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THE MAYOR'S CORNER

Dear Residents,

I would like to thank all of the residents who responded to my letter last month and donated to help our long-term police department employee Michael Emmons. As of this writing, we have raised \$5,805.00. Michael has worked as our night dispatcher for 21 years and has helped many of our residents in need during this time. He has been ill for some time and has recently found out that he will need a kidney transplant. There are many factors that he is facing and financial hardship is one of the largest hurdles in these situations even with medical insurance. I am asking you to consider contributing to the National Foundation for Transplants, in Honor of Michael Emmons. We are a great city that cares for the people who care for us and a little can go a long way for Michael. All donations need to flow through City Hall as he is a city employee and subject to gift reporting under the ethics ordinance. Please consider donating if you can and add him to your prayers for a happy and healthy outcome to the situation.

At the April 2016 Council Meeting, the council voted 4-1 supporting the concept of an Atlanta Braves Spring Training Facility in South Central Palm Beach County. There was a good deal of discussion from Council and comments from our residents prior to voting on this resolution. Since then, a few residents who didn't understand why we brought this resolution forward wanted to know why we supported the idea of a sports facility in our area. Central Palm Beach County has been in my opinion neglected by the County for many years. The County has spent incredible amounts of money and resources supporting many projects in the north and south areas of the county: Roger Dean Stadium, the new Nationals/Astros facility and Scripps to name a few. These projects have brought many great things to the

local areas surrounding them. Furthermore, the County will not be interested in negotiating with the Atlanta Braves if the local cities are not in support of a facility of this caliber. This is why we passed Resolution 16-08 to offer our support for the concept of the facility. Lake Worth, Greenacres and Lantana all have passed similar resolutions. The Atlanta Braves will be designing an extensive economic study of just how their new facility will have a positive impact on the local areas, and will present this to the County Commission in the near future. Once we have a chance to review all of the proposals, we will be in a position to either support a solid plan that benefits Central Palm Beach County or not, if the plan doesn't make sense.

Due to the Zika virus scare, we are looking into additional mosquito control measures for the summer and we hope to have some numbers and methods to consider shortly. Palm Beach County Mosquito Control information can be found at <http://www.pbcgov.com/erm/mosquito/>. You can request service in your area or home if you feel there is more than normal mosquito activity. However, at this time, the County does not actively spray or treat in our area.

As with all mosquito-transmitted diseases, the best way to prevent exposure is to limit your chances of being bitten by a mosquito.

First and foremost, safeguard yourself by wearing protective clothing such as long pants and long sleeves and applying an approved mosquito repellent, preferably one containing DEET.

Second, remove potential mosquito breeding sites by emptying water from flower pots, garbage cans, recycling containers, wheelbarrows, aluminum cans, boat tarps, old tires, toys, and buckets — any item that can hold water.

DATE CHANGE

Next Council Meeting

Wednesday

June 8, 2016

**Council Meeting
regular schedule:**

3rd Wednesdays

7 P.M.

Budget Workshop

Wednesday

June 8 2016

5:30 p.m.

July Council Meeting:

Wednesday July 13th

City Hall closed

Monday, July 4th

for

Independence Day



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AVAILABLE ONLINE.

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Mayor's Corner, continued

Prevent water containers from getting stagnant by flushing ornamental bromeliads, birdbaths and wading pools weekly, clean roof gutters, change the water in outdoor pet dishes regularly, keep pools and spas chlorinated and filtered, stock ornamental ponds with mosquito-eating fish, cover rain barrels with screening, and check for standing water under houses, near plumbing drains, under air conditioner drip areas, around septic tanks and heat pumps. To all of our residents who are heading north for the summer or vacationing for a week or two, I encourage you to list your homes on the dark list with our Police Department. This will allow us to monitor your home in your absence and alert you to any suspicious activity at your residence. It only takes a phone call or a few clicks on your computer at our website, and your property is on the list.

**Serving proudly,
Mayor David Kintz**

Manager's Notes June 2016

This month's newsletter rivals the weight of the daily Palm Beach Post. As we ordinarily do at the beginning of hurricane season, we have included some information and helpful tips in the event of a storm event. The key is preparation. Many people have purchased impact windows. If you plan to use hurricane shutters to protect your property, the following information from our code will be helpful.

