



# The City News

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City of Atlantis  
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**April 2021**

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Dear Residents,

The City of Atlantis has lost one of its pioneers, Charles "Chuck" Kintz. One of three brothers to pursue their father's vision of Atlantis, Mr. Kintz was a leader, friend, and neighbor. In memoriam, I have asked the City to honor his legacy by setting flags at half-staff for the week of April 11 through 17.

Growing up in Alliance, Ohio, young Charles was quarterback for the high school football team. When injury sidelined him, his replacement was NFL Hall of Famer Len Dawson. His love of all sports then led him onto other endeavors, including golf and fishing/hunting. As the story goes, Chuck once shot 30 on the front nine at Atlantis Golf Club that likely would have resulted in a long-standing course record. However, an invitation to join his brother fishing that afternoon caused him to abandon the round. Chuck was most comfortable fishing for Tarpon and Snook in the Shark River and points around Flamingo, Florida.

Moving to Florida after his national service, and following the passing of his father, Chuck became the engineering/construction director of the brotherly development team. His leadership brought us much of what we see as our physical community. Road, utilities, homesites and other infrastructure that makes our community go.

I had the blessing to encounter Mr. Kintz as "one of the Dad's in the neighborhood" – a group I often mentioned. Men like these set examples for my generation to follow. If more people could be like him, say little, but say a lot, we might really have something great. Mr. Kintz was responsible for one of my great memories. Envision the last day of summer vacation with school starting the next day. On this particular Sunday afternoon, I was

invited to join his daughter Sharon on their boat for an afternoon of water skiing in the Intracoastal Waterway. It was one of those perfect days! The weather was great for August. We saw a manatee. We skied until the light was dim. It was quite a way to end a summer. Mr. Kintz loved being with his children and their friends. So glad to be a many-time beneficiary of that.

Lastly, I want his family to know, like many of our current and past residents, we appreciate what Chuck brought to our lives. Our condolences go out to his families in Florida, Idaho, and throughout our country.

On to City matters.....

City Council will be filling expiring or open positions on the Board of Adjustment, Architectural Review Committee, and the Police Pension Board. Council has already received some names from interested residents but will consider others. Please provide the City Clerk with your letter of interest/resume soon so we may review in advance of the April 21 meeting.

Congratulations to Councilmember Guy Motzer. He will be joining me on Council for another two years.

At the March City Council meeting we passed a resolution thanking the Palm Beach County Commissioners for voting 7-0 to appeal the FAA's ruling on jets at Palm Beach County Park (Lantana) Airport. It might be worthwhile for residents, if they are so moved, to write a thank you note. If you are interested, please see Page 3 of this newsletter or the City's website for contact names and addresses.

Take care and take care of each other.

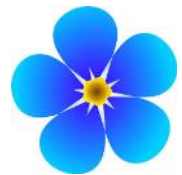
**Mayor Michael LaCoursiere**

Council Workshop  
on  
Hurricane Shutters  
April 7, 7 pm

Council Workshop  
on  
Strategic Planning  
April 14, 7 pm

Regular Council  
Meeting  
April 21, 7 pm

Happy  
Passover  
Happy  
Easter  
Happy  
Ramadan



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## CITY MANAGER'S NOTES

What is with all the flags?

Some of our residents have returned home in the evening to find more brightly colored flags in their yard than the entrance to the United Nations building! The culprit is Florida Power and Light and the flags are there to mark the location of existing infrastructure like water mains, cable tv, and electric services. Specifically, FPL is starting a 'hardening' project in the City to replace wooden poles and outdated equipment. The project will 'harden' and better protect the electrical infrastructure in the City from damage related to storm events. For some of you, in the northern part of the City, we are hoping it will alleviate your frequent outages during summer afternoon thunderstorms. FPL contract crews will be in the City for a few weeks trimming trees, replacing poles, and spanning wire. Please be patient and please do not remove the flags.

Speaking of storm events and trimming trees.....I know, I know, it is only April, but this is just a friendly reminder that now is the time to remove that dead tree limb, fix the pool screen, or get those shutters, impact windows and home generator you have been talking about. Remember, it is never a question of "if" but "when" the next storm will arrive.



Brian R. Moree, City Manager

### CITY NEWS

On March 17th at 7 p.m. the City Council held its Organizational Meeting. Oath of Office was given to Michael LaCoursiere and Guy Motzer. Both candidates ran unopposed for re-election. Resolution 21-05 passed 5-0. This appoints certain Officers and employees in accordance with the City of Atlantis charter. All Councilors remained in their previous positions. Mayor: Michael LaCoursiere; Vice Mayor: Allan Kaulbach; Treasurer: Keller Lanahan; and Councilors Guy Motzer and Peter Shapiro. Congrats to all!

The City Council regular meeting immediately followed.

Passing 5-0 upon 2nd and final reading, Ordinance 459 moved the election qualifying period at the request of the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections.

