7:00 p.m.

The Town Council plans to adopt 2 amendments to the FY 2020 budget that were introduced at the February 12 Town meeting. ORD 177-7 transfers \$6,000 from the operating fund balance to the *Police Vehicles & Equipment* appropriation to purchase two mobile speed monitors. ORD 177-8 transfers \$700 from *Code Compliance Salaries* to the *Mayor & Council Miscellaneous* appropriation to fund a Homeowners Tax Credit program adopted with ORD 180 in August 2019.

Prior to adoption the Council will hold a public hearing and public comments are welcome. The FY 2020 budget can be viewed on the Town website at

https://www.berwynheightsmd.gov/budget/ pages/fy-2020-adopted-budget

Advertising Rates for the Berwyn Heights Bulletin

TERM	RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT			
EIGHTH (1/8) PAGE					
1 Month	\$30.00	\$36.00			
6 Months	\$162.00	\$192.00			
12 Months	\$230.00	\$336.00			
QUARTER (1/4) PAGE					
1 Month	\$50.00	\$72.00			
6 Months	\$270.00	\$384.00			
12 Months	\$384.00	\$672.00			
	HALF (1/2) PAGE				
1 Month	\$100.00	\$144.00			
6 Months	\$540.00	\$768.00			
12 Months	\$768.00	\$1,344.00			
FULL PAGE					
1 Month	\$200.00	\$288.00			
6 Months	\$1,080.00	\$1,536.00			
12 Months	\$1,536.00	\$2,688.00			

FY 2021 Budget Workshop

March 28, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm Council Chamber

The Town Council, senior staff and heads of Town organizations will discuss the proposed FY 2021 budget and make changes.

The meeting is open to the public and public comments are welcome. The proposed budget will be available on our website.

https://www.berwynheightsmd.gov/budget

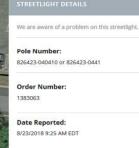


Report Pepco Outages at 1-877-737-2662 Or online at <u>www.pepco.com/outages</u>

Reporting Street Light Outages

If you notice a street light near you that is not coming on, is dim or flickers, you can report it through Pepco's website: <u>https://pepco.streetlightoutages.com/map/default.html</u>.





Using Pepco's map, zoom in to street level to view green light icons, or enter address for a specific light you want to report in the search box. Once you have located the problem light, hover the cursor over it until the information box appears. Click on it and enter the information requested, including a pole number or nearest street address. Repairs typically take between 15 to 30 days, depending on what type of repairs are needed.

Alternatively, call Pepco's Customer Service: 202-833-7500. In an emergency, such as downed poles or wires, call 1-877-737-2662 or (Spanish) 1-800-877-1264.

TOWN COUNCIL ELECTION ELECCION DEL CONSEJO

TUESDAY, MAY 5, 7am - 7pm

Run for Town Council

File your papers by Tuesday, March 3

Forms and information are available at the Town office, 5700 Berwyn Rd, Tel. 301-474-5000,

or on our website: <u>https://</u> www.berwynheightsmd.gov/town-council-elections

Qualifications:

- US citizen at least 21 years of age;
- Duly registered to vote in Maryland or Town of Berwyn Heights
- Town resident for at least six months prior to the date of the election

Register to Vote

Apply by March 31

Contact the Prince George's County Board of Elections (301-430-8020) to request an application; or pick one up at the Town Office, or fill out an online application at:

http://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/sites/ Elections/VoterInformation/Information/Pages/ default.aspx

The Town of Berwyn Heights carries out supplementary registrations valid only for voting in Town elections. You can register up to <u>April 6</u>, <u>2020</u> at the Town office during office hours 9 am - 5 pm. Please bring a valid ID.

Vote by Absentee Ballot

You can vote anytime between April 6 and May 4, 2020 with an absentee ballot. Absentee ballots are available at the Town office or you can request one by mail by filling out an application available on our website:

www.berwynheightsmd.gov/town-council-elections/ files/absentee-ballot-application-2020

MARTES 5 DE MAYO 7am - 7pm

Corre por el Consejo

Presente sus documentos antes del martes 3 de marzo

Los formularios y la información están disponibles en la oficina de la ciudad, 5700 Berwyn Rd, tel. 301-474-5000, o en nuestro sitio web: <u>https://</u>

www.berwynheightsmd.gov/town-council-elections

Calificaciones:

- Ciudadano estadounidense
- de al menos 21 años de edad;
- Debidamente registrado para votar en Maryland o en la ciudad de Berwyn Heights;
- Residente de la ciudad durante al menos seis meses antes de la fecha de la elección.

Registrarse para votar

Aplicar antes del 31 de marzo

Comuníquese con la Junta Electoral del Condado de Prince George (301-430-8020) para solicitar una solicitud; o recoger uno en la oficina de la ciudad, o completar una solicitud en línea en:

http://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/sites/ Elections/VoterInformation/Information/Pages/ default.aspx

El pueblo de Berwyn Heights realiza registros adicionales válidos solo para votar en las elecciones municipales. Puede registrarse hasta el 6 de abril de 2020 en la oficina de la ciudad durante el horario de oficina de 9 am a 5 pm. Por favor traiga una identificación válida.

Voto por boleta ansente

Puede votar en cualquier momento entre el 6 de abril y el 4 de mayo de 2020 con una boleta de votación en ausencia. Las boletas en ausencia están disponibles en la oficina de la ciudad o puede solicitar una por correo completando una solicitud disponible en nuestro sitio web: www.berwynheightsmd.gov/town-councilelections/files/absentee-ballot-application-2020

CENSUS DAY - APRIL 1 DIA DEL CENSO - 1 DE ABRIL

On April 1, the Town will celebrate Census Day. The G. Love conference room next to the Senior Center at 8601 57th Avenue will be staffed to assist all residents who want help with completing the Census. Councilmembers and staff will answer questions, help people use a computer to fill out a Census form online, and translate for Spanish-speaking residents.

Every 10 years, the U.S. Census Bureau conducts a count of every resident in the United States and records basic information about them. The information is used to determine congressional representation, and how and where federal funds will be spent to build new schools, new clinics, new roads, and provide more services for families, older adults, and children.

The US Census Bureau has posted information about the 2020 Census on the web, including sample guestionnaires, why the Census matters and how our privacy is protected. Here are some important dates to remember:

- Mid-March: every household in Berwyn Heights receives an invitation to respond to the census online or by phone.
- Mid-April: all households that have not yet responded will receive a paper questionnaire.
- Mid-May: census takers will visit households that have not responded to collect the information.



I

I

I

Next Meeting Monday, March 23 7pm | G. Love Room

Join the Education Advisory Committee to discuss the April Census Day activities.

- **Civics Education Sessions**
- Voter Registration.
- Census support

All residents are welcome!

Please contact the BHEAC at thebheac@gmail.com for more information El 1 de abril, la ciudad celebrará el día del censo. La sala de conferencias G. Love junto al Senior Center en 8601 57th Avenue contará con personal para ayudar a todos los residentes que quieran ayuda para completar el Censo. Los miembros del consejo y el personal responderán preguntas, ayudarán a las personas a usar una computadora para completar un formulario del Censo en línea y traducirán para los residentes de habla hispana.

Cada 10 años, la Oficina del Censo de los Estados Unidos realiza un recuento de cada residente en los Estados Unidos y registra información básica sobre ellos. La información se utiliza para determinar la representación en el Congreso y cómo y dónde se gastarán los fondos federales para construir nuevas escuelas, nuevas clínicas, nuevas carreteras y proporcionar más servicios para familias, adultos mayores y niños.

La Oficina del Censo ha publicado información sobre el Censo 2020 en la web, incluidos cuestionarios de muestra, por qué es importante el Censo, y cómo se protege nuestra privacidad. Algunas fechas importantes para recordar:

- A mediados de marzo: cada hogar en Berwyn Heights recibe una invitación para responder al censo en línea o por teléfono.
- A mediados de abril: todos los hogares que aún no han respondido recibirán un cuestionario en papel.
- Mediados de mayo: los encuestadores visitarán los hogares que no han respondido para recopilar la información.



Т I. н

Т

Siguiente junta Lunes 23 de Marzo

7pm | G. Love Room

Únase al Comité Asesor de Educación para discutir las actividades del Dia del Censo.

- Sesiones de educación cívica
- Registro de votantes.
- Apoyo censal

Todos los residentes son bienvenidos

Póngase en contacto con BHEAC para obtener más información en: thebheac@gmail.com.

Worksession, January 6 2020 Present were Mayor Pro Tempore

■ Present were Mayor Pro Tempore (MPT) Jason Papanikolas, presiding, Councilmembers (CMs) Amanda Dewey, Ethan Sweep, and Jeffrey Jay Osmond. Mayor Stephen Isler had an excused absence. Also present were Town Manager (TM) Maria Broadbent, Clerk Kerstin Harper and citizens.

1. Announcements

Mayor Isler was absent because he fell ill. Pepco will hold an energy assistance day at its Forestville service center on January 16. CM Dewey will attend the Maryland Climate Leadership Academy in Annapolis tomorrow hosted by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources.

2. Discussion Items

FY 2021 budget: TM Broadbent said she provided an updated budget calendar, which moves the 2nd worksession in February to the 24th of the month and schedules the all-day budget workshop for Saturday, March 28. Tonight, the Council is requested to provide initial guidance to staff on FY 2021 budget goals.

TM Broadbent said CM Dewey has requested an explanation of what constitutes the (general) fund balance and how it is used. The Town has been in the habit of not spending all the money it raises in taxes and other revenues. The unspent money becomes the fund balance, which has been carried over as savings into the next year's budget as opposed to the tax rate being adjusted. Her inclination is to keep the tax rate at the current level when she creates a budget. However, she would like the Council to give her feedback on this and then create a budget that does not use fund balance if possible. Although it is a common practice, the downside of using fund balance is that it will eventually deplete the rainy-day fund. This reserve is needed to fund operations in the first quarter of each fiscal year and any unforeseen fiscal emergency.

