



The City News

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JUNE 2012

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THE MAYOR'S CORNER

June 2012

The first few days of summer are always exciting and busy. School has officially ended for many families, the departure on that much-anticipated summer vacation is rapidly approaching, or perhaps, the opportunity to just slow down and enjoy the time off is finally here. Whatever your summer future brings, have a safe and memorable experience.

Our city has been planning and preparing for the coming seasons as well. New agreements and contracts have been complete to insure that desired levels of service can be maintained. Notable are the renewal of Fire Rescue and Trash/Storm removal agreements. Additionally, a road-resurfacing contract has been completed. Sudbury Drive and Gleneagles Drive will be resurfaced in early June. All of these are necessary to complete the budgeting processes your government will be working on all summer. As previously stated, the goal is to be revenue neutral and maintain current levels of service. As many have no doubt noticed, early projections are that property values should be just slightly above last year. Not having to contend with continually declining values will be a great help in achieving this goal.

Residents have commented that they have noted activities around the various sanitary lift stations throughout the city. The pumps in these stations are being replaced to help insure minimal service interruption, improve performance, and increase energy efficiency.

We have been fortunate to obtain grants to assist with these upgrades. Activity will begin shortly by the JFK gate to replace the master lift station. This is needed to more efficiently handle not only the volume but insure reliable service by adding the ability to "grind" the waste that currently causes problems with our ability to pump it into the regional system. There should be minimal interference or inconvenience caused by this project.

Construction of the new JFK medical office building is nearing completion. Although we do not know when the interior build out will begin, the exterior is a great replacement for the storm-ravaged buildings that formerly occupied this site and our community.

On behalf of the council I would like to again thank everyone who has volunteered and assisted our city in its various programs and festivities. It could not be done without you! Have a great summer, stay safe, and like us, look forward to another great Atlantis Year.

Proudly serving,
Mayor Mike Dahlgren



Next City Council Meeting.

Wednesday.

JUNE 20, 2012

7:00 pm.

Council Meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month in the Council Chambers.

GET IT FIRST!

OUR NEWSLETTER IS AVAILABLE ONLINE.
www.atlantisfl.gov

2012 Resident Decals Are Available

Manager's Notes June 2012

The results of the security survey are in. Of the almost 1200 surveys sent out, 67% were completed and returned. Thank you to all who took the time to complete the survey. The results show that the majority of Atlantis residents feel safe. The results are on page 5. (In some cases they may not total 100% due to rounding.) These results along with the comments have been distributed to the City Council and the committee that put the survey together. There is no plan to bring additional projects forward for consideration at this time.

We will spend the coming period reviewing and discussing comments on such things as the existing gate security. We continue to work with the company that provides our guards to provide professional, personable guards. After many difficulties, we made a substantial investment in 2011 to the existing gate camera system. I am happy to report that the cameras are working well. We have added camera systems in other public areas of the community, including the water plant.

The safety and security of the residents is uppermost in the minds of the City Council and the Police Department. We strive to provide a high level of service in this area.

Many trash cans are left lying at the curb for days after garbage collection. We pay a premium for back door collection service. Please leave the garbage in the cans by the back door and let the company pick it up from there. Garbage should be placed in the underground cans by 7:00 a.m. on each collection day. The only items permitted at the curb are bulk items and vegetation on Monday, see page 12 for more details.

Please check your property and make sure it is in neat and orderly condition for the summer. If your trees and shrubs need trimming, do it now. Do not wait until a storm is approaching to trim vegetation. Have a great summer.

Mo Thornton
City Manager

City News...

The City of Atlantis Council Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on May 16th.

Resolution 12-07, passed 4-0. This resolution authorizes the Mayor to sign a Interlocal agreement with the City of Greenacres for fire and emergency medical services. The average response time to emergency incidents within Atlantis will be eight minutes or less.

Resolution 12-08, passed 4-0. This resolution authorizes the Mayor to sign an agreement with Southern Waste Systems for garbage services. This includes garbage, vegetation, bulk trash, recycling collection within Atlantis.

Resolution 12-09, passing 4-0 authorizes the Mayor to sign an extension of agreement for profes-

sional engineering services with Stormwater J Engineering Services.

