

**Cape May City**  
**Monthly Managers Report**  
**March 2026**



**Paul Dietrich, PE, PP, CME, CFM, CPWM**  
City Manager – City Engineer – Floodplain Manager

**Justin Riggs, MPA, SHRM-CP**  
Deputy City Manager

## **ADMINISTRATION**

We have several capital projects that are wrapping up the design phase and we are looking to start construction this Fall including: Seawall expansion from Madison to Wilmington, FY2026 Sewer Replacement Project and replacement of the Desalination Water Treatment Plant. Capital Projects that are currently under construction include (Full summary in Appendix A):

- Reconstruction of Harborview Park (Opening June 2026)
- Construction of Police HQ Building (Opening March 2027)
- Reconstruction of Lifeguard HQ (Ribbon Cutting May 1, 2026)
- Reconstruction of Promenade (Cove to Madison) (Opening June 2026)
- Water/Sewer/ Road Reconstruction (Complete Winter 2026 with Summer break)
- ADA improvements at Tennis Club & Physick Estate (Start Fall 2026)

Working on extending Jitney service to West Cape May (future shared service) for 2026 season. Evaluating water/sewer rates and impact from future capital costs of the new watertreatment building. Evaluating Municipal Court services based discussion from Assignment Judge Sheppard and staff from the Atlantic/Cape May Vicinage.

## **HUMAN RESOURCES / BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION**

1. Met with each Department Head (Police, Public Works, Civic Affairs, and Beach Tag) to review and implement the updated rehire/onboarding process for 2026 seasonal employees.
2. Communicated with seasonal employees regarding completion of the City's Primepoint onboarding process; monitored progress, reviewed submitted documentation for accuracy, completed I-9 forms, and maintained paper copies of required documents for each employee personnel file.
3. Coordinated employee background screening requirements through vendor Trion Aid, including monitoring completion status and results. Communicated fingerprinting requirements through IdentoGO for applicable employees and tracked completion. This is for all full time and seasonal employees.
4. Difference Card Claims Run-Out: Met individually with employees to identify claims not paid through the Difference Card system or claims requiring additional information. Compiled findings and forwarded documentation to MMA for reconciliation against AmeriHealth claims reporting and Difference Card payment history.
5. Tracked and communicated monthly benefit payments required from applicable individuals and coordinated collections as needed.
6. Audit Support: Provided documentation and supporting materials as requested by the City Auditor.
7. Responded to follow-up inquiries from Workers' Compensation carrier representatives regarding outstanding questions and pending matters.

8. Coordinated and scheduled an onsite visit in May with the City's Deferred Compensation representative (Voya).
9. Performed benefits administration duties, including reconciliation of medical, dental, vision, basic life, short-term disability, and retiree coverage, and processed qualifying life events (QLEs).
10. Prepared and issued COBRA notifications for employee terminations and eligible new hires.

## **Safety Classes and Toolbox Talks Completed**

Cape May City conducted multiple safety-related trainings and toolbox talks during March 2026 to strengthen workplace safety awareness and reinforce best practices across departments.

### **Safety Classes Conducted**

- Safety, Claims, and Wellness Roundtable
- The Power of Collaboration
- Active Shooter and Hostile Events – Critical Considerations for Organizational Leaders

### **Toolbox Talks Conducted**

- Fuel spill response and prevention at the fuel pump
- Cutting back brush on the beachfront
- Removal of brush at the curb using a chipper and saw
- Office safety talks (Tax Office)
- Snow and ice safety (Tax Office)

Additional safety classes are currently scheduled and will be completed in the coming weeks.

## **ACM JIF Safety Incentive Program Recognition**

Cape May City earned \$2,750 through the 2025 ACM JIF Safety Incentive Program, in recognition of the City's strong safety performance. Although the award was issued in 2026, the incentive was earned based on performance and achievements during the 2025 calendar year.

The ACM JIF Safety Incentive Program promotes proactive safety culture among member municipalities and advances the overall safety and risk management objectives of the Fund. The awards were formally announced at the Annual Safety Breakfast held on March 24, 2026, which was attended by Fund Commissioner Justin Riggs, Safety Coordinator Frank McCloskey, and Tax/Water & Sewer Collector Deb Lindholm.

This recognition reflects the continued commitment of City leadership and municipal employees to maintaining a strong workplace safety culture through training, compliance, and risk reduction initiatives.

Additionally, Deputy City Manager Justin Riggs, Deputy Fire Chief Mike Eck, and Tax/Water & Sewer Collector Deb Lindholm achieved the MSI Leadership Academy Award for excellence in completing the MEL Safety Leadership Academy.

## **Federal Advocacy – NFIP Flood Insurance Rates**

Deputy City Manager Justin Riggs corresponded with U.S. Senator Cory Booker’s office regarding NFIP flood insurance rates. His comments were entered into the record as part of ongoing advocacy efforts supporting more affordable flood insurance rates for the City of Cape May. The response letter received from Senator Booker’s office is attached.

**Justin Riggs**  
**Deputy City Manager, Fund Commissioner**

## **LAND USE**

The Construction Office issued 45 new permits including demolition of 1 structure). Additionally 3 new permits were issued for Cape May Point and 9 new permits were issued for West Cape May.