CM Dewey said she requested this information to clarify the issue for residents because there is much confusion about it. She would like to get a sense of how much spending would be covered using only current revenues and make that a starting point for the budget. MPT Papanikolas said the Auditor's Report shows the FY 2020 budget being \$300,000 in the red prior to transfers from reserves being made. TM Broadbent noted that a substantial amount of the Town's revenues, such as Highway User Revenues (HUR), are restricted and may only be used for designated purposes. The Town has saved a lot of money for road improvements but has not used it. She thinks it is better to spend money to keep up the roads on an ongoing basis rather than

save for a big project.

CM Osmond sought clarification on the rainy-day fund. TM Broadbent said the Town has always had a reserve to cover operating expenses for the first 3 months of a fiscal year when no tax revenues are received. However, she believes there should be enough in savings to cover 7 months of operations, or approximately \$1,500,000, for a rainy-day fund. CM Osmond said he would like to understand how the FY 2020 budget has performed, including the reserves, and if possible, reduce the budget next year. TM Broadbent said the Town will not know how this budget has performed until the year is out. It may make more sense to level-fund the next budget and see what the experience is.

TM Broadbent summed up that she plans to take stock of the directors' enhancement requests, which will be modest this year, and then fund operations based on the same tax rate as last year. If Councilmembers have any enhancements, they are requested to submit a form as soon as possible. Town organizations will submit requests of their own. CM Dewey said the survey results will also be useful for informing budget decisions.

Phil Ventura, 57th Avenue, commented, during Mayor Calvo's tenure, the Town wanted to do street repairs but first had to pay off a previous infrastructure bond and then compensate for the loss of HUR and real property tax revenues during the great recession. That is why money was set aside in a dedicated infrastructure reserve fund. While the financial situation is good now, HUR may be reduced again and reserves may be needed. MPT Papanikolas replied that the current HUR deal is in effect until 2024, and the Maryland Municipal League (MML) is working with Maryland municipalities to make it permanent.

2020 Census: CM Dewey reported that Berwyn Heights' April 1 Census Day is now listed on a Prince George's County map, showing where residents can get help with completing the census. The Town will also receive a big census sign from the County and census jobs are still open. MPT Papanikolas said that Maryland loses millions of dollars in federal funding because of an undercount largely of minority populations, with Prince George's County being one of the hardest hit. TM Broadbent said Berwyn Heights itself had a good response rate of upward of 80% in previous censuses. Therefore, it did not qualify for grants available through MML to help with the count.

CM Dewey said the count will begin in March when residents should receive notices to complete the Census, which can be done online, by phone, or on paper. This will be followed up with census takers going door to door.

CM Sweep asked whether Councilmembers have picked any winners for the holiday decorating contest. He thought there were a lot of good decorations this year. CM Dewey said that Mayor Isler was supposed to have received nominations from residents.

Minutes

3. CM Dewey moved and CM Sweep seconded to approve the November 18 worksession minutes. The motion passed 4 to 0. CM Sweep moved and CM Dewey seconded to approve the December 2 worksession minutes. The motion passed 4 to 0. The December 11 Town meeting minutes were distributed.

4. Department Reports

MPT Papanikolas noted that this is the year when everyone should write out all four digits of the year when dating checks or other important documents to prevent easy falsification. CM Sweep asked if there is an update on lose leaf collection. TM Broadbent said Public Works will resume collection when they get the leaf machine back from the repair shop, hopefully within the next week. Public Works will extend the collection period through January to pick up any remaining leaf piles.

Phil Ventura commented that a lot of trash was left at the curb over the holidays, in part because staff was given additional time off and were not able to finish pickups. He particularly noted a pile of fluorescent bulbs that has been sitting out at the Goucher and Marietta Drive intersection for a while. CM Sweep and Dewey said that Christmas and New Years' Eve are regular, not extra days off for Town staff per Employee Handbook. But falling in the middle of the week, they leave less time for refuse collection. TM Broadbent said fluorescent bulbs are hazardous waste and cannot be picked up by the Town's Public Works Department. This matter is handled by Code Department which will notify the owner of the violation and how to dispose of the bulbs.

CM Osmond asked about the status of hiring a 2nd Code officer. TM Broadbent replied that an applicant has been selected and a background check is now being performed. CM Osmond further announced that there is a Town Council election this year. Election judges and Council candidates are encouraged to sign up. CM Dewey announced a number of upcoming events and meetings.

TM Broadbent said she had the light fixtures cleaned and will have the trim in the Council chamber repainted before a new carpet will be laid. The Senior Center and lounge will also be painted and carpeted. Further, she is planning to install a trophy case for awards and plaques where the maps used to hang. Councilmembers said they would like to have a white board and at least one map of the Town.

6. Town Council Schedule

The Council reviewed the Council calendar. The January 27 worksession will feature project updates, and the February 2 worksession a presentation on investment policy. The next Four Cities meeting will be held on January 30 at Davis Hall, a temporary location of College Park's city hall. Electronics recycling is on January 25 at the Greenbelt Public Works yard. Old Christmas lights can be dropped off at the Town office. Alkaline batteries no longer need to be recycled as they are not as toxic as they used to be. All types of recyclables can be disposed off at MOM's in the Rhode Island Avenue shopping center.

7. Citizens Discussion

There was none.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

own Meeting, January 8, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Pro Tempore (MPT) Jason Papanikolas, presiding, Councilmembers (CMs) Amanda Dewey, Jeffrey Jay Osmond, and Ethan Sweep. Mayor Stephen Isler had an excused absence. Also present were Town Manager (TM) Maria Broadbent, Clerk Kerstin Harper and citizens.

1. Approval of Agenda

CM Dewey moved and CM Sweep seconded to approve the agenda. The motion passed 4 to 0.

2. Approval of Minutes

CM Sweep moved, and CM Dewey seconded to approve the November 13, 2019 Town meeting minutes. The motion passed 4 to 0.

3. Mayor's Report

There was none, as Mayor Isler was absent.

4. Department Reports

MPT Papanikolas entertained a motion to receive all department reports for the record. CM Dewey so moved. CM Sweep seconded. The motion passed 4 to 0.

Administration: MPT Papanikolas reported that the second police vehicle budgeted for this year has been ordered. The RFP for an architectural and engineering study to explore the feasibility of expanding the Town office building to accommodate a police station will be pub-

lished on the MML website and the Town website shortly. He asked TM Broadbent about Pepco's upcoming vegetation management project. TM Broadbent said Pepco plans to perform regular maintenance pruning of trees along the major transmission lines. Pepco also agreed to plant additional evergreen trees in the Edmonston Road right of way to provide a better screen for Kenilworth Avenue.

Code Compliance: CM Osmond said a candidate for the 2nd code officer has been identified and asked when he is likely to start. TM Broadbent said the candidate should start within a couple of weeks after background checks have been completed.

Parks, Recreation, Education & Civic Affairs: CM Dewey reported she attended a Climate Leadership Academy for local elected officials in Annapolis yesterday. It was attended by several Maryland department secretaries and provided useful planning and investment tools for municipalities to consider in the context of a changing climate. Town organizations have been notified to submit their budget requests for FY 2021 and results of the Town survey conducted in November and December 2019 will be discussed at the January 27 worksession.

Public Works: CM Sweep reported that the leaf collection machine should be back on the street in the next couple of days after undergoing repairs. The refuse truck the Town purchased last fall is in the process of being built. TM Broadbent noted that the Public Works crew did a good job responding to first snow event and came in Monday night to apply salt to roads. At some point, the Town may want to consider pre-treating roads for snow events.

Police Department: MPT Papanikolas said that there will be no police report tonight since Mayor Isler is not here. However, BHPD has provided both a monthly and 10-year report residents can pick up and review at their leisure.

5. Committee Reports

Education Advisory Committee: CM Dewey reported that the Education Advisory Committee will next meet on January 27 and will prepare for their next listening session. Meanwhile, everyone is welcome to submit comments and concerns via email to thebheac@gmail.com.

MPT Papanikolas announced that the PTA postponed its meeting because of snow until the coming Tuesday. There will be a presentation on positive behavior intervention system, the disciplinary approach used at Berwyn Heights Elementary School that focuses on reinforcing good behavior instead of punishing bad behavior.

Green Team: CM Dewey announced that applications for a community garden plot

will come out in February. Interested residents can rent a plot for \$30 a year and become member of a great gardening community. The Green Team and Administration is also starting to think about spring tree planting and is accepting proposals as to where trees might be planted on public land as well as request for having the Town plant trees on private property. On February 16, the Green Team in collaboration with a student group at the University of Maryland is hosting a climate leadership workshop entitled "Drawdown", which focuses on positive and practical approaches to addressing climate change.

Historical Committee: Clerk Harper reported that the Historical Committee published a set of photos of Berwyn Heights in the early 1960s in the January Bulletin. The photos were rescued from the road-side after a house cleanout by a resident who donated them to the BHHC.

Neighborhood Watch/Emergency Preparedness: CM Dewey said she heard that the bio-hazard workshop hosted by the Berwyn Heights and Anne Arundel CERT teams went well. MPT Papanikolas said he had planned to attend but family obligations intervened.

Recreation Council: Angie Wolfinger gave the report. She announced a regifting party on January 11, and a Valentine's Day card and cookie decorating event. In response to CM Dewey, Ms. Wolfinger said the Recreation Council is starting to plan for the next Berwyn Heights Day. Ideas for new activities and offers of help are welcome. Residents and Town organizations are encouraged to start thinking about entering the parade. Cash prizes will be awarded for the top 3 entries.

6. Unfinished Business There was none.

7. New Business

There was none. CM Dewey announced that the Town is looking for a part-time public information aide following the resignation of Tiffany Minor. Further, the Town is looking for residents to apply for election judge positions and to run for Town Council. TM Broadbent announced she will soon put out a call for volunteers to serve on an RFP screening committee regarding the Town Office architectural and engineering study. Applicants should have experience in construction, architecture, engineering, or a related field.

8. Citizen Discussion

Angie Wolfinger said there has been a long-running discussion about ticketing at the Lake Artemesia parking lot on the NextDoor platform. Many residents from neighboring communities have complained about receiving citations from the police for parking at the lot after dusk while making their way out of the park. She asked if a change has been made in the way parking is enforced there.

