



The City News

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THE MAYOR'S CORNER

Dear Residents,

Fall, Football and School are all back in full swing. I hope you all had an incredible summer with your children, families and vacationing at your favorite destinations. However, now it's back to work and homework. I look forward to the southern migration that our Northern residents will soon begin. We have had a relatively quiet summer in the city from all perspectives, and this is a good thing.

As far as news from the Council, we have arrived at a complete and workable budget going into the fiscal year for 2015 –2016. One of the major challenges we faced this year was to assess, determine and prioritize what we were going to tackle as our road project. We have tentatively agreed to repair South County Club Drive from Clubhouse Blvd. to Muirfield Circle. This section of road—by far the worst in the city—has the most challenges. The scope will include adding specialty drains to both sides of the street to handle the ground water intrusion into the road base, which will prevent erosion when we have large amounts of rain. This will be the largest section of road resurfacing completed at one time in the history of Atlantis. City Hall will send letters to the residents who will be affected so as to update them on the status of the project.

The expected timeline of this project is three months once the contractor begins his work.

I encourage all those residents affected by this city improvement project to be understanding and appreciative of the efforts from all involved during the construction. Other projects include a new gate at the west entrance, design work to improve the two bridges and fiber work for the police station to have better access to the state information site. If you have any questions on these projects, feel free to contact City Hall.

As I prepare this message, Tropical Storm Erika is approaching the East Coast, which reminds us of how we need to be diligent and prepared in advance for these storms. The best time to prepare is well before Hurricane Season begins. Because we have not had a major hurricane for nearly a decade, there is a tendency for all of us to get a little complacent. And please remember to add your house to the Dark List by calling our police department when you go out of town. This way you will be notified after a bad weather event if your property was damaged or needs attention.

**Serving proudly,
Mayor David Kintz**

**1st Budget Hearing
Sept. 10 5:01 pm**

**2nd Budget Hearing
Sept. 16 7:00 pm**

Next Council Meeting

Wednesday

September 16, 2015

**Immediately following
Budget Hearing**

**Council Meetings are
3rd Wednesdays**

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NEWSLETTER
VIA E-MAIL
& UPDATE YOUR
DIRECTORY
ENTRY
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AVAILABLE ONLINE.
www.atlantisfl.gov

Manager's Notes September 2015

Is it September already? Before you know it the Atlantis Art Show and Sale will be here. Mark your calendars for November 12 from 4:00 to 8:00 pm. Come out and see the fabulous art offerings and stay for dinner at the Atlantis Country Club. Right after that, decorate your home and your golf cart for the Annual Holiday Home Decorating and Holiday on Wheels events. Home Judging will be on Sunday December 13, followed by the Golf Cart Parade on Monday December 14. Prizes for the best homes and carts will be awarded on December 14 immediately following the parade. Details will be in future newsletters.

We have two construction projects taking place this fall. The first is the conversion of the lift station on Troon Drive. The contractor is still working on the schedule, but we expect the job to begin around October 1 and be completed by Christmas.

The second will have a greater impact on the community, particularly those residents of South Country Club Drive. Beginning September 28, South Country Club Drive will be under construction for a paving and drainage project. The contractor will begin by removing the curb, installing drainage and replacing the curb. We expect the curb work to last 4-6 weeks, depending on weather and other factors. Once the curb work is done the entire roadway will be paved. Again, we expect the project to be entirely completed by Christmas.

The work will begin in the 500 block on the odd-numbered side of the road and work east to Fairway Court. They will then cross the road and work their way west back to the end of South Country Club Drive. During construction the work area of South Country Club will be restricted to one lane, with flagman directing traffic on Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm.

Residents who will be directly impacted by the work will be notified of the exact dates by the contractor as they move down the street. Lawn trucks and other service vehicles will not be permitted to park on South Country Club Drive during the construction. We realize this will be a grand inconvenience during construction, but the work is necessary to maintain the integrity of our infrastructure. Contact me with specific questions and I will do my best to answer them.