Resolution 12-10 also passed 4-0. This resolution authorizes the Mayor to sign an agreement with M&M Asphalt Maintenance Inc. For the resurfacing of Sudbury Drive and Gleneagles Drive. Work will include tack coat, striping, RPM's, and restoration of damaged areas to equal or better than existing conditions.

Finally, also passing 4-0 was Resolution No. 12-11. This resolution amends the 2011-2012 Budget.

William Mitchell
(official minutes at www.atlantisfl.gov)

POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Chief Robert G. Mangold

Community Safety through Community Awareness and Involvement:

Crime Prevention Tip: "Robbery Facts"

Robbery Defined

The formal definition of **robbery** is the taking or attempt to take anything of value from the care, custody, or control of a person or persons by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting the victim in fear. The short definition of robbery is theft from a person by use of force or fear. The necessary elements of the crime are specific intent, theft from a person, by use of force or fear. The level of force or fear does not have to be great to meet the statutory requirement.

Robbery Facts

Robberies can occur almost anywhere at anytime, but tend to occur more often in anticipated settings and at expected times. All that is necessary is a motivated robber and an unwilling victim at the wrong place at the wrong time. Robberies can occur in private or public spaces. Robbers and their victims can be friends, relatives, or total strangers. Most robberies involve one robber and one victim and the crime from start to finish lasts less than a minute. Most commercial robbery victims are not injured during the transaction as long as they don't resist.

Robbery Locations

Most robberies occur on the street (44.5%), directly against a person, and are called a strong-arm robbery. When someone uses force or fear against you to steal your car, it's called [carjacking](#). When someone robs you in your home (14.3%) it's called [home invasion](#) robbery.

Robbery is a Violent Crime

The weapon of choice for robbers is the firearm (42.2%) with knives or cutting instruments second (8.6%). Strong-arm tactics like punching, pushing, kicking, or threats are used mainly on the street (39.9%). Robbers like to use surprise and an extreme show of force to get victims to comply with their demands. Unfortunately, victims don't always act appropriately when surprised and frightened and sometimes do things to startle the robber. Robbers are scared too and have been known to injure their victims when this happens.

Robbery Times

The crime of robbery is mainly a nighttime crime, increasing after 8:00 PM and subsiding after 3:00 AM in most areas. Robberies often increase during the winter months because of extended periods of darkness. Dozens of robbery studies have indicated that robbers like isolation, prefer lone victims, good escape routes, and few witnesses in addition to a good cash score.

Next month our crime prevention series will continue with "Self Defense Chemical Sprays."

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

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POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS.....BY CHIEF ROBERT G. MANGOLD

2012 Security Survey:

There are a number of issues I plan to address based on the results/comments from the recent security survey. The issue for this month's newsletter is the License Plate Recognition Cameras or LPR System installed at the gatehouses. There were numerous comments regarding the cameras and most centered on them being inoperable or not adequate.

All of the cameras installed at the gates are operational and performing to specification. The LPR system records pictures of vehicles entering and leaving the City and much more. The system also automatically runs the license tag in a database established and maintained by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE). The database contains information on all reported stolen tags and vehicles so that the police department is immediately notified if a matching tag or vehicle enters the City. In addition to the stolen tags and vehicles, the camera system automatically checks the registered owner of any vehicle entering or leaving the City against the database to determine if the owner is wanted by the police, i.e., has a warrant issued for his/her arrest. Again, if a wanted person is identified the police department is immediately alerted by the system.

The camera system acts as a very thorough "early warning system" to ensure the safety of our residents and to notify the Atlantis Police that law enforcement action is needed regarding specific vehicles or persons entering the residential area of the City. I hope this information serves to reassure everyone in the Atlantis community that your security is of paramount importance and that we employ appropriate technologies to achieve and maintain the highest level of security we possibly can.

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

Total Enforcement: 116
Citations: 86
Written Warnings: 20
Parking: 10

CRIME STATISTICS

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

Atlantis Country Club

The Atlantis Country Club is closing temporarily for golf course renovation. The golf course and snack bar will be closed beginning June 15th, 2012.

