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PUBLIC HEARING & ADOPTION OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS TUE, NOVEMBER 10, 7 PM

ORD 181-A: Amending FY 2021 Budget to replace server.

ORD 181-B: Amending FY 2021 budget to fund Architectural study exploring the feasibility of housing the Police Station at the Town Center.

Meetings are broadcast live on FiOS 12, or Comcast 71 and streamed on the Town's website, www.berwynheightsmd.gov.

Public comments will be taken by telephone at 301-474-9570 or email to Mayor Dewey at adewey@berwynheightsmd.gov.



Public Information Aide Amy Hargadon Hired

We welcome Ms. Hargadon as the Town's new Public Information Aide. Her work will be focused on publishing news on the Town's website and social media to help us better inform and engage our residents, one of the Town Council's top priorities.

Ms. Hargadon graduated from the University of Baltimore in December 2019 with a bachelor's in digital communication. In her private life, she enjoys singing and dance and likes learning new skills such as surfing, and sewing.



HOLIDAY REFUSE SCHEDULE

Veterans' Day

Mon	11/09/20	Trash, Bulk, Yardwaste, No
Tue	11/10/20	Trash, Bulk, Yardwaste, So
Wed	11/11/20	CLOSED - NO PICKUP
Thu	11/12/20	Town-wide Recycling
Fri	11/13/20	Town-wide Trash

Thanksgiving

Mon	11/23/20	Trash, Bulk, Yardwaste, No
Tue	11/24/20	Trash, Bulk, Yardwaste, So
Wed	11/25/20	Town-wide Recycling
Thu	11/26/20	CLOSED - NO PICKUP
Fri	11/27/20	CLOSED - NO PICKUP

Please do NOT leave trash out

Vote November 3 | 7am - 8pm

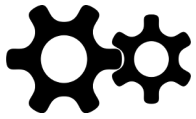
Voting Centers In our Area

To vote in person on Election Day visit a nearby [Election Day voting center](#):

- The Pavillion, UMD Xfinity Center
8500 Paint Branch Drive College Park
- Eleanor Roosevelt High School
7601 Hanover Parkway, Greenbelt
- Parkdale High School
6001 Good Luck Road, Riverdale

Absentee ballots can be mailed postmarked November 3 or delivered to any drop box in Prince George's County. Locations are posted online: [Drop box locations](#).

Questions? Please contact the Prince George's County Board of Elections by phone at **301-341-7300**; or online at [PGC board of elections](#).



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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Colección de hojas de acera 2 de noviembre - 30 de diciembre Vacaciones excluidas

Su Departamento de Obras Públicas ofrece recolección de hojas sueltas en bordillo hasta fines de diciembre. Puede continuar desechando hojas en bolsas de papel marrón para desechos de jardín los días de recolección de desechos de jardín.

Recordatorios de recolección de hojas

- Por favor, rastrille sus hojas hacia un bordillo o hacia una acera existente, pero NO en la calle.
- No mezcle hojas sueltas con palos, piedras, basura o escombros, ya que pueden dañar la máquina recolectora de hojas.
- No mezcle hojas sueltas con ramas gruesas. Se recogen por separado.
- No estacione los automóviles frente o cerca de pilas de hojas, ya que esto dificulta el acceso de la máquina recolectora de hojas.
- Se necesitan aproximadamente 2 semanas para completar una ronda de recolección de hojas en el pueblo.

Barrido de calles

El barrendero estará en el pueblo desde el lunes 3 de noviembre hasta el viernes 6 de noviembre. Estacione su automóvil fuera de la calle cuando vea la barredora de calles en su área.

Reciclaje de desechos de alimentos

Nuestro programa de desechos de alimentos está funcionando muy bien. No dude en utilizar este servicio. Los desechos de alimentos se pueden dejar en un contenedor designado en el estacionamiento trasero del Town Center o registrarse con nuestro proveedor, Compost Crew, para servicio individual y recogida en la acera. Vacíe los desechos de alimentos sin apretar en el recipiente o use bolsas compostables. POR FAVOR NO USE BOLSAS DE PLÁSTICO.

Curbside Leaf Collection November 2 - December 30 Holidays Excluded

Your Public Works Department offers curbside loose leaf collection through the end of December. You may continue to set out leaves in brown paper yard waste bags, to be picked up on yard waste collection days.

Leaf Collection Reminders

- Please rake your leaves to the curb or to an existing sidewalk, but NOT into the street.
- Do not mix loose leaves with sticks, rocks, trash or debris, as they can damage the leaf machine.
- Do not mix loose leaves with thick branches. They are collected separately.
- Do not park cars in front of or near leaf piles, as this hampers access by the leaf machine.
- Be advised that it takes approximately 2 weeks to complete a round of leaf collection in the Town.

Street Sweeping

The street sweeper will be in Town on Monday, November 3rd through Friday, November 6th. Please park your car off the street when you see the street sweeper in your area.

Food Scraps Recycling

Our food scraps program is doing very well. Please do not hesitate to use this service. Food scraps may be dropped off in a designated toter in the rear parking lot of the Town Center or sign up with our vendor, [Compost Crew](#), for individual service and curbside pickup. Empty your food scraps loosely in the bin or use compostable bags. PLEASE DO NOT USE PLASTIC BAGS.

WSSC Water Main Replacement

Also, a word of caution as construction to replace approximately 1.73 miles of our water mains will continue until scheduled completion in June 2021. If you would like to be kept updated on this, you may sign-up at wsscwater.com/CNS to receive emails and/or text alerts.

WSSC understands the inconvenience of these types of projects and appreciates your patience as they work to provide safe, seamless and satisfying water services for customers every day.

COVID-19 (Coronavirus) **Prince George's County** **Ambassador Compliance Team**



BHPD has joined the Prince George's County's coronavirus compliance team of more than 70 inspectors that was assembled after increasing infection rates were reported.

The Ambassador Compliance Team seeks to ensure that business establishments follow the county's coronavirus protocols, including face covering requirements and social distancing measures.

The team will visit local establishments to distribute information on coronavirus protocols and to monitor adherence to safety guidelines for capacity and social distancing.

Businesses and retail establishments that violate the protocols will be given time to fix the issue upon initial visits. But they can be fined up to \$1,000 if found out of compliance after a second visit, or face closure if the violations continue.

If you have questions about business operating protocols please call 301-952-8300 or email ReopenPrinceGeorges@co.pg.md.us

Prince George's County **Free COVID-19 Testing Sites**

Call 301-883-6627 between 8:00am- 8:00pm with questions about PGC's testing program. Use map to [find testing sites](#).

First United Methodist Church of Hyattsville
 Mon,Thu,Sat 9am-3pm (no appointment needed)
 6201 Belcrest Road, Hyattsville, MD

Prince George's County Health Dept.
 Cheverly Health Center
 Mon-Thu 9am-3:30pm (no appointment needed)
 3003 Hospital Drive, Cheverly, MD

Private Testing Sites Near Us

Express Healthcare
 6201 Greenbelt Road Medical Complex
 Berwyn Heights | Tel. 301-441-1112

Patient First
 10424 Baltimore Avenue
 Beltsville, MD | Tel. 240-542-5987

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1 Month	\$100.00	\$144.00
6 Months	\$540.00	\$768.00
12 Months	\$768.00	\$1,344.00
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1 Month	\$200.00	\$288.00
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12 Months	\$1,536.00	\$2,688.00

Worksession Minutes August 31, 2020

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:09 p.m. Present were Mayor Amanda Dewey, Mayor Pro Tempore (MPT) Jodie Kulpa-Eddy, Councilmembers (CMs) Christopher Brittan-Powell, Jason Papanikolas, and Ethan Sweep. Also present were Interim Town Manager (ITM) Laura Allen, Chief of Police Kenneth Antolik, Sergeant Daniel Unger and Town Clerk Kerstin Harper.

1. Approval of the Agenda

CM Sweep moved to approve the agenda. MPT Kulpa Eddy seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0.

2. Announcements

Mayor Dewey made several announcements: School has started; The street sweeper is in Town; Pontiac Street has been repaired and is open; Absentee ballot applications for the upcoming Presidential election are available now. Everyone who wishes to vote by mail should apply for their ballots. Completed ballots can be returned by mail or dropped off at designated locations which will be announced. Residents can also vote in-person early or on election day at locations announced today.

3. Discussion Items

Review of Council Rules: Mayor Dewey said ITM Allen has provided draft Council Rules that contain the revisions the Council discussed at the last worksession. ITM Allen explained the changes formalize the agenda formation process and require that agenda items be submitted 3 business days prior to a meeting. An exception is

made for emergency items, which can be added to the agenda under 'approval of the agenda' during the meeting in question. Additionally, worksessions have been limited to review and discussion, reserving Council actions for Town meetings.

In discussion, it was clarified that the provision on the posting of an agenda remains unchanged, requiring that it should occur at least 24 hours prior to a meeting. However, ITM Allen plans to have agendas published by Friday noon for a Monday worksession, and Monday noon for a Wednesday Town meeting, to give Councilmembers and residents more time to review background documentation. Citizens may request items to be placed on the agenda for a worksession by contacting the Mayor or Town Manager. If a Council decision is warranted, the item may then be placed on a Town meeting agenda.