The Zoning Office has issued 25 Zoning permits along with reviewing City Permits.

The Planning Board heard 1 application and 3 Master Plan Consistency Reviews.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment heard 1 application.

The Historic Preservation Commission held their regular meeting , approved 27 applications in review (not needing a full Commission review) and heard 7 applications.

The Shade Tree Commission held their reorganization meeting, reviewed no street tree removal and 3 residential street tree removal requests.

Flood Manager reviewed 50 applications and issued 5 Flood Compliance Certificates new residential home sales.

**Lou Vito**  
**Construction Official**

**Paul Dietrich**  
**City Engineer**

## **CIVIC AFFAIRS – TOURISM – RECREATION**

- February is just as important as January to finish planning out the year, but final planning steps are taking place – booking vendors, advertising, etc.
- Roller Skating is in full swing so I have limited payroll during the week due to heavy scheduling on the weekends to run the program.
- We are moving forward with hiring (2) part time Community Center employees to cover the hours the building is open. These employees (we already have one – Katie Rafter is one of the current part timers) will not only open and close the Community Center, but they will be included under the umbrella of the full time staff I have to assist me with running both buildings and all programs. In other words, they will be assisting with additional administrative tasks such as creating schedules, entering waivers, comp analysis, booking services for events, follow up, marketing tasks such as entering our events on the local websites (AC Press, visitnj.com, etc.)
- This is the time of year we finalize all planning. There is a lot that goes into putting on our normal schedule – parades, concerts, Easter, movies, magic show, weddings, meetings, Christmas events, etc. I meet with the staff weekly to ensure everything is complete or soon to be completed for all events. Attached is the CURRENT state of our event list. This is always updating, just FYI.
- Concerts are live as of March 1<sup>st</sup>; the lineup is:
  - 6/28 Mac McAnally
  - 7/12 The Stylistics
  - 7/26 Joan Osbourne
  - 8/2 The Spinners
  - 8/7 AJ Croce
  - 8/9 The Legendary Wailers
  - 8/23 Blue Oyster Cult
- As of today, I do not have movement of production for a massive beach concert. A Councilmember requested to host a beach concert for several thousand guests with a big name. I have put that out to promoters to submit offers. This is not something we are equipped to host in house.
- We hit our Anniversary Kick-Off goal dates – banners went up before Presidents Day Weekend. Most of the goal dates are in March so I will include them next month. Unfortunately, we lost one over-the-street banner in the storm. Commemorative booklets came out the first week of March instead of March 1<sup>st</sup> due to the storm, but they're out and look great.
- Anniversary Task Force met again in February and established events and networking steps moving forward.
- Harborview bench holders have been contacted; Promenade plaque inscriptions were sent to Gen Rec for creation. Harborview plaque inscriptions were sent.
- Livestream and Audio Visual is still not complete.
- Stage Lighting is scheduled for March/April.

**Kacie Rattigan**

**Director of Civic Affairs, Recreation, Tourism and Marketing**

## **OUTSIDE OPERATIONS**

Beach Tag sales are at \$236,215 which is \$17,185 more than same period in 2025. Staff is prepping for the start of the season and working with HR to rehire beach tag staff for summer season.

We have installed 4 new parking kiosks along Beach Ave.

**Michelle Sampson**  
**Outside Operations Manager**

## **TAX ASSESSOR'S OFFICE**

In March 2026, the Cape May City Tax Assessor's Office continued its regular statutory duties while maintaining accurate property assessment records for the City. During the month, the office processed 15 deeds to ensure property ownership records remained current and accurate and completed 7 two-hundred foot lists to assist with zoning applications, planning matters, and public notification requirements. In addition, the office conducted 1 field inspection to verify property information and processed 10 address changes to maintain accurate municipal records. A primary focus for the month was preparing for the April 1st tax appeal deadline, during which the office responded to inquiries from property owners, explained assessment methodologies, and provided guidance to those considering filing an appeal. There were also 3 appeals filed by the Assessor's Office on behalf of residents for the purpose of correcting assessment discrepancies.

**Patrick McCarthy, CTA**  
**Tax Assessor**

## CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

### Tort Claims:

2 active  
1 denied

### Active litigation: 8 cases

### Permits/Licenses

ABC Licenses:	Renewal process begins in May. Due by 6/30
Bank Street Parking Permits:	Renewals to be mailed 3/1. Due 4/30
BID assessments:	45
Contractors Licenses:	12
Dog Licenses:	8
Dog Park (weekly & seasonal):	1
Handicapped Parking Permits:	2 denied – non-residents
Jackson Street Parking Permits:	Sold out for 2026. Renewed in November annually
Mercantile Licenses:	731 total (270 online)
On-Street Parking Permits:	8
OPRA requests:	14 + 3 WCM
Patio Permits:	Applications mailed to usual permittees 2/2. Due by 4/1
Peddlers/Vendors Permits:	Registrations mailed to usual permittees 2/2. Due by 4/30
Private Driveway Permits:	Renewed in September annually
Street Opening Permits:	4 (1 hardship request approved by Council)
Tent Permits:	2
Yard Sale Permits:	0
Wedding ceremony location permits:	3
Certified copies issued:	45
Marriage license appts:	4
Marriage licenses processed:	4
Registrations/ titles processed:	28
Resolutions adopted:	39
Ordinances introduced:	1
Ordinances adopted:	10

### Current/upcoming tasks:

- Mercantile License renewal invoices and cover letters were emailed on March 6<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>. Due by 4/30/26. Late fees will be incurred May 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Bid assessments mailed first week in March – due April 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Updated Financial Disclosure Statement roster. Filing portal went live 3/30/26; due by 4/30 for all eligible local government officials.
- Audit of 2025 by Ford Scott & Assoc. ongoing.