The dining room will be open for dinner Wednesday through Sunday through the end of June. Join us in our newly renovated golf course around September 1st. Visit our Website www.atlantiscountryclub.com for regular updates on our progress.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

The Results of the 2012 Security Survey:

1. If you were making a decision to locate in Atlantis today, how important would security be in your decision? (One is least important, 5 is most important,)

1	2	3	4	5	No Answer
2.2%	1.7%	11%	28.8%	55.7%	.6%

2. As an Atlantis resident, how safe do you feel in the community? (One is least safe, 5 is most safe)

1	2	3	4	5	No Answer
.1%	1.3%	8.7%	39.3%	49.9%	.6%

3. Do you feel that property values are affected by the city's safety and security?

1	2	3	4	5	No Answer
3.8%	4.8%	19.6%	36.7%	34.2%	.7%

4. How do you feel about existing security procedures in Atlantis?

1	2	3	4	5	No Answer
4.2%	7%	16.7%	27.9%	42.8%	1.3%

5. How important are aesthetic considerations when security improvements are implemented?

1	2	3	4	5	No Answer
5%	7%	18.5%	31.6%	36.7%	1.3%

6. In addition to a Congress Avenue wall, are you in favor of completing a wall on Lantana Road between the existing wall and the Shoppes of Atlantis to the east?

a) Yes 55%	b) No 40.5%	No Answer/Not Sure 4.5%
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7. Would you support a non-ad valorem Safe Neighborhood Assessment to pay for this construction? This assessment would be less than \$250 per year for 5 years.

Yes 47.2%	b) No 48%	No Answer/Not Sure 4.7%
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8. There are projects other than walls that would enhance the city's overall security such as the use of technology. Would you support a non-ad valorem assessment to enhance and improve the city's overall security?

Yes 47.9%	b) No 47.1%	No Answer/Not Sure 4.8%
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Total in favor of some type of funding: 56.5% (Those who said yes to either funding question.)

Paying Your Utility Bill Has Never Been Easier!!

Option 1. Online Credit Card Payment-No postage and No checks to write!

The City takes credit cards for the payment of the utilities bill and other city charges. In order to pay your bill via credit card, follow these simple steps:

- 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. You will receive an email confirmation.

Option 2. 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. The following should answer any questions you may have concerning this service.

Q. How do I sign up for Auto Draft Services?

A. Complete the authorization form and send it, or drop it off at City Hall. We are located at 260 Orange Tree Drive, Atlantis, Florida 33462.

Q. How will my bill be paid?

A. On the fifth of the month following the bill date, your account will be debited for the amount of your bill.

Q. Do I have to bank with a certain bank?

A. Your financial institution must be able to access the Federal Reserve Automated Clearing House (ACH). Most U.S. Financial institutions have access to this network. Payments must be made in US Funds.

Q. Is there a fee for this service?

A. No

Please complete this form and return it along with a voided check.

I authorize the City of Atlantis to instruct my bank/savings institution to make my utility payments from the account listed below. I understand that I control my payments and at any time I wish to discontinue this service, I will notify the City of Atlantis Utilities. I further understand that items returned unpaid are subject to fees by the city.

Customer Name (As shown on bill) _____

Phone Number: _____

Service Address: _____

Financial Institution: _____

Account Number: _____ Routing Number: _____

Signature: _____



Summer Closing Gathering!
Saturday Night
June 30th 2012

*Parents Night Out, drop your children in the Palm Room for their own night out in Atlantis
Games and Karaoke
Come meet your neighbors and your friends.*

\$15.00 per Adult and \$10.00 per Child includes games, karaoke, dinner tax and gratuity!

*Doors Open 6:30pm
Children must be at least 3 years of age!
RSVP required*

*Please give us a call or email with any questions or concerns
561-965-7700 ext 12 / atlantiscountryclub@gmail.com
Please fill out and return to the Atlantis Food and Beverage Department*

Name(s) _____

Address _____

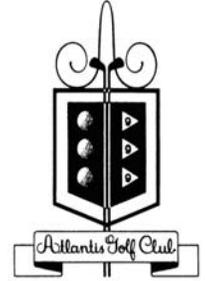
Name(s) and Age of Child



► *SAVE THE DATE* ◀

FRIDAY, JUNE 15TH, 2012

5:30 – 7:00PM



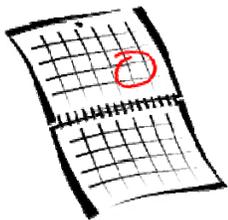
In the spirit of neighbors helping neighbors, the membership of Atlantis Golf Club would like to take this opportunity to extend their hands, and open our doors to the membership of the Atlantis Country Club as they undergo their renovations this summer.