In the ensuing discussion, the Council and Town Manager made following points: Park Police and Berwyn Heights Police both issue tickets in this parking lot. The Town does not monitor NextDoor or respond to comments made on it. Some comments on NextDoor go back to last summer, when people frequent the park at later hours or attend events taking place there. Park rules say the park closes at sunset, not after dark. Park rules apply to the park as well as the parking lot. Park & Planning might be asked whether the rules can be modified to allow for longer parking or, alternatively, have clearer signage posted

Phil Ventura, 57th Avenue, said he thinks Berwyn Heights officers should patrol the Town and monitor stop signs rather than issue tickets in the Lake Artemesia parking lot. Ms. Wolfinger agreed saying that running of stop signs is a greater safety issue than parking at dusk. She is looking forward to hearing the recommendations of the Walkable, Bikeable Berwyn Heights Task Force (WBBH), but wonders if they will produce the results that have eluded previous committees dealing with traffic issues.

Council replied WBBH has been studying problem locations but will also make recommendations about traffic enforcement. The Town has responded to citizens' recommendations, such as those made by the Quality of Life Commission. Mobile speed monitors and speed guns were purchased last summer to better enforce speeding. But not all recommendations are realistic and need to be vetted for budget implications and legal requirements.

Jodie Kulpa Eddy, Ruatan Street, said previous Councils have also responded to recommendations by citizen committees, which include construction of sidewalks, installation of crosswalks and 'Stop for Pedestrians in the Road' signs, for example. Further, Ms. Kulpa-Eddy noted she did not see Public Works on her street following the snow event. However, the street sweeper was out the following day and would have swept up any salt spread on the roadway. Lastly, she announced another Team Trivia Night held on February 21 hosted in conjunction with the Movie Club and focusing on entertainment.

Phil Ventura further commented that the not so old Town Center elevator may have some life left in it; that some Berwyn Heights officers have different practices when patrolling the Town; that refuse truck drivers do not always come to a complete stop at stop signs; and that new recycling bins are being handled carelessly by residents.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Worksession January 27, 2020

Present were Mayor Stephen Isler, Mayor Pro Tempore (MPT) Jason Papanikolas, Councilmembers (CMs) Amanda Dewey, Ethan Sweep, and Jeffrey Jay Osmond. Also present were Town Manager (TM) Maria Broadbent, Chief Kenneth Antolik, Detective Daniel Unger, Code Compliance Director Hollyce Goodwin, Clerk Kerstin Harper, Treasurer Michelle Rodriguez, Assistant to the Town Manager Yvonne Odoi, and residents James Wilkinson and Drew Carlisle.

1. Announcements

Mayor Isler asked everyone to delete any emails that have gone out under his name requesting people to purchase Google Play cards. His email was hacked in attempt to scam people out of money. The Berwyn Heights Police has been informed and his email repaired.

2. Discussion Items

Walkable, Bikeable Task Force recommendations: James Wilkinson and Drew Carlisle co-chairs of the Walkable Bikeable Berwyn Heights Task Force (WBBH), were present to discuss the task force's recommendations on making Berwyn Heights safer for pedestrians and bicyclists. Mr. Wilkinson gave a summary of the report. He said one of the reasons this task force was launched is an increase in fatalities of bicyclists, as more bicyclists have taken to the streets and compete with automobiles and their oftendistracted drivers.

Mr. Wilkinson first explained the goals and guiding principles of the report. He said the report is organized around 10 conflict zones, locations where vehicular and pedestrian/ bicycle traffic are in conflict. For each location, recommendations are provided on how to resolve or abate the conflicts. The recommended solutions represent the consensus of the task force members and, for the most part, are relatively inexpensive and easy to implement, such as additional signage or improved road markings.

In addition, a 'reach for the sky' option is offered for each location, such as pedestrian overpasses for Kenilworth Avenue and Greenbelt Road, as well as possible partners for implementation. The report also recommends several town-wide policies to improve traffic safety, notably the institution of a general 20 mph speed limit, posting 'local traffic only' signs to defeat wayfinding apps, creating a Council Rule to build a sidewalk as part of any road repaving project in the absence of barriers, and implementing street lighting solutions for dark areas identified by the Neighborhood Watch.

Mr. Carlisle said the idea for undertaking this study came from a public hearing that took a close look at the rush hour problems in the 8900 blocks of 58th and 60th Avenue in spring of 2019. The task force was assembled to take a broader look at traffic problems throughout the town and include pedestrians and bicyclists in the equation. The task force believes that walking and bicycling should be encouraged as a healthier way to get around and to foster neighborliness and build community.

In discussion, the following points were made:

- Interesting 'reach for the sky' ideas, some of which may be pursued in conjunction with the redevelopment of Beltway Plaza, including better Greenbelt Road crossings.
- Sidewalk construction as part of road improvement projects should be given serious consideration;
- Section on education of bicyclists about rules of the road might be added;
- Section on school bus stop safety could be expanded;
- Section on best practices for walking in the dark could be added;
- Traffic engineering practices might be considered for reducing speeding, etc.

Councilmembers agreed to each earmark those recommendations to be considered for funding in the FY 2021 budget. Further recommendations should be organized in the form of a spreadsheet for tracking purposes. Mr. Willkinson and Mr. Carlisle said they will update the report based on this discussion and welcome additional questions prior to presenting the report at the February 12 Town meeting.

Project tacking update: Assistant to the Town Manager (TMA) Yvonne Odoi provided an updated spreadsheet with which she is tracking projects on behalf of TM Broadbent.

<u>Clerk's projects:</u> Clerk Harper reported on the following projects:

 Scanning of vital documents - completed, except for the return and refil-

ing of the paper originals.

- Implementation of electronic agenda packets viewed on I-pads - completed.
- Creation of master list of agreements and contracts for purpose of renewal or rebidding - in progress.
- Inventory of charter amendments and ordinance revisions as the basis for codification - completed. Codification quotes obtained, in the event Council decides to fund enhancement.
- Website improvements undertaken continuously on as-needed basis. Goals and criteria for a wholesale redesign of website need to be formulated.

<u>Police projects:</u> Detective Unger reported on Police projects:

- Improve communication with Town businesses - Cpl Krouse created mailers for businesses.
 - Hiring of new police officer background checks and oral interviews completed; Town Manager meet and greet to be scheduled; swearing in planned for February Town meeting.
 - New hybrid police cars ordered delivery expected in late spring.
 - Establishing process for out-ofcommission Police and Public Works vehicles - meeting of department directors to be scheduled.
 - Mobile speed signs purchase completed but signs returned for replacement by vendor.
 - Radar gun purchase completed.
 - Review of charter sections and ordinances relating to police for updating - yet to be initiated.
 - Outreach videos production waiting for new Public Information Aide and police officer to be on board to initiate project.
 - Alleviating congestion on 58th and 60th Avenue - waiting for WBBH recommendations.
 - List of police MOUs and agreements - forwarded to Clerk for Town-wide agreements inventory.
 - Setting and posting of Police Station hours completed.
 - Review of Police fees and fines prior to budget process - completed.

<u>Code projects:</u> Director Goodwin reported on Code Compliance projects:

 Transfer of Personal Property Tax function to Code Department - training on current process completed. Processing of current PPT using new Comcate module and evaluation in progress.

- I-pads purchase completed. Further fine-tuning for field use needed, due to Comcate problems.
- Code ordinances review for updating in initial stages.
- College Park study on municipal building permit authority - College Park to issue RFP soon.
- Outreach video production waiting for hiring of Public Information Aide to initiate.
- Website improvements collecting ideas for improving Code web page in progress.

<u>Treasurer's projects:</u> Treasurer Rodriguez reported on the following projects:

- Acquisition of asset management system - quotes obtained. Waiting for review and selection of vendor by Town Manager.
- Reconciliation process implementation - form created. Waiting for review and approval of process.
- Inventory of financial policies and procedures for updating - Consolidation of current policies and procedures in progress.
- Electronic payment processing completed, except for finalizing ACH process with bank.
- In-house daily check processing exploring feasibility with bank.
- Merger of Administration and Police Department QuickBooks programs completed.

<u>Public Works projects</u>: TMA Odoi reported on Public Works projects.

- Acquisition of recycling toters, road resurfacing project phase II, and repair of Public Works garage - completed.
- Determining landscaping needs to start in spring.
- Painting and carpeting of Town Hall and Senior Center - possible vendors for completing painting identified. Carpeting to be initiated after painting completed.
- Bond bill for Town Center improvements (including motion sensor lights) - application submitted. Under consideration by State Legislature.
- Hiring of Public Works Director position advertised and several applications received.
- Hiring of Public Works part-time and full-time staff - completed.
- Replacement of truck #4 ordered and waiting for delivery.
- Acquisition of smart recycling containers through 4 Cities Coalition waiting for grant approval.
- Pruning and planting of trees to start in spring.

 Exploring solutions for stormwater management - Prince George's County has been asked to explore solutions. Stream restoration project along Nevada Street trail progressing slowly.

Town Manager projects: TM Broadbent reported on the following projects.

- Bond bill for Town Center Improvements (see status under Public Works projects)
- Welcome sign committee planning to draft resolution for Council to establish committee.
- Transfer of call-a-bus given to Greenbelt complete, except transfer of title. Recommendation on call -a-bus program for budget process being drafted.
- Employee manual overhaul yet to be initiated.
- Police station architectural study -RFP published. Pre-bid meeting scheduled for February 12.
- M-NCPPC projects re picnic areas, Sports Park soccer field and dog park - on hold until M-NCPPC funding opportunities clarified.
- Veterans Day and Memorial Day celebrations - to be explored with Senior's Club.
- Pruning and planting of trees (see Public Works projects).

TM Broadbent said the Shade Tree Board has asked the Council to consider reviewing the Urban Forest Ordinance to add provisions to better protect the tree canopy. CM Dewey explained Rasmussen former Mayor reestablished the Shade Tree Board and initiated a discussion about amending the Urban Forest Ordinance to discourage the removal of mature trees. Several neighboring cities have tree ordinances that may serve as a template for updating Berwyn Heights' ordinance. featuring a variety of mechanisms to prevent removal and encourage replanting of trees.