**Erin C. Burke, RMC, CMR**  
City Clerk

## FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU

During the month of February, our inspectors focused on addressing systems taken out of service due to severe weather (examples: damaged fire alarm panels from electrical issues, broken sprinkler pipes due to freezing, etc.) This resulted in an increase in the number of imminent hazard notices issued.

Scheduling is currently ongoing, and we expect inspection volumes to increase over the coming months.

<b>Month</b>	<b># of Inspections</b>	<b># of Imminent Hazard Notices</b>	<b>Violations Cited</b>
January	101	0	28
February	129	7	60
<b>Total</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>88</b>

Billin Billing occurs in bulk during the first week of January, typically resulting in a high collection rate in the initial months. Additional revenue streams include new property registrations, the sale of properties, and quarterly state reimbursement checks received for completed Life Hazard Use properties.

Properties categorized as Life Hazard Use (LHU) have a greater inherent risk compared to non-Life Hazard Use (NLHU) properties. The State registers and bills for these specific uses. While the Local Enforcing Agency (LEA) conducts all the necessary inspections, the State retains 35% of the associated fees and reimburses the remaining 65% to the LEA

<b>Month</b>	<b>Billed</b>	<b>Collected</b>
January	\$192,475.00	\$111,775.00
February	\$ 1,085.00	\$ 41,695.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$193,560.00</b>	<b>\$154,460.00</b>

**Mark Barham**  
**Fire Official**

## **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

### **Current Projects:**

- Building lifeguard stands-Completed
- Community center sign-Completed
- Penn Ave rock islands
- Dog park roofs



On top of these projects DPW is maintaining daily duties such as Maintain/Cleaning of (10) public facilities, collecting trash, recycle, residential recycling, work orders and getting the town ready for the spring and summer.

### **March Collection Totals:**

Residential Recycle (21.40) tons; which is down (15) tons from the new ordinance  
Storm Branches and Brush collection was 67.25 ton.

### **March Overtime Total**

(68) hours of schedule overtime for roller skating  
(3) Call ins requesting (4) personal for trash for WAWA, cleanup at cove and engine issue.

**Eric Prusinski**  
**Superintendent of Public Works**

## **WATER – SEWER DEPARTMENT**

We are working to get the beachfront restrooms operational.

We have been assisting the USCG Engineers with figuring out their ongoing Chlorine Residual issues. This includes flowing multiple hydrants and taking chlorine tests at various locations. We determined that we are providing adequate chlorine to them and they need to flush their system more frequently, and/or re-install a chlorine injection system.

We performed sewer camera inspections on 7 different properties, all issues were deemed to be the responsibility of the homeowner.

Work on the well 8 transmission line is nearing its completion and should be completed by end of April

**Robert Cummiskey**  
**Superintendent Water Sewer Department**

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

For the month of March, the Fire Department responded to 49 fire calls and 64 EMS calls. EMS by district – 53 Cape May, 2 Cape May Point, 6 West Cape May, 2 Lower Township, 1 other.

USFA reports 4 firefighter line of duty deaths year to date.

### **Fire Training**

Members of the Fire Department completed their annual Mayday training during the month, a critical component of firefighter survival and safety preparedness. Mayday training focuses on scenarios in which a firefighter experiences a distress situation that could threaten their life or ability to safely exit a structure. These scenarios include becoming lost, disoriented, trapped, low on breathing air, or separated from their crew during fireground operations. The purpose of this training is to ensure that all personnel can quickly recognize when a Mayday situation exists and effectively communicate vital information—such as their unit, location, air supply status, and specific hazards—to command and rescue teams.

The evolutions incorporate both classroom and hands-on components, allowing members to practice radio communications, orientation techniques, and self-rescue methods under realistic conditions. Smaller organizations rely heavily on each firefighter's ability to respond decisively, maintain situational awareness, and coordinate efficiently when additional resources may not be immediately available. Consistent proficiency in Mayday procedures enhances operational safety with limited personnel, members can act quickly to protect one another and manage emergencies effectively. This training reinforces the department's commitment to maintaining high standards of readiness and supporting the safety and well-being of all personnel operating in hazardous environments.

## **EMS**

The goal of this month's emergency medical training was to educate Cape May Firefighter/EMTs on the proper management of alcohol-intoxicated patients. This training focused on the medical, legal, and ethical challenges commonly encountered when providing emergency care to individuals under the influence of alcohol. Participants reviewed assessment techniques, recognition of critical medical conditions that can mimic intoxication, and safe patient handling practices to minimize risk to both the patient and the provider.

