



The City News

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Atlantis, FL 33462

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THE MAYOR'S CORNER

Catching up with the Mayor....

Now in his third month as Mayor, Mike Dahlgren shares some thoughts about the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead for Atlantis.

What do you see as the biggest challenge? No question about it...financials. Actually, our situation for the current fiscal year is pretty good. Revenues have been coming in as expected, our expenses are carefully controlled and I don't see any pitfalls ahead. I have great confidence that we will finish the year on budget.

Next year may be another story. According to early estimates, projected revenue from property taxes will be down 7 – 9 percent. Our goal is to put together a budget without raising the taxes, and we'll work hard to get there. But simply cutting items from the budget is not the answer—we have to keep moving forward so that Atlantis continues to be a safe and pleasant place to live. Because "safety" is our residents' number one concern, funding our police, fire and emergency services is a top priority. After that, we need to consider projects and programs that keep Atlantis a beautiful, well-kept community—not only to encourage current residents to stay, but to attract new ones.

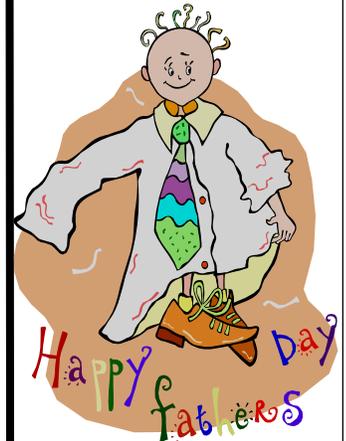
For example, during the past year, we put quite a bit of emphasis on improving our parks. Tennis courts were resurfaced at both Kintz and Sunset Parks, and the new walking path, volleyball court and exercise stations at Sunset Park have provided significantly more recreational opportunities. Next year, we need to turn our attention to roads. In spite of our past efforts, ficus trees continue to tear up some of our roads,

and water pressure under the pavement has caused problems as well. We can't take care of all the needed repairs at once, so we'll develop a plan to address specific areas in each of the next few budget cycles.

What are the biggest opportunities? If we can get housing sales and home values back to a reasonable level, lots of doors will open for us. City Hall certainly can't control the housing market, but there are things we can do to promote Atlantis as a wonderful place to live. We know that new residents are always very pleased with the helpfulness and professionalism of each and every member of our City's administrative, government and service departments. That's why it's so important to retain our high-performing personnel, and to maintain the appearance of our community. We also have to work cooperatively with our commercial interests, an important segment of Atlantis. Like "For Sale" signs on houses, empty offices can send negative messages.

What are your top 3 priorities for City Council to address this year? Money, the impact of widening Congress Avenue, and living harmoniously within our means. As the year goes by, I will be addressing each of these topics in my column in the City newsletter.

I'd like to say that I'm especially appreciative and proud of all our residents who unselfishly volunteer their time and ideas whenever or wherever they're needed. And our citizens are extremely generous, too. Whether it's a committee of three or a celebration of a thousand, our residents and employees respond and respond and respond. I'm honored to represent and serve you all.



Next City Council Meeting is Wednesday,

JUNE 16, 2010 at 7:30 pm.

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



Did you know?

**OUR NEWSLETTER IS AVAILABLE ONLINE.
www.atlantisfl.gov**

Manager's Notes, June 2010

Mark your calendar for this year's Fall Festival. It will be held on Saturday October 2, 2010. We are planning an expanded Green Market section. The committee has already worked the local green markets and the response has been great. We will again kick off the festival with a bike ride followed by food, games and the green market at Kintz Park. Look for more information in future newsletters.

From time to time I receive comments regarding failed building inspections. The most common failures are due to lack of coordination between the contractor and the homeowner, no permit or plans posted, no access and/or no ladder. Our Building Official, Mike Crisafulle has provided me with some tips to avoid the cost and inconvenience of a re-inspection. He is available to speak with homeowners and contractors about questions regarding permits or inspections.

- Request that the contractor be present during the inspection. (Nine times out of ten, if there is a problem it can be corrected while the inspector is present.)
- Have the permit and plans in a conspicuous place.
- Have an OSHA approved ladder on site. (Required for roofs, roof top A/C, attic access, etc.)

Have a great summer. If you are traveling be safe and we'll see you in the fall.

Mo Thornton

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The City of Atlantis Council Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on May 19, 2010

Ordinance No. 413, an ordinance amending Chapter 14, Water and Sewers passed 5-0 upon its Second and Final Reading. This revises the city's irrigation conservation regulation to reflect the conservation policies of the South Florida Water Management District.