Homeowners' Tax Credit (discussed out of order): TM Broadbent said the Council had decided to appropriate funds for the Homeowners Tax Credit after applications have been received. She recommends using the salary lapse from the vacancy of the 2nd code officer position to pay for the credit, which requires a budget amendment. Four applicants proved eligible for the Town's tax refund. The Council is requested to set an amount to be divided among the applicants.

CM Dewey said the Ordinance sets the credit at 10% of the applicant's real

property tax bill. Depending on the total amount, the Council would then set an upper limit if needed. TM Broadbent said she will have the totals at the next worksession for Council's consideration.

Uses of fund balance (discussed out of order): TM Broadbent continued to discuss the Town's use of the fund balance in preparation for the upcoming budget process. The fund balance comprises unexpended funds of appropriated moneys remaining at the end of a given fiscal year. Treasurer Rodriguez has compiled the figures of fund balances going back to fiscal year 2014 that were used to balance the budget for the coming fiscal year and avoid tax increases. For comparison, the Council was also provided documents showing expenditures of the FY 2020 budget, including the use of the fund balance, which amounted to approximately \$308,000. That included the salary for a 9th police officer, a number of expenses resulting from deferred maintenance on Town buildings, and a variety of other expenses. Previously, the Town often did not appropriate enough funds to cover all needed maintenance but covered expenses above appropriated amounts retroactively with year-end budget amendments. This is not a good managebudget ment practice and is no longer being done.

TM Broadbent said Town recently received real property tax revenue projections for FY 2021, which exceed those of FY 2020 by \$89,100. This may not be enough to cover enhancements approved in the FY 2020 budget and may require using the fund balance. With continuing reliance on the fund balance, it may eventually be insufficient for a rainy-day fund or the 3 months operating reserve. The aim is to have at least \$1.5 million of savings in the bank or a 7 months operating reserve.

MPT Papanikolas said, and the Council agreed, that he would prefer using fund balance only for one-time budget increases, such as capital purchases, and not operating expenses.

Mobile speed monitor: Treasurer Rodriguez said the Council approved the purchase of a mobile speed monitor costing \$4,800 from the FY 2019 budget. Upon receipt, the Police found the monitor was too big and cumbersome to be easily moved and returned it without being billed. As the books on the FY 2019 budget are closed, the funds were returned to the fund balance. Two smaller units costing \$6,000 will be purchased from the same vendor, with money taken from the fund balance. This requires a budget amendment in the form of an ordinance, which would be introduced at the February Town meeting. The Council had no objections. Chief Antolik said the new units are smaller and lighter but also solar powered. They can collect data about speeding.

Town survey results: CM Dewey reported on the results of the Town survey mailed out to a random sample of 200 residents in November 2019. The survey was intended to help the Council better understand residents' opinions on a range of issues, as well as their communication preferences. Of the 200 surveys, 55 were returned completed, for a 28% response rate. It is less than she hoped but it gives the Council a better idea of residents' perspectives.

To assess how representative of the greater community the survey sample is, it was compared to the demographic profile of Berwyn Heights residents in the American Community Survey (ACS) published annually by the Census Bureau. It shows that renters and foreign language speakers are under-represented among survey respondents; families with children match up well with ACS data; and residents who vote in Town elections are over-represented.

CM Dewey gave an overview of the survey findings, keeping in mind the limitations resulting from the low response rate and ranges of confidence. Most respondents (96%) say they are satisfied with the services the Town provides and the quality of life in Berwyn Heights (100%). Most feel safe in their homes (98%), and to a lesser degree driving, walking and bicycling in Berwyn Heights. Respondents top environmental concerns are the occurrence of trash and litter, recycling issues, and climate change. Most respondents favor such Town initiatives as stricter traffic infraction enforcement, adding a 2nd story to the Town Hall, establishing a dog park, installing security features and issuing construction bonds, but oppose periodic tax increases (70%) and switching to once a week trash collection (56%).

Further, 30%-33% of respondents have some difficulty finding and understanding information on the Town's code and permit requirements, although most report positive interactions with Code officials (84%). Respondents ranked the Bulletin, email notices and the website as their top news medium. In addition, many respondents said email or text messages for breaking news would be appreciated. Lastly, most respondents (96%) report that they know their next-door neighbors, at least by their first name. The survey also collects all comments respondents have written on the survey, which CM Dewey plans to aggregate into themes at a later time.

Councilmembers thanked CM Dewey for all her work on the survey and intend to use the data to help set budget priorities. Phil Ventura commented that the survey results are very valuable. Now that the scientific survey is complete, the survey questions might be published in the Bulletin to provide another data set to help firm up the results.

Four Cities agenda items: The next Four Cities meeting will be held on January 30 in College Park. The following agenda items were proposed: updates on a College Park tree ordinance and on a study to grant municipalities building permitting authority.

MML convention hotel: The Hampton Inn was selected as an accommodation for the MML convention.

Census 2020 update: CM Dewey said the Town should soon receive a large poster sign advertising the 2020 Census from the County. The Census Bureau is still hiring census takers at a rate of \$22/ hour.

3. Minutes

CM Dewey moved and MPT Papanikolas seconded to approve the January 6 worksession minutes. The motion passed 4-0-1, with Mayor Isler abstaining. The January 8 Town meeting minutes were distributed.

4. Department Reports

MPT Papanikolas said that the bleachers at the Berwyn Heights Elementary school field have been moved to the top of the hill and asked if they can be moved down again for use by the Boys & Girls Club teams. CM Dewey announced the upcoming Valentine's card and cookie making event on February 8. CM Osmond announced that the new Code officer has been hired and will start next week. TM Broadbent announced that Code and Police Departments will present their FY21 budget enhancement requests and all Town organizations requesting funding should also be present.

Phil Ventura said sometimes small changes can make a big difference in safety, such as the cutting back of brush along a sidewalk and extending the 'no parking' lines at the Indian Creek bridge.

6. Town Council Schedule

The Council reviewed the Council calendar. CM Dewey suggested moving a worksession that falls on a Monday holiday to the next day instead of the next week, i.e. Tuesday, February 18 instead of Monday, February 24. The Council declined to reschedule because TM Broadbent would be unable to attend.

7. Citizens Discussion

Phil Ventura commented on the WBBH recommendations. He suggested to mark school bus stops with yellow lines as a safety measure, and to have the Police more strictly enforce traffic violations, such as jaywalking.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Signed: Kerstin Hasper, Town Clerk



MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS IN SPANISH

The Town of Berwyn Heights website can now be viewed in different languages using Google Translate. Please click on the 'Select Language" box next to the 'Search' box and choose your language.

Town Council Minutes can be found on the home page by clicking on the 'Minutes & Agendas' button in the Citizen Action Center.

https://www.berwynheightsmd.gov/ node/782/minutes/2019

MINUTOS DE REUNIONES DEL CONSEJO EN ESPAÑOL

El sitio web de Town of Berwyn Heights ahora se puede ver en diferentes idiomas usando Google Translate. Haga clic en el cuadro "Seleccionar idioma" junto al cuadro "Buscar" y elija su idioma.

Los Minutos de las reuniones del Consejose pueden encontrar en la página de inicio haciendo clic en el botón "Minutos y Agendas" en el Centro de Acción Ciudadana.

www.berwynheightsmd.gov/node/782/ minutes/2019



C Historical Committee



Please join us at any of our monthly meetings. NEXT MEETING: MARCH 25, 2020 | 7:30 PM

Contact <u>Richard Ahrens</u> for information.

Visit us www.berwynheightshistory.com; or

Or on Facebook



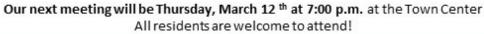
Check out the events program of our partner <u>Anacostia Trails Heritage Area</u> (ATHA brochures and calendar are available at the Town Museum at 5700 Berwyn Road. The BHHC received many comments on a set of photos of Berwyn Heights in the 1960s we published on our website and Facebook page. A couple of readers, who grew up in Berwyn Heights, were able to identify the photo on the left. Mike Hayden and Angelo Ohwell said this is Indian Creek before it was widened and straightened by the Army Corps of Engineers in 1973. Ohwell said "Indian creek would change [its course] as it flooded so much, leaving it to meander around a lot." Mike Hayden said that the buildings on the right belonged to the Peacock and/ or Smith families. Their properties were bought by Park & Planning (M-NCPPC) when it established a stream valley park.

Other readers, Fred Flaherty and Debbie Pitts, shared memories about fishing in the creek. Eels, catfish, and even bass and pickerel could once be found there, as long-time residents Paulette Gould, Mary Lou Milstead and Bettie Prosise attest in a BHHC oral history recording. Former Town Commissioner Charles Worden in a 1972 Bulletin article recalls that there used to be a sizeable pool about 10' deep near the Berwyn Road bridge in which children went swimming during the summer.

The deep pools, green waters and fish eventually disappeared, as upstream industries, such as the A.H. Smith gravel mine, located along Indian Creek and released sand and waste water into it.



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



Monthly Town Clean-up

Monthly Clean-ups are back! Saturday March 16th from 10am – 12pn Meeting point at the Town Center - Bring your SSL forms

1	1
n	4.0 0 0

*Stories

Things you can bring (or not!) to swap:

*Plants

SWAP. * See what interesting varieties of veggie & flower seeds come from around town! * Find that treasure of a plant to add new color and texture to your landscape. * It is free to join in all the fun. Swap goods not required but appreciated to have more fun. Refreshments, goodies and giveaways!

*Seeds

For a lot GO TO: bit.ly/BHseedSwap MARCH 21st - 9:00 -11:30 a.m.

Learn more about pollinators we have, the role they serve, the plants they need at this event! Enjoy learning more about companion gardening. So many things to discuss! All we need is YOU!

Berwyn Heights Community Garden 2020 Application

The Berwyn Heights Community Garden is getting ready for its 6th season!

Existing members and those interested in becoming new members must submit the completed application to the Town Office. Plots will be assigned on a first come, first served basis. Only one plot per applicant/household. Garden plots are 4x8 - raised beds. The garden is located at the 8900 blocks of 58th and 59th Ave. There is a community garden orientation Saturday, March 7 at 2 o'clock in the community garden.