The Council made no further changes to the draft Council Rules, which will be up for adoption at the next Town meeting.

BHEAC learning pods proposal: Mayor Dewey explained the Education Advisory Committee (BHEAC) has explored different ways to support families with virtual learning. One option is to assist families with the formation of learning pods, which are small in-person learning groups organized and led by parents and/or tutors. Chief Antolik and Town Attorney Ferguson have been asked to review the proposal and have provided feedback.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy said PGCPs has decided to hold classes virtually for the fall semester. Many families are worried about their children missing out in a virtual learning environment. In August, the BHEAC conducted a survey to gauge families' interest in learning pods. Out of 90 survey re-

spondents, 60 expressed interest in learning pods. Based on the results, the BHEAC decided to move forward.

Learning pods are organized by parents, not schoolteachers or the Town. The goal is to enable families of students with matching interests and grade levels to find each other and learn together. The method is an online application to which interested families post their profile information to find compatible learning partners and contact them. The Town would provide the platform but is otherwise not involved in the matching process. The process is voluntary and undertaken at one's own risk.

ITM Allen noted that Chief Antolik's concerns about learning pods are summarized in a staff report, while Town Attorney Ferguson gave her input in a confidential memorandum. If the Council wishes to discuss the Town Attorney's memo, it should vote to make it public.

At 7:30 p.m., the Council took a 5-minute recess to allow MPT Kulpa-Eddy to review the memo, as she did not receive it before the meeting. The Council then voted by a show of hands to make the memo public.

Chief Antolik described his concerns, including:

- Temporary custodians of underage children would be required by law to undergo background checks. This includes members of the household where a learning pod meets.
- Learning pod participants would be required to take a COVID-19 test and disclose their immunization records.
- As a sponsor, the Town may incur liability for any harm arising from a learning pod session.

ITM Allen read the Town Attorney's memo to clarify the Town's liability. It says since the BHEAC is a Town-approved organization and insured by the Town, it is considered an extension of the Town. Any activity sponsored by the BHEAC is therefore sponsored by the Town. Prospective participants in learning pods should be asked to declare that they assume the risk of participating in the activity and hold the BHEAC and the Town harmless. Further, Prince George's County's regulations regarding gatherings are stricter than CDC guidelines and should be publicized as part of the sign-up package.

In discussion, Councilmembers made

the following main points:

- In-person activity is too fraught with risk and should not be sponsored by the Town. Even with a disclaimer, the Town is implicitly advocating for learning pods if it provides the platform.
- Learning pods are likely to form with or without the Town's involvement, but Town involvement may make them safer.
- Learning pods involve a cost/benefit calculation, as many parents are facing a loss of income due to having to stay home with kids. They are providing a social service rather than recreational benefit.
- Learning pods may violate Prince George's limitations on gatherings. Current rules allow for approximately 10 people in a small house.

Councilmembers Brittan Powell, Papanikolas and Sweep had reservations about sponsoring learning pods because it would be hard to control the risks. There was agreement on obtaining more details about the proposal and possibly 'test driving' the application to be used. A sign-up form with an explicit statement on the risks of meeting in person and guidelines for meeting safely was requested. ITM Allen was asked to work with the Town Attorney on drafting a release. Once the proposal has been refined, the Council may consider voting on the learning pods proposal.

Drive-in movie/ event policy: Mayor Dewey said, with the recent release of an update to the Town's coronavirus response, questions about what types of events can now be held have been raised. ITM Allen has worked to come up with some answers.

ITM Allen said she recommends that the Town suspend hosting in-person events to give staff time to develop an overall event policy. In the context of the pandemic, in-person events present a risk not only to people attending the event but to employees charged with managing them. Having consulted with Chief Antolik, the Town Attorney, and the Town's insurance company about hosting a drive-in movie, it was suggested to consider whether such an event is essential and worth the risk. Although risks could be mitigated by adopting some rules, there is a chance that participants will not follow them. Chief Antolik added he agrees with not holding in-person events while the pandemic is ongoing.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy said the Recreation Council has dropped plans for a drive-in movie night anyway because it would be too expensive. However, she would like a clear definition of what constitutes an in-

person event because the organizers of the drive-in movie thought that it was not an in-person event. ITM Allen said a definition will be included as part of the policy, but as an example, the Council has been meeting virtually as opposed to in-person.

There ensued discussion as to what constitutes a safe 'in-person' activity or event. The following points were made:

- Staff working at Town Hall are considered in-person but are performing an essential activity while following rules to mitigate the risks.
- A drive-in movie, while socially distanced, does not guarantee the same level of compliance with health directives as a work environment.
- Any Town sponsored event that encourages participants to leave their homes might be considered in-person.
- Definition of a safe event may depend on the degree of social interaction afforded.
- The Town's role in Halloween trick-or-treating needs to be defined.

Mayor Dewey summed up her understanding of the consensus: Town sponsored events are on hold while staff is gathering information to come up with an "Event policy" and a clear definition of an in-person event. There were no objections.

Storm drain litter: Mayor Dewey said there are some places in Town where litter tends to collect due to how stormwater flows towards Indian Creek. Litter that ends up in Indian Creek affects the health and aesthetics of the larger Anacostia watershed. The Council was provided documents that contain different examples of reducing pollution of waterways, as well as information on Prince George's County's clean water plan. There are examples of reducing pollution at the source as well as on how to capture it in stream.

In discussion, the following suggestions were made:

- Consider adopt-a-drain or adopt-a-block program for cleaning up litter.
- Make a survey of locations where litter tends to accumulate.
- Obtain map of stormwater flow and the stormwater drainage system.
- Explore Prince George's County programs for reducing and filtering stormwater runoff on Town-owned properties.
- Invite County officials to explain the Corvias P3 clean water partnership to improve stormwater infrastructure.

E-newsletter: MPT Kulpa-Eddy provided a draft of the e-newsletter for publication on the coming Friday and asked for feedback. The following changes were approved: adding information on absentee voting and

the County's COVID compliance program; adding a reason for residents to consider participating in the food composting program. ITM Allen noted that a translation service might at some point be needed to translate the Town's announcements and newsletters into Spanish.

4. Minutes

The Council discussed the adoption of all minutes at Town meetings once the revised Council Rules are in effect. It was agreed that both Town meeting minutes and worksessions minutes will be approved at Town meetings. Minutes could be provided at a worksession for review purposes. CM Brittan Powell moved, and MPT Kulpa-Eddy seconded to approve the August 3 worksession minutes. The motion passed 5 to 0.

5. Department Reports

Mayor Dewey reminded residents to drive carefully on the newly re-opened Pontiac Street. At Lake Artemesia park, new signs have been posted asking park visitors not to disturb the wildlife and bicyclists to ride carefully around pedestrians. A non-slip paint has been applied to the bridge over Indian Creek to make it safer when wet. In response to CM Brittan Powell, Mayor Dewey said the Pontiac Street speed camera may have been moved elsewhere where speeding is a problem.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy announced that residents can subscribe to the e-newsletter through the Town website. The comment period on the Beltway widening Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) has been extended to November 9. Prince George's County's Board of Elections has published the planned voting locations for the upcoming Presidential election as well as the location of drop boxes for absentee ballots. At the last Historical Committee meeting, she asked Committee members to review the content of the Town's historic markers for potentially controversial language, as other historical societies across the nation are reevaluating their monuments and markers.

CM Papanikolas thanked ITM Allen for shepherding the repair of Pontiac Street to successful completion. The Administration Department has begun to receive reimbursements for COVID related expenses through the CARES Act. Pop's Park has been reopened without incidents. CM Brittan Powell reported that the Code Department is operating normally and is discussing a complaint about the Town's rental license fee. CM Sweep reported that the street sweeper is in Town and asked residents not to park in the street where possible. Everyone is

requested not to litter.

6. Town Council Schedule

The Council reviewed the schedule. The Council has not received any meeting invitations for PGCMA meetings, which may have been put on hold.

7. Citizen Comments

Patti Dennison, Seminole Street, called to ask when the Senior Center might reopen. Mayor Dewey said the date has not been set.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

Town Meeting Minutes September 9, 2020

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

Present were Mayor Amanda Dewey, Mayor Pro Tempore (MPT) Jodie Kulpa-Eddy, Councilmembers (CMs) Chris Brittan-Powell, Jason Papanikolas, and Ethan Sweep. Also present were Interim Town Manager (ITM) Laura Allen, Town Clerk Kerstin Harper, Chief Kenneth Antolik, Lt. Daniel Unger, Cpl Scott Krouse, Manns Woodward Architects Rob Manns and Mike Gerding, Education Advisory Committee Chairs Allison Holmes and Joanna Whitaker, Historical Committee Chair Richard Ahrens, and Recreation Council President Susan Jones.

1. Announcements

Mayor Dewey made announcements about students completing the first week of school in virtual format, the State of Maryland moving to phase 3 of reopening, Prince George's County remaining in phase 2 due to infection rates, options for voting in the Presidential Election, the passing of long-term resident Louise Barkley, and Mayor Dewey's appointment to the MML Legislative Committee.