Resolution 21-06 also passed 5-0. This allows an agreement with Foster and Foster Inc. for police pension actuarial services.

Passing 5-0, Resolution 21-07 allows Atlantis to express its gratitude to County Mayor Dave Kerner and Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners by thanking them for their commitment and efforts to maintain the jet ban at the Palm Beach County Park/Lantana Airport. Under Miscellaneous Business, various updates were given by our City Manager. President Biden's American Rescue Plan Act may give us over \$800,000. This is tentative, more to follow. Our Manager is also checking out potential firms to help with the Strategic Planning process. Council requested the Manager to explore the possible impact to solid waste fees if JFK Medical Center ever reverted back to a non-profit situation.

Workshops were scheduled as follows:

1. March 31st: Regarding villa moratorium
2. April 7: Review of the new shutter ordinance
3. April 14th: Strategic Planning

William Mitchell

## POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Chief Robert G. Mangold

### Community Safety through Community Awareness and Involvement:

**Crime Prevention: Community policing or neighborhood policing** is a policing strategy based on the notion that community interaction and support can help control crime, with community members helping to identify suspects, detain vandals, and bring problems to the attention of police. Residents are encouraged to assist the police department by reporting any suspicious activity to the police. Remember, the eyes and ears of the community are our first line of defense in crime prevention and detection.

**Military Trail & North Country Club Blvd. Intersection:** Residents exiting the City at the traffic light onto Military Trail from North Country Club Blvd. should exercise caution as we have had several accidents and close calls due to north and south bound motorists running the red light. Residents should not assume that it's clear to proceed when the light is green for them; check in both directions to ensure oncoming traffic is complying with the traffic light.

**TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT February 2021**

Total Enforcement	60
Traffic Citations	48
Written Warnings	0
Parking Citations	16

**CRIME STATISTICS**

**February 2021**

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



### CONTACT YOUR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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|--|-------------------------------|
| District 3 Mayor David Kerner            | 355-2203 DKerner@pbcgov.org   |
| District 4 Vice Mayor Robert S. Weinroth | 355-2204 RWeinroth@pbcgov.org |
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| District 2 Gregg K. Weiss                | 355-2201 GWeiss@pbcgov.org    |
| District 5 Maria Sachs                   | 355-2205 MSachs@pbcgov.org    |
| District 6 Melissa McKinlay              | 355-2206 MMcKinlay@pbcgov.org |
| District 7 Mack Bernard                  | 355-2207 MBernard@pbcgov.org  |

## CODE COMPLIANCE NEWS

Code Officer William J. Amason

April 2021

Hope this newsletter finds all healthy, safe, and following guidelines suggested by the CDC as we all navigate this Coronavirus pandemic.

Now that Spring has arrived what better time to get out and do the yardwork, Landscaping, sprinkler repair, spreading of fertilizer, and in some case weed killers to bring yards into compliance with City Code. Some yards have been needing attention for a long time. The following Code addresses the before mentioned.

Sec. 4-61. - Maintenance and appearance standards for all structures.

Exterior of structures free from stains and show no evidence of deterioration, weathering, discoloration, etc.

Yards must be sodded in accordance with chapter 8.5 of the City Code and mowed on a regular basis to provide a healthy, neat, manicured appearance at all times.

Yards may contain areas not intended for sod such as play areas, gardens, flower beds, driveways, walks, etc. All such areas shall be clearly defined and must be landscaped in accordance with chapter 8.5 of the City Code and maintained free of weeds and other uncultivated growth so that they provide a healthy, neat, manicured appearance at all times.

All yards (both vegetative and non-vegetative areas) shall be maintained so as to present a healthy, neat, and orderly appearance at all times. Debris and refuse shall be removed from all yard areas immediately.

Dead or substantially dead vegetative material (including trees or individual tree branches, shrubs, hedges, vines or other vegetative material) is hereby declared to be a public nuisance, and must be removed and/or replaced within 30 days.

**Roofs and Driveways fall into this category and are a constant issue that is addressed in the Code Officer travels.**

**Sadly**, Garbage, Recycle, and Vegetative waste concerns continues to be an area many residents are not complying.

### Do's

- Screen garbage, recycle containers, and mechanical devices.
- Put vegetative waste out on Sunday after 12 noon.
- Put Bulk waste out after 5 p.m. on Sunday.

### Don'ts

- Put containers curbside
- Allow lawn care companies to leave vegetative waste they make. You are responsible. In the future it may not be picked up and you could be charged.

Lastly, another continuous problem: Domestic animals (Dogs) shall be on leash when in public. Leash no longer than 6 foot. Animal defecation on private property shall be picked up and disposed of properly.

