

# Bunnell Newsletter

AUGUST 2014



## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

**August 1st:** Bunnell's City Administration, Clerk's Office, Finance and Utility Billing Departments will now be open at the Atlantic Business Park: 2323 N State St, Unit 60.

**September 1:** City Offices will be closed in observation of Labor Day.

## **REMINDERS:**

**Solid Waste:** There will be no interruption of Solid Waste service on Labor Day.

Please place your carts out the night before garbage pickup to ensure the carts are emptied the morning of pickup.

**Utility Billing:** For your safety please do not submit cash payments for your water bill when leaving it in the drop box.

## **NEW BUSINESSES:**

Arrow Materials & Excavating  
200 Secret Tr

Infinity Home Health Care  
1325 HWY 100 W

J Marine Diesel Specialist  
3000 E Moody Blvd, Unit A

Mick Conkle Handyman

Taylor Landscaping

Teamwork Graphics  
306 S Railroad St, Unit C

Transformation Styling Studios  
4601 E Moody Blvd, Unit E07

## **NEW EMPLOYEES:**

**Finance Director:**  
Stella Gurnee

**Utilities Administrative Assistant:**  
Stephanie Judy

**Maintenance Technician I:**  
James Harrison

## **ENGINEERING:**

The City of Bunnell has selected TLC Diversified Inc. as a general contractor for the construction of the Ion Exchange System at the Water Treatment Plant (WTP). Notice to Proceed was issued on July 7<sup>th</sup> and the contractor has 365 days to complete all construction activities. The groundbreaking ceremony is scheduled for August 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at the WTP located at 100 Utility Drive in Bunnell, FL.

## **FLAGLER COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS:**

Vote August 26<sup>th</sup> at your assigned polling location or vote early August 11-23<sup>rd</sup> at the Palm Coast Community Center, Palm Coast Library or Flagler County Elections Office. Call 386-313-4170 or visit [FlaglerElections.com](http://FlaglerElections.com) for more information.

## **WHAT'S NEW:**

The City of Bunnell has purchased a new City Hall: Heritage Charter School, located at 201 West Moody Blvd. The one block facility will become the new City Hall and Municipal Campus housing the City's staff, the Police Department and the City's meeting facility. The retrofit of the facility is expected to begin the week of July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2014 and most staff should be occupying the facility by September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014. We will have further information pertaining to the Grand Opening in our September newsletter.

## **IN THE INTERIM:**

While the new facility is being retrofitted City Administration, Clerk, Finance, and Utility Billing Departments will be moved to the Atlantis Business Park located at 2323 North State St, Unit 60 effective August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014. The payment drop box at the Police Department will remain in service and a drop box for payments will be added at the current location in the Flagler County Government Services Building; payments will be picked up each morning for posting. Those wishing to make payments in person can do so by visiting the office at the Atlantis Business Park between the hours of 08:00AM and 04:30PM, Monday through Friday.

## **MEETINGS CALENDAR**

City Commission:

August 11th, August 25th . 7:00pm

CRA Board:

August 11th..... 6:30pm

Code Enforcement Board:

August 13th..... 7:00pm

Planning, Zoning & Appeals Board:

August 19th..... 7:00pm

*August City meetings will be held in the Old Coquina City Hall located at 200 S Pine St.*

## **City Commission**

### **Mayor:**

Catherine D. Robinson

### **Vice Mayor:**

John R. Rogers

### **Commissioners:**

Elbert Tucker

Bill Baxley

Bonita Robinson

### **City Manager:**

Larry Williams

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

### *Lightening Awareness*

Now we are in our summer thunderstorm season and Florida ranks as the deadliest lightning state in the United States of America. In Flagler County we have had several lightning related injuries over the years, but we have never recorded a lightning related fatality since records have been kept. You can help us keep it that way by remembering these thunderstorm and lightning safety rules.

### **Lightning: What You Need to Know**

**NO PLACE** outside is safe when thunderstorms are in the area!!

If you hear thunder, lightning is close enough to strike you.

When you hear thunder, immediately move to safe shelter: a substantial building with electricity or plumbing or an enclosed, metal-topped vehicle with windows up.

Outdoor events should be suspended or ended when thunder is heard.

Stay in safe shelter at least 30 minutes after you hear the last sound of thunder.

### **Indoor Lightning Safety**

Stay off corded phones, computers and other electrical equipment that put you in direct contact with electricity.

Avoid plumbing, including sinks, baths and faucets.

Stay away from windows and doors, and stay off porches.

Do not lie on concrete floors, and do not lean against concrete walls.

### **Last Resort Outdoor Risk Reduction Tips**

If you are caught outside with no safe shelter anywhere nearby the following actions may reduce your risk:

Immediately get off elevated areas such as hills, mountain ridges or peaks

Never lie flat on the ground

Never shelter under an isolated tree

Never use a cliff or rocky overhang for shelter

Immediately get out and away from ponds, lakes and other bodies of water

Stay away from objects that conduct electricity (barbed wire fences, power lines, windmills, etc.)

### **Lightning Myths and Facts**

**MYTH** Lightning never strikes twice in the same place.

**FACT** Lightning can strike multiple times in the same place.

**MYTH** Rubber tires protect you from lightning.

**FACT** It is the metal of the vehicle conducts the charge around you. Motorcycles and golf carts offer no protection from lightning.

**MYTH** A small wooden canopy will protect from lightning.

**FACT** Small shacks offer no protection.

**MYTH** When it is not raining, it is safe to be outside even through thunder is heard.

**FACT** If you can hear thunder, you are in range of lightning

### **National Weather Service:**

**1-800-499-1594**

## ***Lightning Safety & Awareness*** ***When Thunder Roars...Go Indoors!***

**F**act: As soon as thunder is heard, you are at risk of being struck by lightning, & ALL thunderstorms produce lightning.

**L**ocate a safe, substantial building should a thunderstorm approach your location (the building should be grounded with wiring and plumbing).

**A**ct quickly when thunder is heard and/or tall, building cumulus clouds (puffy white clouds) approach. Go to your safe shelter.

**S**tay inside your lightning shelter until at least 30 minutes after the last rumble of thunder before resuming outdoor activities.

**H**elp lightning strike victims quickly (they DO NOT carry electrical charge). Call for medical help immediately, and initiate CPR if the victims heart or breathing stops.

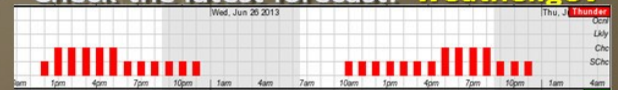
For more information visit: [lightningsafety.noaa.gov](http://lightningsafety.noaa.gov)

### **U.S. Lightning Strike Statistics**

- Since 2006, 64 percent lightning deaths occurred during leisure activities.
- Around 80% of the lightning fatalities were male.

### **Lightning Strike Prevention**

- Check the latest forecast: [weather.gov](http://weather.gov)



(Graphics show when lightning is most likely each day)

- Scan the Sky
- NO PLACE outside is safe when storms are in the area
- Never shelter under an isolated tree
- Immediately get out and away from ponds, lakes, and other bodies of water
- Stay away from objects that conduct electricity (metal fences, power lines, etc.)



450 AM EDT  
Mon Jun 23 2014  
National Weather Service  
Jacksonville, FL