



Town of Forest Heights Town Meetings

Mayor/Council Work Session

First Monday of each Month at 7:30 p.m.

(May 3, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. Special Meeting)

Mayor/Council Meeting

Third Wednesday of each Month at 8:00 p.m.

May 19, 2010

Things to Consider

School is still in session and the summer crowds have not yet arrived. All the summer fun has not quite started, but there is still plenty to do. Please watch for children at play.

May is still high in allergy season so if you suffer from itching watering eyes, the sniffles, take your prescriptions and/or allergy medications along with you.

May 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Citizens of Ward II Meeting	2	3	4	5
6	7 Town Meeting 7:30 p.m.	8	9 Yard Waste	10 Neighborhoods Watch Meeting 7:00 pm	11	12
13	14	15	16 Mayor/Council Meeting 8:00 pm	17	18	19
20	21 Trash/Recycle	22	23	24 Bulk/Trash	25	26
27	28 Trash/Recycle	29	30 Yard Waste			

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Shawkins@forestheightsmd.gov

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Eastover District IV Police

(301) 749-4900

EMERGENCY DIAL 911

(Voice Mail is now Working)

Forest Heights Police Department



From the Office of the Chief of Police:

The next month will be rather exciting for the men and women of the FHPD. The “Neighborhood Watch” program has commenced! A few administrative matters had to be taken care of from the Town Legal department. Officer Robert Bandy will be overseeing the Program and has done an outstanding job thus far! We at the FHPD are excited to work closer with the residence as we build a strong bridge to make Forest Heights an even more pleasant place to live!

As most of the Town residence have noticed, The FHPD will continue to strictly enforce Parking and Ordinance Violations. Please be sure to familiarize yourselves with the Town Ordinances. The Ordinance manual can be obtained, free of charge for Town residents at the Municipal Building during normal business hours Monday thru Friday.

Special Thank you to all who were involved in “Forest Heights Clean Up Day”! Your commitment is greatly appreciated.

FOR ALL EMERGENCY CALLS,

DIAL 911.

Forest Heights Police Website Forestheightspolice.org

Lt. *F.R. Webb, A/Chief of Police*

FHPD Crime Report for the Month of May 2010

Breaking and Entering	2	Robberies	1
Thefts	1	Arrest	1
Vehicle Impounds	3	Vandalism	1
Threats & Annoying Calls	1	Assault	2
Vehicle Accidents	1	No Parking	3
Handicapped Parking	7	Fire Lane	3

Ordinance Violations

Town Building Permit not Obtained	1
Bulky Trash Put out too Early	2

Finger Printing & Notary

The Forest Heights Police Department

9 am - 3 pm Monday - Friday

By Appointment Only

\$20.00 per card Money Order Only

Notary is \$2 per document

301-839-4040

TOWN COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Working Together



As the season changes this is the best time of the year, when the trees and flowers bloom, and the grass begins to grow. It's time for us to start fixing up our homes. Paint the side molding, the front and back porches, the patio chairs etc.... I know I have some things that I need to do around the house. Walking the neighborhood, I'm not alone. We need to take more pride in the place we call home. I hear people say that Forest Heights is not the place it used to be. Well, it's not. Nor will it ever be again, but it is the place we call home and it can be as good as we make it. It just takes pride, love, faith and the beautification of our town. We need people to get involved in public service around the town. We are working on having a Forest Heights Day for our community. The town has had Free Dumpsters the past week. We really need to support our town. The council can't do it alone, we need you and your input. People say they didn't know about some of the things happening in our community. Well, the information about our community is always posted in our Town newsletter. You'll find all the information you need to know about the town in the Town Charter. It is your responsibility to check the ordinances. The Mayor and Town Council are turning things around. We are working to ensure the ordinances and the Town Charter are carried out to the fullest. There are two kinds of people Doers, and Sayers. Which kind of neighbor are you? The Council is working very hard to work together and we are asking you to come out and bring us your concerns and your support. **We need you at the meetings.** We are building a strong government and prosperous community.



THE FOREST HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM

The Forest Heights Neighborhood Watch Program has started back up! Patrol with us on May 15th!

After months of brainstorming, meetings and planning we have reinstated begun our Neighborhood Watch Program. The Program is comprised of volunteers who are committed to the improvement of safety and community awareness in our neighborhoods. We spent hours in the "think tank" considering how we wanted to show our community that we care and we decided to make our presence known through a foot patrol.