An emphasis was placed on the legal and ethical responsibilities of EMS providers in these situations, including obtaining valid patient consent, determining decision-

making capacity, appropriate patient refusals, and maintaining confidentiality in accordance with HIPAA and state EMS regulations. The training also addressed scene safety, coordination with law enforcement, and documentation standards necessary to protect both the patient's rights and the department's legal interests.



### **March 5th**

Members of the Fire Department participated in Read Across America at Cape May Elementary School, supporting the district's literacy initiative and community engagement objectives. Firefighters visited multiple classrooms to read age-appropriate stories, discuss the importance of reading, and answer questions about their work in public safety. The event provided an opportunity to strengthen relationships with students and staff while reinforcing the department's commitment to community involvement and education outreach.

### **March 26<sup>th</sup>**

Members of the Fire Department assisted Cape May Elementary School with its annual Science Fair by serving as guest judges for student projects. Fire personnel evaluated exhibits, interacted with participants, and provided positive feedback to encourage continued interest in science and learning. Their involvement supported the school's educational mission and reflected the department's ongoing commitment to community engagement and youth development.



## March 27th

Members of the Fire Department participated in Career Day at Consolidated Elementary School, providing students with insight into the roles and responsibilities of firefighters and emergency responders. Crews showcased firefighting equipment, discussed the training and education required for the profession, and emphasized the importance of safety, teamwork, and community service. The event served as a valuable opportunity to inspire future generations and continue building positive relationships between the department and local schools.



## SQUAD INSPECTION

During the month, representatives from the Cape May Fire Department traveled to the Ferrea facility near Baton Rouge, Louisiana, to conduct a factory inspection of the new Squad currently under construction for the department. These inspections are a critical component of the procurement process, allowing fire officers & firefighters to evaluate the vehicle's layout, equipment configuration, and operational features prior to final assembly and delivery.



Conducting an on-site review ensures that the apparatus meets departmental specifications, functional needs, and safety standards while allowing any necessary adjustments or corrections to be identified early in production. This proactive approach helps ensure the finished unit will operate efficiently, meet the demands of Cape May's emergency response environment, and support the department's long-term operational readiness.



## **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

### **March 17th**

The Fire Department was requested to City Hall for a report of electrical malfunction. Between Department of Public Works and the Fire Department the issue was isolated and the scene made safe. At time of incident OEM staff were notified of the call for service as they are connected to the Fire Department's dispatches via mobile phone. City Hall staff evacuated to Cape May Fire Department as previously planned and trained on. Once all staff were accounted for Fire staff were informed and continued to assist as needed. An electrician and Atlantic City Electric were requested to assist with troubleshooting the issue which seemed to originate from the generator. Due to the power being secured OEM utilized portable lights within the building to assist with those working on location. Once the property was secured and the building was ventilated, city hall staff returned to work.

**Alex Coulter, Chief**

**Michael Eck, Deputy Chief**



**PAUL E. DIETRICH**  
City Manager  
**ERIN C. BURKE**  
City Clerk

**ZACK MULLOCK**  
Mayor  
**MAUREEN K. MCDADE**  
Deputy Mayor  
**LORRAINE M. BALDWIN**  
Councilmember  
**STEVE BODNAR**  
Councilmember  
**SHAINE P. MEIER**  
Councilmember

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CITY OF CAPE MAY**

MONTHLY REPORT OF TAX COLLECTIONS  
Period Ending: February 28, 2026

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TAX COLLECTIONS:		
PRIOR YEAR (2024)	\$0.00	\$0.00
CURRENT YEAR (2025)	\$49,216.51	\$81,517.54
PRELIMINARY YEAR (2026)	\$2,627,652.77	\$7,651,713.26
CITY LIENS REDEEMED	\$0.00	\$0.00
LATE INTEREST CHARGES	\$6,427.32	\$7,655.14
END OF YEAR 6% PENALTY	\$2,675.69	\$2,675.69
	<u>\$2,685,972.29</u>	<u>\$7,743,561.63</u>
REVERSALS	(\$40,910.50)	(\$42,814.56)
REFUNDS	(\$2,216.86)	(\$2,216.86)
	<u>\$2,642,844.93</u>	<u>\$7,698,530.21</u>
ALL OTHER RECEIPTS (CURR FD)	<u>\$737,161.76</u>	<u>\$4,671,457.08</u>
TOTAL COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH	<u><u>\$3,380,006.69</u></u>	<u><u>\$12,369,987.29</u></u>

*Deborah Lindholm*

DEBORAH LINDHOLM  
TAX & UTILITY COLLECTOR

**City of Cape May**  
**National Historic Landmark**

2024  
TAX RECONCILIATION  
FEBRUARY 28, 2026

2024 EXTENDED DUPLICATE	\$31,605,674.53
2024 ADDED ASSESSMENTS	\$ 282,590.75
2024 CORRECTIONS TO THE TAX DUPLIC,	(\$41,748.78)
2024 TRANSFER TO TAX LIEN	(\$699.73)
2024 HOMESTEAD REBATE	\$0.00
2024 Y.E.P.(6%)	\$4,229.43
TOTAL DEBITS	\$31,850,046.20

PREPAID TAXES (JULY - DEC 2023)	\$728,999.01
COUNTY/STAT APPEALS	\$906.99
REFUNDS	\$0.00
SR/VET DED ADJ	\$0.00
INTERNAL TRANFERS	(\$32,756.09)
	\$697,149.91