Ordinance No. 414, an ordinance amending Chapter 15, Zoning passed 4-0 upon its Second and Final Reading with Vice Mayor David Kintz abstaining due to his family's business being involved. This Ordinance now allows for the real estate offices to be located within or attached to the Atlantis Golf Club or the Atlantis Country Club. It also allows the current Atlantis Realty office to be sold for administrative offices, as permitted use, and to revise (change) the rear yard setback requirements for that building by allowing a ten (10) foot setback for the rear yard where thirty (30) was previously required.

Resolution 10-10, a resolution expressing opposition to the proposed Palm Beach County 1% Fire Rescue services sales tax passed 5-0. Atlantis uses the City of Greenacres for Fire Rescue Services and would not benefit from the tax that we would be required to pay.

Resolution 10-11 also passed 5-0. This resolution expresses opposition to the proposed amendment to the

Florida's Constitution that would require voters to decide all changes to a municipality's or county's Comprehensive Plan.

Resolution 10-12, a resolution authorizing the dedication into perpetuity for Sunset Park due to the terms of the FRDAP Grant passed 5-0, declaring Sunset Park as an outdoor recreation area for the use and benefit of the general public.

The final resolution, No. 10-13 passed 5-0. This resolution authorizes the Mayor to sign a certain interlocal agreement with Palm Beach County for joint participation and project funding regarding the Congress Avenue widening project. Palm Beach County intends to widen Congress Avenue from Lantana Road to south of Melaleuca Lane. Atlantis will participate in the associated construction of utilities systems and adjustments to the city's water main, sewage transmission system and other improvements in the road widening area. Atlantis will agree to reimburse the county in an amount not to exceed \$11,391.30 for the county's satisfactory completion of the work. Mayor Michael Dahlgren stated that he is meeting with Rep. Shelley Vana in regards to the grant money for the rebeautification of the medians on Congress Avenue once the widening project has been completed.

In miscellaneous business, Virginia Vila was read a proclamation by the mayor in honor of her 90th birthday. Congratulations Virginia!

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

POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Chief Robert G. Mangold

Crime Alert: On Saturday May 29, 2010 we experienced four auto burglaries and two residential burglaries. All vehicles were unlocked and the residences were not forcibly entered. Apparently the perpetrator (s) were only interested in easy access or "crimes of opportunity." Please assist the police department by securing your vehicles and homes and also by reporting anything of a suspicious nature.

Hurricane Season - The National Weather Service is anticipating a very active hurricane season this year. As we have advised in the past several years, 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 recent 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. Finally, citizens should not rely totally on their government to provide for their safety, but need to accept a modicum of responsibility for their own welfare.

The police department will compile a list of those residents with special needs (medical problems), that will be staying in Atlantis throughout the hurricane season. The department wants to determine what services our residents with special needs may require in the event of a hurricane and, based on those needs, may find it necessary to recommend evacuation to individuals that may be at risk if they shelter in place. Please contact Robin Ackerman at 965-1700 to provide us with your information.

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 man-made disaster whether in your home, school, work, or community. Another excellent website is FloridaDisaster.org.

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

May 2010

TOTAL ENFORCEMENT :	271
CITATIONS:	259
WRITTEN WARNINGS:	10
PARKING CITATIONS:	02

CRIME STATISTICS

April 2010

MAJOR CRIMES:	Residential	Commercial
Burglary :	0	2
(Structures & Vehicles)		
Theft: (Grand & Petit)	2	4



Water Utilities Department

Administration

8100 Forest Hill Blvd.

West Palm Beach, FL 33413

(561) 493-6000

Fax: (561) 493-6008

**Palm Beach County
Board of County
Commissioners**

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County Administrator

Robert Weisman

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
TUESDAY, MAY 25, 2010**

Robert Nelton

Senior Public Relations Specialist

Palm Beach County Water Utilities Department

T: 561.493.6062 F: 561.493.6008 rnelton@pbcwater.com

**Palm Beach County Water Utilities Department
to Flush Lines with Chlorine**

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 be using a somewhat stronger disinfection process to produce chlorine residual instead of a chloramine residual from June 15, 2010 to July 15, 2010. 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 chloramine 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 #3.

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No postage, No late charges, No checks to write with
Automatic Bill Payment

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

SIGN UP FOR AUTOMATIC BILL PAYMENT:

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) _____

Service Address: _____

Financial Institution: _____

Account Number: _____

Routing Number: _____

Phone Number: _____

Summer Membership

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tommy@atlantisgolf.org

Atlantis Golf Club, 301 Orange Tree Dr.

Atlantis, FL. 33462

Back By Popular Demand...

The Neil Diamond Tribute Show

Starring

Neil Zirconia

Friday, June 11, 2010 • \$35.00 per person

includes dinner and show inclusive of tax and gratuity

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. for Cocktails • Dinner 6:15 p.m. • Show 7:30 p.m.
Dinner: *Caesar Salad, Choice of Sliced Sirloin, Tilapia Francaise or Chicken Picatta*
Dessert: *Key Lime Pie or Fruit Cup • Coffee or Tea*
Cocktails additional

The last show was sold out — call early for reservations.