The expression home is where the heart is cannot be more appropriate these days. Make Atlantis Golf Club your home this summer for great golf, great food, and most of all great friends. This is the perfect opportunity to experience all that Atlantis Golf Club has to offer.

Affordable summer memberships are currently available. We offer 27 holes of pristine golf, no tee times, unlimited driving range and practice area. Walking is permitted and we are open 7 days a week. Fun and entertaining social events are planned throughout the summer.

Please join us on Friday, June 15th, 2012 from 5:30-7:00 for our Neighborhood Meet and Greet night. Come and meet the wonderful members and staff of Atlantis Golf Club, enjoy a complimentary glass of wine and sample some delicious cheeses.

This event is open to all residents of the Atlantis community, however you must rsvp to have your name placed on our guest list. Please RSVP to Cherie Kennen, Director of Membership. 561-966-7602



Save the date for our Fall Party- Saturday, September 22

We're "reinventing" our Fall Festival this year so that more families can participate. Plans are underway to celebrate the fall season with a tailgate party, music, activities for the kids and maybe even a bonfire! The fun will start at 4:00 PM—more details later...but mark your calendars today!



Atlantis Golf Club

Junior Golf Camp

(Free - Atlantis Golf Club is committed to growing the game of golf here in the City of Atlantis and this is our gift to you.)

- ☞ Our Golf Camp will prove to be the best golf/fitness instructional event ever put together for our children interested in golf or any other sport.
- ☞ With emphasis on training our children proper FUNdamental Movement Skills and FUNdamental Sport Skills they will have a profound advantage over any other children of similar age.
- ☞ Under the supervision of a TPI Certified Junior Instructor, you know the young golfers will be getting the best experience from this event.



Week 1: July 10, 11, and 12, 2012
Week 2: July 17, 18, and 19, 2012
 All clinics 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.

On course play and Ice Cream Party
July 20, 2012
9:30 a.m. - noon



Each week is limited to 16 juniors: Parents may enroll their children for either one of the weeks prior to June 30th. After June 30th if openings are still available, then children can be filled into a second week. All junior golfers are invited back for July 20th to play the course and participate in the Ice Cream Party.

Hosted by:
Jason Brown, PGA Head Professional and
TPI Junior Instructor Certified

Open to all children and grandchildren of members of Atlantis Golf Club as well as all residents in the City of Atlantis.
 age 4 - 12 please

Call the Golf Shop at (561) 966-7626 to register by June 30, 2012.

Sherwin Anderson / Tennis Professional and Atlantis presents:

The Game of A Lifetime!

Camp Starts 06/11/2012

Camp Hours: 8:30 am - Noon



Atlantis Summer Camp

Atlantis Summer Tennis and Sports Camp with Coach Anderson.

Kids will learn the basics and progress from there according to ability. Sample week:

Monday: Intro to tennis- review fundamentals. Begin Forehands and Backhands. Big Game.

Tuesday. Volleys, Review Forehands and Backhands, start Serve.

Wednesday- Hitting to targets with Forehands, Backhands, Volleys, and Serves. Competitive Drills.

Thursday- Skill level rating-Video. Ability rating.

Matches with rotation to level. Ladder Match.

Friday is Match Day and Pizza Day. Tournament and Rally Ball.

Prizes available to winner, best sport, and most improved!

Limited Space. Sign up Early. Reserve your Spot!

- Video of Camper
- Match Play
- Bring your music day/ Show and Tell Day
- Other Sports- Soccer, Volley Ball, Basketball, and Fun Games
- Pizza Day on Friday!



Kintz Park , Atlantis, FL. 8:30 - Noon pm Monday-Friday. Early drop off and Late pick up available! Extra charge applies.