As always, I can be reached at City Hall or by email at mthornton@atlantisfl.gov
Mo Thornton, City Manager

**City News...**

The City of Atlantis Council Meeting was held at 7:00 p.m. on August 19th.

Resolution 15-14, authorizing the Mayor to sign an agreement with D.S. Eakins Construction Corp. for Lift Station #6, passed 5-0. The lift station on Troon Avenue will be converted from a dry can type station to a submersible lift station. The total cost will be \$153,780.00.

Resolution 15-15 passed 5-0, adopting a new official Zoning Map. As explained by our City Attorney, Trela White, this new map will replace the existing map due to annexation and the creation of the a new zoning district called CG: 'Commercial General.'

William Mitchell

(official minutes available at www.atlantisfl.gov)

POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Chief Robert G. Mangold

Community Safety through Community Awareness and Involvement:

Hurricane Season Reminder

We are entering the peak of hurricane season and all residents planning to remain in their homes in the event of a hurricane should be prepared to meet the following guidelines: federal, state, and county emergency management officials are emphasizing to all citizens that plan to remain in their homes in the event of a hurricane, to be prepared to be **self-sufficient** for a minimum of five to seven days; this includes water, food, and medical supplies. The rationale behind this position is based on the lessons learned from past natural disasters. Federal, state, and local governments have discovered that they are not able to marshal their resources any faster than this. In addition, depending on the severity of the disaster, or the number of disasters requiring emergency response, assistance may not be forthcoming before five to seven days due to an overtaxed emergency response system. Citizens should not rely on government to provide for their safety, but must accept responsibility for their own welfare.

For hurricane preparation information please go to the Red Cross website at www.redcross.org., and review the links dedicated to disaster preparedness. These links provide all the information necessary to plan for any type of natural or manmade disaster whether in your home, school, work, or community. Another excellent website is FloridaDisaster.org.

SGT. BRUCE HOFFMAN, CERTIFIED CRIME PREVENTION PRACTITIONER, IS AVAILABLE FOR HOME AND BUSINESS CRIME PREVENTION SURVEYS; PLEASE CALL 965-1700 TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT.

CRIME REPORT July 2015

<u>Major Crimes</u>	<u>Residential</u>	<u>Commercial</u>
Battery	0	4
Burglary (Structures/Vehicles)	2	3
Theft (Grand & Petit)	1	0
Vehicle Theft	0	0
Robbery	0	0

Residential Crime Location(s): Atriums

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT July 2015

Traffic Stops	75
Traffic Citations	77
Traffic Warnings	14
Parking Citations	0



2016
Homestead Exemption Outreach
1st Tuesday of Each Month
Atlantis Council Chambers 10-11 AM

Through December

Conducted by:

PALM BEACH COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER'S OFFICE
Division of Education Services

THE PROPERTY APPRAISER OFFICE WILL TAKE YOUR HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION APPLICATION AND ANSWER VALUATION QUESTIONS

Every person who has legal title on January 1 to a residential property and lives there permanently qualifies.

A copy of your deed and proof of residency is required. You may submit a copy of your Florida driver's license, voter's registration or permanent residency card (Federal Form I485 also accepted).

Exemptions available include: \$25,000 Homestead Exemption, Additional \$25,000 Homestead Exemption, Senior Citizen Exemption, \$5,000 Disabled Veterans Exemption, Combat-disabled Senior Veterans and \$500 Widow/Widower Exemption



PET OWNERS



A reminder to our dog and cat owners:
Please keep your pets from running loose. Keep your dogs on a leash no longer than 6 feet. Also, be a good neighbor and pick up after your dog, taking it with you.



Emergency Notification System Update

The City of Atlantis is proud to announce a new Emergency Contact software system which enables emergency and other various city alerts to be sent via text, email and phone. The service is available to all residents and will require you to sign up. There will also be a website where contact information can be added or edited.