Garden rules and regulations will be posted at the Town Office and on the town website at http://bit.lv/BHgardens Water, tools, and other resources will be provided.

For questions, please contact Diana Agonov at 301-672-6670 or dagonov72@vahoo.com.

Name(s):_____ Address:_____ City: _____ State: ____ Zip Code: _____ Email Phone:

The lease period is March 2020 - February 2021. Plot fee \$30. Cash or check accepted. Please make checks payable to Berwyn Heights Recreation Council.

I/we agree to abide by the 2020 rules and regulations governing the use of the Berwyn Heights Community Garden. I/we hereby release the Town of Berwyn Heights, its agents, contractors, and employees from any and all actions, claims and damages for losses, personal injuries, and disabilities that I/we may sustain as a result of my/our participation in the Community Garden program.

Signature(s)

Date

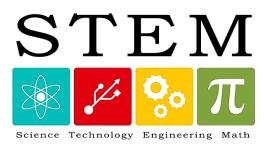
Date

Berwyn Heights Elementary School PTA

March PTA Meeting: STEM Night for Grades 3-6

Tuesday, March 3, 6:45 pm, school cafeteria

Students in grades 3-6 and their families are invited to participate in fun, interactive, learning activities focused on science, technology, engineering, arts, or math. Spanish interpreter available.



NIGHT

Ice Skating Party

Friday, March 27, 6:45 to 8:45 Herbert Wells Ice Rink

\$3 per person, including skate rental. Parents must sign a waiver and children must be

accompanied by an adult. It is cold on the ice wear a hat and gloves for comfort. Everyone is invited bring your friends and family!



Upcoming Events

March 3, Tuesday PTA meeting STEM Night for Grades 3-6

March 27, Friday Ice Skating Party

March 31, Tuesday 3 hour early dismissal

April 6-13 Spring break

April Kindergarten registration opens Date TBA

Find us!

Facebook: Berwyn Heights ES PTA Mailing list: www.remind.com/join/ bhespta/







Congratulations to our soccer teams for a GREAT Winter Season!

We would like to wish good luck to our Soccer Teams!

Soccer practices are beginning...look for emails from your child's coach!

Registration is open for Spring 2020 Soccer and Track!

Meetings are normally held on the 1st Thursday of the month, 7pm in the G. Love Rm. All are invited to attend.

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.

Interested in becoming a member? Have suggestions or ideas? Looking to volunteer? Contact us at: <u>info@berwynheightsbgc.org</u>. Follow us on Facebook! www.facebook.com/berwynheightsbgc



www.berwynheightsbgc.org



NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH/ EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

MEETING: March 4 | 7:00 pm

CHAIR: Mike Attick, Tel. 301-335-1633

Make a Resolution to Get Your Family Ready for Disasters

t's still the beginning of the year, relatively, and not too late to start a New Year's resolution. While getting healthy, getting rid of piles of stuff or finally traveling like you've been meaning to are all worthy goals, why not tackle something most of us preach regularly but never do ourselves: prepare yourself and your family for disasters and emergencies. A few simple steps can go a long way to ensuring your family's safety.

- Ready.gov's webpage "<u>Ready Responder</u>" offers resources and guides for everyone to be prepared, including information on:
- Creating evacuation plans for your residence and for the region where you live in the event of a larger disaster.
- Designating emergency contacts, preferably someone out-of-town, whom your family members can contact once they are safe.
- Making '<u>go-bags</u>' for every family member and pets.
- Practice all escape plans and make changes as necessary.

Berwyn Heights Day Vendor/Information Booth Application

Saturday, May 2, 2020

The Recreation Council must approve ALL items for distribution. Please be descriptive of any food items you plan on selling. We are unable to approve any foods that would compete with our on-site food vendors.

Please do not plan on selling or providing:

- Ready to eat food/drinks (canned/ jarred items, loaves of bread, etc. are acceptable individual cupcakes, beverages, etc. are not.)
- Silly String, Colored Hair Spray

*All vendors will be located at Sports Park, weather permitting.

Set-Up Time: 10:00 am – 11:00 am.

Please drop off items no later than 10:15 am to begin your set up.

Event time: 11:00 am – 4:00 pm

Check ONE:

____\$10 Residents/Non-Profits

\$20 Non-Residents/For-Profits (\$15 if payment received by 4/1/2020)

Table/Chairs: Wil	I you need a table	Chairs? (Supply is limited):	1 or 2
		 •·····································	

Will you need a canopy? (Canopies available for \$15; supply limited):
VES NO

Mail or drop-off registration form at Town Office with cash/check (made out to Berwyn Heights Recreation Council) by **April 24, 2020.**

Mail to: Recreation Council, 5700 Berwyn Road, Berwyn Heights, MD 20740

For additional information, contact Susan Jones at violindreams@verizon.net

OFFICE USE ONLY: SELECT ONE: Cash_____ Check_____ (put check # in space)

AMOUNT PAID



Upcoming Events:

Sat. Mar. 14th, 5-7pm—the Senior Center "Pot O' Gold" Pot Luck Dinner -

Bring your favorite dish to share! (or \$5/person) Enjoy dinner with friends & neighbors. Sodas/ Beverages provided by the Rec Council. Entertainment by Phil Ventura.

Sat. Apr. 11th, 12-2pm—BH Community Center Easter Egg Hunt & Party -

Bring an Easter basket and meet the Easter Bunny! Free, family-friendly event hosted by Park & Planning. Enjoy prizes, arts & crafts, egg drop, jelly bean count, coloring contest and more! *Easter egg hunt open to children ages 2-12, must be accompanied by an adult.

Sat. May. 2nd, ALL DAY—Sports Park / Town Center Berwyn Heights Day 2020 -

Fun Run, Pancake Breakfast, Senior Bake Sale, Parade, Kids Rides / Activities, Vendors, Games, Food, DJ, Live Band & Much More! *Craft / Vendor Applications are still being accepted

Help make this the Best BH Day Parade yet!

Enter your Float (or presentation, decorated bike/car, etc) for a chance at CASH PRIZES! Individuals as well as groups and organizations welcome! To be in the parade, email Susan at violindreams@verizon.net

Next Recreation Council Meetings will be Tuesday, March 3rd and Tuesday, April 7th at 7:30 pm in the G. Love Room. All are welcome! Have ideas or suggestions, but cannot make the meeting? Email Susan at <u>violindreams@verizon.net</u>







AMWELL ORTHOPAEDIC **PHYSICAL THERAPY**, LLC

We Treat: Hip Pain, Knee Pain, Shoulder/Arm Pain, Back or Neck Pain, Sports Injuries, Auto Accidents, Worker's Compensation Cases, Postural Correction, Post-surgical Care

Dr. Aaron M. Lubick, PT, DPT, MS



Proudly serving BERWYN HEIGHTS for 20 years!



PREMIER MEDICAL CENTER

6201 Greenbelt Road, Suite L-7 Berwyn Heights, MD (across from Staples) www. amwellorthopt.com

Early Morning/ Late Evening Appointments Available

Most Insurances Accepted: Medicare Medicaid | Blue Cross/ Blue Shield United Healthcare | Aetna



Call Us: 301-345-3711





Sharon A. McCraney, Realtor

Certified Sr. Housing Specialist • Top Producer 2006-2011 • Md Representative Le&F Gold Team Cell: 301.346.1462 • Office: 301-441-9511 x113 sharonsells@lnf.com • www.sharonmccraney.com



Thinking of selling or buying?? I have a **full marketing plan** on how I seamlessly take you from A-Z in the world of selling your home. I sell more Berwyn Heights homes than other agents, let me show you how I do it. Consistency, proven results, referral network, satisfied clients! I also have lenders, stagers, contractors & more for your selling /buying needs.

WHATS HAPPENING in MARCH.....

- Daylight Savings time begins Sun. Mar 8 at 2:00 am.
- Washington Nationals 1st reg season game March 26
- National Cherry Blossom Festival March 20th.
- Berwyn Heights town wide clean up March 21
- Happy St Patricks Day March 17
- Shamrock fun run & beer tasting Mar 7
 Annapolis

- FREE MARKET ANALYSIS OF YOUR HOME
- NATIONAL/ INT'L WEBSITE/ADVERTISING
- LICENSED IN MD & DC
- 20 YEARS + OF REAL ESTATE EXPERIENCE
- 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 5920 Westchester Park Dr 3 BR TH......\$156,000.

NEW LISTING,5900 Tecumseh St 3 BR 2 BA rambler \$344,900.

NEW LISTING 8513 Cunningham Dr 4 BR 2 BA rambler \$329,900.

NEW LISTING 15 A Laurel Hill Rd Greenbelt Homes 2 BR 1 BA TH \$154,900.

If your property is currently listed with another broker, this is not a solicitation of that listing.



Thursday, January 3, 2020 at 10:29 pm, 'HIT & RUN'

On 1/2/2020 at approximately 10:29 PM Pfc. C. Rufino (#1451) was dispatched to a hit and run located at the 5600 block of Ruatan Street Berwyn Heights, MD 20740. Upon arrival, she spoke with the owner of Nissan Altima Maryland Registration 1DH0412. The owner states that he was inside his home at the above aforementioned address when he and his family heard the loud impact outside. He went outside and discovered that his vehicle had been struck and damaged on the left front driver's side. A neighbor observed a white vehicle (unknown make and model) strike the Nissan Altima and drive away. The neighbor was unable to see the license plate of the fleeing vehicle. The vehicle owner was provided a case number and officer's information.

Friday, January 3, 2020 at 7:100 pm, **'EPS'**

On 1/3/2020 at approximately 7:11PM Cpl. P. Roberson along with officer Rufino were dispatched to a call for a disorderly subject in the back of an alley: i.e. throwing rocks at a house located on 5600 block of Osage Street. Upon arrival, officers met with a resident who stated that a white male described to have a scraggly beard and wearing a dark shirt was yelling, shouting fire, beating on objects and assaulting people on the street. It was further reported to the officers that the subject punched the resident in the face while he was investigating the disturbance in front of his home. While standing on Osage Street, officers could hear in the distance loud screams and banging of objects coming from the concession stand in the adjacent park. The screams and beating appeared to be that of a subject in distress. The subject was located in the park beating on metal bleachers.