All permanently attached components of storm panel systems shall match the color of the walls or trim of the building. Storm shutters which are installed, hung, attached to a structure or are otherwise utilized for their intended purpose for any period of time in excess of 30 consecutive days must be manufactured, painted or treated so that they match or complement the structure to which they are attached, subject to the following:

- a. Corrugated aluminum or other metallic shutters need not be painted, but must be properly maintained and uniform in appearance on the structure to which they are attached subject to the time limits set forth in subsection d. below.
- b. The use of wood is permitted so long as the wood that is installed, hung, attached to a structure or used as storm shutters for a period of time in excess of 30 consecutive days is painted to match the color of the walls or trim of the building, subject to the time limits set forth in subsection d. below.
- c. Due to the nature of being permanently attached to the building even when in the open position, all components of accordion and roll up shutters shall match the color of the walls or trim of the building.
- d. Under no circumstances shall wood or metal panels be installed prior to June 1 nor shall they be allowed to remain in place after November 30 of any year, unless a tropical storm or shutters "warning" or "watch" has been issued outside of such time frame, in which case the said panels are allowed but must be removed within two weeks of the end of the storm event.
- e. The use of storm panel systems or shutter systems while the building to which they are attached is occupied by any person must be:
 - i. Pursuant to the issuance of a tropical storm or hurricane "warning" or "watch"; or
 - ii. Pursuant to the declaration of a state of emergency; or
 - iii. In compliance with all provisions of the Florida Fire Prevention Code and the Florida Life Safety Code as adopted by the city at section 7-26. Said compliance specifically includes provisions relative to ingress, egress and escape requirements.

Have a safe and happy summer. As always, I can be reached at City Hall or via email at mthornton@atlantisfl.gov.

Mo Thornton, City Manager

POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Chief Robert G. Mangold

Community Safety through Community Awareness and Involvement:

Traffic Safety Tip:

The police department has initiated a traffic enforcement campaign to ensure community safety due to numerous complaints regarding stop sign violations, speeding, and failing to share the roadways with pedestrians and bicyclists. This campaign will be ongoing until such time as our goal, of consistent residential safe motoring, has been accomplished.

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 April 2016

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

Residential Crime Location(s): N/A

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT April 2016

Traffic Stops	46
Traffic Citations	30
Traffic Warnings	16
Parking Citations	1



City News...

The City of Atlantis Council Meeting was held on May 18th, immediately following the 7:00 p.m. Local Planning Agency meeting.

Ordinance 439 passed 4-1 on its Second and Final Reading. This ordinance amends Chapter 9, Section 9-29 of the Code of Ordinances, so as to increase the schedule of Business Taxes as much as is legally permitted by law: 5% every other year.

Ordinance 440 passed 5-0 on its first reading. This ordinance amends Chapter 15, Zoning.

Resolution 16-09 also passed 5-0. This authorizes the Mayor to sign an Interlocal Agreement in support of the infrastructure surtax, adopted on May 10th, 2016 by the Palm Beach County Commission and School Board.

William Mitchell

(official minutes available at www.atlantisfl.gov)

A Message to the Community From Michael Emmons

I have always appreciated the delicious treats this community bestows on us, the city workers of Atlantis during the holidays, but I am overcome and humbled by the support shown to me from the Mayor, City Council and each resident of the City of Atlantis. Each gift, prayer and uplifting word of encouragement has helped inspire me during the times when I am tired, weak and feeling the effects of going through dialysis. You have given me hope that one day I will again live a better quality of life.

Mike Emmons

More information on Mike's Fund...

Because we are a public agency, we are bound by the Palm Beach County Ethics Ordinance. As such, we need to track the donations for Mike as he is required to file periodic gift disclosures. He has established a relationship with the National Foundation for Transplants to assist him in his efforts. Even with health insurance, he is facing significant expenses related to the surgery. The transplant center is in Orlando, resulting in substantial travel related expenses. After the transplant he will be on anti-rejection medication for the rest of his life.

If you wish to make a donation, please make your check out to "NFT Florida Transplant Fund", write "In Honor of Michael Emmons" on the memo line. Donations should be sent to City Hall so that we can log them and send them on to the foundation. This will assist Mike in filing his required gift disclosure. If you wish to donate by credit card, visit www.transplants.org to make a secure donation. Click "Find an NFT Patient" to search for him. Please notify us if you do this so we can assist Mike in tracking the donations.

