



West Cape May

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Special Events

MAY: Loyalty Day is May 1st, Borough wide yard sale is the Saturday preceding our bulk trash pickup, Bulk Trash Pickup is the 3rd Wednesday.

JUNE: The **Farm Market at the "Backyard Park"** opens the last week in June and runs ten weeks long every Tuesday from 3:00 pm - 7:30 pm featuring a wide variety of food and craft vendors with live music and much more!

AUGUST: 4th Annual Fish Fry & Beer Garden is 8/12 Proceeds benefit the Christmas Parade and WCM VFC.

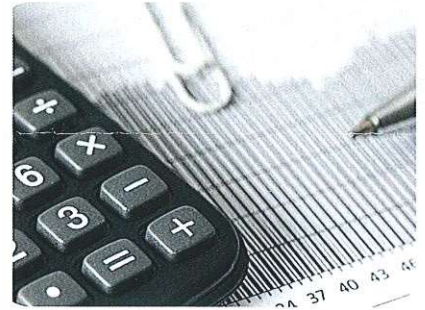
SEPTEMBER: The Shade Tree Commission is hosting the Tomato Festival in the Backyard Park Labor Day Saturday. The New Jersey Run for the Fallen is late September.

OCTOBER: The Lima Bean Festival will be celebrated Saturday of Columbus Day weekend in the Backyard Park, and Bulk Trash Pickup is scheduled for the 3rd Wednesday.

DECEMBER: The WCM Community Christmas Parade is always the first Saturday in December.

Financial Update

The Borough adopted the \$3.8 million dollar 2023 budget on March 22nd with a modest 1.7 cent tax increase. Despite increases in many statutory expenditures, which included an unprecedented 20% increase in the state health benefits programs, the Borough was able to hold the line with new and creative revenue sources. The implementation of a transient marketplace tax on online rentals helped us anticipate an added \$110,000 in the budget for this year which represents about two cents on our local tax rate. Further good news is that amount is expected to increase next year once a full year of activity is realized.



The Borough also continues to aggressively pursue grant support from other agencies to help offset the costs of much needed capital projects. NJ DOT and Cape May County grants have been awarded to help improve 2nd and 5th avenues totaling over \$750,000. A separate NJ DOT grant has been accepted for \$603,000 which will fund bicycle and pedestrian improvements on Park Blvd and Central Avenue.

For more details on any event & important updates:
visit us @westcapemay.us
or on Facebook @Borough of West Cape May
or @westcapemay on Instagram

Did you know?

On our website, www.westcapemay.us, you can:

- Make Payments
- Access Various Links
- Download Forms
- View Agendas and Minutes
- Access Borough Code
- Access Applications

Always the 1st Saturday in December:
Remember, the West Cape May Christmas Parade depends upon individual contributions from members of our community like you!
It is **NOT** funded through tax dollars.

Tips to Conserve Water

The Borough conserves water whenever possible and we would love for our residents to do the same. Try these tips for conserving water throughout your home.

- Turn off the tap!** Save 200 gallons of Water a month by turning of the tap while you wash your hands!
- Load up the Laundry!** Save energy by washing clothes in cold water and save water by running the wash with full loads.
- Sprinklers!** Monitor irrigation closely, it uses more water than you think!



Tax and Water/Sewer Bills are due quarterly:

Taxes - February 1st/ May 1st/ August 1st and November 1st

Water/Sewer - February 15th/ May 15th/ August 15th
and November 15th



Historic District

West Cape May's Historic District **HAS CHANGED!**

Anyone who owns property within **it must obtain approval from the HPC** before doing **any** exterior work to their home or business. To view a map of the boundaries or obtain an application, visit our website. Be sure to use the updated application!

Zoning & Code Enforcement

Please remember to maintain the sidewalks and keep alleys clear to ensure safe passage for pedestrians and vehicles.

It is the homeowner's responsibility to repair and maintain the sidewalk and curb abutting their property. Homeowners bordering an alley are responsible for keeping the alleys clear of growth and debris, allowing safe clearance for emergency vehicles. For more information on these important matters see section 17-22 of the Borough Code. As a reminder, a permit is required for all tree removal. Applications are available online or can be obtained from the Zoning Office.

Contact the Zoning/Code Enforcement Office @ extension 105 for any & all questions or issues.

Did You Remember To...

- Get your Dog licensed?**
This is a NJ State Law requirement.
- Apply for your Mercantile License?**
Not just for businesses, anyone renting a house, apt. or condo is required to purchase a mercantile license. Contact the Clerk's office for info.
- New this year!! All mercantile license holders must register liability insurance! See Clerk for more information.**



REUSE REDUCE RECYCLE

Trash Collection & Recycling

Pineland Construction & Recycling @ 609-478-8039, provides trash and recycling collection every Wednesday with the exception of Holidays that are posted on the Borough website. **Items must be curbside by 7:00 am.**



Residential Organic Waste

Provided by WCM Public Works every Monday. Items must be curbside by 7:00 am, in biodegradable bags only, and not over 40 lbs.

Bulk Trash Pickup



Bulk Trash Pickup is the 3rd Wednesday of May and October. *Please, for the benefit of all residents and the natural beauty of WCM, do not place items curbside earlier than the night before.*

Monthly Meetings:

Board of Commissioners
2nd & 4th Weds. 7:00 pm

Shade Tree Commission
2nd Tues. 6:00 pm

Environmental Commission
1st Wed. 6:30 pm

Planning-Zoning Board
1st Tues. 7:00 pm and
Work Sessions 3rd Tues. 7:00 pm

Historic Preservation Commission
2nd Thurs. 7:00 pm