2. Approval of the Agenda

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

3. Approval of Minutes

MPT Kulpa-Eddy moved, and CM Sweep seconded to approve the August 12 Town meeting minutes. The minutes were approved 5-0. MPT Kulpa-Eddy moved and CM Sweep moved to approve the August 17 worksession minutes. The minutes were approved 5-0.

4. Mayor's Report

Mayor Dewey reported in detail about available voting options in the Presidential Election, including early voting, Election Day voting and voting by absentee ballot. Further, the school supply drive continues through September 13. The Town Manager search is moving forward, and residents

will have the opportunity to provide input online and through the Bulletin. The 2020 Census will conclude at the end of September and everyone who has not yet responded can still do so online or by phone.

Prince George's County has started a childcare provider COVID-19 recovery program, with grant applications opening today. Prince George's County Schools are providing free meals to all students aged 2-18. No ID is required to pick them up. A moratorium on utility shutoffs has been extended to November 15. No utility shutoffs will be performed on customers who are enrolled in a utility assistance program. The CDC has ordered a halt on all evictions until the end of the year but any lessee unable to pay rent must provide a form to their landlord, which they can find by searching "OMB 0920-1303" online.

CM Sweep announced that Prince George's County is hiring election judges for the Presidential Election. Due to the pandemic, younger residents starting at age 16 are encouraged to apply.

5. Department Reports

Administration: CM Papanikolas said that the Town's finances have so far remained stable. The revenue picture will become clearer as real property taxes and income taxes start to come in. In the big picture, Maryland's unemployment rate continues to decline and now stands at 7.6%, the best record among Mid-Atlantic states. Prince George's County's unemployment is somewhat higher than the state's but has fallen for the third month in a row.

In response to CM Brittan Powell, CM Papanikolas said the Council agreed to hold off on major purchases until revenues are in the bank. This concerns particularly road repair projects funded largely from the State's Highway User Revenues. Mayor Dewey added that MML predicts municipal budgets will be affected by the pandemic for 2-3 years as the economy slowly recovers.

Mayor Dewey asked for a motion to receive all department reports for the record. CM Sweep so moved. CM Papanikolas seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0.

Town Manager's Report: ITM Allen announced that the Associate Director of the County's Stormwater Management Division has agreed to attend the October 5 worksession and wants to tailor his remarks to Berwyn Heights' concerns. Any questions for the Director can be emailed to ITM Allen. Chief Antolik led a County-wide meeting on the Ambassador program, in which the Berwyn Heights Police and Code Department participate. The program monitors businesses for compli-

ance with COVID-19 protocols. The Town's server was out today but has been repaired. ITM Allen will propose to replace the server in the near future, which will require a budget amendment.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy sought clarification about the Treasurer's report regarding high expenses in the Administration Department salaries line item and the Municipal Building water line item. ITM Allen said she will check into these expenses.

Parks, Recreation, Education & Civic Affairs:

MPT Kulpa-Eddy announced that the comment period for the I-270 and I-495 Managed Lanes Study Draft Environmental Impact Statement has been extended to November 9.

Public Works: CM Sweep reported that Public Works continues to collect trash and recyclables as usual. He asked whether the Town has any updates on abatement of litter problems along the Indian Creek stream valley park. ITM Allen said that Park & Planning has agreed to provide new trash cans with lids for the playground and new trash cans have been added at Lake Artemesia.

In response to questions from participants, Mayor Dewey said that the food scraps recycling vendor does not provide volume information on what is collected but can provide information on whether bins were full or not. Suggestions on how homeowners store food scraps at home include placing them into a small bucket, such as ice cream bucket, or a bowl that can be emptied into the containers at Town Hall. Compostable bags can be placed in the compost bins, but residents are reminded that traditional plastic bags cannot be placed in recycling or compost bins.

Code Compliance: CM Brittan Powell reported that the Code Department still operates in COVID mode. ITM Allen informed that the Code car had an expensive repair job but does not believe this indicates a larger problem with vehicle repairs.

Public Safety: Mayor Dewey reminded residents that the pandemic is not over, and everyone should continue to social distance and wear a mask. BHPD and the Code Department are reaching out to Town businesses about compliance with COVID protocols and ensuring that they have what they need to operate safely. BHPD will host another Coffee with a Cop on September 11 via Facebook live.

In response to Council questions, Lt. Unger provided information on security cameras in Town. He said BHPD has previously looked into adding surveillance cameras around the Town Center.

The cameras are expensive as they run on a wireless network. BHPD is happy to research the options if there still is interest. Most Town businesses have their own security systems. Mayor Dewey and CM Sweep noted that public opinion in last year's citizen survey was divided regarding the installation of security cameras, with many respondents expressing privacy concerns.

In response to further questions, Mayor Dewey said that the Ambassador Program is for monitoring businesses' compliance with COVID protocols. If residents have concerns about private gatherings they may call a County hotline. Chief Antolik said Berwyn Heights and neighboring jurisdictions are experiencing higher rates of thefts from vehicles, probably due to the economic downturn. However, he does not advocate for the Neighborhood Watch to become more active because its members are mostly elderly. He will reach out to NW/EP about setting up a virtual meeting.

6. Committee Reports

Education Advisory Committee: EAC Chairs Allison Holmes and Joanna Whitaker were present. Ms. Holmes reported that the Committee's focus has been on supporting parents with virtual schooling. This includes families whose children attend private schools or are home-schooled.

Green Team: Mayor Dewey reported that the Green Team continues to go through the Sustainable Maryland recertification process, which is now in the second round. The Committee is also contributing to the Pop's Park redesign effort, has started to pursue Bee City USA certification, and thinking about how to structure meetings and processes to reach the goal of greater diversity and inclusion. The Green Team's summer program is coming to a close. Participants should submit their work to the Green Team's website.

Historical Committee: Historical Committee Chair Richard Ahrens gave the report. The Historical Committee erected a new historic marker in August at 8403 58th Avenue. The house was built by the Benson family, and served as the local office of the Berwyn Heights Company. More information can be found on the BHHHC website, and Facebook page. Several BHHHC members attended the open house for Sportland, the oldest house in Berwyn Heights and, in the 1920s, the site of a professional boxing ring. At the last meeting, a new resident, Sierra Langford, participated, who may be interested in joining the Committee. At the next meeting, ITM Allen will be in attendance and the BHHHC will hold its annual election.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy added, at the last meeting, she raised the issue of reviewing

BHHHC markers and signage for proper contextualization of the content. She does not expect to find anything problematic but would like to be proactive. Clerk Harper said the markers and their locations are listed on the BHHHC website.

Recreation Council: Recreation Council President Susan Jones gave the report. She said this month's food drive and school supply drive will both end on September 18. The last virtual summer concert will be given by Berwyn Heights singer songwriter Mike Hummel on September 17. All concerts remain available on the Recreation Council's Youtube channel. In October, the Committee will host a Halloween home decorating contest and an Instagram costume contest for kids.

Ms. Jones asked if the Town has made a decision on whether to allow trick or treating this year. Mayor Dewey replied Chief Antolik and ITM Allen are working on the issue but don't have an answer tonight. Ms. Jones continued, the Committee will host a virtual Trivia Night on November 13, coordinated by MPT Kulpa-Eddy, and in December, a virtual Christmas tree lighting, which may include a sing-a-long and a neighborly zoom meeting.

Mr. Jones asked if there will be a ballot drop box at Berwyn Heights Elementary School. Mayor Dewey said currently BHES is not a drop box location, but several mayors have requested that each municipality be given one.

Neighborhood Watch/Emergency Preparedness (discussed out of order): Mike Attick called to report on plans of the Neighborhood Watch/ Emergency Preparedness Committee to get back up and running. The target date is January or February 2021.

7. Discussion Only

Learning Pods: Mayor Dewey welcomed the Chairs of the Education Advisory Committee (BHEAC). She said the Committee has worked on supporting Berwyn Heights families with virtual schooling, in particular the creation of learning pods (groups of multiple families that meet in-person to study together). The Committee approached the Town about hosting a learning pods program. The Town has discussed the matter at a previous meeting and has since asked for input and advice from BHPD, the Town Attorney and the Town's insurance company to help address concerns about safety and liability. The discussion continues tonight to see how the proposal might be moved forward.

BHEAC Chair Allison Holmes said the Committee is now looking into the Join my Pod platform for creating learning pods.

This platform is more secure than the Google form the BHEAC designed in that it requires setting up a passworded account, and private information is shared in a more limited way. Most existing pods are formed at a school or classroom level, but a new feature allows for learning partners to be matched at a community level.

Ms. Holmes said she and Ms. Whitaker have reached out to local schools to determine if they are willing to facilitate parents' creation of learning pods. BHES has agreed to do so through its Community Engagement Assistant who would publicize information about the platform as well as useful resources the BHEAC has identified, e.g. coronavirus safety guidelines and a sample consent form. It is hoped that other schools will also consider this model. The Town would therefore not need to be directly involved.

ITM Allen said she is pleased the BHES Community Engagement Assistant can take on this project and asked Chief Antolik if BHPD can lend its support in terms of background checks. Chief Antolik said BHPD could perform a modified background check to look for 'sex offender' status of participating adults, accompanied by a signed disclaimer. BHPD would not perform fingerprinting or a full background check.