TAXES PAID ( JAN-DEC 2024)	\$30,970,001.29
COUNTY/STATE APPEALS	\$2,237.54
REFUNDS	(\$3,414.66)
SR/VET DED ADJ	\$500.00
INTERNAL TRANSFERS	(\$20,766.18)
	\$30,948,557.99

TAXES PAID (JAN - DEC 2025)	\$204,588.30
COUNTY/STATE APPI	
REFUNDS	
SR/VET DED ADJ	(\$376.03)
INTERNAL TRANSFERS	\$126.03
	204338.3

TOTAL CREDITS	\$31,850,046.20
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BALANCE AS OF 02/28/26	\$0.00
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TAX STATUS REPORT 02/28/26	\$0.00
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DIFFERENCE	\$0.00
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2025  
TAX RECONCILIATION  
FEBRUARY 28, 2026

2025 EXTENDED DUPLICATE	\$32,974,793.92
2025 ADDED ASSESSMENTS	\$ 201,644.13
2025 CORRECTIONS TO THE TAX DUPLICATE	(\$1,118.30)
2025 TRANSFER TO TAX LIEN	(\$186.85)
	\$0.00
2025 Y.E.P.(6%)	\$4,546.68
TOTAL DEBITS	\$33,179,679.58

PREPAID TAXES (JULY - DEC 2024)	\$806,371.51	
COUNTY/STAT APPEALS	\$0.00	
REFUNDS	\$0.00	
SR/VET DED ADJ	\$0.00	
INTERNAL TRANSFERS	\$28,879.81	
		\$835,251.32

TAXES PAID (JAN - DEC 2025)	\$32,126,590.91	
COUNTY/STATE APPEALS	\$1,412.88	
REFUNDS	(\$4,124.41)	
SR/VET DED ADJ	\$16,219.85	
INTERNAL TRANSFERS	(\$31,985.71)	
		\$32,108,113.52

TAXES PAID (JAN - FEB 2026)	\$74,424.82	
COUNTY/STATE APPEALS	\$0.00	
REFUNDS	\$0.00	
SR/VET DED ADJ	\$0.00	
INTERNAL TRANSFERS	\$0.00	
		74424.82

TOTAL CREDITS	\$33,017,789.66
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BALANCE AS OF 2/28/26	\$161,889.92
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TAX STATUS REPORT 2/28/26	\$161,889.92
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DIFFERENCE	(\$0.00)
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2026  
TAX RECONCILIATION  
2/28/2026

2026 ORIGINAL TAX LEVY		\$16,561,034.16
2026 DEDUCTIONS		(\$25,250.00)
2026 ADDED ASSESSMENTS	\$	77,963.93
2026 PRELIMINARY ADJUSTMENTS		(\$1,211.04)
2025 Y.E.P.(6%)		\$0.00
TOTAL DEBITS		\$16,612,537.05
PREPAID TAXES PRIOR YEAR (2025)	\$868,673.85	
REVERSED PAYMENTS	\$0.00	
COUNTY/STAT APPEALS	\$0.00	
REFUNDS	\$0.00	
SR/VET DED ADJ	\$0.00	
INTERNAL TRANSFERS	\$31,676.40	
		\$900,350.25
TAXES PAID CURRENT YEAR (2026)	\$7,651,713.26	
REVERSED PAYMENTS	(\$33,547.85)	
TRANSFER TO LIEN	\$180.90	
COUNTY/STATE APPEALS	\$0.00	
REFUNDS	(\$2,216.86)	
SR/VET DED ADJ	\$0.00	
INTERNAL TRANSFERS	(\$220.00)	
		\$7,615,909.45
TAXES PAID SUBSEQUENT YEAR (2027)	\$0.00	
REVERSED PAYMENTS	\$0.00	
COUNTY/STATE APPEALS	\$0.00	
REFUNDS	\$0.00	
SR/VET DED ADJ	\$0.00	
INTERNAL TRANSFERS	\$0.00	
		\$0.00
TOTAL CREDITS		\$8,516,259.70
BALANCE AS OF 2/28/26		\$8,096,277.35
TAX STATUS REPORT 2/28/26		\$8,096,277.35
DIFFERENCE		\$0.00















