Year in Review

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WENT CAPE MAY — Borough Commissioner approved its $32 million budget March 23 following a 1.7-cent tax rate increase. The tax rate would rise to 40.7 cents per $100 of assessed value, up 1.5 cents last year.

CAPE MAY — Members of the Historic Preservation Commission of Cape May Borough voted to approve the sale of a proposed project to install decorative arches on a section of the Promenade similar to the arches in downtown Asbury Park.

APRIL

CAPE MAY — Representatives of Cape Care Engineering estimated it would cost $3 million to increase the city’s drinking water capacity, including installing the definitive plan.

CAPE MAY — Borough Commissioners approved its 2022 municipal budget April 14 featuring a 1.5-cent increase in the tax rate. In the previous year due to salaries and wages increasing by $43,000.44, $410,000 more, and $1.1 million expansion of facilities at Cape Guard Training Center Cape May was approved, with plans for reconstruction to replace outdated barracks and training buildings.

CAPE MAY — City Council approved its 2022 municipal budget with no increase in the tax rate. The council approved personal code enforcement officers April 26 at 36.3 cents per $100 of assessed value. The budget totals $32 million with $26 million covered by the local property tax.

CAPE MAY — The beaches from Halloween Avenue through Poverty Beach suffered major erosion loss from winter and early spring storms, resulting in a three-level, tiered beach, the center of the beach with a high spot with slopes on both sides and a walled-in area marked by a breakwater close to the dunes.

CAPE MAY — City Council approved $5 million for the construction of a parking lot following a decision at the previous year due to $63,000.

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CAPE MAY — City Council approved a $5.5 million contract for preparation of a preservation and design concept study for the city-owned Allen AME Church property.

CAPE MAY — Cape May School Board of Education approved its 2023-24 budget that included a decrease in the local property tax. The rate dropped from 3.1 cents per $100 of assessed property value to 3.0 cents.

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