Cpl. Roberson is familiar with the subject as he is seen frequently in the neighborhood loitering around a local 7-11 store. Cpl. Roberson attempted to interview the subject but it was quickly determined that he was agitated and volatile. A pat down of the subject was initiated. A duffle bag that was on a bench next to the subject (contained paraphernalia, two glass smoking pipes) was checked for weapons and a large knife and scissors were observed inside. The subject became angry at this officer checking his bag and immediately became enraged, grabbing the bag from the officer's hands. Having had information that the subject assaulted a complete stranger, and observing the subject banging the park bench with his body while yelling and screaming incoherently, Cpl. Roberson made a decision to take the subject into custody for a mental health evaluation to prevent the subject from injuring himself, officers or others. Cpl. Roberson moved swiftly as to not give the subject an opportunity to flee, assault an officer or obtain the weapons in the duffle bag. Upon taking hold of the subject, he immediately pulled away and demonstrated his desire not to be handcuffed by flexing his muscles and pulling away. To avoid injuries to the subject and officers this officer deployed his issued taser to gain control of the subject. After the taser was deployed the subject continued to resist being handcuffed. The subject was handcuffed after a struggle with 3 officers. PG fire department was summoned and Berwyn Heights FD responded. The subject was transported to PGH with Officer Rufino in the medic unit. The paraphernalia (two glass smoking pipes) was photographed and destroyed.

Sunday, January 5, 2020 at 11:17 pm, 'COMMERCIAL ARMED ROBBERY'

BHPD officers responded to the 7-Eleven store located at 5815 Greenbelt Road, Berwyn Heights, Maryland 20740 for a commercial armed robbery report. Once on scene, officers made contact with the victim who advised that four unknown masked and gloved suspects entered the store. Suspect 1 brandished a silver handgun, pointed at the victim and demanded money from the cash registers. Fearing for his life, the victim complied with the demands and opened the registers. Suspects 1-4 removed approximately \$50.00 in United States currency from the registers, along with assorted merchandise, and fled the scene on foot to an unknown location, making good in their escape. Suspect #1: B/ M, 20-25, black hoodie, black ski mask,

black gloves, blue jeans, black shoes, armed with a silver semi-automatic handgun. Suspect #2: B/M, 20-25, black jacket over gray hoodie, black ski mask, black gloves, black jeans, gray New Balance shoes. Suspect #3: B/M, 20-25, green jacket over gray hoodie, black gloves, blue ripped jeans, white shoes. Suspect #4: B/M, 20-25, black hooded jacket with fur, black ski mask, black gloves, gray jeans, white shoes.

Friday, January 10, 2020, at 5:51 pm, **'FRAUD**'

On 1/10/2020 at approximately 5:51 PM, a Berwyn Heights resident walked into the Berwyn Heights Police Station located at 5411 Berwyn Road Berwyn Heights MD, 20740 to make a fraud report. Victim reported that she applied for a credit line to pay some bills. On 12/2/2019 victim dropped off three envelopes at the College Park Post office drive through mailbox for payments to Bank of America, Discovery and Exxon Mobile. The victim had obtained certified checks from the SECU (Berwyn Heights) bank to make payments to those institutions. Today 1/10/2020 Ms. Cunningham called SECU bank and spoke with bank representative and they informed her that the check(s) had been cashed by an unauthorized individual. She was provided with police report and the banks fraud division will be investigating the incident as well.

Thursday, January 16, 2020, at 9:00 am, **'FRAUD**'

On 1/16/2020, at approximately 09:00 hours, BHPD received a station call for theft/gift card scam. VICTIM, a Berwyn Heights public works employee, advised she received an E-Mail from "Stephen Isler Mayor" and that he needed help purchasing gift cards for employees. The Suspect used the email address (citymail55555@gmail.com) and fraudulently used the Mayors Name and title to coerce the victim to purchase one thousand dollars-worth of Google gift cards. Furthermore, the email stated that this purchase was confidential so he could give them out for employees as gifts. The Victim then proceeded to go to two stores, Giant Food, located at 6000 Greenbelt Road, and Safeway, located at 7595 Greenbelt Road. The Victim purchased Five Hundred dollars in gift cards at the aforementioned stores and sent

(Continued from page 17)

the Suspect photos of the redemption codes. The correspondence ended once the codes had been sent. The BHPD Investigator was able to contact Google. Eight out of the ten cards were expended, two cards remained unused and two hundred dollars of the stolen funds were recovered by the Investigator. The Victim was unable to provide the majority of information because the accounts had been closed. She was advised to contact the credit companies and collect all the necessary billing statements receipts or anything pertinent for investigation purposes and forward them to BHPD. In addition, multiple town employees received the same message. This case is under investigation BHPD CID

Thursday, January 16, 2020 at 5:12 pm, 'PROPERTY DAMAGE'

On Thursday 1/16/2020 at 7:08 P.M. reporting person called police to the Mimel Mental Health offices at 6215 Greenbelt Road suite 107. It was reported that at 5:12 P.M. someone used force to attempt to break open a locked exterior office door that leads from the hallway to the employee's area of the reception office area. The suspect did not gain entry. The door's frame was destroyed. The wooden frame was fractured and splintered. These events occurred in the municipal jurisdiction of the Town of Berwyn Heights, Prince George's County, Maryland.

Friday, January 17, 2020 at 6:27 pm, **'SUSPICIOUS SUBJECT**'

The resident of the 5900 block of Berwyn RD Berwyn Heights MD 20740 contacted the police after he heard someone at the back porch of the house where he lives. The caller reported that he rents the bottom basement floor of the house and he enters and exits through the back door of the house. The caller stated that the residents that live upstairs were not home and that he had heard someone on the rear porch that leads to the upstairs. The caller reports that he went outside to investigate, and observed an unknown male standing on the back porch that leads to the upstairs portion of the house. The caller described the individual only as a male with a dark jacket and hood covering his head (unable to determine race) blue

jeans and white tennis shoes. The caller states the subject walked away when he confronted him. The area was checked with B-sector units with negative results.

Saturday, January 18, 2020, at 9:00 am, **'FOUND PROPERTY'**

The reporting person stated that about 09:00 hrs on today's date she went outside of her residence in the 6200 block of Ruatan Street and discovered that a purse was laying in the street, and called police. Upon arrival on the scene, BHPD went through the found purse and found several gift cards, as well as a pair of gloves and a Live Maryland store card with the name Mary Halton but no other ID.. Purse taken into custody and placed in property.

Wednesday, January 22, 2020 at 5:03 pm, **'LOST PROPERTY'**

On 1/22/2020 At approximately 5:00 PM A citizen walked into Berwyn Heights Police Department located at 5411 Berwyn Road to report a missing registration tab from his vehicle Maryland registration 3AM8538. The Sticker number for the registration tab is 2021-1065142. Teletype was advised and the subject was provided with a case number.

Monday, January 27, 2020 at 8:44 pm, '**FRAUD**'

Cpl. P. Roberson responded to the 5700 block of Nevada Street for a report of fraud. The victim contacted the police after she discovered she was scammed out of \$8,000.00. The victim states that she received a pop up message while on her computer informing her that her bank account was hacked and she needed to call "1800 731-8816". The victim called the phone number and was told her Sun Trust bank account was being drained and she needed to obtain several gift cards. The victim said she would call the bank and was told that they were in on the scam and she needed to obtain several gift cards and call them back. The victim went to Giant Foods and obtained a \$4,000.00 gift card. Target \$2,000.00 and Safeway \$2,000.00. The victim called the 800 number she had been given and gave the security pin codes from the cards to the suspect. The cards were cashed immediately. The victim reports that she



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:

http://www.berwynheightsmd.gov/ police-department

spoke to two different people on the phone, both of whom had foreign accents. A male subject was described as having an Indian accent and a female that identified herself as Christen Wilkins had an accent as well, possibly a Filipino.

Friday, January 24, 2020 at 9:00 am, **'ORAL-BOARD**'

BHPD conducted an oral board of final candidates for police officer's position. Ms. Yvonne Odoi represented the Town Office, Berwyn Heights Seniors represented by Mr. Leon Swain, Greenbelt City Police Yomayra Rodriguez, Director Hollyce Goodwin and Sgt. T. Moroney were on the panel.

Wednesday, January 29, 2020 at 9:55 am, **'VANDALISM'**

On Wednesday 1/29/2020 at 9:48 A.M. the owner of the 7-11 franchise at 5815 Greenbelt Road reported destruction of property at the store. At 4 A.M. someone had broken a glass pane of a door. Cpl. J. Ignowski responded to the call and viewed the store security video. A male of unknown race backed and parked a dark gray car that looked like a Toyota Camry directly in front of the double entrance doors of the store. An illegible tag on the rear of the car appeared to be a Temporary Registration Plate. The male was of average height and weight and wore a yellow waterproof type coat with reflective tape designs on the shoulders and around

(Continued from page 18)

the waist, and a hooded sweatshirt with hood up. The male approached the entrance doors and looked into the store but did not enter. There were customers inside of the store who did not park vehicles in front. The male looked at employees, and customers and turned around so that his back faced the doors. He then used his right foot to horse-kick the lower pane of glass of the door on the right side as you face the store. The male appears to be holding a handgun in his right hand. The glass was smashed in-place by the impact. The male walked to the gray car, got in, and drove away. Store franchisee, Mr. Ali, was given a case number and business card by Cpl. Ignowski who also prepared an Incident Report. These

events occurred in the municipal jurisdiction of the Town of Berwyn Heights, Prince George's County, Maryland.

Thursday, January 30, 2020 at 8:30 pm, **'COMMERCIAL ARMED ROBBERY'**

BHPD responded to the McDonalds on Greenbelt Road for an armed robbery in progress. On scene, officers were advised that a black male wearing a black pullover mask pulled up at the drivethrough window, got out of a black vehicle, asked for a small coffee, and paid \$1.00. The suspect then produced a silver handgun, pointed it at the employee and stated, "Open the register". The employee was too nervous, and the suspect reached inside the window and pressed the exact change button and opened the register to obtain cash. Suspect fled scene prior to the arrival of the police in the described vehicle along with undetermined amount of cash. The suspect is believed to be driving a 2000-2005 black Lexus GS300 with MD tags.