**DISPOSED OF PROPERLY are the key words.**

**Not Like This. (doggie bags left on street sign)**

**We are kindly asking for your help in these matters by adhering to the Codes described above**

If you have any questions, complaints, or wish to offer suggestions please contact: City of Atlantis Code Department  
C/O Bill Amason [Wamason@atlantisfl.gov](mailto:Wamason@atlantisfl.gov) 561-965-1744/561-822-6005 Cell



## APRIL COUNCIL WORKSHOPS

April 7, 7:00 p.m.

### HURRICANE SHUTTERS

The City Council has scheduled a workshop to discuss the use of hurricane shutters. The City Council will consider when the use of hurricane shutters is appropriate; only during storm events and/or while residents are away for the season. Residents may submit comments in advance of the workshop to

[COA@atlantisfl.gov](mailto:COA@atlantisfl.gov)

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April 14, 7:00 p.m.

### STRATEGIC PLANNING PROCESS

The City Council will meet for a status update on the process.

## 2021 FLORIDA LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The session is underway, adjourning April 30th. Several bills have been filed that could affect the Atlantis way of life. For example:

**HB 216 / SB 522 Vacation Rentals** Preempts regulation of vacation rentals to the state; prohibits local law, ordinance, or regulation from allowing or requiring inspections or licensing of public lodging establishments, including vacation rentals.

**HB 55 / SB 284 Building Design** Regulations relating to building design elements may not be applied to single-family dwellings unless it is designated a historic property. "Building Design Elements" means the external building color; type or style of exterior cladding material; the style or material of roof structures or porches; exterior nonstructural architectural ornamentation; location/styling of windows or doors.

To learn more about the session, and to sign on to be a voice for your community, email

[coa@atlantisfl.gov](mailto:coa@atlantisfl.gov)



## Atlantis Country Club

[www.AtlantisCountryClub.com](http://www.AtlantisCountryClub.com)

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

## Memberships Start April 1, 2021

**Call 561-968-1300 for information and tee times!**

Non-member tee-times can be booked up to 5 days in advance online at [AtlantisCountryClub.com](http://AtlantisCountryClub.com). The online tee-times are pre-paid.

## Snack Bar Open Daily 7:30 am

The Snack Bar is open for breakfast and lunch and beverages. Both take-out at the window and dining inside and on the outdoor patio (according to current guidelines) are available. Snack bar hours are 7:30 am to mid-afternoon. Enjoy the popular regular menu items as well as beer, wine and spirits.

Atlantis Country Club is open to the public since 1972.

Call 561-965-7700, extension 32 for snack bar orders.





# Community Activities



**ADULT TENNIS** Exercise, fun & fellowship, new players welcome, all levels. Sunset Park (Military entrance), Mondays & Fridays 9 to 11 a.m.

**ALL AMERICAN TEAM TENNIS:** Youth Team Tennis. Contact Coach Ken at 578-9914. Meets in Atlantis.

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

**DEMOCRATS OF ATLANTIS** meets every 3 months in Atlantis. Contact Thais Villanueva 561-789-1209

**GREAT BOOKS CLUB** Returns in the Fall. Contact Cathy Toppin 561-964-2508

**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](http://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. Contact Martha at 617-947-2713.

**OIL & ACRYLIC PAINTING** Contact Nancy Tilles 561.889.1010 or email [ntilles@comcast.net](mailto:ntilles@comcast.net)

**PICKLEBALL CLUB** Kintz Park. Contact Scott Hanlon at 561-732-1115

**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.

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

**TUTORING:** AP History interactive sessions. Best AP U.S. History passing rate in PBC. Contact Corey Musser, 561-908-4810 or [cmusser06@gmail.com](mailto:cmusser06@gmail.com)

**YOGA BY JOAN** Offered virtually, Sun., Tues. & Thurs. Contact Joan: 561-767-6339 [joaniefla@hotmail.com](mailto:joaniefla@hotmail.com)

## WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS

David Amason  
Mark & Lisa Brown  
Jonathan & Andie McQuitty  
George Podray  
Jonathan & Riitta Seppala  
Brenda Weinstein

## OUR CONDOLENCES ON THE DEATHS OF

Fred Chalker  
Charles "Chuck" Kintz



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- Police / Fire (Non Emergency) 561-965-1700**
- J F K Medical Center 561-965-7300**
- Atlantis City Hall 561-965-1744**
- Building Department 561-965-1744 x112**
- Police (Administration) 561-965-1711**
- Utilities Department 561-965-1744 x117**
- Garbage Collection 561-965-1744 x112**
- Atlantis Country Club 561-965-7700**
- Lost City Golf Club 561-966-7600**

**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 household garbage and recycling for collection [BEFORE 7:00 am](#) on the day of service.** Bulk items may be placed at the curb after 5:00 pm on Sunday for Monday pickup. Vegetation may be placed at the curb after noon on Sunday for Monday pickup.

**Please use your underground containers.** Liners may be obtained at Ace Hardware. Recycle Containers may be obtained at City Hall. Other containers must be screened.

**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.