Atlantis Country Club • 190 Atlantis Boulevard
561-965-5788

Attention Atlantis Residents:

Bring the family, bring your friends to Atlantis Country Club this summer for Special Summer Savings. Show your driver's license and the server will deduct 20% off your entire bill.*

Summer Hours: Open Wednesday to Sunday for dinner from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Snack Bar: Open Daily 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Lounge: Open Wednesday to Sunday beginning at 2p.m. Lite Bar Menu Available

Happy Hour: 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Complimentary Hors d'oeuvre Served

Kids Eat Free Wednesday and Thursday

Children's Menu...\$5 includes beverage and dessert

Fried Chicken Tenders, Grilled Hamburger or Cheeseburger

Pasta, Fried Shrimp, Grilled Breast of Chicken, Corn Dog

***May not be combined with any other offers. Good until August 31, 2010**

Sherwin Anderson / Tennis Professional and Atlantis presents:

The Game of A Lifetime!

Camp Starts 06/7/2010

Camp Hours: 8:30 am -Noon



Atlantis Summer Camp

Atlantis Summer Tennis and Sports Camp with Coach Sherwin

Anderson. Mr. Anderson has over 20 years coaching kids tennis and summer camps. 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 taken. Ability rating.

Matches with rotation to level. Ladder Match.

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

Limited Space. Sign up Early. Reserve your Spot!

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



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

Tel: 561-588-4557 with Questions

SHERWIN ANDERSON / TENNIS PROFESSIONAL AND ATLANTIS PRESENTS: Atlantis Summer Tennis and Sports Camp \$145.00 per WEEK

Camp Starts 6/7/2010
 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:561-588-4557 with questions or E-mail: Mr10s@bellsouth.com

How many _____

Name _____ Week 1 6/7 Week 2 6/14 Wk 3 6/21

Address _____ Wk 4 6/28 Wk 5 7/5 Wk 6 7/12

Phone/Fax No. _____ Wk 7 7/19 Wk 8 7/26 Wk 9 8/2

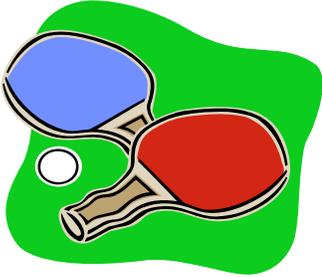
Room _____

Method of Payment Check Bill Me

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian _____

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



ADULT BEGINNER TENNIS - WEDNESDAYS 7- 8 PM Basics of tennis and an eye toward getting you playing "The Game of a Lifetime".

THURSDAY ADULT TENNIS Intermediate to Advanced round robin and clinic 7PM. Extensive exercise with some advanced drills.

We have Summer Tennis Camp Starting in June 2010.

For any of the above classes contact **COACH Sherwin Anderson** USPTA PRO at 561-588-4557.

SENIOR TENNIS – Monday 9-11 am and Thursday 5-7pm Contact: **Betty Ann Badger** at **561-434-4145**

THE LITERARY SOCIETY is suspended for the summer and will resume in November. Contact **PAT** at **561-966-7600** for further information.

The Great Book Club of Atlantis- is suspended for the summer and will resume in October. Interested persons should contact **Dr. Bennett Miller** at **561-968-2675** for further information.

JEWELRY CLASS - Held TUESDAYS, 6-8 PM in Chambers. For information and dates, call **Marie Claude** at **561-736-5609** or **561-271-8967** or email her at CLVERT@AOL.COM

ATLANTIS PERSONAL TRAINING- Customized training for all needs from young to old. Improve your golf game, core strength, balance, muscle tone, flexibility and achieve weight loss. Improve your overall quality of life. **Carene Kengeter-** American Council of Exercise- Certified Personal Trainer Call: 561-313-4026

WATER COLOR CLASSES: Are suspended for the summer and will resume in November. Call Joan Tiberi at 561-547-5123.

Hurricane and Flood Expo: Saturday, June 19th, from 10-3 at the Boynton Beach Mall. Presented by Palm Beach Community Rating System Committee & The Division of Emergency Management. Mike Lyons from WPBF-TV Channel 25 will be on hand to answer weather related questions. There will be prizes, give-aways, and various public sector agencies available to answer your questions and provide valuable information.

Warm welcome to new residents:

John Dowley 208 Turnberry Ct.

John and Justine Rossi 439 Pinetree Ct.

Richard and Julia Mooney 725 Muirfield Cir.

Our condolences on the deaths of:

Zivomir Golubovic

Gus Cosmos

Joseph Ricco

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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 11am to 4 pm

Friday, Saturday, Sunday 11am to 8pm

- **During periods of heavy rain, the splash pad hours may be suspended.**

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.

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.