The Council agreed it is better to have the school system support the formation of learning pods rather than the Town and thanked the BHEAC chairs for their hard work on getting this program started.

8. Old Business

BHES Funding Request – Reallocation of Funding: Mayor Dewey explained that the Council recently approved a grant for BHES to purchase math software for virtual learning. The software has now been approved for purchase by PGCPSS. The school is asking whether the Town Council would allow the funds to be used for purchases of books instead.

In discussion, the Council sought more information on what types of books would be purchased, possibly in the form of documents that document the purchase. CM Papanikolas said he believes the books are novels to support the school's reading program. School staff could likely provide the details.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy moved and CM Sweep seconded to approve the reallocation of funding, contingent on the school providing 1) a report at the end of each semester; 2) itemized list of books purchased and 3) a statement on how the books support a curriculum standard. The motion passed 5-0.

Greater Riverdale Cares Proposal:

Mayor Dewey explained that she was approached by a non-profit organization, Greater Riverdale Cares, which was joined by Route 1 Cares, about financial support. The organization is funded by private and public donations through the online GoFundMe platform and purchases meals from local restaurants for distribution to families in need. Berwyn Heights has shared information about the program on its social media and proposed a few nearby restaurants for participation in the program in discussion at a previous worksession, and the organization subsequently submitted a request for funding. A financial contribution might come from a miscellaneous line item in Town Council budget or through a CARES act reimbursement.

In discussion, the following points were made:

- The Town's limited resources do not allow for supporting all worthy causes;
- It is unknown how many Berwyn Heights businesses or residents would benefit from the program, especially as there are not many family-owned restaurants in Town;
- The Town might consider matching private donations from Town residents;
- The Town has no policy for deciding which charitable organizations to support;
- Priority should be given to programs that have a direct impact on Berwyn Heights.

The Council agreed to continue to publicize the program, but not to make a financial contribution.

9. New Business

Manns Woodward Architects Presentation: Mayor Dewey welcomed Rob Manns and Mike Gerding of Manns Woodward Architects for a presentation on a police station feasibility study on the Town Center property. Mr. Manns gave an overview of the study's findings with respect to the existing site conditions, and the spatial needs of the future facility, which would house the Police, Code and Administration Departments, as well as the Council chamber.

Mr. Manns made the following principal points:

- The placement and size of a new or expanded multi-purpose facility is limited by a large stormwater drain and a sewer line that cross the property, as well as lot setback requirements. Modifying or moving the pipes to enlarge the developable area of approximately 8,500 square feet would require further engineer-

ing analyses and would be expensive.

- A preliminary assessment of the current Town office building suggests it would not be suitable for expansion and/or addition of a second story due to wood frame construction and inadequate ceiling height, footings and foundation. Today's building codes mandate higher building standards, especially for a public safety facility, than the Town office building possesses.
- Interviews conducted with the Police Chief and staff yielded space requirements for each departmental function totaling 13,400 square feet and costing approximately \$4,855,000. The price tag represents an investment into a robust facility that would last for a generation.
- Construction costs are increasing more slowly during the current COVID recession and could yield savings if the Town were to go out to bid in the near future.

Mr. Manns sought feedback from the Council regarding the described building program. He also asked whether the Town owns alternative properties on which a police station or a municipal complex could plausibly be built.

Councilmembers asked questions about moving the sanitary sewer line, parking requirements, stormwater management and disposition of the raingardens, planning for a changing workplace environment, viability of expanding the current Town office, including adding a basement; and options for reducing cost. In response, Mr. Manns said it would be more efficient and less costly to replace the current structure rather than expand it. To achieve cost savings, construction quality could be reduced or programmed space eliminated.

In terms of alternative sites, the Town might explore whether the Volunteer Fire Department is interested in investing in a joint public safety complex on a property it owns near the current fire house. Another option is for the Town to purchase property on which to build a police station.

Mr. Manns offered to contact the Volunteer Fire Department about their plans for a new facility to which the Council agreed.

Resolution 14-2020 Council Rules Amendments:

Mayor Dewey explained this Resolution amends the Council Rules to ensure a more orderly agenda process by setting an earlier deadline for submitting agenda items and posting of agenda. The current deadline would be moved back from the current 24 hours to 72 hours prior to a meeting, including items submitted by citizens. This will give staff more time to prepare the agenda and for the Council and citizens to review the back-

ground materials. Additionally, provisions were added to clarify that formal actions would only be taken at Town meetings and to set forth a process for submitting urgent, late-breaking items to the agenda.

CM Sweep moved to adopt the Resolution. CM Papanikolas seconded. With no further discussion, the motion passed 5 to 0.

10. Citizen Discussion

There was none.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

**Worksession Minutes (draft)
September 14, 2020**

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:09 p.m. Present were Mayor Amanda Dewey, Mayor Pro Tempore (MPT) Jodie Kulpa-Eddy, Councilmembers (CMs) Christopher Brittan-Powell, Jason Papanikolas, and Ethan Sweep. Also present were Interim Town Manager (ITM) Laura Allen, Town Clerk Kerstin Harper, County Councilmember Dannielle Glaros, LICD staff Emily Clifton and Suzy Cho.

1. Announcements

Mayor Dewey made announcements regarding a drowning at Lake Artemesia and planning to vote in the upcoming Presidential election.

2. Approval of the Agenda

CM Sweep moved to approve the agenda. MPT Kulpa Eddy seconded. The motion passed 5 to 0.

3. Presentations

County Councilmember Dannielle Glaros: County Councilmember Glaros was present to give an update on County and District 3 news. She briefly described District 3, which she represents, the current County Council, her committee assignments and areas of focus. Highlights include:

- Findings of a Health & Social Services study CM Glaros spearheaded will be available soon.
- CM Glaros is a member of Capital Region Rail Vision, which seeks to guide investment toward improving existing commuter rail connections in the D.C. area.
- CM Glaros is a member of the Purple Line Corridor Coalition Steering Committee which seeks to increase access to good jobs, housing choices, and vibrant communities along the Line; The Purple Line project has stalled due to a serious dispute be-

tween the State and the private contractor who is building the streetcar line;

- In response to the pandemic, Greater Riverdale Cares, a non-profit that coordinates distribution of meals and PPE to constituents in need, continues to grow; District 3 staff makes bi-weekly deliveries of meals to seniors and people with disabilities;
- PGCPs' capital improvement plan is up for a 2nd reading this week and includes funding for new schools as well as upgrades to existing schools, such as BHES' HVAC system.
- New development projects are in various stages of completion along Route 1 and the New Carrollton Metro Station.
- CM Glaros office seeks to stay in touch with constituents through regular virtual meetings via Zoom and Facebook Live. All are welcome to participate and suggest topics for discussion.

In response to Council questions, CM Glaros said that ballot drop box locations are in the process of being finalized and will become available in early October. Voters will be asked to vote on a number of ballot questions, which her office will seek to explain through an e-newsletter.

CM Glaros advised that Berwyn Heights should conceive of itself as part of an ecosystem of economic development that occurs in its surroundings, such as will occur around the College Park Metro Station and Beltway Plaza. Town residents have good access to neighboring communities through public transportation and bicycle trails. She plans to work with this Council to push ahead with improvements along the Greenbelt Road corridor.

Capital Region Rail Vision seeks to implement an efficient commuter rail system between Richmond, VA and Baltimore. A consultants' report will be released later this year to lay out an implementation strategy. CM Glaros thinks Maryland needs to develop a comprehensive transportation strategy in which commuter rail should play an important role. Citizen involvement is wanted to help with this effort.

The County Council has an affordable housing opportunities workgroup that is working on crafting an inclusionary zoning ordinance. A consultants' report has been completed and will be discussed at an upcoming County Council meeting to develop next steps.

CM Glaros suggested checking with School Board Member Thomas about the status of proposed renovations at Berwyn Heights Elementary School included in the PGCPs CIP program. Some construc-

tion projects are likely to move forward while schools remain closed for the pandemic.

CM Glaros said the County is pushing forward with environmental initiatives, such as a Climate Change Task Force and a watershed awareness project sidelined earlier this year. The watershed awareness project aims to educate people about the Anacostia Watershed by encouraging the naming of small streams and posting of signage to identify them as part of the watershed. Adopt-a-Stream and Rain Check are other effective stream protection programs. The County is also engaged in a stormwater retrofit program to meet federal and state stormwater mandates. Berwyn Heights was the beneficiary of one these retrofit projects.

5. Discussion Items

LIDC Pop's Park concept plan: Mayor Dewey explained that the Low Impact Development Center (LIDC) has worked with the Town to develop a concept plan for redesigning Pop's Park that has stormwater management as a central consideration.

LICD staff Emily Clifton and Suzy Cho were present to give an overview of the plans. Ms. Clifton explained that the project is funded from a grant by the National Fish & Wildlife Foundation as part of a County-wide alternative compliance program for stormwater management. LICD has reached out to cities to identify projects that improve stormwater management in smaller green spaces in cities that can be enjoyed for recreation. LICD met with staff and a number of Town organizations to get feedback. It also carried out a citizen survey that received 61 responses.