Alongside with Forest Heights Police officers, citizens will patrol our streets on Saturday, May 15, 2010 at 4:00 p.m., and we are excited to wear our new Neighborhood Watch T-shirts. All volunteers are required to complete the Application for Volunteer Employment. There will be a Meeting on Thursday, May 13, 2010 at 7:00 p.m., where shirts will be given out to volunteers, applications can be completed, and formal training will be conducted.



If anyone has any questions please contact Officer Bandy at rbandy@forestheightsmd.gov.

TOWN COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Working Together (Continued)

Citizens of Ward II... The first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. The Council Members of Ward II invite citizens of Ward II to a meet and greet and to exchange ideas.

Council members Anne Reifsneider and Jonathon Kennedy II

TRASH/RECYCLE COLLECTION IS TO BE PLACED AT THE CURB THE NIGHT BEFORE COLLECTION



PICK-UP DAYS BEGIN AT 6:30 a.m.

MONDAY—Recycle & Trash

Yard Waste will be Picked Up on Wednesday

THURSDAY—Bulk & Trash



METAL PICK-UP Metal placed on the curb will be picked up by

Public Works for a minimum of \$35.00

Propane Tank Pick-ups are \$30 each.

NO trash is to be placed in the recycling bin. A Recyclable Bin that has trash in it will not be PICKED UP. Recyclable Bin/Trash Bin shall be removed after pickup the same day. ANY TRASH OR RECYCLE BINS LEFT OUT DAYS AFTER ARE IN VIOLATION OF THE ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN, AND WILL BE ISSUED A CITATION OF \$50.00.

Place an Ad in the Forest Heights News

Bring your Cat, Dog and Ferret to the Spring 2010 Rabies Vaccination Clinics

State Law requires that all cats, dogs and ferrets be vaccinated against rabies by four (4) months of age, and be kept current. The best thing you can do to protect yourself, your family and community from rabies is to vaccinate your cats, dogs and ferrets against this fatal disease.

Only cats, dogs and ferrets over three (3) months old will be vaccinated. There a \$5.00 fee per vaccination. BRING EXACT CHANGE!

For more information about these clinics Call 301-583-3782

Clinic Date: Held rain or shine May 8, 2010 May 15, 2010 May 22, 2010

Location: Greenbelt Community Center 15 Crescent Road

Temple Hills Crossland High School 6901 Temple Hill Road

Bowie: Bowie High 15200 Annapolis Road

ATTENTION RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES, ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS IN OUR TOWN NEWLETTER FOREST HEIGHTS NEWS

Monthly Advertising Rates are as follows

Full Page—\$150

Half Page—\$100

Quarter Page \$50

Business Card—\$15

Inserts -\$75

Minimum 2 Month Minimum Advertisement

Circulation is approx. 1,000 to which includes distribution to Forest Heights Residents, business, community churches and other Prince George's County Municipalities.

Deadline to submit articles or advertisements for the newsletter is the 15th day of the month prior to publication. Articles are to be turned in via email to newsletter.fh@verizon.net or mailed or hand delivered to the Municipal Building at 5508 Arapahoe Drive, Forest Heights, MD 20745.

TOWN COMMUNITY INFORMATION

MAYOR AND COUNCIL TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 02-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS, MARYLAND, CREATING A CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENABLING THE TOWN TO AMEND, RESTATE, REVISE, UPDATE, CODIFY AND COMPILE CERTAIN OF ITS ORDINANCES INTO A SINGLE DOCUMENT TO BE KNOWN AS THE “ORDINANCE CODE OF THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS”, AND ADOPTING A NEW ARTICLE 1, “GENERAL PROVISIONS” OF THE FOREST HEIGHTS ORDINANCE CODE RELATING TO THE INTERPRETATION OF SAID CODE, USE OF THE TOWN SEAL AND MAKING UNPAID FINES AND PENALTIES A LIEN AGAINST REAL PROPERTY COLLECTIBLE IN THE SAME MANNER AS TAXES; CHANGING CERTAIN FINES; AND MAKING CERTAIN GRAMMATICAL AND STYLISTIC CHANGES THROUGHOUT THE TOWN’S ORDINANCES; AND RENUMBERING CERTAIN ARTICLES AND SECTIONS; AND GENERALLY MATTERS RELATING TO THE CODIFICATION OF THE TOWN’S ORDINANCES

INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Andrea McCutcheon

MAYOR AND COUNCIL TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE 03-10

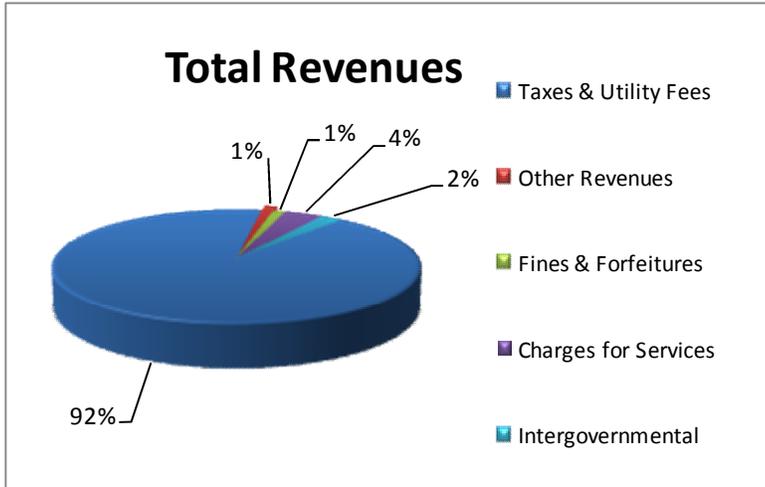
AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS, MARYLAND ENACTING NEWLY CREATED ARTICLE 23 (POLICE AND CODE ENFORCEMENT) OF THE TOWN ORDINANCE CODE, DESCRIBING THE DUTIES OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE, ENACTING PROCEDURES CONSISTENT WITH STATE LAW REGARDING THE ISSUANCE OF MUNICIPAL INFRACTIONS, FORMALLY APPOINTING A CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL FOR THE TOWN, AND GENERALLY RELATING TO THE REGULATION, CONTROL AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE FOREST HEIGHTS POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE OFFICE OF CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER.

INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Andrea McCutcheon

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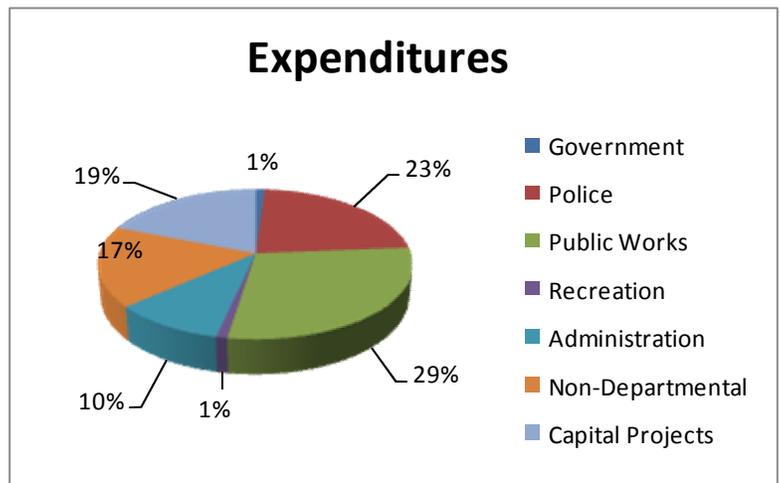
Fiscal Year 2009-2010

BUDGET AT A GLANCE



Total Revenues	\$1,298,704.94
Taxes & Utility Fees	1,187,112
Other Revenues	15,733
Fines & Forfeitures	16,320
Charges for Services	50,433
Intergovernmental	29,107

Total Expenditures	1,100,773
Government	11,512
Police	249,518
Public Works	316,813
Recreation	11,055
Administration	110,262
Non-Departmental	192,103
Capital Projects	209,510



Total Revenues..... \$1,298,705
 Total Expenditures..... \$1,100,773

The net assessable real property base decreased approximately 10,404,010 from Fiscal Year 2008-2009.
 The Constant Yield Tax Rate set by the County for Fiscal Year 2011 is .567 per \$100 of the assessed valuation.
 \$10,472 Police State Aid
 \$15,000 Maryland Department of Energy
 \$20,000 Coastal Initiative Grant
 \$9,975 Chesapeake Bay Trust
 \$350,000 received for grant funded projects for the Capital Improvements Project.

TOWN COMMUNITY INFORMATION

**FWMC
FREE
PRESENTATION**

“Managing Chronic Obstructive
Pulmonary Disease or COPD”

Emphysema Chronic Bronchitis Asthma

Speaker:

Dr. Amir Mirza-Alikhani

FWMC Critical Care Specialist & Hospitalist

Where: Fort Washington Medical Center (Cafeteria)

11711 Livingston Road

Fort Washington, MD 20744

When: Thursday, May 13, 2010

Time: 6:00 p.m. –7:00 p.m.

RSVP: Sherrie Walker (301) 686-9010

by Friday, May 7, 2010

Refreshments will be served