Homicide = 00 | Rape = 00 | Robbery = 02 | Assault = 00 | Burglary = 00 | Lar-

JANUARY	CITATIONS
STATE	36
TOWN	38
WARNINGS	24
SERO	06
TOTAL	104



Free Karate Training!

Train with Sensei Leon Swain, 5th degree black belt, five-time inductee into the World Professional Martial Arts Hall of Fame & member of Shihan John Rose-berry's Sho-Rei-Shobu-Kan Budo Organization. Open to all ages/ all levels.

Town Center, 2nd Floor: 5700 Berwyn Road

All ages and levels: Year-Round Monday & Friday | 5-7 pm

Executive Club (Senior Citizens): Thursdays | 12 – 2 pm

For more information please contact:

Sensei Brett Bentley at 240-678-9103 Brett.t.bentley@gmail.com,

or Sensei Leon Swain at 301-728-2881

.....

PLANT NATIVE TREES THIS SPRING

The net cooling effect of a young, healthy tree is equivalent to ten room-sized air conditioners operating 20 hours a day. – USDA

The planting of trees means improved water quality, resulting in less runoff and erosion. This allows more recharging of the ground



water supply. Wooded areas help prevent the transport of sediment and chemicals into streams. – USDA

Maryland offers \$25 coupons for native trees at participating nurseries. Learn more at <u>dnr.maryland.gov.</u>

Next meeting: March 12, 2020 at 7 pm. Contact: Amanda Dewey at

adewey@berwynheightsmd.gov

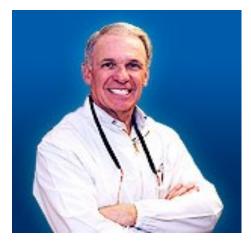
Want a Free Tree Planted on your Property?

The town will plant a tree in front of or beside your house within 20 feet of the curb. Town Manager Broadbent will meet with you to look at your preferred location and discuss what kind of tree would be best.

Please email mbroadbent@berwynheightsmd.gov

Aaron I. Linchuck, D.D.S. and Associates

Cosmetic and Family Dentistry



Proudly serving the Berwyn Heights Community for over 20 years

New Patients & Emergencies Welcome

Offering Senior Dental Discount

Maryland State Healthy Smile Provider

Accepting Most Insurance Plans

Patient Financing Plans through CareCredit

We provide a full range of dental services including:

- Tooth Colored Fillings
- Regular Exam & Cleanings
- Crown & Bridges
- Oral Cancer Screenings
- DenturesImplant Restoration
- Digital X-rays
- Sealants

- Custom Mouth Guards
- Treatment for Snoring
- Treatment for Grinding
- ZOOM Whitening

We're dedicated to giving you the finest oral health care available with something extra

~ A Caring Attitude and Gentle Care ~

New Patient Special **\$96.00** Exam, X-rays, Cleaning ZOOM Whitening Special \$100.00 off After Exam & Cleaning

Call today for an appointment!!

(301) 441-2550 | www.DrLinchuck.com

6201 Greenbelt Road, Suite U-5

Berwyn Heights, MD 20740

www.DrLinchuck.com



Berwyn Heights Seniors Club

Next to Town Office on 57th Ave — Open Monday thru Friday, 10 AM to 2 PM — Phone 301-474-0018

Now that Spring is on the way, come to the Center, get a cup of coffee, a soda, or a bottle of water and, of course, something to eat. You can always count to on something to eat when you are with the Sen-

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

March 2	William Payne	
March 6	Tom Louie	
March 13	Theodore Erickson	
	Leara Johnson	
March 14	Marilyn Pula	
March 16	Susan Huber	
March 20	Ken Hall	
	Victoria Padua	
March 21	Therese Forbes	
March 22	Pat Agee	
March 25	Mary Theis	



TRIP TO B&O RAILROAD MUSEUM IN BALTIMORE

Date to be determined.

BREAKFAST AT SILVER DINER

Date to be determined. Call the Senior Center for times and more information.

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

FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES

BINGO — Every Tuesday at 12:30 P.M..

WII BOWLING — Every Wednesday at 10:30 A.M.

SELF DEFENSE COURSE — Every Thursday at 12:00 Noon, upstairs over the Senior Center

GAME NIGHT — Every Thursday at 7:00 P.M.

POTLUCK & MOVIE — 2nd Saturday at 5:00 P.M.

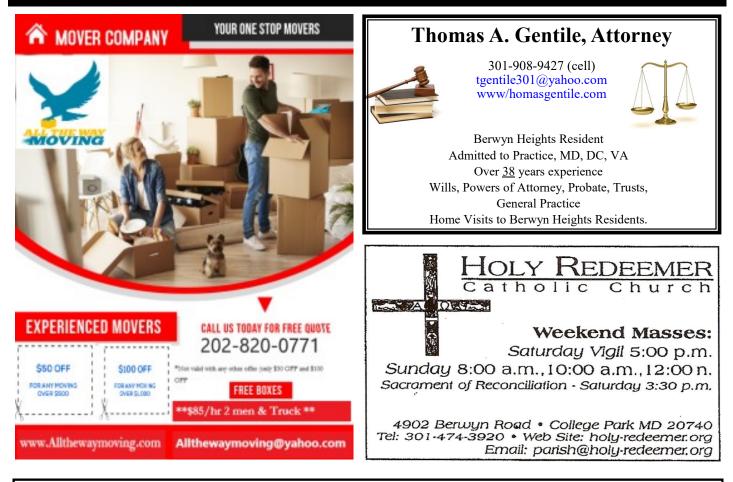
MEETINGS — 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 11:00 A.M. The 4th Tuesday is a Pot Luck.

Pot o Gold Potluck Dinner



SAT., MARCH 14, 5:00 PM, SENIOR CENTER

Bring your favorite dish to share (or \$5 per person). Enjoy dinner while mingling with friends and neighbors. Sponsored by the Berwyn Heights Recreation Council.

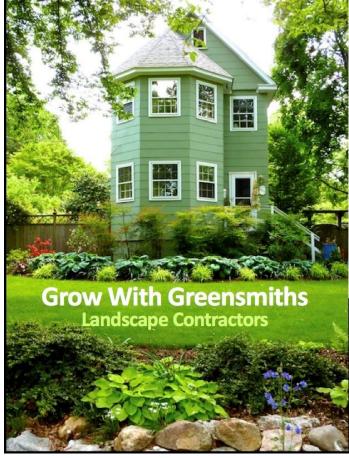




Since 1988, we have been privileged to serve many local communities. Now residing in Berwyn Heights, we offer the following services for both **Residential & Commercial:**

- * MOWING & MULCHING
- **DESIGN & INSTALL**
- * PLANTING & SEEDING
- YARD CLEAN-UPS
- * HEDGE TRIMMING
- LEAF REMOVAL

*** GUTTER CLEANING & MORE**



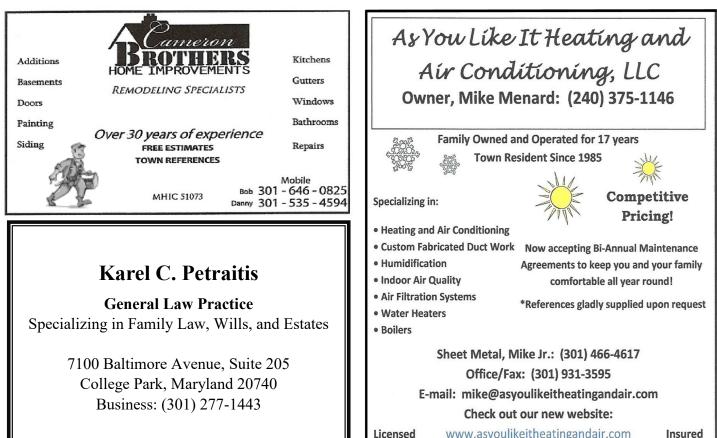
Contact Mark Emmell

Owner/President and Berwyn Heights Resident for 37 Years

- Landscape Design, Installation and Maintenance
- Annual Landscape Cleanups and Mulching
- Rain Gardens and Native Plantings
- Pruning and Plant Removal
- Drainage Solutions and Grading

301-335-4485

greensmithsinc@hotmail.com





Berwyn Heights Volunteer Fire Department & Rescue Squad, Inc. • 8811 60th Avenue • Berwyn Heights, MD 20740 In Case of Emergency Call 911!

Recent Working Incidents

Seeking Volunteers!

<u>Jan 9th–</u> Truck 14 was alerted to the area of Pinebrook Ave and Landover Rd in Landover for a reported Apartment Fire. Units arrived to find heavy fire showing from the 3rd-floor apartment.

<u>Jan 9th-</u>Rescue Squad 14 was alerted to Duvall High School during the day with reports of smoke in the school. Units arrived to assist with school evacuations, and located a set fire in the bathrooms.

<u>Jan 9th–</u> Truck 14 and Chief 14 responded to the 5400Blk of 85th Ave in New Carrolton for an Apartment Fire. Units arrived to find a kitchen fire.

Jan 18th– HOUSE FIRE WITH RESCUES Truck 14 & Ambulance 14B were alerted to the 6400Blk of Inlet St in New Carrolton for a house fire with reports of people trapped in the basement. Bladensburg VFD volunteers located and removed the first victim from the basement and handed off to Ambulance 14B crew for treatment & transport, and BHVFD crews assisted in locating the 2nd victim. 5 of the 7 Fire Units on scene were 100% Volunteer staffed, with 28 of the 35 Firefighters operating on the scene being Volunteers. There was also a Volunteer Battalion Chief and 2 Volunteer EMS units on the scene (including Ambo 14B). A College Park VFD firefighter suffered 2nd-degree burns and was also transported.

<u>Jan 20th–</u>Rescue Squad 14 was alerted to the area of 96th Ave at Wellington St in Lanham for a reported House Fire. Units arrived to find fire showing.