Suzy Cho explained the broad goals for the park, which include better connectivity and safety, enhanced park experience for all, and better stormwater management. To realize these goals, the following improvements are proposed:

- Add sidewalks and crosswalks on Quebec Place and Quebec Street for better access and safety;
- Install sanitizer station, shade sail and/ or shade trees, central gathering space;
- Add pollinator garden with interpretive signage and/ or book hub for educational purposes;
- Install porous playground surface with underground temporary stormwater storage chamber;
- Convert drainage swale along rear into sidewalk with permeable pavers and underground stormwater storage channel; add interactive raingarden along the stormwater channel; add bollard lighting along path.

Ms. Clifton and Ms. Cho briefly explained two alternative layouts for Pop's Park, as set down in conceptual site plans A and B. Both propose adding a sidewalk that would run up to Berwyn Heights Elementary School and provide a safer route to school for students, per recommendation from the Walkable, Bikeable Berwyn Heights Task Force.

Ms. Clifton and Ms. Cho concluded saying that additional comments can be submitted for another week for inclusion in a final concept design. Cost is not a consideration at this stage but will come into play when deciding which elements to include in the detailed plans. The most expensive elements will be the underground stormwater storage facilities.

Investment policy: Mayor Dewey explained that the State of Maryland requires municipalities to regularly file their investment policies. Berwyn Heights' investment policy was last filed in 1995 and requires updating. TM Broadbent drafted a revised policy, which was presented to the Council in February and March 2020. ITM Allen has reviewed the proposed policy and recommends further changes.

ITM Allen said she mostly tweaked TM Broadbent's already comprehensive policy and tied it more closely to the best investment practices recommended by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). The changes are summarized in a staff report and highlighted in a draft policy submitted for Council discussion and feedback.

In response to MPT Kulpa-Eddy, ITM Allen said she removed a section that provided for a citizen review committee to assist the Town Manager in maintaining an internal control structure designed to ensure that the Town's assets are protected from loss, theft or misuse. She believes this function should be carried out by staff. The Council still has the option of creating a review committee to assist the Council in guiding the overall investment strategy. Mayor Dewey noted that TM Broadbent had intended the review committee to supplement investment expertise that could be lacking in staff and on the Council at any given point in time. MPT Kulpa-Eddy asked that the roles and responsibilities of each party involved in making investment decisions be spelled out more clearly and that the Council have another look at the policy before it is adopted. The Council had no objections.

Beltway widening draft environmental impact statement: Mayor Dewey said that public comments on the Beltway widening DEIS are due in November. She suggested a two-step process for

drafting a Council statement: Tonight the Council might outline areas of concern that should be addressed in a letter, with each Councilmember doing research on what they believe to be the most important concerns; and at the next meeting assemble the individual comments into one document.

The following concerns were identified:

- Large sums of money would be invested that may not deliver the desired traffic improvements;
- Inter-County Connector already exists to relieve Beltway congestion;
- Narrowly conceived solution to commuting problems. Many government employees have adjusted to teleworking triggered by pandemic, which may continue into the future;
- Additional lanes may increase traffic as commuters would want to take advantage;
- Use of automobiles should not be encouraged because it contributes to climate change;
- Public transportation is a more equitable means to transport people;
- Interstate expansion is a 20th century solution to 21st century problem;
- Impacts of widening cannot be fully known now;
- Public Private Partnerships (P3) are not suitable for building transportation infrastructure.

Points made in favor of Beltway widening:

- Teleworking effect of pandemic is overstated;
- Widening I-270 makes sense because more people commute from the exurbs.

Mayor Dewey offered to draft a letter based on the concerns expressed tonight, which the Council will be asked to finalize at the next worksession before submitting it to the Maryland Department of Transportation.

Four Cities agenda items: Mayor Dewey said the hosting City of New Carrollton asked whether the other cities feel comfortable meeting in person. Councilmembers discussed it and a majority expressed their preference for a virtual meeting. Clark Harper was asked to check with New Carrollton about details for meeting in person. The following items were proposed for the agenda: Beltway widening comments, Beltway Plaza redevelopment update, and Pepco filing with Public Service Commission.

6. E-Newsletter

MPT Kulpa-Eddy provided a draft e-newsletter for review and input by the Council. Topics covered included: Town manager survey, police station feasibility study, Pop's Park concept designs,

Greater Riverdale Cares project, potential NW/EP virtual meeting, 2020 Census homestretch, mail-in voting, and WSSC art contest. Mayor Dewey offered a minor addition to the mail-in voting article.

7. Minutes

The Council reviewed and corrected the August 31 worksession minutes. Adoption of all minutes will take place at the subsequent Town meeting, per recently amended Council Rules.

8. Department Reports

Mayor Dewey thanked staff for working to respond to a major rainstorm last week. She said that a Prince George's County Police reform working group has been established recently, chaired by Del. Alonzo Washington, which will hold a general meeting on September 17, 5:00 pm. Residents can join through the County's website. Registered voters are encouraged to make plans for voting in the general election either by absentee ballot (which can still be requested until October 20), early voting, or Election Day voting. Everyone is reminded to respond to the 2020 Census, ending on September 30, if they have not done so.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy reported that the Education Advisory Committee (BHEAC) has turned over the information collected on learning pods to the family engagement coordinator at BHES and Greenbelt Middle School. The Historical Committee will hold elections at the next meeting. The Police Department will work with the NW/EP Committee on holding a virtual meeting. The Recreation Council will host a last summer concert this Thursday and a virtual Team Trivia event in November. MPT Kulpa-Eddy also reported that ITM Allen is working with Park & Planning to take care of a drainage problem at the Indian Creek Park and trash issue at the

tennis and basketball courts at the school.

CM Papanikolas reported that students have completed their first weeks of virtual school and most IT issues have been resolved. ITM Allen has connected with College Park on a building permit study the city is undertaken, which may lead to Berwyn Heights joining a cooperative effort to issue and enforce building permits.

MPT Kulpa-Eddy said that a Natural Resources Inventory Permit has been pulled for a property on Pontiac Street and asked if the Code Department has information on whether a new home being built there. ITM Allen will check into it.

CM Sweep thanked Public Works staff for working during the rainstorm that caused flood damage in many surrounding jurisdictions.

9. Town Council Schedule

The Council reviewed the schedule. No changes were made.

10. Citizen Comments

Joan Hayden, Seminole Street, commented via email that the Beltway widening is likely to affect traffic patterns in the Town and will provide further comments on the subject. She also thanked the Town for taking care of an overflowing trash can along the Indian Creek trail.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m..

Signed: **Kerstin Harper**, Town Clerk



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I hope you and your families are well and safe. Enjoy getting out and about while the weather is still good. Wishing you the best for the upcoming holidays with friends and family! Remember if you want to buy or sell call/text or email me !! Stay Safe, Be Well and we will all get through this together!

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November 26	Judith Gardiner
November 29	Alex Ajay

OCTOBER ACTIVITIES

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For blessings we hold dear.

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On this Thanksgiving Day

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Historical Committee

WINE & CHEESE, VIRTUALLY

The Berwyn Heights Historical Committee invites you to their Virtual Wine and Cheese Series! It isn't quite the same as their usual events, but it is a safe way to continue to share interesting bits of history. All you need to do is get your favorite drink and snack, get comfortable and click. Note: this will be presented in six parts, so please pace yourself accordingly.

Part One:

- [Explore Berwyn Heights Walking Tour Brochure](#)
- [Walking Tour Mobile App](#)

NEXT MEETING (VIRTUAL)

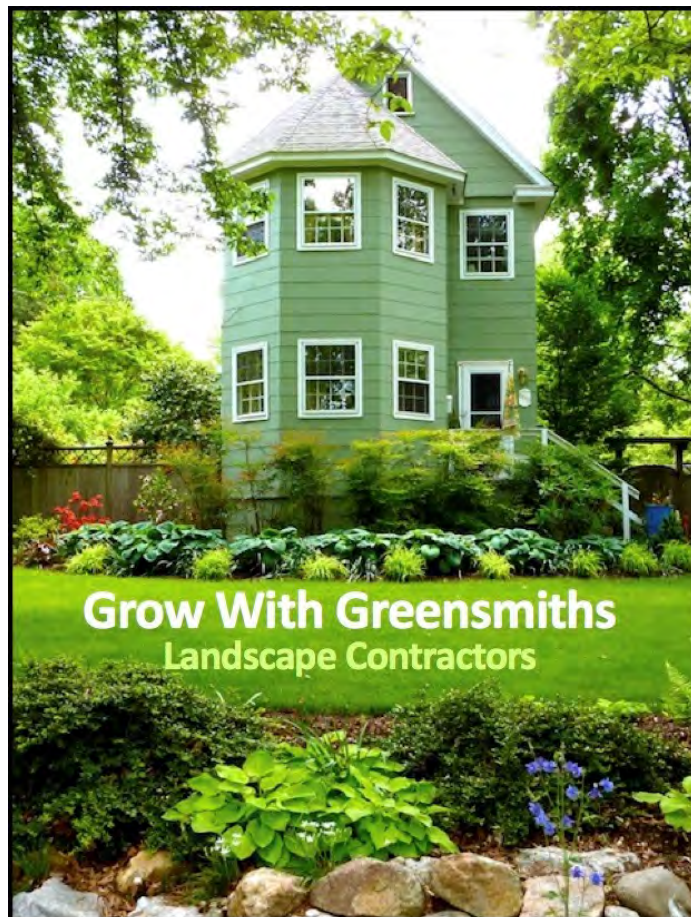
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IT'S ON FOR VIRTUAL TRIVIA!