"This request for donations is directed to City residents. The City is not soliciting donations from any lobbyist of the City, any current vendor of the City, any person or entity having a pending application before the City, any person or entity having a pending bid proposal, offer or request to sell or lease goods, services or property to the City, or any person or entity having a pending award of any nature with the City."

Palm Beach County Water Utilities Department to Flush Lines with Chlorine Starting June 20

To maintain high water quality in the County's water distribution system, Palm Beach County Water Utilities Department will temporarily modify the disinfection process used to treat our drinking water. The County will use a somewhat stronger disinfection process to produce chlorine residual instead of a chloramines residual from June 20 to July 22, 2016. The County will also increase hydrant flushing during this time. This is a preventative maintenance process.

Customers served by the Palm Beach County Water Utilities Department may notice a slight chlorine taste or odor in their tap water during this period. These temporary conditions will not cause adverse health effects.

If you are especially sensitive to the taste or odor of chlorine, keep an open container of drinking water in your refrigerator for a few hours to allow the chlorine to dissipate.

Users of home dialysis machines, owners of tropical fish and managers of stores and restaurants with fish and shellfish holding tanks are advised to seek professional advice as the method for removing chlorine residuals differs from removing chloramines residuals from tap water.

Should you need more information on this change in the water treatment process, please call the Palm Beach County Water Utilities Department at (561) 740-4600, option #1

Atlantis Utilities Department will also be flushing fire hydrants at this time.



Congratulations to the winners of the Spring Fling 2016 tournaments!



Due to an editing error, we published incorrect information about the winners of the Seventh Annual Round Robin Tennis Tournament at Spring Fling. Here's the real story!

We had a great turnout, high-level competition and great weather! Thanks to the participants and congratulations to the winners:

- 1st Place – Atlantis resident Jack Byrne
- 2nd Place – Atlantis resident Betsy Colin
- 3rd Place – Joe Nezgoda



Atlantis Golf Club - Golf Course: Atlantis Golf Club is in the process of re-grassing our East Course over the summer months. We ask all residents to please **do not** access this course while our project is ongoing. *Thank you for your cooperation.*



Atlantis Country Club

www.atlanticountryclub.com

Think of Atlantis Country Club for all your special events!

Whether you're having a wedding reception or celebrating a graduation, a family reunion, a rehearsal dinner, or any other type of celebration or business event, we know how to do it right!

Snack Bar Hours:

open daily for breakfast and lunch—7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Golf course and snack bar will be closed Tuesday, July 5 and Wednesday, July 6

Serving the best breakfasts, lunches and snacks 7 days a week.

Dining Room and Lounge Hours:

The hours of operation will vary during the summer so please call for further information.

Reservations and Information: 561-965-5788



Atlantis Country Club

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

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.*

Nine and Dine • Sunday, June 26 • All Welcome!

Golf Course Closed on Tuesday, July 5 and Wednesday, July 6

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 more than 75 years of combined teaching experience. Treat yourself to better golf!

561-968-1300

Spotlight on Lauri Melear, City Council Member

Lauri is familiar to many Atlantis residents as a property manager and realtor, and she is also our most recently elected member of City Council. She grew up in Lake Worth and her family history is closely connected to the history of that City: in the early part of the 20th century, her great-grandfather was a 2-term mayor and coordinated the construction of the Lake Worth Bridge, Casino and the Lake Worth Hotel. Her grandfather was the founding member of the Lake Worth Board of Realtors, and the family tradition in the real estate business continued with her father. One of the family's major projects was to build the 10th Avenue Texaco Station, which they owned and operated for 13 years.

Where did you go to school and how did you begin your career? I graduated from Lake Worth High School, where I was a drum majorette and on the swim team. My first job was at Fountain's department store, which was a chain of 5 stores in Palm Beach County. I graduated from the Dental Assistant program at Palm Beach Junior (now State) College, and worked for Dr. Swanson in Lake Worth for 8 years. At the same time, I got my real estate license and started to manage apartments and other buildings. Because I grew up in a family that was always buying properties, I learned how to remodel and repair things! Now I run a property management business, including about 50 properties in Atlantis, and sell residential properties through Southdale Properties, Inc.