## CAPE MAY CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

643 Washington Street Cape May, NJ 08204  
609-884-9500

### Monthly Activity and Arrest Summary- March 2026(Cape May, WCM, Point)

	<u>Totals</u>	<u>Cape May</u>	<u>WCM</u>	<u>CMPT</u>	<u>Arrests</u>
<b>Total Calls For Service</b>	1537	1122	349	66	14
<i>Calls for service requiring multiple officers.</i>	295	245	46	4	Male 35- Assault
<b>INVESTIGATIONS</b>					Female 49- unlawful possession of a weapon
ASSAULTS	2	2	0	0	Male 55- Terroristic Threats, Resist arrest
BURGLARIES	3	3	0	0	Male 40- Burglary
MALICIOUS MISCHIEF	4	3	1	0	Male 31- Assault
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	49	12	37	0	Male 31- Burglary
FAMILY OFFENSE	6	6	0	0	Male 31- Criminal Trespass
THEFTS	4	4	0	0	Male 35- DWI, Reckless Driving
SUSPICIOUS PERSONS/VEHICLES	13	8	4	1	Male 27- Weapons Offenses
<b>SERVICE CALLS</b>					Female 35- Contempt
ALARMS	35	31	2	2	Male 24- Contempt
CITIZEN ASSISTS	24	18	6	0	Male 53- DWI, Reckless Driving (WCM)
MEDICAL ASSISTS	30	27	3	0	Male 21- Theft
SCHOOL RELATED ACTIVITIES	55	28	27	0	Male 26- Contempt
PROPERTY CHECKS	431	282	97	52	
PUBLIC SERVICE/ MISCELLANEOUS	534	379	97	58	
<b>TRAFFIC</b>					
MOTOR VEHICLE STOPS	339	300	37	2	
TRAFFIC SUMMONS ISSUED	72	58	14	0	
PARKING SUMMONS	6	6	0	0	
DWI					
ACCIDENTS	9	8	1	0	
TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT/RADAR	391	354	36	1	
TRAFFIC SERVICES	4	4	0	0	
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE</b>					
ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES	379	235	144	0	
COURT SERVICES	5	2	1	2	

Chief Dekon Fashaw    Captain Joe Walker    Lieutenant Scott Krissinger    Lieutenant Kris Mazza



# Cape May Police Department

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Joseph M. Walker  
Captain

Scott H. Krissinger Jr.  
Lieutenant

Kristopher P. Mazza  
Lieutenant

Dorann V. Heminway  
Administrative Clerk

## Monthly Squad Directed Patrol Statistics

### March 2026

#### Patrol Squad 1- Sgt. Coll

- \*Area Assigned- **Beach Ave.**
- \*Radar Details Conducted- 15
- \*Motor Vehicle Stops Conducted- 21
- \*Tickets Issued- 8
- \*Warnings- 13

#### Patrol Squad 2- Sgt. Gibson

- \*Area Assigned- **Michigan Ave.**
- \*Radar Details Conducted- 26
- \*Motor Vehicle Stops Conducted- 0
- \*Tickets Issued- 0
- \*Warnings-0

(As per Sgt. Gibson- Barely any traffic on Michigan. Any traffic that was observed the construction slowed the drivers down).

#### Patrol Squad 3- Sgt. Murphy

- \*Area Assigned- **Columbia Ave.**
- \*Radar Details Conducted- 25
- \*Motor Vehicle Stops Conducted- 24
- \*Tickets Issued- 2
- \*Warnings- 13

#### Patrol Squad 4- Sgt. Mihal

- \*Area Assigned- **Park Blvd. (WCM)**
- \*Radar Details Conducted- 37
- \*Motor Vehicle Stops Conducted- 21
- \*Tickets Issued- 5

# Incident/CFS Search List

Agency: CAPE MAY CODE ENFORCEMENT From Report Date: 03/01/2026 To Report Date: 03/31/2026

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03/02/2026 07:52	2026-43424	0502		MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	CAPE MAY HARBOR, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/02/2026 07:53	2026-43425	0502		PRO-ACTIVE PATROL	CAPE MAY PROPER	RMS	
03/03/2026 11:27	2026-44251	0502		PRO-ACTIVE PATROL	VILLAGE GREEN, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/03/2026 11:27	2026-44254	0502		MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	OHIO AVE, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/03/2026 11:29	2026-44255	0502		ASSISTING-OTHER AGENCIES	IDAHO AVE & PITTSBURGH AVE, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/03/2026 11:31	2026-44257	0502		MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	6TH AVE, WEST CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/03/2026 13:41	2026-44326	0502		PRO-ACTIVE PATROL	CAPE MAY PROPER	RMS	
03/03/2026 13:42	2026-44329	0502		MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	CAPE MAY HARBOR, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/04/2026 09:04	2026-44868	0502		PRO-ACTIVE PATROL	VILLAGE GREEN	RMS	
03/04/2026 09:04	2026-44870	0502		MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	PITTSBURGH AVE	RMS	
03/04/2026 09:06	2026-44872	0502		MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	PITTSBURGH AVE, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/04/2026 13:54	2026-45015	0502		MEETING	643 WASHINGTON ST, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/04/2026 13:55	2026-45016	0502		COURT	643 WASHINGTON ST, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/05/2026 09:26	2026-45647	0502		MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	CAPE MAY HARBOR, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/05/2026 09:26	2026-45648	0502		PRO-ACTIVE PATROL	CAPE MAY PROPER- VILLAGE GREEN	RMS	
03/05/2026 09:27	2026-45650	0502		MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	BEACH AVE (CR 604), CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/05/2026 12:10	2026-45754	0502		OPRA REQUEST	OCEAN ST, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	