Friday, November 13th, 2020 at 7:00 PM

The Rec Council is hosting Team Trivia Night using a virtual format. Each team can consist of up to six devices (e.g., laptop, smartphone, tablet), but at least one person (+ device) per team should be a Berwyn Heights resident. It will be mostly general knowledge trivia (for example: music, sports, TV), and maybe even some "Berwyn Heights" questions mixed in!



How It Works: The game is played in a Zoom Meeting format. There is a main room with a host who will explain rules, present questions to all Teams via screen slides, and sort teams into private breakout rooms to discuss answers. Team captains then submit answers to the host, who keeps score.

To Play: Create your Team and collect everyone's email addresses (a link will be sent to enter the virtual game). Send Team name & email addresses to Jodie Kulpa-Eddy at: jkulpaeddy@berwynheightsmd.gov by COB on Thursday, November 12.

You'll have to provide your own refreshments, and there will be no prizes. But you'll be able to hang out with your socially-distant friends for few hours, enjoy some good music and play for bragging rights.



And coming in December...

VIRTUAL TREE LIGHTING EVENT

Saturday, December 5th, 2020 at 6pm

Our Annual Tree Lighting Event will be held virtually this year, broadcasting live on BHTV channels Comcast 71 or Fios 12, online through the Town website, and through the Rec Council YouTube channel. We will have the tree lighting, some special guest performances, carol singing, and downloadable craft projects for kids. We'll have everything but the cookies and hot chocolate! **Please check out December's Bulletin or the Town Website for more information and updates.**



Until the Rec Council can safely resume in-person meetings (normally the 1st Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm) we are conducting our business via email. If you would like to be added to our email list, or have any suggestions for safe, fun activities during the pandemic, contact Susan at violindreams@verizon.net



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Litter Survey

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Litter consists of any substance, material or item deposited in, or disposed of in, or within sight of a public place in such a manner as to be detrimental to the amenity of the natural or built environment. The amount of litter that defaces our footpaths, streets, parks and poles is one of the major environmental issues that our Town can be faced with.

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- Pedestrians
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- Dogs/Cats
- Illegal dumping
- Posters & signs
- Retail outlets
- Windscreen advertisement notes



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Cats in the Environment

The Berwyn Heights Green Team will be starting conversations about ecological dangers of cats in the environment, feral cats breeding, the spread of spread toxoplasmosis, and more. Please feel free to join our future conversations on how we can keep our environment and your cats safe. For now, please take a look at

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Thoughts for Thanksgiving

Many of us are fortunate enough to have Thanksgiving dinners overflowing with delicious food which makes for a welcoming table, but it can also lead to a serious amount of food waste. A person throws away an averages of **20 lbs** of food per month, making food the single largest item disposed of in landfills in the USA.

Try using this tool to help you figure out the amount of food needed without waste.

[SaveTheFood.com/questimator](https://www.savethefood.com/questimator). Also, try and reduce the size of your turkey and add more veggie dishes. If you are choosing to have family at Thanksgiving during the pandemic, be sure to ask them to bring containers for leftovers. **Also compost food scraps at our Town composting.**



Holiday Light Recycling

The Green Team will have a holiday light recycling box at the Town Office door starting on Friday, November 27th! MOMs is also recycling lights.





September Incidents

Friday, September 4, 2020 at 6:27 am, 'THEFT FROM AUTO'

On 9/4/2020 at 06:27 hours, LT. Unger arrived in the 5800 block of Goucher Drive for a theft from auto report. Upon arrival, officers met with victim, who stated that multiple items were stolen from her black, 2019 Chevrolet Malibu, bearing Texas registration LGH2733. Victim stated that she parked her vehicle around 17:30 hours on 9/3/2020 and locked the doors. Victim said that she received an alert on her phone for 2 pending transactions for \$18.99, and \$15.99. This caused her to check her vehicle, which was parked on the public roadway in front of her home. She noticed several items belonging to her strewn a few feet from the car, and upon entering found the interior ransacked. She then noticed her wallet, HP laptop, Capitol One credit card had been stolen. Her HP laptop valued at \$1200 was a work computer for Maryland Community Connection. Victim also informed officers that a money order for \$165, was also stolen. She had no idea of a possible suspect. LT. Unger attempted to collect latent fingerprints in the car's interior with negative results. A brief neighborhood canvass was conducted for any alternative video surveillance that would help identify a potential suspect.

Sunday, September 6, 2020 at 2:01 pm, 'THEFT FROM AUTO'

At approximately 14:01 hours on 9/6/2020, Cpl. Hollowell responded to the 8700 block of Edmonston Road for a reported theft. Cpl. Hollowell met with the victim and saw the 2000 Silver Chevrolet Camaro, Maryland tag 2AF-7816, parked in the driveway with the hood removed. Victim indicated he last saw the hood on the vehicle at about 18:00 hours on 9/3/2020. Leaving his house with his wife around 18:00 hours on 9/5/2020, they noticed the hood was gone. He checked with his neighbor if he had noticed anything or if the neighbor's security cameras had picked up activity, but it was negative. Victim wondered why someone would steal the hood to the vehicle. He stated he had recently taken the vehicle to vendor, Performance Automotive, to replace the rear window. The service was not completed because of a price dispute. Victim thought this was suspicious but had no other indicators of involvement. The information was forwarded to BHPD

CID for further inquiries.

Sunday, September 6, 2020 at 9:49 pm, 'DISORDERLY'

Employees and the owner of the 7Eleven contacted police to report problems with an ex-employee. The owner reported that the ex-employee had damaged merchandise by throwing it on the floor in the store as well as in the storage area. The owner further reports that the subject had been bothering employees and customers. The perpetrator is known to BHPD and has previously been in psychological treatment. The subject was ordered to stay away from the store. The owner was advised to contact the District Court Commissioner's office to obtain a Peace order and file charges for destruction of property.

Thursday, September 10, 2020 at 10:27, 'FRAUD'

On Thursday 9/10/2020 at 11:37 hours, reporting person called the Berwyn Heights Police Department to report attempted fraud. She said at 10:27 am, a male called her cell phone number to inform her that her social security number and some banking accounts have been used in Georgia (US) to commit fraud. As a result, the Social Security Administration is investigating and that she should expect to be contacted by local law enforcement for arrest. She then received another call from a male caller, purporting to be UMD Police, who informed her that his department is assisting the Social Security Administration with its investigation and that she may be able to settle the matter. The second caller then gave instructions to purchase gift cards, upon which reporting person ended the call and sought assistance from the police. BHPD officers called back the contact number. A male with Indian-Asian accent answered both times, but gave a different name, then hung up after the officer introduced himself. Officer contacted UMD PD Det. Sgt. William Mable and learned they had made no calls to the Reporting Person. BHPD determined that Reporting Person was the victim of a spoofing scheme in which a fraudster impersonated local law enforcement.

Friday, September 11, 2020 at 10:00 am, 'COFFEE WITH COP VIRTUAL FACEBOOK LIVE'

On Friday, September 11, 2020 at 10:00 am, the BHPD hosted their 2nd virtual Coffee with Cop. The event was on Facebook Live and reached over 276 viewers.

Sunday, September 13, 2020 at 9:10 am, 'THEFT FROM AUTO'

At approximately 09:10 hours, 9/13/2020, Cpl. Hollowell was on routine patrol in the 6200 block of Quebec Street, when he noticed an open vehicle door that appeared to have a broken window. Cpl. Hollowell also noticed broken glass on the street under the open side door and several items strewn on the ground. Victim was contacted and confirmed the vehicle had been broken into and items stolen. The victim could not provide serial numbers for the stolen tools. The victim parked the vehicle at 17:00 hours on 9/12/2020, which was the last time he had used the vehicle. Officers found no evidence on the scene to assist in identifying possible suspect(s). The information was forwarded to Berwyn Heights CID for investigation.

Sunday, September 13, 2020 at 9:10 am, 'THEFT FROM AUTO'

At approximately 09:10 hours on 9/13/2020, Cpl. Hollowell on patrol noticed a parked vehicle with a passenger side door open. He noticed broken glass on the ground below the open side door. The victim was located, and it was determined that four Honda vehicle tires and rims were taken out of the rear of the vehicle. There was no evidence to identify a possible suspect. The information will be forwarded to Berwyn Heights CID for follow up.

Sunday, September 13, 2020 at 11:00 pm, 'DROWNING'

At 11:02 hours on 09.13/2020, BHPD, Maryland Park Police and County fire and EMS crews were alerted to a possible drowning at Lake Artemesia in College Park (outside of Berwyn Heights municipal boundaries). Police were told a man had entered the water and did not resurface. He was last seen at about 9:45 pm. It is unclear why the police and fire department were not called sooner. Twenty-five personnel searched the Lake for more than three hours before the man's body was found. He was evaluated by medics on the scene and pronounced dead. Prince George's County water rescue specialists were assisted in their search by U.S. Park Police helicopters and a dive rescue team from the Anne Arundel County Fire Department. Prince George's County police will conduct the death investigation.

Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 1:08 pm, 'MALICIOUS DESTRUCTION'

TION OF PROP'

On Tuesday 9/15/2020 at 13:08 hours, victim visited the Berwyn Heights Police Department to report a stalker. Victim reported that on 9/9/2020 at 9 am she found her gray 2017 Nissan Rogue SUV disabled by a motor problem. The tow truck driver who was towing the SUV to a service center, alerted the victim to the presence of a GPS tracking device attached to the wheel well of the right rear wheel. Victim recovered the device and surrendered it to the BHPD during her report. Victim further reported that the service department of Darcars Nissan of College Park informed her and her insurance company that the SUV has been vandalized by adding water to the gas tank. The vandalism resulted in damage to the fuel system and the motor of the SUV. A formal report of damages is pending further work by the dealership.

Wednesday, September 16, 2020 at 6:41 am, 'VANDALISM'

On Wednesday 9/16/2020 at 06:44 hours, victim called BHPD to report damage to property located in the 7600 block of Charlton Avenue. Victim reported that during the night of September 15 to 16, someone had broken the driver's window in his white 2020 Nissan Transit van while it was parked for the night. Officer inspected the van parked on the south side of Charlton Avenue facing east. The driver's window was smashed and broken glass scattered under door. Victim states that no items were taken from the van, which was

loaded with tools.

Thursday, September 24, 2020 at 10:00 am, 'WARRANT SERVICE'

On 9/23/2020 the Berwyn Heights Police Department concluded an investigation that began on 1/15/2020. Greenbelt City resident Demetrius Lee Holston was apprehended in a vehicle registration scheme. A vehicle was impounded and Mr. Holston was charged with driving without a license, revoked in 2004 in a manslaughter case, driving with suspended license in another matter, unpaid vehicle registration fee, failing to present proof of insurance, and tinted window glass (BHPD court cases HC59487, 88, 89, 90, & 91). During case preparation, Mr. Holston was found to be a fugitive wanted on three open bench warrants issued 11/4/2019. Mr. Holston was arrested on 9/24/2020 in the parking lot at 5411 Berwyn Road and transported to the Department of Corrections in Upper Marlboro for warrant service.

Thursday, September 24, 2020 at 5:08 PM, 'WARRANT SERVICE'

On 9/24/2020 the Berwyn Heights Police Department concluded an investigation that began 9/5/2018. Greenbelt City resident Chanda Tamara Taylor Kibet was apprehended for a second time in a vehicle registration scheme. Her vehicle was impounded and she was charged with driving without a license, driving while suspended for 17 current MVA suspensions, unpaid vehicle registration

fee, and failing to present proof of insurance (BHPD court cases HC59495, 96, 97, & 98). The first BHPD cases were filed on 4/5/2019 when Ms. Taylor Kibet used the same registration plates on a different vehicle while failing to comply with BHPD orders to pay the registration fee, failure to display proof of insurance, and failure to display a driver's license (BHPD cases KG17881, 82, & 83). During case preparation, Ms. Taylor Kibet was found to be a fugitive wanted on four open bench warrants issued 3/28/2019. Ms. Taylor Kibet was arrested at 5:08 pm in a parking lot at 5411 Berwyn Road for the open warrants. Pfc. Rufino assisted Cpl. Ignowski with the arrest. Ms. Taylor Kibet was transported to the Department of Corrections in Upper Marlboro, Maryland for warrant service.

**Homicide = 00 | Rape = 00 |
Robbery = 00 | Assault = 00 |
Burglary = 01 | Larceny/Theft
= 04 | Stolen Auto = 00**

JULY	CITATIONS
STATE	34
TOWN	86
WARNINGS	08
SERO	00
TOTAL	128

Chief Kenneth Antolik Honored for Service



Chief Antolik was presented with an award for his faithful service to the Town of Berwyn Heights in an October 16 ceremony attended by many colleagues and friends. He has served as Police Chief since 2010 and as an officer and detective since 1991. Congratulations Chief !

Call 911



For Emergencies

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

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

Visit us online at:
[www.berwynheightsmd.gov/
police-department](http://www.berwynheightsmd.gov/police-department)

Your work is essential!

Protect yourself & others from flu and COVID-19 this fall and winter:



MASK UP

Wear a face mask that covers your nose and mouth. And keep your distance (at least 6 feet) from others when you can.



LATHER UP

Wash your hands often with soap and water. If soap and water aren't available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.



SLEEVE UP


Getting a flu vaccine is more important than ever. Everyone 6 months and older should get a flu vaccine every season.

Learn more at cdc.gov/flu

A flu vaccine can protect you, your loved ones, and your co-workers from flu. You can also protect those around you by staying home if you are sick.

¡Tu trabajo es esencial!

Protégete y protege a los demás de la influenza (gripe) y del COVID-19 este otoño e invierno:



PONTE UNA MASCARILLA

Ponte una mascarilla que te cubra la nariz y la boca. Y mantén una distancia (al menos 6 pies o 2 metros) de los demás cuando puedas.



LÁVATE LAS MANOS

Lávate las manos frecuentemente con agua y jabón. Si no hay agua y jabón, usa un desinfectante de manos a base de alcohol.



VACÚNATE CONTRA LA INFLUENZA

Ponerse la vacuna contra la influenza es más importante que nunca. Todas las personas de 6 meses de edad o más deberían vacunarse contra la influenza cada temporada.

La vacuna contra la influenza puede protegerlos a ti, tus seres queridos y compañeros de trabajo contra esta enfermedad. Tú también puedes proteger a los que te rodean quedándote en casa si estás enfermo.

Learn more at cdc.gov/flu

#FIGHT FLU

Obtén más información en espanol.cdc.gov/flu/index.htm

#COMBATElaInfluenza

CoVID-19 Town Government Operations

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

- Public meetings held by video conference, broadcast on Comcast 71 or FiOS 12 and streamed on website;
- Licenses and permit applications to be submitted to Code Department by US mail or e-mailed to zbell@berwynheightsmd.gov.
- Rental inspections suspended until further notice;
- Emergency notary service performed by BHPD at 5411 Berwyn Rd. Call 301-474-6774 to inquire.
- All payments to be submitted by check via US mail to 5700 Berwyn Road, Berwyn Heights, MD 20740.

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

Operaciones del gobierno municipal de COVID-19

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

- Reuniones públicas realizadas por videoconferencia, transmitidas en Comcast 71 o FiOS 12 y transmitidas en el sitio web;
- Las solicitudes de licencias y permisos deben enviarse al Departamento del Código por correo de los EE. UU. O enviarse por correo electrónico a zbell@berwynheightsmd.gov.
- Inspecciones de alquiler suspendidas hasta nuevo aviso;
- Servicio notarial de emergencia realizado por BHPD en 5411 Berwyn Rd. Llame al 301-474-6774 para preguntar.
- Todos los pagos se enviarán mediante cheque por correo de USPS. A 5700 Berwyn Road, Berwyn Heights, MD 20740.

Visite el sitio web del pueblo para obtener las últimas actualizaciones <https://www.berwynheightsmd.gov/>



Applications due by November 20

See Town website for [instructions & forms](#).

For more information and to submit applications

E-mail the Code Compliance Department at:

Code@berwynheightsmd.gov;

or send by U.S. mail to:

Code Compliance Department

5700 Berwyn Rd, Berwyn Heights, MD 20740

The Town of Berwyn Heights established a Small Business Relief Fund to offer financial assistance to local small businesses, sole proprietorships, self-employed individuals, independent contractors, and cooperative businesses whose operations have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and to assist them in reestablishing their pre-pandemic workforce operations.

This program will provide the Town's small businesses with the opportunity to receive a grant of up to \$5,000. These funds can be used to support operating expenses related to business interruption, improvements, and continuity. Operating expenses include payroll, rent, fixed debt payment, suppliers, inventory, marketing costs and other business critical cash operating costs. Applicants must meet eligibility guidelines and provide evidence of financial impact due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Note: Non-profit organizations are not eligible for this grant program.

PARENT ENGAGEMENT ASSISTANTS

[Kristin Buker](#), who has been active in our community for many years, has been named Parent Engagement Assistant for Berwyn Heights Elementary School. [Carlos Pugh](#) serves in that role at Greenbelt Middle School and Sandra Powell at Parkdale High School.

The [Parent Engagement Assistant](#) (PEA) position - formerly Parent Liaison - was established under the direction of the PGCPD Department of Family and School Partnerships. The PEA works closely with PGCPD staff, parents/families, community groups and business partners to support effective teaching and learning at the assigned school.

The [Family Institute](#) seeks to strengthen the capacity of families and guardians to support the academic achievement of students through learning sessions. All learning sessions are free and offer a variety of workshop topics covering the following strands:

STRAND I - Family Empowerment;

STRAND II - 21st Century Learners;

STRAND III - Health and Wellness;

STRAND IV - PGCPD Connects. For Staff



Virtual Meeting Monday, NOV 23 | 7pm

The Committee will discuss possible ways to support educational organizations, families & children in the new year – 2021.