What about your family? John (he works with Atlantis Realty) and I have been married for 27 years. We have 4 children and 4 grandchildren. David is an attorney in Jacksonville, and Jenni lives in California, is married to a magician, owns a bridal store and is an actress. Michael and Matthew live here; Michael sells real estate and Matthew is planning to begin a career in real estate.

How do you spend your free time? Do you have hobbies? Like to travel? We have vacation properties in Cashiers, North Carolina. I enjoy water skiing, tennis and hiking. Actually, anything outdoors! We take a snow skiing trip out West every year; we've been to several areas, but Vail is my favorite. We've traveled to Europe, and I'd like to go to Hawaii. John wants to buy a motor home so we can travel around the country. We'll see!

When did you move to Atlantis? I spent some time here when I was young, and I thought it was a beautiful place. John's parents bought a home in 1980, John followed in 1986, and I moved here when we got married 2 years later. My parents moved here in 1992. It was wonderful having the whole family around when we raised our children.

Why did you decide to run for City Council this year? I've always been involved with activities in the City, including the Kintz Park renovation, golf cart parades, Easter egg hunts, and campaigning for lighted tennis courts. Making Atlantis a great place for families to live, and generating a vibrant sense of community spirit, have always been important to me. I think there are some things we can do to foster that feeling for all our residents. Secondly, we own a condo here, as well as a townhouse in the Atriums. I'm on the Board of Directors of the Atriums' Association. So I have a perspective about living here that's different from the one we have as owners of our single family home. My businesses require me to work with City Hall quite frequently, so from a practical point of view, there are some things that we can focus on to keep our neighborhoods safe and beautifully maintained, as well as responding quickly and effectively to our residents' needs and issues.

Spotlight on Lauri Melear, City Council Member

Can you be more specific? In the area of communication and community outreach, I'd like to provide more information to our residents, including Welcome Baskets for new residents, timely information about crime, resource information and assistance for our older residents, perhaps by pairing them and their needs with high schoolers who need volunteer hours. Adding some features to our newsletter could provide information about local businesses, increase understanding about Council's decisions, and highlight ongoing activities in the City. We should encourage more people to attend Council meetings, as well as community-wide activities like the Golf Cart Parade and Spring Fling. Finally, I'd like to work with our police department to develop a "block watch" program to keep an eye on our residents and their property. Everyone pitches in—and gets to know their neighbors better!

We've already initiated a group to explore how the various Homeowner's Associations could work together to share information and resources. One outcome might be getting better "bulk rates" from contractors if more than one community hires them.

In the "keep Atlantis beautiful" category, a regular schedule for maintaining our infrastructure is very important not only for our residents, but to protect property values in the City. We need to find a way to get residents to stop putting their trash and garbage by the curb—not only does it look terrible, but since we are paying for "back door" service, we're throwing money away! We also need to work with the trash company to minimize the time that the piles of trash they put at the curb sit there before the truck picks them up. The same thing goes for our security and landscaping services--we need to constantly review performance so we get the best service at the best price. Also, I think we should take a look at our code enforcement program, so that policies and procedures are followed all year long, and infractions are corrected quickly. I recognize that there are challenges here, but it should be a goal.

How would you summarize your priorities for the City? My goal is to be a voice for our residents, so that we have a safe, secure city, and a fiscally responsible but beautifully maintained environment for our families and businesses. Regenerating the family focus and tight knit community of the past is another goal...I want everyone to know that Atlantis is a great place to live!

“Home Goods That Do Good”

Do you have gently used furniture, appliances or other home goods that you are replacing? Need to create more space in your home? Remodeling? Please consider donating your unwanted items to the Habitat for Humanity ReStore in Greenacres or Riviera Beach.

We accept donations of furniture, appliances, building supplies and other household items. We offer friendly, free pickup and for those remodeling projects our expert team will carefully remove (deconstruct) your kitchen cabinets, bathroom and lighting fixtures, crown molding and other similar items at no cost!

You can save on dumping fees and deconstruction labor costs. You will receive a tax donation receipt, keep these items out of our local landfills and recycle them back into the community. Our ReStore sells donated items to the public at huge discounts and all the proceeds are used to support our mission to build affordable housing for families in Palm Beach County.