Jan 25th-Rescue Squad 14 extricated a victim from a crash on the IL of I-495 at Landover Road (MD 202).

<u>Jan 26th–</u>Truck 14 and Chief 14B responded to Wells Blvd in Adelphi for a working House Fire.

<u>Feb 1st:</u> Rescue Squad 14 was alerted to a hotel on Golden Triangle Dr in Greenbelt for reports of two young children drowning in the hotel pool. Ambulance 14B had just cleared Doctors Hospital when the call was dispatched, and requested to run the call. Units from BHVFD arrived within 3 minutes of dispatch to find both children had been pulled from the pool, conscious and breathing. They were transported to a local hospital in serious condition; they are expected to survive.

<u>Feb 16th</u>_Truck 14 responded to the 2100Blk of Rolander St in Adelphi for a house fire. Units found a gas-fed fire with an explosion. BHVFD conducted searches, provided ground ladders, and ventilated Volunteering in the fire department is a unique experience that can be as rewarding and educational as you choose to make it. Motivation, dedication, and professionalism are qualities that successful volunteers must possess. Members of the Berwyn Heights VFD not only possess these qualities but are continuously seeking to further their knowledge and skills as well.

We Offer Many Ways to Volunteer in our Community, What Will You Choose?

Firefighter/EMT-

All-hazards emergency responder. Trained and responsible for mitigating fire, rescue, hazmat, and medical emergencies. With additional training and experience, may promote to apparatus driver/operator and/ or station officer.



EMT Only –

Emergency Medical Services Responder. Trained and responsible for the care and transport of sick of injured to the hospital.

Administrative Support -

Administrative members of the department assist with the continued operations of the company including Statistics, Fundraising, Station Management, Public Education, and so much more.

Apply Today, Ages 16 & Up!

Fill out an interest form on our website www.BHVFD14.org, to start the process of becoming a volunteer for the Berwyn Heights Volunteer Fire Department. A member of our recruitment team will be following up with you shortly. We look forward to having you on our team!



Part-Time Position

The Berwyn Heights Volunteer Fire Department is currently seeking applicants for a part-time Recruitment & Retention Coordinator position. This position is fund-

ed by the Department's FEMA Staffing for Adequate Fire & Emergency Response (SAFER) Grants program. The applicant would work with the Department's leadership and membership committee to actively recruit and retain volunteer firefighters.

Please visit our website at <u>www.BHVFD14.org</u> for additional information and how to apply.

BULLETIN BOARD

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

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

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 35-year old program needs volunteers to help with their daily operations out of College Park location. Please call 301-474-1002 M-F, 8:30-12:00 if available.

Need Yard Help? Shawn and Jeremy have helped Berwyn Heights residents with mowing, raking, mulching, and more for several years. Call 301-474-2002.

Get Out More! Let me help you free up your time by helping you in different

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

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

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



ENROLLED ADMITTED TO PRACTICE BEFORE THE IRS AGENT

Provides you reliable and confidential tax preparation and Advisory service. Six years top tax company experience, specialized in rental property. Affordable price. Tax return could be done face to face or VIRTUAL (send documents via Fax, scan or Email). Also phone interviews at your convenience. Email me at : <u>llyqi99@qmail.com</u> or text me at 301-728-1097. "Lily Qi"



Cleaning your home like my own. Residential & commercial. References available in Berwyn Heights. Over 10 years professional experience. Providing my own materials at reasonable price.

Call (240) 645-5140 or email angelalazo1@hotmail.com

BERWYN HEIGHTS MOVIE CLUB

Come watch a free movie every Sunday afternoon with conversation afterwards. We watch a wide variety of movies from all different genres, time periods, and countries.

- Mar 1 After Hours (1985)
- Mar 8 Persuasion (1995)

- Mar 15 The Quiet Man (1952)
- Mar 22 Best in Show (2000)
- Mar 29 Vampyr (1932) and Sherlock Jr. (1924)

Every Sunday at 3:00 pm | Town Center - G. Love Room (Downstairs)

For any questions please contact: <u>bhmovieclub@gmail.com</u>

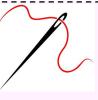
SEN. PINSKY SCHOLARSHIP

Senator Paul Pinsky (District 22) offers a scholarship for new and returning college students. The application is due no later than April 1, 2020 and is available online at <u>https://senatorpinsky.org/scholarship</u>. Selection of recipients is made by a citizens committee from District 22 based



on the applicant's academic achievement, financial need, and commitment to higher education. If you have any questions regarding the awards process, please call (301) 858-3155.

Other scholarship opportunities, such as the Promise Scholarship paying any remaining tuition of an eligible student attending a two-year college, and the Maryland Teaching Fellows initiative providing tuition, room, board, and books for Maryland students interested in the teaching profession who meet the GPA, SAT or ACT requirements, are described on the Maryland Higher Education Commission website at mhec.state.md.us by following the State Scholarships & Grants link under Quick Links.



Interested in Knitting, Quilting, Other Needle Arts Projects?

Stop by the College Park Needle Arts Society for camaraderie, conversation and lots of mutual inspiration! There are no group projects and no dues. We currently meet Friday mornings, 9:30 - 11:30 am, at the Berwyn Heights Town Center, 5700 Berwyn Road.

For information, call Leslie Montroll at 301-277-9630 or Janet Freitag at 301-906-8535 or email CPNeedleArts@earthlink.net

CODE COMPLIANCE

Storm Drain Cleaning

Help prevent flooding during spring rains. Please check on any storm drains that may be on your property, or in the street in



front it. If drains are clogged with debris, please remove it and dispose with yard waste or trash.

If you are unable to remove an obstruction yourself, you may contact Prince George's County online through <u>Click311</u> or by calling (301) 883-4748.

COMMUNITY Organizations

BH Elementary School PTA

President: Marilyn King <u>President@BHESPTA.org</u> Vice President: Sara Jacobson & Kimberly Bills

Treasurer: Lilly Ridge Boys & Girls Club President: Brandon Batton

bbatt80@hotmail.com Vice President: vacant Registrar: Tiffany Papanikolas 240-338-5191 Treasurer: Sandra Zuniga Secretary: Jianmei Zhu

Athletic Director: Asgar Asgarov Soccer Commissioner: Vacant Track Commissioner: Brandon Batton

Education Advisory Committee Contact: Joanna Whitaker thebheac@gmail.com.

Green Team/ Shade Tree Board Chair: Amanda Dewey <u>amandamdewey@gmail.com</u> Public Outreach: Therese Forbes therese@celticclans.com

Historical Committee Chair: Richard Ahrens dsteelesny@yahoo.com

Men's Basketball League Jim McGinnis 301-651-8142

Movie Club Jonathan Loutsch bhmovieclub@gmail.com

Neighborhood Watch/ Emergency Preparedness/ CERT Chair Michael Attick <u>mikeattick@verizon.net</u>

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 <u>violindreams@verizon.net</u> Secretary: Theresa Beck beck theresa@vahoo.com

Seniors Club Ray Smith 301-474-3482

	Berw	yn Heights Bu	lletin — Marc	h 2020 — Pag	ge 27	
			M	arc	h 20)20
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 Candidate Filing Deadline	4	5	6	7 2:00 PM
	7:00 PM Worksession	7:30 PM Rec. Council Meeting	7:00 PM NW/EP Meeting			Community Gar- den Orientation
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
			7:00 PM Town Meeting	7:00 PM Green Team Meeting		7:00 PM Pot 'o Gold Potluck
15	16	17	18	19 N 8	20	21 9:00 AM
	7:00 PM Worksession					Plant Swap 10:00 AM Town Cleanup
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 9:00 AM
	7:00 PM BHEAC Meeting		7:30 PM BHHC Meeting			Budget Workshop
29	30	31	1	2	3 Voter Registra- tion Deadline	4



Please do not park on the street when the street sweeper is in Town to ensure the street sweeper cleans everywhere along the curbs. Trash, Bulk Trash, Yard Waste North-side Collection

Trash, Bulk Trash, Yard Waste South-side Collection

Recycling Recycling Collection



BERWYN HEIGHTS BULLETIN

TOWN OF BERWYN HEIGHTS 5700 Berwyn Road Berwyn Heights, Maryland 20740-2799 CARRIER-ROUTE SORTED PRESORT STANDARD U. S. Postage Paid College Park, Maryland Permit No. 5442

POSTAL CUSTOMER BERWYN HEIGHTS, MARYLAND

Dated Material — Do Not Delay!

Town of Berwyn Heights Phone Nos.	Mayor and	I Council
Emergency - Fire Rescue 9-1-1 Police (Non-Emergency) (301) 352-1200		sisler@berwynheightsmd.gov
Police Administrative Office	Jason W. Papanikolas (240) 338-5191 Mayor Pro Tem — Administration	jpapanikolas@berwynheightsmd.gov
Email: code@berwynheightsmd.gov Public Works Department	Ethan D. Sweep (218) 280-2273 Councilmember — Public Works	esweep@berwynheightsmd.gov
Fire Department (301) 474-7866 Senior Center (301) 474-0018		adewey@berwynheightsmd.gov cation & Civic Affairs
Community Center (Gym)		josmond@berwynheightsmd.gov
Call-a-Bus Reservations	Maria Broadbent—Town Manager	mbroadbent@berwynheightsmd,gov
Regular Trash Collection Schedule		Watch Council Meetings
North of Pontiac Mondays & Thursdays South of Pontiac Tuesdays & Thursdays Ieavy Trash Day:	Do you have a suggestion or problem or a question on an ordinance, or have a histori- cal question? Want to receive meeting agendas or minutes by email? Email Town at contact@berwynheightsmd.gov Be assured that your communication will be answered promptly	On Comcast channel 71 FIOS channel 12
Nonday for North of Pontiac Tuesday for South of Pontiac		Most recent meeting: M-S 11:00 A.M 2nd most recent mtg: M-S 3:00 P.M
Recycling Schedule: Wednesdays for the entire Town		3rd most recent mtg: Tue, Thu, Fri., Sun.: 8:00 P.M.

Helen Van Doren: Layout