Please contact: thebheac@gmail.com if you would like to join the virtual meeting and a link will be sent to you to participate.



Reunión Virtual Lunes 23 de NOV | 7pm

El Comité discutirá posibles formas de apoyar a las organizaciones educativas, las familias y los niños en el nuevo año – 2021.

Póngase en contacto con: thebheac@gmail.com si desea unirse a la reunión virtual y se le enviará un enlace para participar.

Don Bunuan | Realtor

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

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

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

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

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

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

– Patty Galati and Karen Jung



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BERWYN HEIGHTS

Volunteer Fire Department & Rescue Squad, Inc.

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In Case of Emergency Call 911!

Recent Working Incidents

Oct 4th: Rescue Squad 14 and its volunteer crew were alerted to the Gaywood Elementary School at 6701 97th Ave in Lanham for reports of smoke from the school. First arriving units found smoke coming from the eaves and requested the working fire dispatch. The crew of SQ14 forced entry into the school and located the fire in the utility closet, with extension into the roof. SQ14 conducted searches and ventilated the building, and was later assigned to operate with the companies on the roof to open up the roof and conduct extensive overhaul. The Squad operated for approximately 3hrs until being placed in service. Ambulance 14 remained staffed in quarters to cover the area.

Oct 10th: At 3am Rescue Squad 14B was alerted to the north bound (NB) lanes of the Balt-Wash Parkway after Greenbelt Road for an accident. Squad 14B and its volunteer crew were first arriving with US Park Police and found a vehicle off the roadway into the woods, wedged between several trees with two patients trapped. BHVFD crew immediately went to work stabilizing the vehicle, cutting the doors off, and extricating both victims, and packaged them to be loaded onto awaiting ambulances.

New Rescue Squad Update:

After much anticipation, construction of the new Rescue Squad 14 has finally begun at the E-One factory in Hamburg, NY. E-One has provided a late Winter 2021 expected delivery date, with the unit going into service sometime in Spring 2021 after BHVFD drivers undergo a training program. This unit will serve as the busiest Rescue Squad in the region responding to over 1,800 calls per year.



BHVFD Medic Awarded

Prince George's County Deputy Fire Chief Brian Frankel and Assistant Fire Chief Michael Lambert presented our own Berwyn Heights Volunteer Paramedic Jaime Simpson with an award thanking her for her 12 years of service as the County's Volunteer ALS Coordinator. She accomplished a lot in that role to include a dramatic expansion of the County's Volunteer Paramedic Ambulance program.

In addition to her role overseeing the County's volunteer Paramedic Ambulance program, Jamie is one of the volunteer paramedics at Berwyn Heights VFD. Volunteer paramedics allow for us to upgrade our Basic Life Support (BLS) ambulance to an Advanced Life Support (ALS) paramedic ambulance. THANK YOU for everything you do Jamie!



Christmas Tree Sale 2020

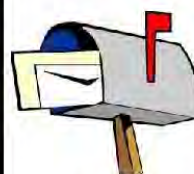
We are happy to announce that the annual BHVFD Christmas Tree Fundraiser at the Firehouse WILL HAPPEN this year! Of course, there be changes due to the COVID-19 Pandemic including requiring face masks, and ensuring proper social distancing.

Please visit the Department's website at www.BHVFD14.org, or the December Bulletin, for details in the coming weeks. We anticipate beginning the sale sometime after Thanksgiving.

Be sure to get your tree early, we usually sell out mid-December!



Annual Fund Drive



Keep an eye out for the Berwyn Heights VFD's Annual Fund Drive mailer packet! All residents in Berwyn Heights, College Park Estates, and Westchester Park, were mailed a packet at the end of September on how to donate. You can also donate online at www.BHVFD14.org

Just a reminder BHVFD does NOT go door-to-door anymore or solicit by phone.

Thanks in advance for your generous support!!!

BULLETIN BOARD

Adult Education - Zoom ESL Classes

English for Speakers of Other Languages • (ESL) Literacy, beginning, & intermediate English classes • Instruction & practice in speaking & understanding English • Instruction in reading, writing & grammar in real life contexts • GED Prep & US Citizenship Test Prep. Contact Kathy Brosh kathybrosh@gmail.com or 301-310-3809

Want adventure and achievement?

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

Approved Childcare of Essential Personnel

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

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

Lawn Mowing and Trimming, yard raking and cleanup, basement cleanup, 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 240-601-1298.

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

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



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HOLY REDEEMER

Catholic Church

Weekend Masses:
Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m.
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
 Email: parish@holy-redeemer.org


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 Home Visits to Berwyn Heights Residents.



NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH/ EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

VIRTUAL MEETING 1st WED of month

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

We are resuming meetings, virtually - Join us Nov. 4 | 7pm

Preparing for Winter

Dress Warm - Some tips on how to keep warm when venturing out in the cold:

- Dress for winter weather by wearing several layers of loose-fitting, lightweight, warm clothing rather than one layer of heavy clothing. The outer garments should be tightly woven and water repellent.
- Wear mittens, if possible. They are warmer than gloves.
- Cover as much exposed areas of your body as possible. This includes wearing a hat and scarf, insulated and waterproof shoes and covering your mouth to protect your face from cold and windburn.

Find more winter safety information at [How to Prepare for a Winter Storm](#).

Protect Your Pets—Follow some simple guidelines from The Humane Society:

- If it's too cold for you, it is probably too cold for your pet. Remember to bring animals inside.
- Exposed skin on noses, ears, and paw pads are at risk for frostbite during extreme cold snaps. Short-haired dogs can become cold quickly and may feel more comfortable wearing a sweater.
- Rock salt and other chemicals used to melt snow and ice can irritate your pet's and may be toxic if ingested. Wipe all paws with a damp towel before your pet licks them and irritates their mouth.
- If there are feral or stray cats in your area, they need protection from the elements as well as food and water. Learn more.
- Warm engines in parked cars attract cats and small wildlife, who may crawl up under the hood. Bang on your car's hood to scare them away before starting your engine.
- If you encounter a pet left in the cold, politely let the owner know you're concerned.

For more information, visit the [Humane Society](#)

SHADE TREE BOARD - TREE FACTS



According to the EPA, trees lower surface and air temperatures by providing shade. Shaded surfaces may be 20–45°F cooler than the peak temperatures of unshaded materials.

Computer models devised by the U.S. Department of Energy predict that the proper placement of only three trees can save an average household between \$100 and \$250 in energy costs each year.

Forested watersheds provide quality drinking water to more than 180 million Americans, according to the Arbor Day Foundation.

Next meeting (Virtual):
November 12, 2020, 7:00 pm
Contact: Amanda Dewey at
adewey@berwynheightsmid.gov

Are you interested in protecting trees and our urban forest in Berwyn Heights? Please join the Berwyn Heights Shade Tree Board at an upcoming meet or reach out!

CODE COMPLIANCE

CoVID-19 Operations

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

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

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

Appliance & Tire Pickup Service

The Public Works Department removes old refrigerators, stoves, washers, dryers, AC units as well as tires. To arrange for a pickup please submit an application and payment of \$25.00 per appliance, or \$5.00 per tire.



The application can be downloaded from the Town website at <https://www.berwynheightsmd.gov/public-works-department>. The completed application should be mailed to the Town of Berwyn Heights, or dropped into the mail slot of the Town Hall located at 5700 Berwyn Road. We will contact you about a pickup date once we receive the application with payment.

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

BH Elementary School PTA

President: Marilyn King
President@BHESPTA.org

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

Boys & Girls Club

President: Brandon Batton
bhbgc@gmail.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

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Green Team/ Shade Tree Board

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Chair: Richard Ahrens
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Quilter's Club

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Recreation Council





















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Seniors Club

Ray Smith 301-474-3482



NOVEMBER 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 	2  VIRTUAL 7:00 PM Worksession	3  ELECTION DAY	4  VIRTUAL 7:00 PM NW/EP Meeting	5 	6	7
8	9  VIRTUAL 7:00 PM Town Meeting	10  VIRTUAL 7:00 PM Town Meeting	11 VERTERANS DAY Town Offices Closed	12  VIRTUAL 7:00 PM Green Team Mtg.	13 	14
15 VIRTUAL 7:00 PM Worksession	16  VIRTUAL 7:00 PM Worksession	17 	18 	19 	20	21
22 VIRTUAL 7:00 PM BHEAC Meeting	23  VIRTUAL 7:00 PM BHEAC Meeting	24 	25  VIRTUAL 7:30 pm BHHC Meeting	26 THANKSGIVING Town Offices Closed	27 Town Offices Closed	28
29	30  1 	2 	3 	4	5	



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



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TOWN INFORMATION

Town of Berwyn Heights Phone Nos.

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 Police (Non-Emergency) (301) 352-1200
 Police Administrative Office (301) 474-6554
 Code Compliance Department (301) 513-9331
Email: code@berwynheightsmd.gov
 Public Works Department (301) 474-6897
Email: 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
 Call-a-Bus Reservations (301) 513-9331

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 Interim 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
 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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Advertising Rates — call Yvonne Odoi, Administration at 301-474-5000, or email: yodoi@berwynheightsmd.gov
Submission Deadline is the 15th of the month