CALL OUR DONATION HOTLINE TODAY AT 561-253-2290

Atlantis Golf Club
"The Private Club"

IS THE WEATHER WARM ENOUGH FOR YOU? It will only get hotter. But now you can practice in the shade! Atlantis Golf Club has installed a new awning that provides shade on half of our full-length practice range. Come try it out! Summer memberships are still available. To inquire, please call 966-7600.



A note to our neighbors: We have recently installed new grass on the East Course. Please give it a chance to develop by staying off the new turf. Thank you!

Hurricane Preparedness Guide



This hurricane guide has been designed to provide you and your family important hurricane protection and safety information. Please keep this guide as a reference June 1-Nov 30, 2016.

Now that the hurricane season is here, it is important to be as prepared as possible. Here are some helpful tips:

- ◆ Put important documents and phone numbers in a waterproof container.
- ◆ All trees and shrubs should be trimmed by now – do not do any trimming before a hurricane is about to come.
- ◆ Monitor the tropics: tune into local television and radio stations; heed the advice of local authorities; evacuate if ordered. Do not return until it is safe to do so.
- ◆ Remove lawn furniture, pots, plants or any other outside items that could be potential projectiles.
- ◆ If a storm watch has been issued, do not place yard waste, recycling, or garbage at the curb. Please be patient until normal collection resumes.
- ◆ You can get helpful information regarding power outages, etc. by going online at FPL.com. To report a hazardous condition or power outage, please call 1-800-4OUTAGE (1-800-468-8243). If you haven't already prepared a hurricane emergency supply kit, do so now. Remember to include such items as:

- Three gallons of water per person
- Canned & ready-to-eat food, fruits, crackers, etc. and foods that do not require cooking
- Manual can opener
- First aid kit, prescription and non-prescription drugs

- Matches in a waterproof container
- Paper cups, plates, and plastic utensils; foil, plastic wrap & plastic garbage bags
- Personal hygiene items such as soap, toothpaste and toothbrush, toilet paper, etc.
- Liquid bleach to treat drinking water
- Cash – ATM's may not be operating after a storm

Here is a list of local phone numbers to further assist you:

- **EMERGENCY 9-1-1**
- **ATLANTIS POLICE 965-1700**
- **CITY HALL 965-1744**
- **UTILITIES DEPARTMENT 965-1744**
- **511– provides traffic information, road conditions and construction updates 24 hours a day.**

Here is a list of websites that may also assist you:

- **FEMA- WWW.FEMA.GOV**
- **STATE– WWW.FLORIDADISASTER.ORG (SERT HOME PAGE)**
- **COUNTY– WWW.PBCGOV.COM**
- **LOCAL-WWW.ATLANTISFL.GOV**

Help your neighbors if they are unable to prepare by themselves. Let us all band together and stay as safe as possible this season.

FLOOD HAZARD & PREPARATION INFORMATION**THE LOCAL FLOOD HAZARD**

Every property is at risk of flooding. In fact, there is a 26% chance of experiencing a flood during the life of a 30-year mortgage. Many factors contribute to flooding in areas not designated as Special Flood Hazard Areas. The greatest flood threats come from excessive rainfall that accompanies coastal storms, tropical storms and hurricanes. Finished Construction Elevation Certificates are on file.

The Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) provides flood zone determinations to advise if you are in a flood hazard area. Property within the City of Atlantis is located in several different flood zones. Most properties east of Villa Drive (North and South including Villa Drive) and along Atlantis Blvd. are located in the special flood hazard due to Lake Atlantis and Lake Atlantis South. Properties in Palm Circle adjacent to the C-15 lagoon are in the special flood hazard area. All properties west of Villa Drive are not in a special flood hazard area. You may contact City Hall to find out what flood zone your property is located in.