Please supply your information for the new database on this form to be returned to the Police Department or sent by mail or fax to 561-968-9443 or by email to mlegal@atlantisfl.gov

We appreciate your cooperation and look forward to serving the community with this new updated service. ***If you have updated your information since June, you do not need to do it again.***

Note: Information supplied via this form is subject to public records law.

Family Name: _____

Address: _____

Landline Phone: _____ Include in Directory ___Yes ___No

Additional Residents/Phone numbers in the household requiring notification may be listed below

Name: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

Text Alert ___Yes ___No Include in Directory ___Yes ___No

Name: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

Text Alert ___Yes ___No Include in Directory ___Yes ___No

Name: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

Text Alert ___Yes ___No Include in Directory ___Yes ___No

Name: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

Text Alert ___Yes ___No Include in Directory ___Yes ___No

If you would like an additional address **listed in the directory** please include below:

Out of State Address _____

The City of Atlantis has a Solicitation Ordinance, Please complete the following as to whether you would like to allow solicitors to visit your home. YES _____ NO _____

Would you like to join the "paperless" electronic newsletter list? If so please indicate the email address

where you would like to receive it _____@_____.

_____@_____.



City of Atlantis

Fine Arts & Crafts Sale and Show Just in time for Holiday Gift Giving!

What: Fine Arts & Crafts Sale and Show

When: Thursday, November 12, 2015

Time: 4-8 PM

Where: Atlantis Country Club

Details: We are accepting applications from now until September 4, 2015. The Committee will review submissions and notify participants by October 1.

For additional info & an application form, contact Mo Thornton at 561-965-1744, or e-mail her at mthornton@atlantisfl.gov.



LITERARY SOCIETY

I hope all of you have been enjoying your Summer! It is hard to believe that the time has gone so fast and that by the time of the next deadline for this newsletter, we will be back in Atlantis!

Our first meeting will be at 9:30 in the Ladies Card Room at the Atlantis Golf Club on 18 November, when Patti Train will lead our discussion of **The Girl on the Train** by Paula Hawkins. It is still up there on the "Best Seller" list. Probably like you, I have heard some say they thought it was great, and others who did not. It will be interesting to see what the consensus of our group will be.

For those of you who may have missed the last newsletter, the rest of the year's schedule is: **The Boston Girl** by Anita Lamant in December, **The Boys in the Boat** by Daniel James Brown in January, **The Wives of Los Alamos** by TaraShea Nesbit in February, **All the Light We Cannot See** by Anthony Doerr in March, and finally, **A Spool of Blue Thread** by Ann Tyler in April.

Two enjoyable reads from the last month are **Circling the Sun** by Paula Mclain (author of **The Paris Wife**). This is historical fiction about Beryl Markham who was a contemporary of Amelia Earhart. She lived in Africa where was also involved in a love triangle with Karen Blixen (who wrote **Out of Africa** under the name Isak Dinesen) and Denys Finch Hatton. I wish the book had had more about the accomplishments of Markham, but it was a very interesting book. I just started a recommended book called **The Last Voyage of Sigismund Skirk** by a German author, Karsten Flohr. It has been translated into English by John Brownjohn. Sigismund is a hairdresser who works on a ship that goes back and forth between Germany and the US. Not only does he give his clients new looks, he also gets to know all of their secrets. Many are immigrating to the US in the latter 1800's, so I am guessing there are some interesting tales. So far, it is very enjoyable.

Hope you all enjoy the remainder of your summer. Looking forward to seeing you at our first Literary Society meeting in November. Contact Pat Clem at the Atlantis Golf Club 966-7600 to make your reservations. There will be a \$8 charge for continental breakfast.

Sally Thompson



COACHING THE MATURE DRIVER

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13

9 A.M.—4 P.M.

ATLANTIS COUNCIL CHAMBERS

The State of Florida mandates an insurance discount for licensed drivers 55 or older who complete the State Approved Course. The discount is good for three years.