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03/09/2026 13:25	2026-48577	0502		MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	CAPE MAY HARBOR, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/09/2026 13:26	2026-48578	0502		PRO-ACTIVE PATROL	CAPE MAY PROPER	RMS	
03/09/2026 13:28	2026-48579	0502		ANIMAL COMPLAINTS ALL	643 WASHINGTON ST, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/10/2026 10:20	2026-49185	0502		PRO-ACTIVE PATROL	VILLAGE GREEN	RMS	
03/10/2026 10:21	2026-49186	0502		ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES	643 WASHINGTON ST, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/10/2026 10:23	2026-49187	0502		ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES	643 WASHINGTON ST, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/10/2026 10:24	2026-49188	0502		ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES	643 WASHINGTON ST, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/11/2026 09:29	2026-49738	0502		PRO-ACTIVE PATROL	VILLAGE GREEN, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/13/2026 11:00	2026-51157	0502		MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	CAPE MAY HARBOR, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/13/2026 11:01	2026-51158	0502		PRO-ACTIVE PATROL	CAPE MAY CITY, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/13/2026 11:03	2026-51160	0502		TRAINING	WASHINGTON ST, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/16/2026 07:59	2026-52923	0502		MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	CAPE MAY HARBOR, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/16/2026 08:00	2026-52924	0502		PRO-ACTIVE PATROL	CAPE MAY CITY	RMS	
03/16/2026 09:33	2026-52990	0502		TRAINING	WASHINGTON ST, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/17/2026 07:20	2026-54495	0502		PRO-ACTIVE PATROL	VILLAGE GREEN, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/17/2026 08:00	2026-54502	0502		MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	NEW YORK AVE	RMS	
03/17/2026 14:00	2026-54505	0502		TRAINING	5000 DUNE DR, AVALON, NJ 08202	RMS	
03/18/2026 08:09	2026-54444	0502		TRAINING	DUNE DR, AVALON, NJ 08202	RMS	
03/18/2026 08:13	2026-54448	0502		MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	ELMIRA ST, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/18/2026 08:14	2026-54450	0502		PRO-ACTIVE PATROL	CAPE MAY	RMS	
03/18/2026 08:15	2026-54452	0502		MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	CAPE MAY HARBOR, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	

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03/18/2026 09:17	2026-54493	0502		MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	INDIANA AVE	RMS	
03/18/2026 09:21	2026-54496	0502		PRO-ACTIVE PATROL	VILLAGE GREEN, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/20/2026 07:00	2026-55796	0502		PRO-ACTIVE PATROL	CAPE MAY CITY, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/20/2026 09:35	2026-55795	0502		MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	CAPE MAY HARBOR, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/20/2026 09:37	2026-55800	0502		PROPERTY CHECK / AREA CHECK	BROAD ST, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/23/2026 07:00	2026-58556	0502		PRO-ACTIVE PATROL	CAPE MAY CITY, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/23/2026 14:05	2026-58555	0502		MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	CAPE MAY HARBOR, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/23/2026 14:07	2026-58557	0502		MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	WISCONSIN AVE, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/23/2026 14:08	2026-58558	0502		PROPERTY CHECK / AREA CHECK	BROAD ST, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/24/2026 07:21	2026-58943	0502		MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	ELMIRA ST, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/24/2026 09:39	2026-59029	0502		PRO-ACTIVE PATROL	VILLAGE GREEN, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/25/2026 07:30	2026-59851	0502		PRO-ACTIVE PATROL	CAPE MAY CITY, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/25/2026 08:59	2026-59734	0502		PRO-ACTIVE PATROL	VILLAGE GREEN, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/25/2026 09:00	2026-59737	0502		MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	ILLINOIS AVE, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/25/2026 09:04	2026-59746	0502		MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	BEACH AVE (CR 604), CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/25/2026 11:18	2026-59833	0502		VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	N SHELLBAY AVE, CAPE MAY COURT HOUSE, NJ 08210	RMS	
03/26/2026 07:00	2026-60515	0502		PRO-ACTIVE PATROL	CAPE MAY CITY, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/26/2026 09:02	2026-60514	0502		MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	CAPE MAY HARBOR, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	

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03/26/2026 09:05	2026-60518	0502		MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	ELMIRA ST, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/30/2026 08:37	2026-63553	0502		MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	CAPE MAY HARBOR, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/30/2026 08:38	2026-63554	0502		PRO-ACTIVE PATROL	CAPE MAY PROPER	RMS	
03/31/2026 07:30	2026-64412	0502		PRO-ACTIVE PATROL	VILLAGE GREEN, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	
03/31/2026 08:54	2026-64302	0502		PRO-ACTIVE PATROL	CAPE MAY CITY	RMS	
03/31/2026 08:55	2026-64304	0502		MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS	CAPE MAY HARBOR, CAPE MAY, NJ 08204	RMS	

APPENDIX A  
CAPITAL PROJECTS

## Cape May City Project List

**Projects under construction:**                   \$ 25,012,429.89  
**Projects under design:**                         \$ 69,563,428.00  
**Grants:**                                                 \$ 59,894,989.00

### Promenade Preservation Project

Contractor:             Fred Schiavone Constr  
 Engineer:                DeBlasio Assoc

Construction Cost	\$ 5,864,590.50		Grant	\$ 6,722,552.00
Change Orders	\$ 1,092,275.72		10% required Match	\$ 672,255.20
Adjusted Contract	\$ 6,956,866.22	18.62%		\$ 7,394,807.20

Contractor restarted work. Working concrete repairs (Queen - Decatur); timber repairs (228 Beach ave to Broadway) COMPLETED; timber decking (Convention Hall) COMPLETED. Paving of promenade surface. Concrete repairs will be completed 1<sup>st</sup> week of April. Working on punch list.