Tel: 861-888-4557 with Questions

SHERWIN ANDERSON / TENNIS PROFESSIONAL AND ATLANTIS PRESENTS:

Camp Starts 6/11/2012
Cost is \$145.00 per week!
5% discount for Multiple weeks
5% discount for Families

Bring your Racquet, Water Bottle, Towel, change of clothes, sunscreen, bag for your stuff, we provide balls, instruction, and fun!
Call:861-888-4557 with questions or
E-mail: Mr10s@bellsouth.com

Atlantis Summer Tennis and Sports Camp \$145.00 per WEEK

How many: _____

Name _____ Week 1 6/11 Week 2 6/18 Wk 3 6/25

Address _____ Wk 4 7/2 Wk 5 7/9 Wk 6 7/16

City, State, Zip _____ Wk 7 7/23 Wk 8 7/30 Wk 9 8/6

Phone _____

Method of Payment Check Bill Me

Weeks and kids Total: _____

Half due to reserve spot _____

Minus Discount _____

Total Due: _____

Make Check payable to: Sherwin Anderson / USPTA Tennis Professional
Send to: PO Box 4106 Lantana, FL 33465

Community Activities

THE DEMOCRATIC WOMEN'S CLUB OF PALM

BEACH COUNTY: Meets the first Saturday of each month. Contact Simma Sulzer for details at 968-7399.

THE GREAT BOOK CLUB OF ATLANTIS: Meets in the Council Chambers. Call Dr. Bennett Miller at 561-968-2675 for further information.

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

JEWELRY CLASS: In the Council Chambers on Tuesdays from 7-9 pm. For information and dates, call Marie Claude Green at 561-736-5609 or 561-271-8967 or email her at CLVERT@AOL.COM

THE LITERARY SOCIETY: A letter of thanks was received from Sid Patchett, thanking the Atlantis Literary Society and other members of the club along with the residents of Atlantis for the donation of books to the Lantana Public Library. They greatly appreciate the books. Thanks to all of you who participated. We plan to do this again next year, so when you have any books you no longer wish, please drop them off in Pat Clem's office. The selections chosen for next year were announced. If anyone did not receive a copy of the schedule, or wants a copy of the full Summer Reading Suggestions, you can pick them up in Pat Clem's office. Have a great summer.

PERSONAL TRAINING: Improve your overall quality of life. Carene Kengeter American Council of Exercise Certified Personal Trainer Call: 561-313-4026.

REPUBLICAN CLUB OF CENTRAL PALM BEACH

COUNTY : Meets the first Thursday of each month at 6:15 p.m. at the Atlantis Country Club. For further information call George Blumel at 561-543-4971.

THE ROTARY CLUB OF LAKE WORTH : Meets every Wednesday at noon for lunch at the Atlantis Golf Club for fellowship and interesting guest speakers. For more information contact Peggy Vrane (561) 868-5807 Richard Beiter (561) 965-4282 or Ron Leeds (561) 969-9600.

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

SENIOR TENNIS: Monday 9-11 am and Friday 9-11am at Sunset Park. Contact: Betty Ann Badger 561-434-4145.

WATER COLOR CLASSES: Suspended until fall. Call Joan Tiberi at 561-547-5123 for information.

NEIGHBORHOOD KIDS MEETING: Calling all kids ages 5-10 years old. Lets meet at Kintz Park and play! Every Sunday from 2-4 pm. Snack and water provided. Call Maureen Frankel at (305) 213-3377 or 964-6878.

THE PALM BEACH HABILITATION CENTER is looking for donations of goods and time. If you have time the Thrift Store is looking for volunteers to work a few hours per week. Additionally, they are always looking for donations of furniture and clothing and other goods to be resold. Proceeds from the thrift shop benefit the adult programs serving disabled persons at the Center. Call Halle at 965-8500.

OUR CONDOLENCES ON THE DEATHS OF:

Louis Aliperta Sr.

Ruth Marie Bastin

Saramma Mathews

Robert Logsdon

Andy Hornik

A WARM WELCOME TO NEW RESIDENTS:

John Trivieri & Tom Trivieri

Corey Crowley

Morgan Nackett

Vivek Reddy & Kari Yerg

Jarkko Koli

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by Sandy Thompson (313-1060)

IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

EMERGENCY (Fire, Police, Ambulance) [911](tel: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 **by 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 Shumacher at 561-718-5888.

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.**