Cost: \$12 per person

Register with Kristen at City Hall



Atlantis Country Club

190 Atlantis Blvd. • Atlantis, FL 33462
Golf: 561.968.1300 • Dine: 561.965.5788
www.atlanticcountryclub.com

Special Offer! Join Now — Start Now!

Three Affordable Golf Membership Options

Option No. 1: Annual Golf Membership \$1,500. plus tax*

Includes all green fees for one year for one person.

Plus \$25. cart fee per round additional

* Atlantis resident annual golf cart trail fee (per person) \$1,500.00 plus tax for personal golf carts only with option No. 1

Option No. 2: All-Inclusive Annual Golf Membership \$4,500. plus tax

Includes all green fees and cart fees for one year for one person.

Option No. 3: All-Inclusive Annual Family Golf Membership \$6,500. plus tax

Includes all green fees and cart fees for one year for member and spouse.

All Three Options Include:

Complimentary range balls, 20 percent discount on select non-sale merchandise in the golf shop, special guest fees for family and friends, advanced tee times and a USGA handicap index.

Annual membership period runs from November through October..

Treat yourself to a Golf Lesson at Atlantis Country Club!

PGA Professionals Todd Leckrone, Dan Larkin, Jamie Wierenga and former LPGA member Julie Kintz have over 50 years of combined teaching experience. Treat yourself to better golf!

561-968-1300



Atlantis Country Club

www.atlantiscountryclub.com www.atlantisdine.com

A special message from the restaurant staff:

The restaurant and lounge will be closed during September.

The banquet rooms will be open for special events and parties.

*The Snack Bar will remain open all summer from
7:30 am to 3 p.m. everyday.*

*The dining room and lounge will reopen in
October for the season.*

*Enjoy your summer, and we look forward to
seeing you in the fall!*

561-965-5788

Marti Rayl, Food and Beverage Manager
Chris Rayl, Executive Chef

Paying Your Utility Bill Has Never Been Easier!!

Pay With Credit Card

- Go to our web site: Atlantisfl.gov
- Click on "City Government"
- Click on "Utilities"
- Click on "Online Utility Payments"
- Click on "Pay Utility Bills"
- Fill in required information on the form and submit, make sure you include your Utilities Service Address. You will receive an email confirmation.

Auto Draft Services

No postage, No late charges, No checks to write! The City of Atlantis Utilities provides customers with the convenience of Auto Pay for their Utility Bills. By providing us with your bank information, the City is able to automatically deduct your utilities payments from your account. You may sign up for this service at any time. Complete the authorization form and drop it off at City Hall.

Atlantis Golf Club

"The Private Club"

Our Summer Golf Membership
Still Time ~ But Space is Running Out!!
Through October 31, 2015

- Play on our William Mitchell Designed Course
- Enjoy our 3 acre driving range, 7,100 sq ft putting green & chipping and bunker practice areas
 - No Tee Times
- Reciprocal play at many other exclusively private golf courses
- Restaurant & Bar Open Daily With Fabulous Cuisine

Great Playing Conditions all Summer Long

~ Membership Inquiries ~

(561) 966-7600

membership.atlantisgolf@gmail.com

301 Orange Tree Drive

Atlantis, Florida 33462

www.atlantisgolf.org



Community Activities



ALL AMERICAN TEAM TENNIS: Youth Team Tennis. For more information contact Coach Ken at 578-9914. Meets in Atlantis.

ART CLASSES: Water Media Wednesdays 1-4 p.m. Contact Maureen Cleary at 351-7748 email mcleary99@aol.com

CHESS CLUB: Meets every Monday night at 7:00 pm. Call John Schwan at 315-783-6873.

COMPUTER HELP: Need computer help or lessons? Call Coleman Kintz at 601-1961 or crashck1@gmail.com

CHILDREN'S DANCE CLASSES: Ages 2 to 6, Tap, Ballet and Creative Movement. Boys and girls welcome. Call Lisa Lee at 561.317.5738.

FLUTE LESSONS: Private flute lessons for students all levels, through High School. Contact Cliff Fritts at 561-969-2296 or 316-619-5935.