**Police Station Building**

Contractor: Ogren Construction

Architect: Robbie Conely

Engineer: EDA

Inspector: Authority

Anticipated  
Completion March 2027

Construction Cost	\$ 8,626,000.00		
Change Orders	\$ -		
Adjusted Contract	\$ 8,626,000.00	0.0%	

Contractor working on exterior block work. Anticipate setting 2<sup>nd</sup> floor concrete panels on 4/27

**Additional Expenses**

Furniture:	\$ 180,000.00
IT	\$ 20,000.00
Security/ Cameras	\$ 150,000.00
Subtotal	\$ 350,000.00

**2025 Water/Sewer Project**

Contractor: L.Feriozzi Concrete

Engineer: DeBlasio

Construction Cost	\$ 5,989,622.00		NJIB Principal For.	\$ 7,000,000.00
Change Orders	\$ -			
Adjusted Contract	\$ 5,989,622.00	0.0%		

Roads: Illinois Ave; Ohio Ave; Idaho Ave; Stockton Place; Washington/Sydney.  
  
Contractor started. Working on Water/sewer services Idaho & Stockton; Paving Ohio and Illinois.

### Harborview Park

Contractor: Fred M. Shiavone  
 Engineer: EDA

Construction Cost	\$ 1,748,956.13		County Grant	\$ 1,397,366.00
Change Orders	\$ -		Match 10%	\$ 208,596.40
Adjusted Contract	\$ 1,748,956.13	0.0%		\$ 1,605,962.40

Setting foundation for pavilion. Placed concrete wall for seating. To start boardwalk construction.

### Capital Sidewalk Project

Contractor: Ambient  
 Engineer: EDA

Construction Cost			Budget:	\$ 600,000.00
Change Orders	\$ -			
Adjusted Contract	\$ -	#DIV/0!		

Project awarded Dec. 2025; Contracts have been signed. Contractor started on Ocean Ave.

### Lifeguard HQ Renovations

Contractor: Marino Construction  
 Architect: Robie Conley

Construction Cost	\$ 1,168,645.00		Budget:	\$ 1,500,000.00
Change Orders	\$ 27,736.70			
Adjusted Contract	\$ 1,196,381.70	2.4%		

Contractor 90% complete. Ribbon cutting scheduled for May 1<sup>st</sup>.

### Seawall Extension

Contractor: Colliers  
 Architect: Colliers

Construction Cost			FEMA Mit Grant	\$ 24,308,799.00
Change Orders	\$ -		25% Match	\$ 8,102,933.00
Adjusted Contract	\$ -	#DIV/0!		\$ 32,411,732.00

Colliers working on final plans. Awaiting sign-off and advancement from FEMA. Congressman's VanDrew's office reports tat DHS has signed off on the project.

## Desalination Plant

Engineer

CME

CME has received NJDEP for permits (CAFRA and TWA). Had meeting with NJIB to coordinate funding for next year. Scheduling meeting with USACOE to discuss project coordinate and their grant funding. Working on scenarios to adjust water rates.

### Project Phasing and Funding

	Funding	Funding Year	Budget Year	Grant Amount	City Match	Total
Phase 1b - Desal Equipment						
	WRDA	FY2026	2026/2027	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 165,000.00	\$ 665,000.00
	WRDA	FY2027	2027/2028	\$ 9,500,000.00	\$ 3,135,000.00	\$ 12,635,000.00
					Total Phase cost	\$ 13,300,000.00
					<b>2026 Bond</b>	<b>\$ 165,000.00</b>
					<b>2027/2028 Bond</b>	<b>\$ 3,135,000.00</b>
Phase 1a - Water Treatment Facility						
	EPA	FY2024	before June 2026	\$ 1,750,000.00	\$ 437,500.00	\$ 2,187,500.00
	Dept of Int	FY2026		\$ 1,250,000.00	\$ 312,500.00	\$ 1,562,500.00
	NJIB	FY2026	before June 2026	\$ 3,000,000.00	\$ 7,000,000.00	\$ 10,000,000.00
					Total Phase Cost	\$ 13,750,000.00
					<b>2026 Bond</b>	<b>\$ 12,000,000.00</b>
Phase 2 - Iron Removal						
	NJIB	FY2027	before June 2027	\$ 3,000,000.00	\$ 3,500,000.00	\$ 6,500,000.00
					<b>2027 Bond</b>	<b>\$ 6,500,000.00</b>
Phase 3 - Rehab Building & Energy Efficiency (Solar)						
	NJIB	FY2028	before June 2028	\$ 2,000,000.00	\$ 2,420,000.00	\$ 4,420,000.00
					<b>2028 Bond</b>	<b>\$ 4,420,000.00</b>
				<b>55%</b>	<b>44%</b>	
			<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 21,000,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 16,657,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 37,970,000.00</b>

## DCA ADA Grant PH1 & PH2

Contractor:

Engineer            EDA

Construction Cost			FY2025	\$	195,600.00
			FY2024	\$	270,672.00
Change Orders	\$	-	Match	\$	155,424.00
Adjusted Contract	\$	-	#DIV/0!	\$	621,696.00

Met with MAC and Tennis Club to review scope of work and path of the ADA sidewalk and associated improvement. Draft Plans have been submitted