

June 16, 2023



# Town of Berwyn Heights

Maryland

"ALL ARE WELCOME"

## UPCOMING EVENTS

June 17: 8AM Town wide  
Yard Sale

1PM: Pollinator Fest

June 19: JUNETEENTH  
Town Offices Closed

June 20: CPR/AED  
Training 6-8PM  
Town Center

June 21: RESCHEDULED  
Worksession 7PM Council  
Chambers

June 21: BHHC  
7:30PM G. Love Room

# YARD SALE

**One person's junk is another person's treasure. The listings and a map of sales, will be available outside the town office, and outside the Community Center as of Friday afternoon. Several local crafters will also be participating. Sales start at 8am.**



**The next concert at Lake Artemesia will be on Thursday, July 6, 6-8pm. The Wild Anacostias play a fun mix of Mardi Gras Music, so you can feel like you are in New Orleans without having to go there. There will be a food truck outside the entrance to the lake, but you can bring a picnic, and bring something to sit on. Rain or extreme heat location, the Town Center.**

## A Little More Electric

Did you know that the Town has four publicly available EV chargers? Since 2019, two EV chargers have been available at Town Hall, in the back parking lot. Recently, in cooperation with Pepco, two new chargers have been installed near the Police Department, across the street from Lake Artemesia. Visitors to the lake are welcome to take advantage of these chargers!

## A Committment to Sustainability

The Town of Berwyn Heights has a long history of committment to sustainability. The first fully electric vehicle was brought into the Police Department in September of 2021. The Ford Mustang Mach E of the first fully electric vehicles to be a part of a police fleet in the State. Berwyn Heights is proud to lead as other police departments in the State now explore EV options.

Code Compliance began the Town's EV fleet with a 2019 Ford Fusion, a plug-in hybrid vehicle.



# Residents Panel to Interview Town Manager Candidates

The Town Council is seeking five (5) residents interested in volunteering to serve on a panel to interview Town Manager candidates. Our Interim Town Manager's contract expires on June 30, 2023. The Council has hired an executive search firm to assist in the selection of a new Town Manager/Chief Administrative Officer.

The Council values resident input in the hiring process. This is your opportunity to express what knowledge, skills, and abilities you think are most important in our next Town Manager and which of the candidates you believe best exhibit these qualities.

Please submit a letter of interest to Town Clerk Melanie Friesen at [mfriesen@berwynheightsmd.gov](mailto:mfriesen@berwynheightsmd.gov) by June 30, 2023 for Council's consideration. Thank you!



**The Town Council  
Worksession originally  
scheduled for June 20th has  
been postponed by one day  
and will now be held on  
June 21st at 7PM in Council  
Chambers**







# JUNETEENTH



## FREEDOM DAY

**Town offices will be closed on  
Monday, June 19, 2023.**

**Townwide Trash- Tuesday, 6/20**

**Townwide Recycle- Wednesday, 6/21**

**Townwide Yard Waste/Food Compost- Thursday, 6/22**

**Townwide Trash- Friday, 6/23**

Two and a half years after the Emancipation Proclamation, on June 19, 1865 Union troops lead by Major General Gordon Granger reached Galveston, Texas to share the news that the war had ended and that the enslaved were now free. General Granger read General Order Number 3 which began "The people of Texas are informed that in accordance with a Proclamation from the Executive of the United States, all slaves are free. This involves an absolute equity of rights and rights of property between former masters and slaves, and the connection heretofore existing between them becomes that between employer and hired laborer." The celebration of June 19th was coined Juneteenth and grew from participation of the descendants of former slaves. Having been celebrated for over 155 years, Juneteenth is considered the longest celebrated African American holiday. It was first recognized as a federal holiday in 2021 when President Biden signed the Juneteenth National Independence Day Act.