FLOOD INSURANCE

Homeowner's insurance policies DO NOT cover losses due to flooding. There is a 30-day waiting period. Please note that new flood insurance policies will not be written once a storm is approaching. The City of Atlantis participates in the National Flood Insurance Program, which makes flood insurance available to everyone in the City. For most, a home and its contents are their greatest investment. If your property is even subject to the possibility of flood damage, from hurricanes or otherwise, you should be protected with an NFIP Flood Policy. Contact your insurance agent and have him or her discuss the types of coverage available to you. For additional information about flood insurance, visit FEMA's website at: www.fema.gov/business/nfip/

FLOOD SAFETY

There is no substitute for advance planning and preparation. Be aware of what steps to take to minimize your losses due to flooding. Prepare and annually update an inventory of all personal property with descriptions and photos, store drinking water in clean containers, keep a portable radio and flashlights on hand with fresh batteries, and have adequate first-aid supplies on hand. The local television and radio stations will warn you when it is necessary to secure your property and evacuate. Live electrical lines cause most hazards. If it appears that floodwaters will enter your home, turn off all electric and gas service. If you find that water has entered your home, do not touch electrical switches or appliances to either turn them on or off. Outside, avoid any pools of water in which a downed power line is laying. You must assume that all downed power lines are energized. Do not drive through a flooded area.

To create a personalized disaster preparedness plan for your family and/or business, please visit the State of Florida Disaster preparedness website at: www.floridadisaster.org

SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENT REQUIREMENTS:

The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) requires that, if the cost of the reconstruction, rehabilitation, addition, or other improvements to a building equals or exceeds 50% of the building's market value, the entire building must meet the same construction requirements of a new building.

PERMITS

The City of Atlantis Building Department requires permits for all construction. This includes new construction, repair/ replacement work, additions, signs, fences, fill, tree removal, etc. The City of Atlantis has adopted the Florida Standard Building Code. Parts of this code regulate the amounts and types of construction in the floodplain. You must always consult with the building official when planning any kind of construction. When others violate our floodplain laws, it could affect your property. The building official should be made aware of such activities.

THE FLOOD WARNING SYSTEM:

The City has a reverse 911 telephone dialing system that will notify of pending storms. In addition, copies of Palm Beach County's Flood Warning Program are available at your nearest county library. Palm Beach County Emergency Management maintains direct contact with the National Weather Service. Local television and radio stations will broadcast hurricane associated flood warnings 36 to 48 hours prior to the flooding event. When the National Weather Service forecast intense rainfall, our drainage system can be lowered in an attempt to receive the extraordinary volume of water expected. During periods of prolonged rainfall, areas of the county are kept under surveillance and reported to the Emergency Operating Center. When advised of problem areas, response actions will be taken. When you detect street flooding in your own area, tune to a television or radio station known by you to have an active news bureau. You will be advised of measures you should take to protect your property and yourself. If you have a weather band radio, tune it to NOAA, weather radio frequency 162.475 MHz to receive local weather updates.

PROPERTY PROTECTION MEASURES

When it appears that your neighborhood is becoming seriously inundated, there are simple things you can do to protect your property: things such as sandbagging building entrances and moving your motor vehicles to higher ground; raise furniture off the floor or move it to upper floors. Many of the things you own are not only valuable but are considered by you to be irreplaceable. These items should be elevated above the floor level to protect them from flood damage. Store materials like tarps, sandbags, plastic sheeting, plywood, and lumber to protect structures, and to make quick repairs after a severe storm. Board up or shutter windows and doors. FEMA resources can now be accessed online at www.pbclibrary.org/grsmainresources.htm

DRAINAGE SYSTEM MAINTENANCE

The Lake Worth Drainage District maintains the lateral canals in Atlantis. The Public Works Department maintains the remaining swales and storm drains. To reduce the risk, severity or duration of flooding; it is vital to maintain the water-carrying capacity of the drainage system. Florida law prohibits the willful obstruction of our drainage systems and provides both civil and criminal penalties for anyone convicted of such a felony. Anytime you see debris partially or completely blocking a storm drain opening please canals. If you see anyone disposing of anything, including liquids, trash, vegetation or any other debris into any component of the drainage system please report it immediately to the Atlantis Police Department at 561-965-1700.

BENEFICIAL FUNCTIONS OF THE FLOODPLAIN:

These benefits take many forms:

Natural flood and erosion control: Provides natural flood and erosion control by flood storage and conveyance, and reducing flood velocity.

Water quality: Improves water quality by filtering nutrients and impurities from runoff.

Ground water recharge: Recharges the ground water while simultaneously reducing the frequency and duration of surface flow.

Biological resources; Supports high rate of plant growth, provides breeding and feeding grounds and enhances water fowl habitat.

Societal resources: Provides open space, aesthetic pleasures for the community and opportunities for scientific and environmental research studies.