GREAT BOOKS CLUB OF ATLANTIS: Will meet again in the fall. Call Dr. Bennett Miller at 561-968-2675.

GUITAR LESSONS: All styles, all ages welcome. Contact Diane Levine at 561-267-7921.

JEWELRY CLASS: Held in the Council Chambers on Tuesdays & Fridays 7-9 pm. Contact Marie Claude Green at 736-5609, 271-8967 or CLVERT@AOL.COM

LANTANA ROAD BRANCH LIBRARY : Offering book and film discussions groups. Contact Susan Kelly at 304-4500.

LITERARY SOCIETY: The Atlantis Literary Society supports the Library in Lantana by collecting books and donating them to that library. Contact Pat Clem at 966-7600 x 101

PERFORMING TAP DANCE GROUP Practice held 1-3 pm Tuesdays at the Atlantis Recreation Bldg. Let's Dance! Call Trela White at 561-346-3294

PHILOSOPHY OF LIFE DISCUSSION GROUP For information contact Jewel Littenberg at 964-1683.

REPUBLICAN CLUB OF CENTRAL PBC: Meets the first Thursday of each month at 6:15 p.m. at the Atlantis Country Club. Contact George Blumel at 561-543-4971.

THE ROTARY CLUB OF LAKE WORTH : Meets Wednesdays at noon for lunch for fellowship and guest speakers. Contact Peggy Vrane 868-5807 Richard Beiter 965-4282 or Ron Leeds 969-9600.

SENIOR TENNIS: Mondays and Fridays from 9-11am at Sunset Park. Contact Rob DeCesare at 315-0880.

TEEN PROJECT LINUS: Calling all teens interested in making quilts for children in need. 2nd Sundays. Contact Abigail at 964-3114 or 512-5536.

TENNIS CLASSES: Contact Coach Sherwin Anderson USPTA PRO at 561-588-4557.

WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS:

Geraldine Rodrigo
Bernard & Cynthia Dowd
Karen Langolf
Esa & Mia Autero
Charles & Patricia Palilla
Gary Gottlieb
Arnold Johnson
Daniel & Anne Lipcan
Ann Marie Hunt
Gary & Heidi Nelson

OUR CONDOLENCES ON THE DEATH OF

Albert J. McCarthy

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by Sandy Thompson (313-1060)

IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

EMERGENCY (Fire, Police, Ambulance)	911
Police and Fire (Non Emergency)	561-965-1700
J F K Medical Center	561-965-7300
Atlantis City Hall	561-965-1744
Building Department	561-965-1796
Police (Administration)	561-965-1711
Utilities Department	561-965-1744
Garbage Collection	561-965-2627
Atlantis Country Club	561-965-7700
Atlantis Golf Club	561-966-7600
Atlantis Realty	561-965-7900

KINTZ PARK SPLASH PAD HOURS:

Monday through Thursday 11 am to 6 pm
Friday, Saturday, Sunday 11 am to 8 pm
· During periods of heavy rain, the splash pad hours may be suspended.
* Kintz Park will be closed periodically for maintenance.

GARBAGE INFORMATION:

BACKDOOR PICKUP

- MONDAY – HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE
- THURSDAY – HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE & RECYCLE

CURBSIDE PICKUP

- MONDAY ONLY – YARD WASTE AND BULK ITEMS

Please place all material for collection **BEFORE 7:00 am** on the day of service. Curbside items may only be placed at the curb after 5:00 pm on the day before collection. *Exception, on the first Sunday of each month items may be placed at the curb after noon for Monday pickup. **Please use your underground containers.** Liners may be obtained at Ace Hardware. Recycle containers may be obtained at City Hall. For repairs and replacement contact Jim Shelhamer at 561-718-8207.

Landscape debris generated by a paid landscape maintenance company must be removed on the day of generation by the maintenance company. (City of Atlantis Code of Ordinances 8.3-9) Questions, Call City Hall at 965-1744.