



Budget Hearing June 27th, 2008

FY09 Budget

For the Period July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009

**EMERGENCY ORDINANCE
PROPOSING TO INSERT THE FOREST HEIGHTS ORDINANCE
SECTION 11 HEALTH**

SECTION 11.3(a) GARBAGE COLLECTION FEE ANNUAL CHARGE

On June 18, 2008 the Forest Heights Town Council passes and emergency legislation by adding an annual fee of Two Hundred and Sixteen dollars (\$216.00) to each dwelling unit located in the Town of Forest Heights for the collection of residential trash, garbage and yard waste for collection and removal by the town's contract hauler. The fee shall be applicable from the fiscal year of 2009, beginning on July 1, 2008 and each year thereafter.

*****ALL EMERGENCY ORDINANCES SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY
UPON ITS PASSAGE AND SHALL REMAIN IN EFFECT INDEFINITELY*****

The Town of Forest Heights will celebrate Forest Heights Day on June 28th from 12 noon—4 pm at the Bell Acres Park, Mohican & N. Huron Drive, Forest Heights. We will have food, moon bounce, music, games, & lots of fun. Please contact Councilwoman Smith-Barnes 301-749-9741.

ALL ARE INVITED!



- *Town Meetings are always held on the third Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. Mayor/ Council Workshop Sessions are held on the first Monday of each month (Tuesday when Monday is a holiday). Meetings are open to the public.*
- *Next meetings: July 7th and July 16th*

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Spring and Summer Programs

Councilperson Lynn Smith-Barnes is seeking volunteers for the Parks and Recreation Committee.

Persons interested in helping to develop the 2008 programs for seniors and the youth should contact Councilperson Barnes.

Municipal Building—301-749-9741

Via email at—Ward1handinhand@aol.com.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OF TOWN ORDINANCE

Article 11 - Health

Section 11.2 ...It shall be the duty and responsibility of each occupant or owner of a dwelling unit, lot or vacant area to remove dead or dying tree or dying limbs (except those planted by the Town) by reason of rotting, deteriorating condition or storm damage which constitutes a hazard to person or property in the vicinity. These conditions will not be allowed to exist or accumulate on any private property or property adjoining any streets, alleys or lanes in the town. All yard, lawns, lots and vacant areas immediately adjacent to improved property shall be kept covered with sufficient ground cover, such as grass, and in addition, it shall be kept clean-and free from weeds and brush exceeding eight (8) inches in height. It shall be the duty of each occupant or owner of a dwelling unit, lot or vacant area, to keep, in clean condition the portion of the property which he or she occupies or over which he/she has exclusive control. If the occupant or owner shall fail to keep his/her portion of the property clean as above, the Town Council may send a written notice to such occupant or owner requesting him/her to remedy such condition within the time specified in said notice, said time shall not be less than three (3) days.

Upon failure of the occupant or owner to comply with such notice, the Town, through its officers and agents, shall have the power to enter upon the premises and cause such conditions to be corrected. The cost incurred by the Town shall be recovered in the manner outlined in paragraph 49 of the Town Charter (Article 20b).

A complete copy of the Forest Heights Ordinances may be obtained from the Town Clerk at the Municipal Building.

NOTE FROM YOUR PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

As a reminder to residents of our town. Residents are responsible for disposing of the following items: automobile motors and parts, fallen trees, cinder blocks, concrete, building materials, motor cycles, etc.

Residents must schedule with public works the pick up of water heaters and inoperative appliances a service charge of \$35.00 per item will be assessed.

Fines for violations can be up to \$100 for first offense and up to \$200 for repeat offenses.

TRASH COLLECTION SCHEDULE

PLEASE PUT TRASH OUT THE NIGHT BEFORE

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

MONDAY—*Recycling & Trash*

WEDNESDAY—*Yard Waste*

THURSDAY—*Bulk & Trash*

You must use trash

containers with lids

METAL PICK—UP

please call the Town Hall @ (301) 839-1030, M-F 8:30 am—4:30 pm. for metal pick-up.

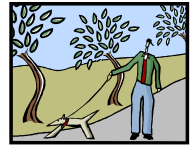
****All branches should be tied in 4 ft. bundles.****

As a reminder to residents, it is unlawful for any owner, possessor, keeper or harbinger of any animal to permit such animal to foul any public or another person's private property.

Please be considerate when walking your dog and use a poop scoop and dispose of waste.

THANK YOU!

Councilman Clarke, Chair of Public Works



STOP SIGNS & SPEED LIMIT

SCHOOL IS OUT AND THE CHILDREN ARE OUT AND PLAYING IN THE STREETS & RIDING THEIR BIKES.

PLEASE BE MINDFUL OF THIS AND DRIVE THE SPEED LIMIT AND STOP AT ALL STOP SIGNS. CITATIONS WILL BE ISSUED TO THOSE WHO ARE DO NOT ADHERE TO THE SPEED LIMIT FAILURE TO STOP AT STOP SIGNS.



RECYCLE BINS FOR RESIDENT

PLEASE CALL (301) 952-7630

FOR SALE

**PROPERTY AT 135 NORTH HURON DRIVE
FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT THE
MUNICIPAL BUILDING AT 301-839-1030**

LOWEST BID \$20K

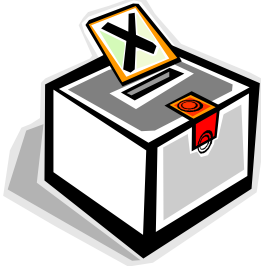


SPECIAL ELECTION

JULY 25, 2008

WARD III COUNCIL SEAT—TERM ENDS MARCH 2010

PLEASE PICKUP CERTIFICATE OF NOMINATION FROM THE TOWN CLERK M-F 8:30 AM—4:30 PM, DEADLINE FOR CERTIFICATE OF NOMINATIONS ARE DUE BY CLOSE OF BUSINESS JULY 11TH, 2008.



Forest Heights citizens who are registered voters in Ward 3 at least one year prior to the July 25, 2008 election are eligible to run for this office. Those persons choosing to run for this office may begin campaigning for these positions at any time. Eligible citizens wanting their names to be placed on the ballot will be required to submit a nomination form which is available in the Town Clerk's office. This will be the same form that was used in prior Forest Heights Town elections.

Furthermore, persons filing the nomination form will be able to submit a campaign statement to the Town Clerk. The statement will be distributed in July to all residents in Forest Heights, in keeping with past practices of the Town in general Town elections.

ATTENTION RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES ADVERTISE IN THE FOREST HEIGHTS NEWS

YOUR BUSINESS IN OUR TOWN NEWLETTER

Monthly Advertising Rates are as follows

Full Page—\$100 Half Page—\$50 Quarter Page \$25 Business Card—\$10 Inserts -\$50

Minimum 2 Month Advertisement

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