NPDES (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System) REQUIREMENTS:

The City of Atlantis must follow the Federal government's requirements in our NPDES permit. It is everyone's responsibility to protect our water resources. Please do not directly discharge any used water into our watercourses. Simple examples are washing vehicles in close proximity of a storm drain and storing chemicals outdoors. The law prohibits dumping toxic waste, including pesticides, into the ground or groundwater. TOXIC or hazardous wastes include such things as oil and antifreeze. If you see anyone disposing of anything into any component of the drainage system, please report it immediately to the Atlantis Police Department at 561-965-1700.

Outdoor use of pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers must be applied sparingly to avoid contamination of our surface waters. Please follow directions and do not overspray pesticides or herbicides. Also please do not apply amounts in excess of the recommended amounts for fertilizers. Organic or slow release fertilizers are preferred as these are less likely to be washed off into the storm drain system. Also, please apply only to the targeted areas and remove excess from any paved surfaces. South Florida is a sub-tropical rainfall region, so please consider reducing applications in the wet season and/or apply early in the morning to avoid our typical afternoon thunderstorm pattern in the wet season (June through October). Remove and dispose of the debris or call at the City at 561-965-1744. It is illegal to dump or throw anything into the ditches and canals. If you see anyone disposing of anything, including liquids, trash, vegetation or any other debris into any component of the drainage system please report it immediately to the Atlantis Police Department at 561-965-1700.

Stormwater

By knowing the facts and being aware, you can help clean up our lakes and waterways. Always remember, **nothing but stormwater** belongs in the storm drains.

Pool Care: Discharge of chlorinated pool water into the city's storm drain is prohibited. Pool water must be de-chlorinated and discharged on to the ground, not into the storm drain system. Discharge from pool maintenance, replastering or other construction is strictly prohibited.

Lawn Care:

- Use pesticides and fertilizers sparingly. When use is necessary, use these chemicals in the recommended amounts.
- Use organic mulch or safer pest control methods whenever possible.
- Compost or mulch yard waste. Don't leave it in the street or sweep it into storm drains or waterways.
- Don't overwater your lawn. Consider using a soaker hose instead of a sprinkler.
- Cover piles of dirt or mulch being used for landscaping projects.

House Care and Maintenance:

- Purchase biodegradable, non-toxic products.
- Use, store and dispose of products as directed on the container
- Sweep up and properly dispose of any construction debris.

Vehicle Care:

- Use a commercial car wash or wash your car on a lawn or other unpaved surface.
- Check your vehicle regularly for leaks and/or spills. Clean up and properly dispose of materials used for spill clean up. Repair leaks as soon as possible to prevent future spills.

www.StormwaterAndMe.org

Be on the lookout for anything being dumped into storm drains or water bodies. Some common illegal discharges to storm drains include:

- Antifreeze
- Automotive fluids
- Construction debris (wood, drywall, concrete, mortar)
- Debris (plastic bags, six-pack rings, bottles, and cigarette butts)
- Detergents
- Disinfectants
- Excessive dirt and gravel
- Fertilizers
- Insecticides
- Grease
- Oil filters
- Paint
- Pesticides
- Pet waste
- Solvents/degreasers
- Trash
- Yard waste (leaves, grass, mulch)
- Take the time to educate others on the negative impact of dumping into a stormwater system.
- Call the City of Atlantis Police at 561-965-1700 to report dumping and discharges into stormwater systems.



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

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 Will return in the Fall. Information: 968-2675

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

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY Get involved: Donate to 561-253-2290, volunteer at www.habitatpbc.org

JEWELRY CLASS: 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 donated

books to that library. Contact Pat Clem at 966-7600 x 101

MAHJONG & CANASTA Looking for players. Contact Carol DeBear: 914-450-9182 debeardesigns@gmail.com

OIL & ACRYLIC PAINTING Contact Nancy Tilles 561.889.1010 or email ntilles@comcast.net

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

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.

YOGA BY JOAN will return in the Fall at Kintz Park. Contact Joan: 561-767-6339/joaniefla@hotmail.com

WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS:

Christopher & Sophia Johnson
Vernell Lewis
Miguel Martinez
James & Alice McQuade
Carolina Rincon
David Sousa

OUR CONDOLENCES ON THE DEATHS OF:

Donald Boxer
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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.